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Subject: Technical Facilitation for the LOOW RAB

Good morning ACE,

Please accept the following e-mail in place of your COMMUNITY INPUT REGARDING TECHNICAL FACILITATION form.

My name is [REDACTED] and I have been a member of the LOOW RAB for about six years now. Currently I am the Chairperson of the Historical Committee and sit on the RAB steering committee.

1. Expectations for Technical Facilitator.

The community has grown over time to expect no miracles. Modern and CWM are realities in the LewPort vicinity. So the focus of this person would be to help us understand the "NFSS feasibility study" inside the current realities of this community and the history of this very unique government site. He or she would also bring the clarity that comes from a person who arrives from the outside. A results oriented person who can keep the focus on the remediation of the hazard. If they can simultaneously work us away from the study of the numerous problems, this might knock off two birds with one neutron.

2. Qualifications

Above all else this person needs to know radiological health issues. A close second and third would be regulatory process and how the ACE gets the job done. If you think about it the current RAB has some very talented "concerned citizen participants" but we sometimes lack the focused and directed energy an outside facilitator could provide. There is some truth to the axiom "the further he travels the more an expert he becomes". There are very few individuals who have actually worked on sites like the LOOW so a premium needs to be given those who have experience at West Valley, Fernald or similar government development facilities. This will add credibility around the table and very likely speed up the process of collective community agreement.

Methods of Communication?

The current LOOW concerned citizens group is an extremely dynamic collection of academics, politicians, technicians, main street shop owners, and affiliated religious and government leaders in the community. The monthly meetings work at the local level but the facilitator would only need to travel here to WNY possibly four times a year over the contract period. These face to face meetings would correspond with the current ACE Community Outreach activities so that everyone could sit at the same table when technical issues were discussed.

A Conference Call for each of the monthly meetings would keep everyone on track. Adding the ability to record these conversations and then listen to them later would also help those of us who might find it necessary to miss a meeting. And there would be a few hundred e-mails over a one year period as well. That is how we currently hold technical discussions, review complex reports, share old maps

and distribute the latest "unclassified documents" to everyone who may have an interest. The ACE LOOW Web Site has been a great help for the past couple years but the real issue comes down to what has been digitized in the first place. This digital information lends itself to a fuller understanding of the technical data and transparency to the general public when they want data that backs up a professional analysis. .

Expected outcomes?

The remediation of the K 56 waste Period !

Personal Comments;

About six months ago the West Valley Demonstration Project held a public meet to explain their final plan would take the next ten years to fully develop and the final remediation would likely take about 30 years. The average age of the citizens attending was about 65 years young. Questions were answered and more importantly many officials said they had good ideas but they too were not sure how to resolve some environmental issues. But using that 10 year period to dig, analyze and perfect remediation methods would give the least cost, best achievable technologies (most permanent remediation) in the shortest period of time for the West Valley community. This transparent process was successfully and softly sold to a skeptical population that was sold many pigs in a Poe by politicians in the past. Credibility carried the day.

The LOOW in some sense has already been accessed for radiological, biological, chemical, and ballistic hazards. Many vicinity areas have already been remediated ironically so that a hazardous waste facility can cover this land with "contained waste". A competent and experienced facilitator would help the community to see the other side of this hazard hill. This land will never be what it once was, but it's history of government secrets pleads the case for a fresh talent infusion to take all of us forward. A technical facilitator who is seen as honest, knowledgeable, sometimes fallible, factual and fluid when the facts take a new trend will be the leader who rallies this program to a conclusion viewed by the community as reasonably C O M P L E T E.

Thank you for your consideration on this important matter.

