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Doe Order: 4700.1

Attached is the trip report from Environmental Restoration (ER) Information Exchange Meeting held at Oakridge in late August. Please contact me or my secretary, Carolyn Horn X8544, if you want any of the referenced material or a contact at another Department of Energy (DOE) site regarding specific subject.

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TRIP REPORT

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TITLE: Information Exchange Meeting (for Environmental Restoration)

PLACE: Jacobs Technical Center, Oakridge, Tennessee

ATTENDEES: S. R. Keith X8541
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DATES: August 23-25, 1994

Numerous topics were discussed and a brief synopsis follows. Unfortunately, several sites were not represented. Many good contacts were made and Rocky Flats Environmental Technology Site (RFETS) should benefit if we follow up in certain areas.

Topic I Implementation of DOE 4700.1

Most attendees did not feel 4700.1 was suitable for Environmental Restoration (ER) projects and are concerned that ER is not represented on the rewrite team. Numerous specific questions/concerns were faxed to Randy Wolff, who is working on the rewrite. A conference call was held during which these questions were answered. Also, Randy faxed us the list of people on the committee doing the 4700 rewrite. These documents available from S. Keith if you're interested.

Ron Venoss, FERMCO, said they are trying to use one document to meet numerous diverse purposes, including 4700. Feasibility Study/Conceptual Design Report integration is being pursued and they distributed a crosswalk between the two. FERMCO is also developing a Standards Requirements Identification Document (SRID) to establish ER standards to meet intent while exempting ER from non-applicable orders. Sue Peterman (DOE-FERNALD) is a good contact on the SRID effort. It sounds similar to RFETS Transitional Standards Identification Process (TSIP).

Savannah River, Michele Bullington looking at SRIDs as applicable to the entire site versus an activity.

Topic II Envirocare Contract

Jane Powell, DOE-Oakridge, 615-576-7807, is the person in charge of mixed waste disposal at the Envirocare contract. The first drum shipments arrived at Envirocare about two weeks ago. They should have the waiver for large containers immediately. As we prepare for shipping to Envirocare, it is advisable to call Jane for tips and general coordination. Jane gave a short written briefing. S. Keith has a copy with notes if you are interested.

Topic III Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act (CERCLA) and Decontamination and Decommissioning (D&D) Projects

Both Savannah River and Weldon Spring use Interim Corrective Action (ICA) documents for D&D, not CERCLA. At Oakridge, one pilot was picked to be under CERCLA but Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) declined to participate. Seems like at other sites represented, EPA not pushing for D&D under CERCLA. Quite contrary to our situation at RFETS.

At FERNALD, a building steel frame (siding containing asbestos having been removed) will be demolished by implosion on September 10, 1994. Don Pfister, 513-648-3170, is the contact for this work. Dust control is being accomplished by keeping area/building moist.

Topic IV Quality Assurance QA/Implementation of 10 CFR 830120

Representatives agree that DOE Order 5700.6C is almost identical to rule 830120. Therefore, if 5700.6C was being met, meeting rule 830120 is minor. This was not an area of great concern.

At Savannah River Site (SRS), they are taking a graded approach to 5700.6C for non-nuclear facilities; for nuclear facilities, 830120 will be met fully.

At Nevada Test Site (NTS), one facility is considered nuclear. The Safety Analysis Report that was written last year is being upgraded to a Nuclear Safety Report.

This raised the issue of training and verification training verification. FERNALD is implementing a bar code on badge system where a person entering a certain area will be immediately verified as having (or not having) required training to enter the specific area. Ron Venoss is contact for this topic.

Radiological Control Technicians (RCTs) may test out of thirteen modules, instead of taking six week training class, at EG&G ReeCo. They must pass all sections to be waived from the class.

Topic V Federal Facilities Compliance Act "Treatment Plan"

All sites on schedule with their site treatment plans. No real issues here.

Oakridge is currently requesting proposals to have untreated pondsludge, currently in drums, shipped, treated offsite, then disposed of at Envirocare. This is an interesting area to watch. Envirocare is supposedly bidding on this and would erect a treatment plant at their site.

Another site, Welden Spring, is now erecting a pilot plant to process pondsludge prior to disposal in their landfill cell, for which they obtained a Record of Decision (ROD) last year. Contact for Welden Spring is Ed Valdez, 314-926-7032. It is recommended that Solar Ponds and Federal Facility Compliance Act (FFCA) personnel visit there after the pilot plant is operating. This is a cementation, Land Disposal Restriction (LDR) compliant treatment utilizing both a hi-shear and pug-mill mixers. Sheryl Hodges, Welden Spring Site Remedial Action Project (WSSRAP), 314-441-8086 X2932, is also a good contact for what is happening there.

Topic IV Title III Inspection

Little discussion. SRS passed out procedure on "Post Modification Acceptance Criteria" and a draft "Functional Acceptance Criteria." S. Keith has copies of both.

Next Information Exchange scheduled for Fernald in October, 1994.