



Executive Summary

Meeting Summary

September 29, 2009 • 4:30 p.m.

The Ohio State University Endeavor Center

1862 Shyville Road, Piketon, OH 45661

Room # 165

Committee Members Present: Sharon Manson, Larry Parker, Cristy Renner, and Dick Snyder

DOE Representatives: Dave Kozlowski and Greg Simonton

Support Staff: Julie Galloway and Brandy Moore

Snyder, Co-chair, opened the Executive Committee meeting.

1. Review of Previous Summary:

- The summary for the August 4, 2009, meeting was approved as presented.

2. Idaho Falls Update:

- **Snyder** stated that Cristy Renner, Larry Parker, and I attended the EM SSAB Chairs Meeting in Idaho Falls on September 22-24, 2009. **Snyder** stated Joann Luczak opened the meeting with a presentation on the Department of Energy Budget Guidelines. The chairs of the various Boards stated that they would like to have input on DOE's priority list. **Snyder** suggested that maybe this topic could be addressed at the October Fall Retreat. The Paducah Gaseous Diffusion Plant Citizens Advisory Board would like to work with the PORTS SSAB on the CERCLA cell issue. **Snyder** stated that Cate Brennan would send some guidelines on advice letters to him for reference on how to write recommendations and how to advise DOE.
- **Snyder** stated that Susan Leckband is going to provide him with information on Science Technology Engineering and Math (STEM) program; this was a very successful program at Hanford, Richland, WV.
- **Snyder** stated that Frank Marcinowski with DOE headquarters discussed the waste disposition at the Nevada Test Site and gave a brief explanation on the permit dilemma at the Nevada Test Site. The EM Department will modify the cold shutdown contract with the United States Enrichment Corporation (USEC) and subsequently award a competitive clean up contract for remediation and dismantlement of the Portsmouth Plant. **Kozlowski** stated that DOE's intent is to brief the Board on all of the stages of the budget. DOE has four periods per year for each budget cycle and there will be a time period when we cannot release some of the detailed and confidential information. It will be helpful for the Board to be knowledgeable on the DOE base line. With the new D&D contract, we expect to have a much more defined baseline budget developed soon.

- **Parker** stated that he appreciated the opportunity to attend the EM SSAB Chairs Meeting in Idaho Falls. It was stated that in the future budget there could be extra money coming into Portsmouth, due to D&D. The other sites are developing specific outreach programs dealing with communicating within their communities. Our Board should look into developing a Speaker’s Bureau. At the next EM SSAB Chairs Meeting, there will be a NRC representative so we will be able to submit questions.
- **Renner** stated having this opportunity allowed the Board members to see several different minds working together and seeing Idaho Falls technology working was very impressive. The group discussed an Option Period Letter, which urges DOE to use options to create flexibility to extend contract terms. In the end, this would help cultivate and sustain long-term business relations and increases community stability. **Parker** stated any recommendation letter brought out of the EM SSAB Chairs Meeting should be an up or down vote at a Board meeting.
- **Simonton** stated that each Board is trying to get extra funds for clean up but there is a competition between each site to receive these funds. There are many Future Use possibilities that fit into the technology and D&D. The process will become clearer and we will be able to see what is important.

Question/Comment:	Answer:
Snyder Does any of this have to deal with the bartering of uranium and could some of the uranium be used to help ACP out?	Kozlowski Unfortunately, on the backside of it, there is no direct support for ACP included in the barter discussions. The intent behind this was DOE’s mission at the site level to clean up and prepare for D&D. Therefore, the thought of this agreement was to barter or use the excess depleted uranium, process it and sell it to have additional funds. The way it is laying out, the D& D contract is not in place. DOE cannot give an immediate barter with that, so the next company that could execute it at this time would be USEC. Because it does introduce uranium into the market that exceeds some of the levels that were established, it does have to go for Secretarial determination, which is what Marcinowski was briefing you on.
Parker It was mentioned that they would not exceed 10% of what the market could bear.	Kozlowski The original agreement was put into place so DOE would not flood the market and force out a lot of the milling and mining companies.

Parker Many of the sites have a lot of elemental mercury, is that at Portsmouth?	Kozlowski No not here, we have mercury switches throughout the buildings. Mercury is just in the 1950's constructional material.
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3. Fall Retreat Update

- **Snyder** reviewed the Retreat Agenda
- **Kozlowski** stated that the Ohio EPA has no specific role at the Fall Retreat and can't see where they would be beneficial; therefore, they have chosen not to be in attendance.

4. Other Issues

- **Kozlowski** stated that DOE has submitted the three new Board members' applications and they are being vetted through Headquarters. Unfortunately, the Board will not see the new members' names until late October.
- **Intergovernmental Meeting**
 - **Simonton** explained the Intergovernmental Group has a three-day meeting in New Orleans, October 21-23, 2009. Typically, you can go for Thursday and half a day Friday (Wednesday is limited to local government meetings only) and DOE will pay for one Board member to attend. Cristy Renner, Larry Parker, and Dick Snyder are interested in attending the meeting. **Snyder** will discuss with Francis. EHI will send out an email stating that the Board is looking to send one person to this conference. It will then be discussed at the Retreat, and **Simonton** will handle the registration.
- **Simonton** stated that there should be a better method of taking statements from the public and how the Board wants to address them.

5. Action Items

- EHI will email the options letter to DOE and add it as an agenda item to the October Board meeting
- EHI will email all Board members asking about the New Orleans Intergovernmental interest.
- DOE to present a Budget Cycle Presentation to the Subcommittees.
- Speaker's Bureau development
- DOE will talk to Cate Brennan about the guidance letter on future recommendations.
- The Subcommittees will look into developing new concepts for use of new technologies.

Parker motions to adjourn, **Motion seconded.**

- **Motion carried**

Meeting adjourned at 6:20 p.m.