## LOW-LEVEL RADIOACTIVE WASTE FORUM, INC.

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# **Spring 2019 LLW Forum Meeting**

**Grand Ballroom Old Town Hilton Hotel** Alexandria, Virginia

April 17-18, 2019

#### **AGENDA**

## Wednesday — April 17, 2019

Executive Committee Meeting (Madison Boardroom)

7:30 a.m. – 8:00 a.m. Closed Session re Financial, Legal and Proprietary Issues Voting LLW Forum Board Members and Alternates Only

8:00 a.m. – 8:30 a.m. Open Session re Outstanding LLW Forum Business All Meeting Attendees are Welcome to Attend

#### Wednesday — April 17, 2019

9:00 a.m. – 9:15 a.m. **Introductions and Announcements** 

> introductory remarks and Alyse Peterson LLW Forum Chair explanation of rules

9:15 a.m. – 10:15 a.m. Opening Plenary Session: Remarks

from and Discussion with the DOE Assistant Secretary for the Office of **Environmental Management** 

radioactive waste management Anne M. White issues in 2019 and beyond

current and anticipated challenges faced by the Department

questions and discussion

DOE

10:15 a.m. – 10:45 a.m. Industry Priorities with the Current Administration re Waste Management

 overview and analysis of current market trends and considerations Baker Elmore NEI

- congressional activities and updates
- operating plant status and new reactors/fuel work

10:45 a.m. – 11:10 a.m. break

11:10 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. Reports on New Developments, Current Activities and Future Plans

- compacts and states

Members of the LLW Forum

- federal agencies
- industry

11:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Licensing and Activities Update re Energy Solutions' Clive, Utah Facility

 operator perspectives and updates: current disposal volumes and waste types; performance assessment for depleted uranium; source collection policy; decommissioning activities; and, current and future plans Vern Rogers Energy*Solutions* 

 regulator perspectives and updates: ongoing licensing and oversight activities; recent legislative and regulatory changes; and, review of request for mass and concentration limitations exemption re Class A depleted uranium solid material Don Verbica Utah 12:00 p.m. – 12:30 p.m.

US Ecology Site Operations and Perspectives re Emerging Issues

 operational activies, trends and future planning for Washington LLRW site, Michigan LARW site and Idaho LARW site Joe Weismann US Ecology

- incident and response re waste treatment operations explosion at the Idaho site
- perspectives re NRC Part 61 rulemaking, Very Low-Level Waste scoping study and 20.2002 alternate guidance revision

12:30 p.m. - 2:00 p.m.

lunch break (on your own)

2:00 p.m. - 2:30 p.m.

Decommissioning of Nuclear Power Plants — Regulatory Requirements, Updates and Future Planning

- historical overview and issues for agency consideration
- Bruce Watson NRC
- stakeholder input and feedback
- next steps and path forward

2:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.

Stakeholder Panel re Waste Classifications Used in the United States and Internationally: Analysis of Differences and Issues

Discussion Leader

Larry Camper, Talisman

**Panelists** 

Boby Abu-Eid, NRC Tom Magette, Talisman Douglas Tonkay, DOE Tom Peake, EPA Debra Shults, Tennessee

- overview and analysis re existing U.S. waste classification scheme set as set forth in 10 CFR Part 61 and DOE Order 435.1
- commensurate risk associated with the disposal of both low-level and high-level radioactive waste

3:30 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. break

4:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Stakeholder Panel re Waste Classifications Used in the United States and Internationally: Analysis of Differences and Issues (Continued)

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- insights to the ongoing NRC efforts to conduct a Very Low-Level Waste scoping study; comparison of the IAEA and US waste classification schemes; and, the increasing role of RCRA sites for LLW disposal
- comparison of the risks associated with both low-level and high-level radioactive waste to operational processes used for its disposal
- consideration and discussion re potential changes to improve the process in the United States

5:00 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.

Review of DOE's Interpretation of the Definition of the Statutory Term High-Level Radioactive Waste

- DOE inventories of legacy and vitrified waste resulting from spent nuclear fuel reprocessing

Theresa Kliczewski DOE

- classification based on radiological characteristics and ability to meet disposal facility requirements
- proposed changes and request for stakeholder comment and input
- next steps and path forward

5:30 p.m.

session adjourned

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# **AGENDA** (continued)

# Thursday — April 18, 2019

8:00 a.m. – 8:45 a.m.	Registration Continued	
8:45 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.	LLW Forum Business Session	
	- Executive Committee and organizational business report	Alyse Peterson LLW Forum Chair
	- fall 2019 LLW Forum meeting: Embassy Suites Downtown Hotel in Chicago, Illinois October 31 – November 1, 2019	
	- 2020 meetings: dates and locations to be determined	
	- future agenda topics ideas, suggestions and comments	Members of the LLW Forum
	- consideration of resolutions	
9:00 a.m. – 9:30 a.m.	Overview and Status of DOE's Depleted Uranium Inventory Program	
	<ul> <li>background re need, purpose, scope and other considerations</li> </ul>	Jaffet Ferrer-Torres DOE
	<ul> <li>volumes, safe management and storage locations</li> </ul>	

conversion/de-conversion program and other issues

9:30 a.m. – 9:55 a.m. National Terrorism Advisory System re Credible Threats Against U.S.

 background re historical overview, program development and details Duane White NRC

 issuance of RIS 2018-03 to licensees authorized to possess Category 1 and 2 quantities of radioactive material imports and exports of waste

9:55 a.m. – 10:25 a.m.

Radiation Source Protection and Security Task Force Report

mission, directive and overview of issues and considerations

Margaret Cervera NRC

- explanation of completed and ongoing recommendations
- federal accomplishiments since issuance of last report
- next steps and path forward

 $10:25 \ a.m. - 10:55 \ a.m.$ 

break (time for hotel checkout)

10:55 a.m. – 11:25 a.m.

Federal Licensee's Experience Moving an Irradiator for Disposal

 overview of National Institutes of Health program and activities Catherine Ribaudo NIH

- issues and challenges that had to be considered and addressed
- recommendations and lessons learned for other licensees

11:25 a.m. – 11:50 a.m.

Projects and Activities of the National Nuclear Security Administration

- impact of disposal access for foreign-origin americium and potential security implications
- Temeka Taplin NNSA
- Off-Site Source Recovery Project cesium irradiator replacement program
- International Atomic Energy Agency Code of Conduct supplemental guidance on disused source management

11:50 a.m.

Meeting Adjourned

## Thursday — April 18, 2019

2:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Disused Sources Working Group Meeting in the Madison Boardroom for members, organizational liaisons and invited guests only

- distribution and results of questionnaire re proposed reuse and recycle program
- continued discussion with
   John McCormick of Bionomics

## Friday — April 19, 2019

9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Disused Sources Working Group Meeting (Continued) in the Madison Boardroom for members, organizational liaisons and invited guests

 note: may go into closed planning session for working group members only toward conclusion of meeting