Summary Notes – April 15, 2014 SRS Citizens Advisory Board Waste Management Committee Meeting

The Savannah River Site (SRS) Citizens Advisory Board (CAB) Waste Management (WM) Committee held a meeting on Tuesday, April 15, 2014, from 4:30-6:20 p.m., at the DOE Meeting Center in Aiken, SC. It was also streamed online via Google Hangouts.

The purpose of this meeting was to receive an update about the transuranic (TRU) Waste Program. There was also time set aside for committee discussion and public comments.

Attendees:

CAB Members:	DOE/ Contractors/ Others:	Stakeholders:
Dr. Marolyn Parson – CAB Chair	Herbert Crapse, DOE-SR	Lee Poe
Earl Sheppard – WM Chair	Jim Folk, DOE-SR	Tom Clements
Dr. Virginia Jones – WM Co-Vice Chair	Jean Ridley, DOE-SR	Karen Patterson
Louis Walters – WM Co-Vice Chair	Sandra Waisley, DOE-SR	Joe Ortaldo
Dr. Rose Hayes	Bill Taylor, DOE-SR	Nancy Bobbitt
Murlene Ennis	Gerri Flemming, DOE-SR	
Harold Simon – CAB Vice Chair - Online	John Gilmour, SRNS	Agency Liaisons:
Nina Spinelli – Online	Larry Ling, SRR	Mike May, SCDHEC
	Jeff Allender, SRNL	Tom Rolka, SCDHEC
	James Tanner, NOVA	

Welcome and Introduction:

CAB member Earl Sheppard opened the meeting by welcoming everyone. He reviewed the committee's focus and provided a recommendation status update. He stated recommendations 304, 311, and 312 were open. He introduced Mr. Herbert Crapse, Department of Energy- Savannah River (DOE-SR) to begin his presentation.

Jesslyn Anderson, NOVA

Presentation: SRS Transuranic Waste Program Update – Herbert Crapse, DOE-SR

Mr. Crapse said the purpose of his presentation was to satisfy a 2014 WM Committee Work Plan topic by presenting an update of SRS's progress towards the dispositioning of legacy TRU waste project. He provided a brief overview of the TRU Waste Program before he explained the different ways TRU waste was generated. He explained that DOE began managing TRU waste in the 1970's, adding that it was generated throughout the DOE complex. He explained the two types of TRU waste, which require different handling procedures, were contact-handled (CH) and remote-handled (RH). Mr. Crapse explained that TRU waste must be shipped to the Waste Isolation Pilot Plant (WIPP), which opened in 1999, and received the first shipment from SRS in 2001. He discussed the incident that occurred at WIPP on February 5, 2014, before listing various SRS accomplishments for the TRU program. He provided a pie chart titled "SRS Legacy TRU Waste Inventory." He said SRS TRU waste storage pads were located in E-Area and explained the regulatory compliance requirements for storage and shipping containers. Mr. Crapse said SRS legacy TRU waste would be certified and ready for shipment to WIPP since the remaining waste certification activities at WIPP were expected to be completed later in the year. He stated the waste would remain safely stored at SRS until it could be shipped to WIPP and DOE planned to continue updating the CAB on the recovery efforts at WIPP. This presentation can be found on the CAB website at: cab.srs.gov

Committee Discussion:

CAB member Sheppard discussed the Integrated Priority List presentation Mr. Rich Olsen, DOE-SR, provided at the March Full Board meeting. He explained that each committee was asked to provide input on what issues they felt were the most important activities that should be done at SRS for FY 2016. This discussion can be found on the CAB website at: cab.srs.gov

Public Comments:

There were no public comments.

CAB member Sheppard adjourned the WM Committee meeting.

The next WM Committee Meeting will be held on Tuesday, June 10, 2014, from 4:30-6:20 p.m., at the DOE Meeting Center in Aiken, SC.

The online recording of this meeting can be located on the CAB's website at: cab.srs.gov