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TEXAS RADIATION ADVISORY BOARD MINUTES
INDUSTRIAL, NUCLEAR POWER, URANIUM and WASTE COMMITTEE

Friday, December 10, 2021
9:00 a.m.

1. Call to Order

Kevin Raabe, Chair, called the meeting to order at 9:01 a.m. A quorum was present.

2. Roll Call of Committee members present.

Members present: Darshan Sachde, Ph.D.; John Hageman, M.S., C.H.P.; Ken Peters; Sanjay Narayan; Charles Cavnor; Bob Redweik; and Roland Benke, Ph.D., C.H.P. Members not present: Tim Powell

Department of State Health Services (DSHS) staff present: Brian Vamvakias, Jennifer Nguyen, and Chris Myers

Texas Commission on Environmental Equality (TCEQ) staff present: Ashley Forbes, Bobby Janeka, and Gehan Flanders

Guests present: Eddie Selig, Advocates for Responsible Disposal in Texas; Brian Christian, Advocates for Responsible Disposal in Texas; Denise Brooks, State Energy Conservation Office; Rick Jacobi, Jacobi Consulting; and Stephen Raines, Texas Low Level Radioactive Waste Disposal Compact Commission

3. Review and, as needed, discuss, and take possible action concerning amendment and/or approval of the minutes of the September 24, 2021, TRAB INUW Committee meeting

Mr. Hageman made a motion to approve the minutes. Mr. Redweik seconded the motion, and the minutes were unanimously approved.

4. Public Comments

None

5. Routine and Continuing Business

A. Update and discussion on the Texas Low-Level Radioactive Waste Disposal Facility and WIPP waste temporary storage

Ms. Forbes suggested changing this agenda item to Los Alamos National Laboratory (LANL) waste temporary storage. Ms. Forbes stated there were no significant updates on the Texas Low-Level Radioactive Waste Disposal Facility.

B. Discussion of uranium sites in Texas and decommissioning

Ms. Flanders provided an update.

C. Identify topics to recommend to the TRAB

No topics were recommended.

D. Discuss Uranium Reserve Program

Mr. Raabe discussed the program.

6. New Business

A. Legislative Special Session Updates

Ms. Forbes stated there were no new updates since the last meeting.

B. Identify topics to recommend for further discussion and/or to be addressed at future meetings of the TRAB Industrial, Nuclear Power, Uranium, and Waste (INUW) Committee; Topic Research Committee; Medical Committee; or TRAB

Dr. Sachde recommended removing the legislative special session update from future agendas and replacing it with an item to track the spent nuclear fuel topic. Mr. Hageman recommended adding an item on the Molten Salt Reactor from Abilene Christian University.

7. Summarize TRAB INUW Committee meeting and recommendations for the Committee Report and proposed action items for TRAB

No items were proposed.

8. Adjourn

Mr. Raabe adjourned the meeting at 9:55 a.m.