

Meeting Minutes
Yankee Rowe Community Advisory Board
January 19, 2005

The Yankee Rowe Community Advisory Board held their first quarter meeting on January 19, 2005, at the Mohawk Park Restaurant in Charlemont, MA.

Chuck Bellows called the meeting to order at 7:05 PM. The meeting minutes of the September 15, 2004 meeting were approved.

CAB Attendees

Chuck Bellows
Lenny Laffond
Anita Barker
Jana Hunkler Brule
Dawn Peters
Bill LeQuier
Art Schwenger

Demolition/Decommissioning Update
Greg Maret/ Vice President of Decommissioning

Site Safety Performance

Greg Maret said site safety performance continued to improve throughout the second half of 2004. 2004 was completed with one lost time accident and 6 OSHA recordable injuries. Greg said Yankee's year-end OSHA recordable rate was 2.73 vs. the construction industry recordable rate of 7.80. The target is 1.8. Current OSHA recordable and lost time rates are at 0 for this year. Greg explained that Yankee is focused on slip and fall events, attempting to keep work areas clear so there are no hidden obstructions to cause one to slip and fall.

2004 Demolition & Disposal Continued Progress in Multiple Areas

Most characterization and remediation activities have been completed. The Vapor Container shell demolition is complete. Set up for the reactor support structure (RSS) demolition has begun and the actual demolition will start on February 1st. The RSS will be demolished from the inside out. Cianbro, a large employee-owned construction company, will be doing the work. The Primary Auxiliary Building (PAB) demolition is essentially complete.

The Sherman pond cleanup and intake pipe removal is also complete. Divers were brought in to facilitate the project. DEMCo is working on dismantling the new fuel building and the spent fuel pool demolition is underway. The southeast construction

landfill remediation is set to begin in April 2005. Plans are being developed for removal of underground piping and conduit.

Three Town Landfill Assistance Update

Greg Maret said an agreement has been reached between Yankee and the towns of Hawley, Heath and Charlemont to assist with the corrective action design for capping the towns' closed landfill. Yankee will pay for the engineering costs up to \$70,000. In return, the towns will make an alternate truck route available for Yankee demolition debris shipments, if needed. Chuck Bellows commented on how Yankee has always been a good neighbor to the town of Charlemont.

Site Closure Update

Joe Lynch/ Project Manager

License Termination Plan (LTP) Status

Joe Lynch summarized the status of Yankee's LTP. He told CAB members it was formally submitted to the NRC on November 24, 2003. A public meeting was held on June 24, 2003. The public comment period ended in August 2004. The NRC is receptive to any comments or concerns. Revision 1 to the LPT was submitted on November 19, 2004. It incorporated responses to Requests for Additional Information (RAI's) from the NRC and Material Management Program Modifications. NRC approval is anticipated in April of 2005. The LTP Final Status survey is scheduled to be conducted in October of 2005.

Site Closure Project Status

The site closure project goals include achieving radiological and non-radiological site closure in a coordinated, cost-effective manner. Yankee expects to complete site closure in a way that is comprehensive, and considerate of, stakeholders and their interests while meeting all regulatory criteria. Yankee also expects to meet the Massachusetts DEP/DPH residential risk levels (for radiological and non-radiological) and the NRC/DPH radiological site release standards. They will prepare the site for transfer and subsequent re-use and maintain and oversee the spent nuclear fuel on site until the DOE satisfies its legal obligations to remove the fuel.

Yankee is continuing with permitting and compliance activities. This includes multi-agency regulatory program compliance. Site characterization and remediation must satisfy applicable regulatory requirements and Yankee is involved in a very extensive characterization, which is in progress. The remediation scope is being finalized.

At the end of the process, the DEP requires a combined risk assessment, which will include human health and ecological studies and be prepared consistent with MCP requirements. It will also undergo a multi-agency review by the DEP, DPH, and EPA. Final site grading and planting plans have been submitted for approval. The Sherman

Dam extension design is complete, with the final configuration for a 100-year flood plain. The final site grading and Sherman Dam extension are expected to be completed in the fall of 2005.

Property Disposition Update/ Joe Lynch

Dan Bosely, State Representative, spoke briefly to the group prior to the presentation and expressed his support of the property disposition effort.

Future Site Configuration

Yankee will need to continue to control approximately 88 acres to support the Independent Spent Fuel Storage Installation (ISFSI) operation and security. The non-impacted area will be the remaining 1,735 acres outside this controlled area, including an 87-acre parcel in Monroe. The ISFSI will remain in place until the Department of Energy meets a statutory obligation to remove the spent fuel from the site.

Yankee Decision Making Factors

Yankee expects to make a property disposition decision in 2005. The final decision will rest on three legs – regulatory requirements, business considerations and stakeholder views.

Yankee Reuse Criteria for Optimal Transaction Includes:

- Transfer of all property
- A transaction process that is simple and timely (e.g., single recipient)
- Targeted future use as public conservation open space
- Continued use of Yankee Controlled Area for fuel storage
- Continued satisfaction of all regulatory requirements
- Future use that supports ongoing operation and integrity of the Sherman Dam
- A visible and informed process
- A recipient that has the organizational capacity and resources to responsibly manage the property

Yankee conducted an outreach campaign to solicit views from elected and agency officials, CAB, local government, and the public on potential future uses of the site. In addition, technical consultation was sought from the Mass Historical Commission, the Trust for Public Land and the Green Mountain National Forest. Yankee held an interactive public stakeholder meeting on December 2, 2004 where stakeholders had the opportunity to comment on desired future uses of Yankee's property, as well as who should be the potential users and owner. In summary, the results of the meeting indicated that stakeholders see Yankee's property as important to the region as "undeveloped land" because it "preserves the rural atmosphere." Desired uses were predominately recreational. Suggested owners included the Town of Rowe, the Commonwealth, and

nonprofit conservation organizations. A report was distributed with the results of the survey exercise from the Dec. 2nd meeting.

To date, Yankee has conducted outreach to the Town of Rowe, the Town of Monroe, the Commonwealth of MA (Executive Office of Environmental Affairs), the University of Massachusetts, the Department of Natural Resource Conservation, the Mass Audubon Society, the New England Forestry Foundation, and The Trustees of Reservations. Overall, Yankee's property is regarded as a high quality conservation asset. 1000+ acre parcels are rare and becoming increasingly rare in the Commonwealth. Yankee's property is a contiguous parcel that has largely been left alone except for forest management and is located in the context of other conservation land.

Stakeholder outreach is nearing completion. Anyone with questions about property disposition can contact Joe Lynch, Site Closure Project Director at 413-424-2261. Additional property disposition updates are planned.

Continued Discussion of CAB's Future Role and Draft Fuel Storage Removal Charter

The discussion was deferred until the next meeting because only seven CAB members were present.

There was no public comment.

The next meeting will be held Wednesday, April 6th.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:45 PM.

A video of the meeting is available by contacting Kelley Smith at **888-286-5557, ext. 3019**, or by e-mail at **ksmith@yankee.com**

Respectfully submitted,

Chuck Bellows
Chairman