# NRC/AS Working Group on Termination of Uranium Mill License in Agreement States CONFERENCE CALL SUMMARY

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- 1. Welcome and Introductions
- Ž Conference call participants are listed above.
- 2. Formation and Operation of Working Group
- Ž Dorothy Stoffel will serve as Co-Chair for the WG.
- Ž The second WG conference call is scheduled on May 30 from 2 to 4 pm EDT.
- Ž The first face-to-face WG meeting is scheduled on June 12 in Denver.
- Ž Since there is only one face-to-face WG meeting, e-mails and phone calls will be greatly used for communication among WG members.
- 3. Discussion of WG Charter
- Ž The level of detailed information in completion review reports was discussed. No changes were made on the Charter.
- **Ž** WG decided that the third conference call will be on July 24, 2001 and the forth will be on August 29, 2001. The time is both from 2 to 4 pm EDT.

- 4. Identification of Tasks and Assignments
  - Task 1: Draft revised STP SA-900 Procedure: **Kevin Hsueh**
  - Task 2: Sample Completion Review Report for Conventional Uranium Mill
    - Task 2-1: A brief description of licensee's activities associated with decommissioning, tailings remediation and/or groundwater cleanup:

      Kevin Hsueh
    - Task 2-2 Documentation that the completed surface remedial actions were performed in accordance with the license requirements and regulations

Geotechnical Stability:

#### **Dorothy Stoffel and Dan Rom**

Surface Water Hydrology and Erosion Protection:

**Ted Johnson** 

Radon Emanation:

Phil Egidi, Gary Smith and Ted Johnson

- Task 2-3 Documentation that the completed site decommissioning actions were performed in accordance with license requirements and regulations:

  Phil Egidi
- Task 2-4 Documentation that the completed groundwater corrective actions, if necessary, were performed in accordance with license requirements and regulations:

Gary Smith, Ted Johnson and Rob Herbert

- Task 2-5 Discussion of results of State's site closure inspections: **Ted Johnson**
- Task 2-6 Documentation that release of this portion of the site will not negatively impact the reminder of the site to be closed at a later date, if it is a partial license termination case: **Kevin Hsueh**
- Task 3: Sample Completion Review Report for Non-conventional Uranium Mill
  - Task 3-1 A brief description of licensee's activities associated with license termination:

Kevin Hsueh

Task 3-2 Ground water information which demonstrates that the groundwater has been adequately restored to meet State restoration criteria:

Ted Johnson

Task 3-3	Documentation that the production, injection, and monitoring wells have
	been closed and plugged in accordance with the State criteria:
	Ted Johnson

Task 3-4 Decommissioning information which documents that all contaminated materials have been properly disposed of or transferred to another licensed site, or meet applicable standards and requirements for release:

#### **Gary Smith, Phil Egidi, Gary McCandless**

Task 3-5 Discussion of results of radiation surveys and confirmatory soil samples which indicates that the subject site meets applicable standards and requirements for release:

### Phil Egidi, Gary McCandless

- Task 3-6 Discussion of results of State's site closure inspections: <u>Ted Johnson</u>, <u>Gary McCandless</u>
- Task 3-7 Documentation that release of this portion of the site will not negatively impact the remainder of the site to be closed at a later date, if it is a partial license termination case:

  Kevin Hsueh

Task 4: Documentation of WG recommendations to NRC for improvements on NRC concurrence process: **Dorothy Stoffel**, **Kevin Hsueh** 

- 5. Review of WG Schedule
- Ž This item was discussed under item 3.
- 6. WG Meeting in Denver
- **Ž** WG briefly discussed the format of the meeting. It was suggested that WG members assigned to specific tasks take lead on the presentation for those tasks. WG will have further discussions on this subject during the May 30 conference call.
- 7. Discussions/comments from participants
- Ž Mr. Hamrick indicated that comments related to WG activities, if any, will be e-mailed to Kevin Hsueh.
- Ž Mr. Hamrick suggested WG consider sharing its documentation, discussed or distributed via e-mail among WG members, with meeting participants. WG will discuss this issue and respond at a later time.
- Mr. Hamrick indicated that in addition to NRC regulations or equivalent Agreement State regulations, there are other Federal or State regulations that may be applicable to the site being terminated. WG believes that all applicable regulations should be identified and addressed in the completion review report.

- **Ž** Mr. Hamrick commented that the use of alternative standards needs to be stated in the SA-900 procedure. WG plans to add the language on the use of alternative standards to the revised SA-900 procedure.
- Ms. Wichers suggested the WG include a discussion in the Denver meeting on the timing of the NRC review process. She also suggested in the meeting the WG provide a brief explanation about the basic license termination process for conventional and non-conventional uranium mill licenses in Agreement States. WG will consider the suggestions.
- Ž Mr. Plessinger commented that NRC should involve in State's reviews at the very early stage. He indicated that it's difficult for NRC to make determinations based on limited information submitted by Agreement States at the very end of the review process. WG will consider the comment.