



SRS Citizens Advisory Board

Nuclear Materials Management Subcommittee

Meeting Summary

November 27, 1995

Barnwell, S.C.

The Citizens Advisory Board (CAB) Nuclear Materials Management (NMM) Subcommittee held a subcommittee meeting on Monday, November 27, 7 to 9 p.m. at the Winton Inn in Barnwell, SC. Subcommittee members attending the meeting were Tom Costikyan, Pat Tousignant, Alice Hollingsworth and Bob Slay. Savannah River Site resource personnel attending included Donna Martin, Westinghouse Savannah River Company (WSRC) and deLisa Bratcher, Department of Energy-Savannah River (DOE-SR). Bernard Goldstein, Consortium for Risk Evaluation with Stakeholder Participation (CRESP), also attended.

The meeting focused on the approval and ensuing recommendation to the CAB for an independent technical advisor to assist the NMM subcommittee in developing recommendations on the Storage and Disposition of Excess Weapons Grade Plutonium Programmatic EIS (PEIS).

NMM subcommittee chair, Tom Costikyan, briefly discussed the four candidates contacted, then explained why Bill Sutcliffe, Lawrence Livermore Laboratory, was the preferred candidate.

Costikyan listed the following as criteria supporting Sutcliffe:

- Knowledge of plutonium disposition issues and options
- Knowledge of non-proliferation issues
- Support of public policy, references provided
- Acknowledgment by National Academy of Sciences of work on the report "Management and Disposition of Excess Weapons Plutonium"
- Most reasonable per hour consultation fee
- Independence from SRS and DOE (Sutcliffe work is not funded by DOE)

Other candidates considered were:

- Don Orth, retired, Dupont and Westinghouse
- Leonard Hamilton, retired, Brookhaven National Laboratory
- John Evans, Harvard School of Public Health

The recommended tasks include review and analysis of disposition options in the Plutonium Disposition Programmatic EIS and assisting the subcommittee in the development of plutonium disposition recommendations.

The subcommittee agreed to take forward a recommendation to the CAB to seek Sutcliffe as the candidate. The estimated cost for the advisor will be about \$10,000 for six months. The effort will total about 130 hours.

The subcommittee had received the technical scope of work and the resumes of the candidates several weeks prior to the November 27 subcommittee meeting in preparation for discussion.

Note: Meeting handouts may be obtained by calling the SRS CAB toll free number at 1-800-249-8155.