TEXAS RADIATION ADVISORY BOARD MINUTES

INDUSTRIAL, NUCLEAR POWER, URANIUM, and WASTE COMMITTEE

Friday, April 19, 2024 9:30 a.m.

1. Call to Order

Ken Peters, Chair, called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m. A quorum was present.

2. Roll Call

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

Members not present: Tim Powell

3. Review and, as needed, discuss and take possible action concerning amendment and approval of the minutes of the Texas Radiation Advisory Board (TRAB) Industrial, Nuclear Power, Uranium, and Waste (INUW) Committee meeting on January 19, 2024.

All members voted in favor of approving the amended minutes for the January 19, 2024, INUW meeting.

4. Public Comments

No public comments were made.

5. Routine and Continuing Business

- A. Discussion of uranium sites in Texas and decommissioning
 Ashley Forbes discussed TCEQ's work. Ashley and Kevin Raabe
 discussed problems TCEQ is having with the NRC's approval of
 transferring a site to DOE. It was proposed that TRAB send a letter to
 the NRC concerning the progress of this TCEQ transfer to DOE.
- B. Discussion of the Uranium Reserve Program and discuss issues related to domestic uranium production

Ken Peters discussed funding approved to ramp up domestic uranium production linked to the ban on Russian uranium products.

C. Increased interest in domestic uranium production and implications of a limited pool of applicants and qualified workers.

Kevin Raabe discussed sites that may increase production in the future.

D. NRC updates for power generating facilities, molten salt reactors, and other research and development initiatives.

Sanjay Narayan suggested a presentation of the Ventura project at Abilene Christian University.

6. New Business

A. 10 CFR Part 61 Update

NRC staff is getting ready to submit the rule to the commission in the next couple of months.

B. Advanced Reactor working group under the Texas Public Utility Commission (PUC)

Meetings are available on the Public Utility Commission webpage.

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

None stated.

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

- A. Provide comment on NRC approval of TCEQ's transfer of the site to DOE.
- B. Update on Abilene Christian University reactor, and X-Energy projects and projects working under the PUC.
- C. Scope of authority of Texas when it comes to handling radioactive waste and other radioactive materials.

8. Adjourn

The meeting was adjorned at 10:02 am by unanimous vote.