



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

Austin-Health and Human Services Commission, MHMR Center
Conference Room 164

909 W. 45th Street, Austin, Texas 78751

Friday, February 27 at 9:00 AM
9:00 AM

1. Call to Order

Mitch Lucas, P.E., Vice-Chair, called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. A quorum was present. Members present for the meeting: Kenneth Krieger, C.H.P., Chair; John Hageman, M.S., C.H.P.; Darshan Sachde; Stephen Harris; Kevin Raabe, Amy Clark, and Judy Raab.

2. Introduction of guests

Department of State Health Services (DSHS) staff present: Ray Fleming, Eric Skotak, Peggy Westlund, Ruben Cortez, Robert Free

Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) staff present: Monica Sullivan, Bobby Janecka, Catie Arnold, and Charles McGuire.

Texas Railroad Commission (RRC) staff present: Grant Chambless

Guests present: Eddie Selig, Advocates for Responsible Disposal in Texas; and Betsy Madru, Waste Control Specialist

3. Consideration and approval of the minutes of the November 7, 2014 meeting

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

4. Old Business

Update on the Texas Low Level Radioactive Waste Disposal Facility

Mr. McGuire provided an update of the low level radioactive waste disposal facility. This item will be removed on the next committee agenda.

5. New Business

A. Discuss the letter from TCEQ dated Dec. 11, 2014, providing comments to address the TRAB's Advisory Statement on Sealed Source Disposal (Krieger)

Mr. Krieger discussed the TRAB advisory statement on sealed source disposal and an exemption for older sealed sources collected before the enactment of regulations for waste disposal at the Texas low-level radioactive waste disposal site. Mr. McGuire discussed the TCEQ letter dated December 11, 2014. Mr. Hageman made a motion to invite John Salsman and Linda Morris of the Texas Low-Level Radioactive Waste Disposal Compact Commission to the next committee meeting and/or Board Meeting to discuss these issues. Mr. Raabe seconded the motion and the motion was unanimously approved.

B. Consideration for adoption of amended Section 336.1310 of 30 TAC Chapter 336, Radioactive Substance Rules, Maximum Disposal Costs for Shielded Class A Waste

Mr. McGuire discussed the status of this proposed rule. The rule has been finalized and posted on the Texas Register site.

C. Consideration of proposed revisions to 30 TAC Chapter 37, Financial Assurance and Chapter 336, Radioactive Substance Rules concerning the Environmental Perpetual Care Account and Volume Reduction of LLRW

Mr. McGuire discussed the status of this proposed rule.

D. EPA's proposed rules on in-situ recovery (ISR) or uranium for ground water protection, 40 CFR Part 192 (Raabe)

Mr. Raabe discussed the status of this proposed rule.

E. Discuss and decide on action items presented by the Topic Research Committee

None

6. Public Comments

None

7. Formulate recommendations on any agenda items to be considered by the other Committees or the full Board

None

8. Adjourn

Mr. Lucas adjourned the meeting at 9:56 a.m.