



Meeting: Budget Committee

Date: February 20, 2007

CAB Members Present: Jackson Ramsey, Ph.D. Committee Chairperson, Robert Johnston, James Weeks, Bill Aldrich, Harold Sullivan, Dr. David Rosin, Engelbrecht von Tiesenhausen, Robert Gatliff

U.S. Department of Energy: Kelly Snyder, DDFO, Bill Wilborn, Kevin Cabble, Peter Sanders, Jhon Carilli

Facilitator: Carla Sanda, Consensus by Design

Jackson Ramsey reviewed the protocol for the fiscal year (FY) 2009 budget prioritization process with the ultimate goal of reaching consensus on the Budget Committee's recommendation for prioritization of the four Environmental Management (EM) sub-projects (Underground Test Area, Industrial Sites, Low Level/Mixed Low-Level Waste, Soils).

Representatives from the U.S. Department of Energy's Nevada Site Office Environmental Management Program were scheduled at one-hour intervals to address a standard set of questions for each of the four EM sub-projects, with a focus on planned activities and budget forecast for FY 2009. Committee members were also provided clarification of additional questions and discussion points.

Upon completion of the DOE discussions, committee members deliberated further to ensure that all members had a clear picture of sub-project priorities. Each member then provided a numerical ranking of each of the sub-projects, which resulted in the following prioritization – from highest to lowest priority:

1. Underground Test Area
2. Industrial Sites
3. Low-Level / Mixed Low-Level Waste
4. Soils

Action Items:

- As a follow-up to a query from James Weeks related to the current status of the Engine Test Stand project, Kevin Cabble and Peter Sanders committed to researching the project's current status and providing the information to Kelly Snyder, who will forward the response to the Budget Committee.
- Bill Wilborn agreed to give the Underground Test Area Committee copies of the Risk Data Sheets from the Underground Test Area Sub-Project.
- The CAB support staff will draft a letter of recommendation to DOE/NSO detailing the budget prioritization and will provide it for discussion at the March 14 full Board meeting to ensure that it is available for the Board Chairperson's signature if full approval is received.