



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

Friday, November 3, 2023
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: Sanjay Narayan, Ken Peters, Roland Benke, Kevin Raabe, Bob Redweik, and Tim Powell.

Department of State Health Services (SDHS) staff present: Brian Vamvakias and Jasmine Mathews

Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ): Ashley Forbes, Chance Goodin, Guy Henry, and Michael Martinez

Texas Railroad Commission (RCC): Christine Peters and Betsy Peticolas

3. Review and, as needed, discuss and take possible action concerning amendment and approval of the July 21, 2023, minutes of the Texas Radiation Advisory Board (TRAB) Industrial, Nuclear Power, Uranium, and Waste (INUW) Committee meeting.

Mr. Benke motioned to approve the minutes, and Mr. Redweik seconded. The minutes passed unanimously.

4. Public Comments

None

5. Routine and Continuing Business

A. Discussion of uranium sites in Texas and decommissioning

Ashley Forbes stated that the Lamprecht site has been decommissioned and released for unrestricted use.

B. Identify topics to recommend to the TRAB

Nothing was brought forward.

C. Discuss Uranium Reserve Program

No update.

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

Mr. Raabe discussed that funding would be needed to get degree programs started. Mr. Peters discussed that the NRC has funds for internships for nuclear power plants.

E. Spent Nuclear Fuel

No update.

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

Bobby Janecka was not present to discuss this topic. Other potential SMR sites in other states were discussed.

6. New Business

A. 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

- i. Uranium milling activities may increase the generation of 11(e)(ii) byproduct material, and all tailing sites are capped and closed. WCS receives 11(e)(ii) material.
- ii. Production of Rare Earth elements produces Thorium byproduct.

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

No summary was discussed.

8. Adjourn

Mr. Powell made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:54 a.m. Mr. Narayan seconded the motion. All approved.