

## Meeting Minutes

### Yankee Rowe Community Advisory Board

April 11, 2007

The Yankee Rowe Fuel Storage and Removal Community Advisory Board held their spring 2007 meeting at the Mohawk Park Restaurant in Charlemont, Massachusetts, on April 11, 2007.

**Attendees:** David Nash, Marcella Stafford-Gore, Jana Hunkler-Brule, Susan Wood, Art Schwenger, Ken Plumley, Allan Twitchell, Dave Howland, Anita Barker, Thomas Wilson, Myra Carlow.

Chairman Lenny Laffond called the meeting to order at 7:10 p.m. The October 18, 2006 meeting minutes were approved.

#### **Site Closure Update** (Bob Mitchell – ISFSI Manager)

The following overall activities for the Project were discussed:

- Emphasis continues on site closure documentation and Project closeout
- Site work: grading, seeding and demobilization
- License reduction to the ISFSI continues to be projected for this summer
- Approximately 50 personnel supporting the Project

The status of Industrial Safety for the Project was discussed as follows:

- No lost time injuries reported since mid 2005
- Days without a Lost Time Accident as of 4/8: 535
- No OSHA Recordable Injuries so far in 2007
- Days without an OSHA Recordable injury as of 4/8: 172

The following recent site activities were discussed:

- The majority of the site has been graded and seeded and monitoring of seedlings are ongoing.
- Demobilizing remaining equipment/trailers over the next few months
- Erosion control and soil stabilization efforts continue to support the spring thaw
- The final tie-in of the Sherman dam extension will be completed – projected for June
- Construction of the new ISFSI administration building is progressing well with completion expected in late May.

The following Site Closure activities were discussed: ( by Greg Babineau)

- The last Final Status Survey (FSS) Report was submitted to the NRC in early January. The majority of the reports have been reviewed and accepted by the NRC. The remaining approvals are expected within the month.
- Yankee continues to implement groundwater activities to support site closure with the NRC and DEP. The groundwater was sampled in March and the results have been

received and are being prepared for submittal to the NRC and DEP. No unexpected results have been noted.

- Well 107C most recent H-3 results were 29,100 pCi/L in December 2006 - Very low yielding well. This is the only well with sample results above EPA drinking water Minimum Concentration Limit (MCL) standard of 20,000 pCi/L. It is expected to decrease below the MCL within a year or two based on the current trend.
- NRC had ORISE return to the Yankee site in November 2006 for one final verification survey with no issues noted.
- The majority of site closure documentation has been submitted to the respective regulators (EPA, DEP and NRC).
- Finalizing the DEP required Risk Assessment for the site under the Massachusetts Contingency Plan (MCP). The Draft is being finalized for submittal to the DEP.

The following Regulatory related items were discussed:

- Awaiting final concurrence on site closure submittals that have been made to the DEP, DPH and NRC – Several more will be finalized over the next few months
- Continuing to work with all the regulators on the support of site closure activities
- Several NRC Inspections have been completed since the last meeting - Results: Positive with no issues identified
- A violation of our Water Quality Certificate was issued to Yankee for an early December turbid discharge. Yankee entered into an Administrative Consent Order and implemented a number of corrective actions to prevent recurrence of similar events.

#### **Regional and Federal Nuclear Waste Issue Update (Bob Mitchell – ISFSI Manager)**

Bob provided a Nuclear Waste update, with focus on the DOE National Program status, recent information on Federal Legislation and Yankee's efforts to remove the Spent Nuclear Fuel and GTCC. A handout was provided on these topics to the CAB Members and Attendees.

There was public comment regarding the footprint of the site and potential sale of land currently owned by Yankee Atomic Electric Company.

The next meeting was scheduled for October 3, 2007.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:35 p.m.

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