



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

Friday, September 16, 2022
9:00 a.m.

1. Call to Order

Kevin Raabe, Chair, called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. A quorum was present.

2. Roll Call

Members present: Kevin Raabe, Darshan Sachde, Ph.D.; John Hageman, M.S., C.H.P.; Sanjay Narayan; Charles Cavnor; Bob Redweik, Ken Peters, and Roland Benke.

3. Introduction of guests

Department of State Health Services (DSHS): Brian Vamvakias

Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ): Ashley Forbes and Chance Goodin

Texas Department of Emergency Management: Jason Johnson

Texas Railroad Commission: Christine Peters

Advocates for Responsible Disposal in Texas: Eddie Selig and Brian Christian

State Energy Conservation Office: Cristina Madrid

4. Review and, as needed, discuss and take possible action concerning amendment and/or approval of the minutes of the June 24, 2022, Texas Radiation Advisory Board (TRAB) Industrial, Nuclear Power, Uranium, and Waste (INUW) Committee meeting

One correction was noted: Sanjay Narayan was absent at the June meeting and had an excused absence.

Bob Redweik moved to approve with corrections, and Charles Cavnor seconded. With corrections, the minutes passed unanimously.

5. Public Comments

None

6. Routine and Continuing Business

A. Los Alamos National Laboratory (LANL) waste temporary storage (TCEQ)

Ashley Forbes discussed the status of the storage of LANL waste at WCS.

B. Discussion of uranium sites in Texas and decommissioning

- Ashley Forbes discussed the public interest in existing sites.
- Ashley Forbes introduced Chance Goodin as the new manager of radiation at TCEQ.

C. Discuss Uranium Reserve Program

Kevin Raabe discussed the status of domestic uranium production.

D. Spent Nuclear Fuel Transport

Ashley Forbes and Kevin Raabe discussed Texas legislation concerning the transportation of spent nuclear fuel.

E. TRAB status report on INUW's Strategic Goals for 2022

John Hageman suggested adding a goal to be kept informed of activities related to emergency preparedness.

F. Identify topics to recommend for TRAB discussion

Kevin Raabe suggested the TRAB follow-up on the Cobalt Magnet exercise. A suggestion was made to make a position statement concerning the lack of Health Physics staff available.

7. New Business

A. Identify topics to recommend for further discussion and to be addressed at future meetings of the TRAB INUW Committee; Topic Committee; Medical Committee, or TRAB

See item 6.F.

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

- Request lessons learned report from Cobalt Magnet Exercise
- Propose a position statement concerning the lack of the Health Physics workforce and its effect on the industry and state agencies

9. Adjourn

John Hageman made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 10:30 a.m. Ken Peters seconded the motion. All approved.