

To: West Valley Citizen Task Force
From: Bill Logue, Citizen Task Force Facilitator
Date: January 24, 2009
Subject: **Summary of the January 14, 2009 CTF Caucus Meeting**

Next Meeting

The next Citizen Task Force Meeting will be held as follows:

Time & Date: **8:00 – 9:30 PM, January 28, 2009**
Location: Ashford Office Complex
9030 Route 219
West Valley, NY

The CTF meeting will be preceded by a public meeting of the Nuclear Regulatory Commission from 6:00 to 8:00 PM.

Note: All participants must be United States citizens and must bring photo identification. If you have questions or comments regarding the upcoming meeting or about this summary, please contact Bill Logue (860-521-9122, bill@loguegroup.com).

CTF Participants

CTF Members and Alternates attending: Rob Dallas, Judy Einach, Robert Engel, Lee Lambert, Kathy McGoldrick, Anthony Memmo, John Pfeffer, Pete Scherer, Warren Schmidt, Bill Snyder, Ray Vaughan, Eric Wohlers.

CTF Discussion

CTF members discussed their initial impressions of the Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS) including the NYSERDA "View". All agreed that in the next few months, prior to the drafting of detailed comments, it will be important to make clear to the public and the agencies what the CTF supports and where it has concerns with the DEIS. Until the CTF has had further time to review and discuss the DEIS, they felt it was premature to express an opinion. They hope to express an initial opinion in February. However, CTF members noted that a number of cleanup tasks in the Preferred Alternative are actions that the CTF has advocated for, most notably the removal of the Main Process Plant Building (MPPB) and addressing the radioactive contamination beneath it.

During the discussion a number of areas needing further discussion or clarification by the agencies were identified. These are listed below. In addition, the CTF decided to form a steering committee in February to meet on a more frequent basis to identify areas needing more thorough inquiry and discussion and to draft comments for discussion by the full CTF.

The CTF members were made aware that additional funding in FY 2009 might become available to hire more workers. The CTF decided to draft a letter to Senator Schumer encouraging him to advocate for funding for the West Valley Demonstration Project (WVDP) in the economic stimulus package.

A tentative schedule for February was determined. The February 10 meeting will be a working meeting of the CTF, DOE and NYSERDA and the February 25 meeting will be a CTF working meeting. During February the CTF will issue a press release with the group's preliminary reaction to the Preferred

Alternative. In addition the Steering Committee will be formed and will hold an initial conference call. They noted that if the CTF wishes to have its comments reviewed and endorsed by the Ashford and Concord Town Councils they will have to be available by May 13 for Ashford and May 14 for Concord.

Questions for DOE and NYSERDA

The CTF compiled a number of questions whose answers may help the group in arriving at any comments:

- What is the underlying rationale of the 30 year assessment period?
- What plans, studies and characterizations will be conducted before or during Phase 1?
- What are the scope and content of the 5-year evaluations proposed in the Preferred Alternative? What level of public involvement and review will these evaluations be subject to?
- Are there technologies under development at other sites that might benefit WVDP in attaining site-wide removal?
- Making MPPB demolition ready – What are the demolition plans? What are the processes, dose risks and other considerations for cleaning the interior cement walls?
- How will the SDA and NDA be protected from erosion in the short term?
- What is the impact of the raising in DPM standards for Alpha and Beta emitters that may be contained in the Construction Demolition Debris Landfill and the NPGP leading edge? Why are these not considered for removal during Phase 1?

Action Items

Action	Assigned To	Due Date
Draft letter to Senator Schumer	Pfeffer	2/2/2009
Invite Congressman Massa or his legislative director	Logue	TBD
Determine CTF Roles & Responsibilities for DEIS Public Meetings	CTF	3/2/2009
Draft Press Release	Logue/CTF	2/2/2009
Draft Presentation for CTF members to deliver to constituents or by request	Logue	3/9/2008