



PORTSMOUTH EM SITE SPECIFIC ADVISORY BOARD

Minutes of the Thursday, March 1, 2012, SSAB Meeting • 6 p.m.

Location: The Ohio State University Endeavor Center, Room 160, Piketon, Ohio

Site Specific Advisory Board (SSAB) Members Present: Chair Richard Snyder, Vice Chair Val Francis, Shirley Bandy, Gene Brushart, Ervin Craft, Franklin Halstead, William Henderson, Brian Huber, Sharon Manson, Daniel Minter, Michael Payton, Cristy Renner

SSAB Members Absent: Martha Cosby, Terri Ann Smith

U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) and contractors: Greg Simonton, DOE; Julie Galloway, Cindy Lewis, EHI Consultants (EHI); Marc Jewett, Karen Price, J.D. Chiou, Jennifer Chandler, Deneen Revel, J.R. Slater, Jim Thomson, Russell May, David Brown, Roscoe Royston, Rick Easter, John Slater, John Knauff, Fluor-B&W Portsmouth (FBP); Jim Morgan, Insolves

Board Liaisons and Related Regulatory Agency Employees: Maria Galanti, Ohio Environmental Protection Agency (EPA); Mike Rubadue, Ohio Department of Health (ODH)

Facilitator: Eric Roberts, EHI

Public: Stephanie Howe, Scott Miller, Ohio University (OU); John Hemmings, Ohio Valley Regional Development Commission (OVRDC); Mark Johnson, Tri-State Building and Construction Trades Council (TSBTC); Geoffrey Sea, Southern Ohio Neighbors Group (SONG); Maureen Fischels, Josh Lamerson, FBP & U.S.W.; Elizabeth Lamerson, Bill Michaelis; Kim McClurg, Tim Montgomery, Dennis Sissel, Tom Brown, Teamster Local 100; Michelle Silcott; Toby Crabtree, John Reynolds, Jim Crabtree (IUOE); Teresa Putnam, David Hurd, Operating Engineer; Brian Dean, Roy Noel, Harold Daub, Lydia Cisco, Malcolm Cisco, Edna Mustard, Adrian Harrison, Laborers 83; Buddy Holcomb, Operating Engineer; Drew Perkins, Christie May, Darrel Thompson, David Kuhn, Peg Mustard Kuhn, E. McJenkins, Lee Blackburn, Amy Power, Marybeth Potter, Herman Potter, Willie Holbert, Dennis Hopkins, Jeremy Stone, Amanda Rigsby, Donna Beekman, Michael Beekman, Brent Hals, C.D. Clark, Lou Ann Castle

Approved by Richard Snyder, Board Chair

Richard Snyder

Call to Order:

Snyder: I would like to call the meeting to order.

Francis: It is great that we have such a crowd tonight. I would like the board to introduce themselves.

Roberts: I would like to welcome everyone and I will be facilitating the meeting. There will be a public comment period after the presentations. The board should stay within its defined scope and follow the meeting ground rules adopted. We have 17 individuals signed up to speak during the public comment period. The board chair and vice chair would like to ask the board to extend the public comment time to two minutes for each person to give everyone a chance to speak.

March Agenda:

Roberts: Are there any modifications or proposed changes to the March agenda?

- **Manson:** I make a motion to approve the March agenda with the extended time for public comments, **Halstead:** I second the motion
 - **Motion carried, agenda approved**

February Minutes:

Roberts: Are there any modifications or proposed changes to the February minutes?

- **Payton:** I make a motion to approve the February minutes, **Halstead:** I second the motion
 - **Motion carried, minutes approved**

DDFO comments provided by Greg Simonton, Federal Coordinator

- Plant Updates
 - D&D: Process Building
 - D&D: Balance of Plant
 - D&D: Support Activities
 - Asset Recovery
 - Waste Disposition
 - Environmental Remediation
 - DUF6 Conversion Plant
- Regulatory Progress
- Public Outreach
- Upcoming Events

A copy of the DDFO presentation is available on the SSAB web site (www.ports-ssab.energy.gov)

| Question/Comment: | Answer: |
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| Francis: How and who decides if an object is an asset? | Simonton: There is a formal screening process for each item to see if it is clean and if it can be reused. Minter: DOE checks to see if another site could use it. Then they check with the state, then the rest of the country to see if it could be used by any government facilities. Then if not they donate to SODI for reuse. |
| Snyder: The cafeteria is going to be a record storage area. How will the public access the proposed plan document? Where is the EIC? | Simonton: Yes, the cafeteria will be a temporary storage area. They can go to the Environmental Information Center (EIC). The EIC is upstairs here in the Endeavor Center. |
| Brushart: What is the policy for water wells of fence line neighbors of the plant? Is there a plan in place to | Galanti: DOE does test some wells. They were asked if they wanted their wells tested on a |

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| have their wells tested? If a person said, they did not want the wells tested and now changed their mind. Can they still have the testing done? | regular schedule. Yes, they would need to contact DOE and request the test. |
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Federal Project Coordinator comments provided by Greg Simonton, Federal Project Coordinator:
Simonton: None

Liaison Comments provided by Maria Galanti, Ohio EPA

Galanti: We just received a draft of the action of memorandum of some support facilities. I will be reviewing the memorandum. I have 30 days to get back with DOE. The public comments are then attached to the summary and the report will be available in the EIC library.

Liaison comments provided by Mike Rubadue, ODH

Rubadue: We have been supporting OEPA.

Presentations:

“What Is OVRDC?” presentation delivered by John Hemmings II, OVRDC Executive Director

- Public Regional Planning Commission
- Structure of Full Commission
- Full Commission Members & Roles
- Structure of Executive Committee
- Services and Programs
- Appalachian Regional Commission (ARC)
- Economic Development Administration (EDA)
- Ohio Public Works Commission (OPWC)
- Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Project Administration
- Data and GIS/GPS Mapping Services
- Revolving Loan Fund
- Special Initiatives
- Future Initiatives
- Questions?

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| <i>Francis:</i> How is the mapping for small villages funded? Are your studies done internally or do you hire them out? Are you working with Flour and can you help with the future. We have to think in ways we never have before. We hope to hear from you again. | <i>Hemmings:</i> It is paid with an administrative grant. The members also pay dues, so we do not charge them for the service. We did that study internally, but we do hire out for some things. We can bring some resources to the table to help make some of these projects happen. We will help anyway we can. We do not create jobs, but we loan money to help businesses get started. |
| <i>Brushart:</i> What are the chances of fracking in Pike Co.? What is the status right now? | <i>Hemmings:</i> In 2011 prior to a meeting in Walnut Creek, Ohio. I saw a map that showed fracking coming to Pike, Ross and Scioto counties. The map on the website is not the map I saw. It does not show fracking in Pike County. Dale Arnold of |

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| | Ohio Farm Bureau said all of Ohio is going to be used. Landowners are forming together in a group, so everyone gets the same amount. |
| Minter: Is this the same grant that was submitted several times before? | Hemmings: Site sections are available in Southern Ohio. We are working with Jobs Ohio. We told them they should look into marketing. |

Information Portfolio presentation delivered by Karen Price, FBP

- Portfolio Updates: March
- Considerations for Reindustrialization
- SSAB Information Portfolio
- Waste Acceptance Criteria (WAC)
- Components of WAC Specified In DFF&O
- Other Potential Components of WAC
- Protectiveness Performance Requirements To Guide WAC Modeling And Development
- Updated OSDC Conceptual Site Model
- OSDC Conceptual Long-Term Performance
- General Numerical WAC Development Steps

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| Brushart: We keep hearing an on-site cell has to last 1000 years, what then? Does that mean there are no risks after that? | Chiou: A cell is required to last 10,000 years. Jewett: That question is asked all the time, at other sites. The way it was explained was it is mankind's way of saying it can last forever. |

FBP Community Commitment Plan presentation delivered by Jim Morgan, Vice Chair of the Fluor-B&W Community Commitment Steering Group

- Raising regionalization to a new level
- Four Categories of Commitment
- Educational outreach summary
- MOU with Wilberforce (OH) University
- Regional Purchasing Listing
- Economic Development Work On Track
- Regional Planning Process Progressing
- Draft Regional Economic Development Strategy
- Role of DOE Site in economic development
- Chamber speakers: Take Regionalization to Next Level for Economic Success
- Community Commitment Plan Report

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| Question/Comment: | Answer: |
| Francis: What do you see for the future? Will you look for governmental uses for the plant site? | Morgan: No, not yet, because you have to have the site cleaned up first. |

Administrative Issues:

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| Henderson: We need to address the fact that the subcommittee meeting should not have a public comment period. The subcommittee meetings are not set up for public comments. | |
| Francis: Any updates regarding new members. | Roberts: Headquarters is reviewing the new member package now. |

Environmental Cleanup & Land Preparation (ECLP) Subcommittee Update by subcommittee chair Cristy Renner

Renner: The ECLP subcommittee met on Feb. 15, 2012. We discussed as the buildings come down how we can do things that will help with the future use. We need to start planning now, on where to build roads, water, and sewer. The landfills have all been closed, so EPA will not want to consolidate them. Who wants to build on a landfill?

Minter: We need to find an end use. Find the process of how to get some of the opportunities that are passing us up every day.

Site Legacy Subcommittee Update by subcommittee chair Sharon Manson

Manson: The Site Legacy subcommittee had a short meeting on Feb. 15, 2012. We talked about the DOE public meeting. We also discussed saving items for the future to show our children.

Huber: Instead of having a computer tour of the site, we should be saving a control room or the mushroom building. I have not seen anything done to preserve any areas for green space.

Renner: If people who work at the plant see something historical and worth saving, let someone know.

Waste Disposition & Recycling Subcommittee Update by subcommittee vice-chair Dan Minter

Minter: The Waste Disposition & Recycling subcommittee met on Feb. 15, 2012. We discussed the cost of on/off site disposal cell and the transportation risks. We need all the information before we can make any recommendations.

Francis: We still need to see some figures on cost to consolidate the existing landfills.

Executive Subcommittee Update by chair Dick Snyder

Snyder: The Executive subcommittee met on Feb. 23, 2012. We discussed the top issues for the Chairs meeting in April and the tour of the test pit. We also talked about public comments in the subcommittee meetings.

Public Comment:

Roberts: We have 17 individuals signed up for public comment; each person will have two minutes to speak.

Johnson: My name is Mark Johnson. I reside in Ross County and represent the Tri-State Building and Construction Trades Council. Our council does not want to build or do anything that would harm anyone else or ourselves. I agree with the statement Val Francis made in the last subcommittee meeting “everyone needs to work together.” I have educated myself as much as I can about the cell. I want to go on record that our organization supports a balance of on-site/off-site cell.

Holbert: My name is Willie Holbert. I am not in favor of the cell. The word cancer scares me. At a November meeting, I remember hearing that Mr. Miller from Washington D.C. has the final say on a decision about the cell. I have been in everybody’s shoes here at one time or another. Every time you include politicians into decision-making, everyone loses. I heard someone tonight say, “Can we really handle it?” I have met many people in this community and I do not want to see a community split apart by a cell. I do not want a cell here!

Putnam: My name is Teresa Putnam. I do not have anything scientific or legal to say about why I do not want a cell here. However, I have three grandkids, two children, and the first home I ever had, that is why.

Hurd: My name is David Hurd. I want to go on record to say I am for the cell. The cost to haul the waste out of here would be a million dollars more. In addition, from what I understand is the worst stuff will be sent off-site anyway?

Dean: My name is Brian Dean. I have lived here all my life and I have worked at the plant. I support the cell for the low-level waste. It will be safer because it does not have to be transported, and saves money.

Knauff: My name is John Knauff. I am a lifelong resident of Highland County and I am a Vietnam veteran. My country does not need another radioactive landfill. We have places to send the waste and that is what we should do. The fact is if we have the landfill here, I know the current workforce will be demised much faster than it would if we dispose of it properly, by removing it, recycling it, reprocessing it. You can minimize the waste. Cost about a billion dollars. What price does it take to do the right thing? It would be about \$30 per person, at what cost do we do the right thing? We do not need a waste site with a virtual museum. What we need is a new set of jobs.

Royston: My name is Roscoe Royston. I am from Scioto County, and I am against an on-site cell. With the water levels and the amount of rainfall we have around here, I would rather see it go to a desert where it is dry.

Daub: My name is Harold Daub. I have worked at the plant for 33 years. I would like to address the chair of this committee. I would like to see your agenda changed and allow public comments sooner in the meeting. Many of the residents had to leave due to the length of the meeting and did not get to speak. Some of the subject matter in this meeting was not important to many of these people. They are interested in jobs, property values, and health issues. The locals have voted and are against a cell and are opposed to the contractors getting a bonus for expediting the jobs that they have done.

Harrison: My name is Adrian Harrison. I represent 745 Laborers. We are all in support of an on-site landfill. We have two options: 1. Ship everything off-site. 2. Send the high waste off-site and keep the low waste on-site. The second choice would save the taxpayers millions, it would be safer and keep 320 additional jobs and will allow for reindustrialization six years earlier.

Montgomery: My name is Tim Montgomery. I am with the Teamsters local 100. We are for the cell on-site. The numbers speak for themselves. There will be 4.3 billion labor hours to build an on-site cell and 2 million if it goes off-site. A hundred construction workers will be laid off if we do not have an on-site cell.

Perkins: My name is Drew Perkins. I am a union member. I worked at Fernald, we worked with the waste everyday and Fluor is a safe company. There will be thousands of jobs if we build a cell. Fluor will do this job right and make it safe. We are for the cell. We want to work together. We need these jobs. Would you like to drive pass the trucks hauling the waste off-site on the highway?

McClurg: My name is Kim McClurg. I am for the cell. They are safe. Learn the process of how they are built, the highly active waste will be separate. You just need to study up on it. It is a safe job. Fluor will tell you whatever you want to know. I have worked with the waste for years and I feel that it is safe.

Lamerson: My name is Josh Lamerson. I am a local resident. I live about a mile from here and I work for FBP. I understand everybody wants a job. We need jobs. You guys bring your kids here and build a house. You built the cell then you left. You have no idea if that cell is safe. Fluor is going to build the cell and then leave. They do not know that if it will be safe. I am against the on-site cell, and I think everyone knows that. The word is not getting out. I did not even know where we were speaking tonight. Put an on-site cell on the ballot in November and let everyone go to the poles and vote on it. That is the way to handle it. In addition, at the next DOE public meeting do not give us the same old stuff and send us out to the lobby. Let us speak during the meeting.

Lamerson: My name is Elizabeth Lamerson. I am a microbiologist and a fence line neighbor. I am very concerned about having a landfill a mile from my house. I have two small children, which like to play

outside. What if something were to ever happen? There are many discussions on the liners but what if something does go wrong and it affects our children. Would you want a radioactive landfill next to your house?

Sea: My name is Geoffrey Sea. I am with the Southern Ohio Neighbors Group. We had a lot of discussion in the community and it was the lead article on page one of the Pike County News Watchman and my phone number is listed there. So I have been hearing from many people who have very strong feelings about this and they could not be here tonight, they wanted their opinions heard. I am going to say something very surprising. I believe the opinions expressed tonight can actually be reconciled. There is actually a consensus and it will prevail, but it will take actions by DOE and Fluor to realize what that consensus is. DOE and Fluor have intentionally presented this community with two bad options and tied to tell you these are the only two options you have. These are not the only options. There are other options that would satisfy all of the concerns people have; "jobs, safety, and reindustrialization of this area". It is a matter of time, time is going to be, how long it will take for Fluor B&W and DOE to come around to the realization that you people need to stop the pretenses that you are going to get one of these two bad options accepted by this community, it is not going to happen. I can tell you that. You have to sit down with us and negate. Negate what the other alternatives are that would be explored, that would be better cost wise, work wise, job wise and reindustrialization, the options are there. Sit down and talk to us!

Final Comments from the board:

Huber: About the subcommittee public comments, in the past some people here have been allowed to make comments at the subcommittee meetings, and I think we need to have a consensus. I think they should be able to speak at the subcommittee meetings. A man came up to me during the break and said something about the time the meeting is going over. I feel the presenters need to stick with the timetable that they have been provided. Do not let the presentations last longer than they are given on the agenda.

Snyder adjourned the meeting at 8:50 p.m.

Next Meeting Thursday, April 5, 2012, 6 p.m.

The Paducah site will be hosting the National Chairs meeting April 16-19.