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WEEK ENDING: FEBRUARY 18 , 1993
 WEEKLY ACTIVITY REPORT

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INDA G. SYE (ING)	4A-257	02/17/93	5:19 C. STOVER
CTOR ALESSI	4C-024	02/17/93	2:19 P. SEISER
SONEL V. MIRANDA		02/17/93	3:37 S. BROOKS
BERT L. SAN MARTIN (ING)	6C-016	02/17/93	7:07 C. STOVER
. MICHAEL WISNIEWSKI (ING)	7D-138	02/17/93	5:37 C. STOVER
LIZABETH SMEDLEY	4A-139	02/17/93	NO REPORT
VERET H. BECKNER (ING)	4A-014	02/17/93	1:44 O. BARNETT
ARK H. WHITAKER (ING)	5H-025	02/17/93	5:00 O. BARNETT
STER BRUSH (ING)	7A-097	02/17/93	4:16 P. SEISER
ARRY A. PETTIS (ING)	2E-027	02/17/93	3:53 P. SEISER
AUL D. GRIMM (ING)	7A-049	02/17/93	11:30 S. BROOKS
ITO STAGLIANO (ING)	7C-016	02/17/93	4:25 P. SEISER
ILLIAM HAPPER	7E-058	02/17/93	5:04 C. STOVER
JERRY F. THOMPSON (ING)	5E-148	02/17/93	3:56 P. SEISER
ACK SIEGEL (ING)	4C-084	02/17/93	4:38 P. SEISER
RIC J. FYGI (ING)	6A-245	02/17/93	8:51 S. BROOKS
GEORGE BREZHAY	6A-078	02/16/93	2:42 P. SEISER
OHN C. LAYTON	5D-039	02/17/93	3:00 S. BROOKS
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LORIA B. SMITH (ING)	7A-145	02/17/93	4:29 P. SEISER
DSOR C. BAOLIN (ING)	5A-115	02/17/93	11:22 S. BROOKS

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Department of Energy
Washington, DC 20585

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February 18, 1993

TO: THE SECRETARY
SECRETARIAL OFFICERS
MANAGERS, DOE FIELD OFFICES
ADMINISTRATORS, POWER MARKETING
ADMINISTRATIONS

The weekly status reports are attached.

February 16, 1993

Director of Administration and Management, AD-1

Weekly Status Report to the Secretary

o Career Planning Training

The Office of Professional and Technical Training and Development will conduct a train-the-trainer program on career planning March 22-28 in Headquarters. The program, entitled "Managing Personal Growth" emphasizes employees' responsibility to prepare a personal development plan in structured dialogue with their supervisors. Upon completing this training, the participants (25-30 training and personnel staff from both Headquarters and Field) will be able to train employees and supervisors in their organizations in utilizing these techniques. (C. Tierney, 275-1717)



Linda G. Sye
Acting Director of Administration
and Management

February 17, 1993

WEEKLY REPORT FROM THE OFFICE OF ARMS CONTROL AND NONPROLIFERATION

The Office of Arms Control and Nonproliferation has no input for the week ending February 17, 1993.

Victor E. Alessi
Victor E. Alessi
Director
Office of Arms Control
and Nonproliferation
Office of the Secretary

February 17, 1993

WEEKLY REPORT FROM THE OFFICE OF SMALL AND DISADVANTAGED BUSINESS UTILIZATION

The Office of Small and Disadvantaged Business Utilization has no input for the week ending February 19, 1993.

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Leonel V. Miranda, Director
Office of Small and Disadvantaged
Business Utilization

February 17, 1993

Weekly Report for Conservation and Renewable Energy

CURRENT

Near Term Activities

- Ribbon Cutting Scheduled for Marine Corps 29 Palms Project. A custom-built control room using technology originally designed for nuclear reactors was modified to monitor the base heating/cooling plant at 29 Palms in California. This innovative adaptation was conceived by Pacific Northwest Lab and funded by the Federal Energy Management Program (CE) as a means to help military facilities increase power plant efficiency and reliability while reducing life-cycle operations and maintenance costs. A measured gain in plant thermal efficiency of 16 to 18 percent is expected which would equal a \$300K per year natural gas cost savings. The ribbon cutting event is scheduled for the week of March 28. (K. Dean DeVine, CE-44, 6-6784)
- Revised Efficiency Standards for Refrigerators. At a meeting scheduled for March 9 in San Francisco, energy efficiency advocates and refrigerator manufacturers will begin development of a joint proposed efficiency standard for DOE's consideration in the next rulemaking. This is significant because it is the first time that traditionally opposing sides have worked together to negotiate a position on DOE standards acceptable to both sides. DOE will attend to provide guidance on criteria for consideration and to provide technical information. (C. Adams, CE-431, 6-9142)
- Interagency Energy Management Task Force to Meet. The Interagency Energy Management Task Force will meet on March 4 to continue efforts to implement 31 action items required by the Energy Policy Act of 1992. Six working groups will report on near-term issues such as the plan to conduct a survey of energy savings potential, training requirements, water conservation issues, energy-efficient leasing practices, and Federal Energy Efficiency Fund issues. (M. Ginsberg, CE-44, 6-1211)
- Engineered Porous Materials Expo Scheduled for May. Los Alamos National Laboratory, Sandia National Laboratories, and the University of New Mexico have scheduled a materials workshop and exposition for May 4-6, in Albuquerque. Engineered porous materials are recognized as keys to improved industrial efficiency in uses such as membranes, insulators, catalyst carriers, sensors, and many others. The two DOE laboratories and the Center for Microengineered Ceramics at the University have extensive experience and capabilities for synthesis of these materials. The purpose of the expo is to obtain input from industrial attendees on identified needs and to allow the laboratories to describe their capabilities. More than 100 industrial representatives are expected attend. (C. Sorrell, CE-232, 6-1514)

- Interagency Task Force Meeting on Transportation Technologies. CE will sponsor a meeting for all Federal agencies currently funding transportation technology programs in early March. The meeting will identify areas of overlap or gaps among the various transportation programs, and establish a joint plan for coordinating Federal research and development on electric and hybrid vehicles. We expect that procedures for program coordination will be established and later formalized with a Memorandum of Understanding. Agencies participating include the Department of Transportation, Department of Defense, and Environmental Protection Agency. (J. Merritt, CE-321, 6-0903)
- High School Electric Vehicle Competition, March 5-6, Phoenix, AR. As part of the Arizona Public Service Solar and Electric 500, 10 high schools in Arizona and one in New Mexico will compete for DOE prize money in an electric vehicle competition. Students have converted automobiles to run on lead-acid batteries. These vehicles will be judged on design, efficiency, and range. (P. Patterson, CE-30, 6-9121)
- Western Area Power Administration: Water Conditions Report. Snowpack in most of our geographic service territory is at or above normal for this time of year. Exceptions exist in some parts of the Upper Missouri River Basin, where snowpack amounts are as low as 80 percent of normal. If precipitation patterns continue into the spring, reservoir storage will improve this year in all basins. Generation is expected to be only marginally greater than last years' all-time low of 25.4 billion kilowatthours. This will likely result in purchase power expenses nearing \$300 million. (Joel Bladow, WAPA, 6-5581)

Completed Activities

- Fort Lewis Project Gets Underway. About 2 years ago, Federal Energy Management staff teamed Fort Lewis, Tacoma City Light, and DOE in the first Federal/utility collaborative to increase the energy efficiency of the military base. Tacoma City Light has just awarded a shared energy savings contract for \$35M to reduce demand at Fort Lewis by 5 MW. Annual savings of over \$600,000 are expected. (L. Harris, CE-44, 6-9794)
- Briefing to Representative Schroeder. Senior National Renewable Energy Laboratory (NREL) officials briefed Representative Pat Schroeder (D-CO) February 9 on developments at NREL over the past year. Schroeder was interested in finding out how NREL could assist in lessening the problems caused by the closing of Lowry Air Force Base. She also asked about progress made at NREL in hiring women and minorities and about NREL's solar detoxification work. (Christopher Power, Golden Field Office, 303/231-7842)
- Briefing to Representative Skaggs. Representative David Skaggs visited NREL February 11 for a briefing on NREL's work in alternative fuels and biomass, the work covered by Skaggs' new assignment with the Interior and Appropriations Subcommittee. (Christopher Powers, Golden Field Office, 303/321-7842)

- Southwestern Power Administration: Meeting with Senator Bumpers Regarding Fish Recovery. Southwestern's Administrator attended a meeting with Senator Bumpers and representatives from the trout and tourism industry, the State of Arkansas, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, and Senator Pryor's Little Rock office on February 9. The purpose of the meeting was to discuss the status of efforts to improve the level of dissolved oxygen in releases from the Bull Shoals and Norfork dams, and a number of alternative short- and long-range improvement options. (Fred Munsell, SWPA-330, (918) 581-6806)
- Western Area Power Administration: Federal Energy Regulatory Commission Approves Western's Rates. On February 10, the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission confirmed and approved Western Area Power Administration's Salt Lake City Area Integrated Projects firm power and transmission rates. These rates are a 3.2 and 4.4 percent increase over previous rates. The Federal Energy Regulatory Commission ruled against all issues raised by the two intervenors: (1) a consortium of environmental groups, and (2) the Colorado River Energy Distributors Association, a customer group.
- Western Area Power Administration: Navajo Photovoltaic Project. Western Area Power Administration and the Navajo Tribal Utility Authority signed a contract for development, installation, and operation of between 100 and 150 solar-energy-based electrical systems on the Navajo Indian Reservation. These systems will provide power to previously unelectrified Navajo homes in areas too isolated to justify the expense of installing conventional electrical service. (Joel Bladow, WAPA, 6-5581)

Issues for the Secretary

- States Running Out of Oil Overcharge Funds. Information prepared for the upcoming Report to Congress on oil overcharge funds indicates that seven States (Maine, Massachusetts, Illinois, Michigan, Minnesota, New Mexico and Nevada) have expended 95% or more of their Exxon funds, and there are several more that are over 90% expended. This is especially significant for program planning, because States are required to use Exxon Funds in the Federal grant programs administered by CE and the Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program administered by the Department of Health and Human Services. This is likely to be a topic of concern expressed by congressional members during Appropriations hearings. (F. Lambert, 6-2319)


 Robert L. San Martin
 Acting Assistant Secretary
 Conservation and Renewable Energy

February 18, 1993

CURRENT EVENTS

Secretary O'Leary travels to New Jersey and Minnesota in support of the President's economic stimulus package:

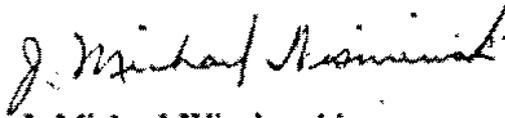
- February 18 Secretary O'Leary will travel to Somerville, New Jersey, where she will be available to meet with the media at Somerville Central School to discuss not only education, but also energy and environment matters, particularly as they relate to the President's economic program.
- February 19 Secretary O'Leary will participate in several media activities in Minneapolis and St. Paul to discuss the President's economic plan. The Secretary will also speak about the economic plan to the business and labor community at the Science Museum of Minnesota; and will speak at the University of Minnesota to state energy officials and legislative leaders.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- February 22 The Secretary will meet with Representative Martin Frost (D-Texas) to discuss the Superconducting Super Collider project. (Rescheduled from February 19)
- February 24 The Secretary will meet with Senator John Warner (R-Virginia) to discuss free electron laser technology; a cask design for spent nuclear fuel; and the Continuous Electron Beam Accelerator Facility located in Newport News. (Rescheduled from February 19)

February 24

Secretary O'Leary has been requested to testify before the House Appropriations Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development on the energy portions of the President's economic stimulus plan.



J. Michael Wisniewski
Acting Assistant Secretary
Congressional, Intergovernmental
and Public Affairs

WEEKLY STATUS REPORT
Office of Defense Programs

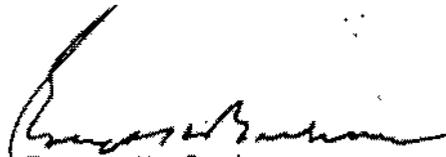
February 17, 1993

United States/Canadian Coordination Meeting - The Canadian Government has requested initial discussions regarding U.S. nuclear emergency response capabilities and whether agreements exist for response to transborder accidents or emergencies. The first discussion will take place February 17-18, 1993. (John Rudolph, Defense Programs, 301-903-3618)

Rocky Flats Plant Building 707 Activities - Graded start-up activities for Building 707 operations are underway. This involves training and procedures walk-downs by operations personnel, but does not involve nuclear material. The Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board has voted unanimously to support resumption of nuclear operations in Building 707. Their decision is expected to be formally communicated to the Secretary during the week of February 15, 1993. Operations with nuclear material will not begin until a decision is made by the Secretary. (Bob Nelson, Rocky Flats Plant, 303-966-2025)

Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board Staff Visit to DOE Albuquerque Field Office - Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board members DiNunno and Crawford and staff members will visit the Albuquerque Field Office February 24-26, 1993. The topics to be reviewed are readiness assessments, standards, and orders for nuclear facility safety and nuclear explosive safety. Emphasis will be on facility safety issues. (Jim Turner, Defense Programs, 301-903-3463)

Albuquerque Field Office to Participate in All Indian Pueblo Council Economic Development Conference - Staff members of the Albuquerque Field Office have been invited to participate in an Economic Development Conference sponsored by the All Indian Pueblo Council on February 16-18, 1993, in Albuquerque, New Mexico. The Albuquerque Field Office Small Business Program Manager will participate in panel discussions related to technical and financial assistance to small and minority businesses. (L. Apodaca, Albuquerque Field Office, 505-845-5163)

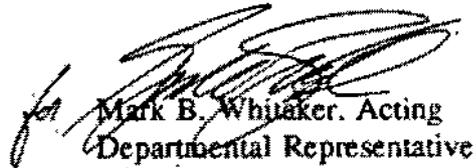


Everet H. Beckner
Acting Assistant Secretary
for Defense Programs

February 17, 1993

Weekly Report of the Departmental Representative to the Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board (DNFSB).

- o From February 24-26, 1993, Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board Members Crawford and DiNunno will visit the Albuquerque Field Office to review the orders and standards program.



**Mark B. Whitaker, Acting
Departmental Representative
to the Defense Nuclear
Facilities Safety Board**

February 17, 1993

WEEKLY REPORT FOR THE OFFICE OF ENVIRONMENT, SAFETY AND HEALTH

Future

- o Safeguards and Security Inspection of Nevada Office. The comprehensive inspection of the Department's Nevada Field Office activities has been completed and the results briefed to cognizant program secretarial officers. The inspection revealed that significant progress has been made at Nevada in major safeguards and security elements, although some improvements can still be made. The next step will be to brief the staff of the Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, Committee on Energy and Commerce on these results. The briefing is expected to occur during the week of February 22, 1993. (Glenn Podonsky, EH-4, 3-3777)



Peter N. Brush
Acting Assistant Secretary
Environment, Safety and Health

February 18, 1993

Weekly Activity Report for the Energy Information Administration

FUTURE

o Renewable Resources in the U.S. Electricity Supply

In late February, the Office of Coal, Nuclear, Electric and Alternate Fuels will release the report, Renewable Resources in the U.S. Electricity Supply. The report provides historical data and long-term projections on the uses of hydroelectric, wind, solar, geothermal, biomass, and waste energy resources in the Nation's electricity markets.

o Mid-Season Propane Assessment

EIA's Winter Fuels Report to be published on Thursday, February 18, 1993, will include an assessment of propane supply and demand thus far in the winter and includes an outlook for the balance of the winter. The assessment focuses on the Midwest, where stocks are near minimum observed levels, and concludes that above normal movements of propane into the Midwest from other regions and from imports will be required if the weather is normal or colder than normal for the remainder of the winter. The outlook is cautiously optimistic but, somewhat higher prices may be required to attract these additional supplies.

o Energy Modeling Forum Program on Conservation

On March 4-5, 1993, Mark Rodekoher and Andy Kydes of EIA's Office of Integrated Analysis and Forecasting will participate in an Energy Modeling Forum program on energy conservation. The Energy Modeling Forum, sponsored by Stanford University, consists of a group of energy analysts and modelers from academia, other Federal and State government offices, and the private sector. This represents one of the EIA's outreach efforts to inform interested parties about the Agency's programs and analysis efforts. (M. Rodekoher, EI-81, 6-1130)



L. A. Pettis
Acting Administrator

memorandum

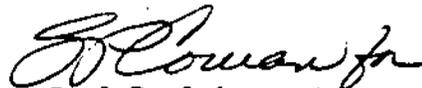
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REPLY TO
ATTN OF: EM-3
SUBJECT: Weekly Status Reports (Ref: Your Memo, 1-27-93)

TO: Director of Executive Secretariat, AD-30

The following may warrant inclusion in the agency's weekly status report to the White House:

DOE and contractor staff expect to present options and recommendations for improving the treatment and disposal strategy for high-level radioactive wastes stored in Washington State during a February 24 meeting with Secretary O'Leary. This meeting will be followed by status briefings for members and staff of the Washington and Oregon congressional delegations on the tank waste remediation program. The Department of Energy may propose a delay in the construction of a high-level waste vitrification facility at the Hanford Site in south central Washington State by March 31, 1993. Changes to any part of the 1989 Hanford Federal Facility Agreement and Consent Order must be negotiated with Region X of the Environmental Protection Agency and the Washington Department of Ecology. The Hanford Tri-Party Agreement guides the future cleanup of the 560-square mile Hanford Site, where plutonium and other special isotopes were produced for use in nuclear weapons, and construction of a waste vitrification plant at Hanford is viewed in the Pacific Northwest as the cornerstone of the cleanup program. Since any change to the Hanford Tri-Party Agreement will generate substantial media coverage throughout the region, the DOE will solicit public comments on the reasons for proposing a delay in this work. While the merits of the DOE proposal are evaluated, the DOE must continue to comply with the Hanford Tri-Party Agreement or face the prospect of fines, penalties, and negative media coverage for taking unilateral action.

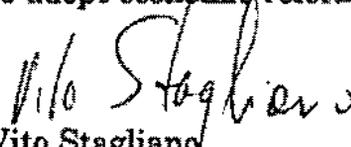
Please direct any questions to Michael Sellers on 586-7709.



Paul D. Grimm
Acting Assistant Secretary for Environmental
Restoration and Waste Management

DOMESTIC AND INTERNATIONAL ENERGY POLICY WEEKLY REPORT
FEBRUARY 17, 1993

- NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF REGULATORY UTILITY COMMISSIONERS (NARUC) MEETINGS. Policy staff will attend NARUC's Winter Committee meetings in Washington, D.C., February 27 - March 3. Discussions will cover the full spectrum of current issues concerning State regulation of electric and gas utilities. Policy will also attend a meeting of NARUC's Nuclear Waste Office to develop informed positions on nuclear waste issues. (K. Kelly, 6-5727)
- MEETING WITH JAPANESE AMBASSADOR. Japanese Ambassador Takakagu Kuriyama will meet with Secretary O'Leary on February 25. Possible topics for discussion include the Administration's plans for the Superconducting Super Collider and nuclear energy policy as it relates to foreign partners. (H. Jaffe, 6-6777)
- MEETING WITH GERMAN MINISTER. German Minister for Environment, Nature Conservation and Reactor Safety Klaus Toepfer will meet with Secretary O'Leary on February 26. Principal topics for discussion include energy and environmental policy and safety of nuclear powerplants built by the former Soviet Union. (H. Jaffe, 6-6777)
- MEETINGS WITH ENVIRONMENTAL MINISTERS. A delegation of Environmental Ministers from Eastern Europe and the former Soviet Union will visit Washington February 21-23 to meet with officials of various agencies and the Congress. Secretary O'Leary has been invited to several functions. (D. Dwyer, 6-6384)
- MEETING WITH THE MEXICAN MINISTER OF ENERGY. A meeting has been requested for February 25 or 26 between Secretary O'Leary and Emilio Lozoya, the Mexican Minister of Energy, Mines and Parastatal Industries. The topics for the meeting include the North American Free Trade Agreement, Mexico City air quality study, energy taxes and other energy policy initiatives of the Clinton Administration. (H. Santiago, 6-6143)
- MEETING WITH U.S. AMBASSADOR TO KAZAKHSTAN. On February 24, U.S. Ambassador to Kazakhstan William Courtney will meet with Policy staff to discuss DOE's conference on oil and gas in Alma Ata and ways the U.S. can assist Kazakhstan in its efforts to adopt economic reform. (L. Ekimoff, 6-6159)


Vito Stagliano
Acting Assistant Secretary
Office of Domestic and International
Energy Policy

February 17, 1993

Weekly Report for the Office of Energy Research/Science and Technology Advisor

- Russian Minister of Atomic Power and Industry to Visit the Superconducting Super Collider Laboratory: On February 20-21, 1993, Russian Minister of Atomic Power and Industry, V. Mikhailov, will visit the Superconducting Super Collider Laboratory as part of his visit to the United States. He met with Secretary O'Leary on February 17, 1993. (J. Cipriano, ER-90, 214/708-2521)
- Department of Energy to Display Major Exhibit at the Society for Automotive Engineers Conference and Exposition: On March 1-4, 1993, the Department of Energy will participate for the first time in the Society for Automotive Engineers' conference and exposition to be held in Detroit, Michigan. This outreach activity is expected to reach approximately 40,000 attendees and 700 or more exhibitors whose interests intersect with the Department, and cut across program office lines of research. Secretary O'Leary has been invited to participate. (R. Lewis, ST-40, 202/586-6864)
- Duty Free Entry of Superconducting Super Collider Imports: On February 18, 1993, personnel from the Superconducting Super Collider Project Office and other staff from the Department of Energy will meet with representatives of the U.S. Customs Service and the Department of Commerce to discuss duty-free entry for items imported for the Superconducting Super Collider Project. Items contributed by foreign governments and laboratories could cost the U.S. Government up to an estimated \$45 million in duties if an exemption for the Superconducting Super Collider is not obtained. Discussions with regional Customs' officials have not resolved this issue. The Project is now seeking to elevate discussions in the hopes of obtaining a broader waiver from duty for major systems and components. (J. Cipriano, ER-90, 214/708-2521)
- Black Engineers Week Conference: On February 26, 1993, the annual conference honoring Black engineers will be held in Baltimore, Maryland. Dr. William Wiley, Director of Pacific Northwest Laboratory, is one of the featured speakers at this year's conference. Dr. Wiley is also a finalist for the National Black Engineer of the Year Award which is the featured event at the conference. (R. Stephens, ST-50, 202/586-8949)
- Dedication of New Engineering Building at Turabo University: Turabo University, located near San Juan, Puerto Rico, is a member of the Department of Energy-supported Science and Technology Alliance, whose purpose is to strengthen the research and education capabilities of minority university members. Turabo University has particularly benefitted from a close partnership with Sandia National Laboratories, including technical assistance from laboratory staff in the development of a new engineering degree program and the design and construction of a new engineering building. This building will be dedicated on March 4, 1993, and invited guests include the Governor of Puerto Rico, members of the Hispanic Congressional Caucus, and Sandia President Al Narath. (R. Stephens, ST-50, 202/586-8949)

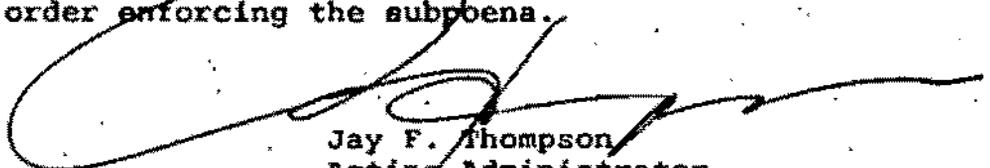
William Happer

William Happer
Director
Office of Energy Research/
Science and Technology Advisor

February 17, 1993

Weekly Report of the Economic Regulatory Administration (RG)

- o On February 10, 1993, in United States v. Oxy Usa Inc., DOE filed its opposition to Oxy's motion for a protective order. Oxy is asking the district court to withhold 19 documents from DOE on the grounds of attorney-client privilege. DOE maintains that Oxy waived any claim of privilege for documents not submitted earlier, in 1991, pursuant to the court's order enforcing the subpoena.



Jay F. Thompson
Acting Administrator
Economic Regulatory Administration

February 17, 1993

WEEKLY REPORT FOR FOSSIL ENERGY

ITEMS RECOMMENDED FOR CABINET ATTENTION

- o Nothing to report.

CURRENT

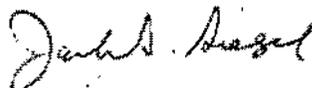
- o OIL PURCHASE FOR STRATEGIC PETROLEUM RESERVE. On February 11, the Defense Fuel Supply Center awarded a \$36.7 million contract for delivery of 2 million barrels of sweet crude oil to the Reserve in late February/early March. (Paul Plaisance, FE-42, FTS 202/586-4415)
- o NEW COMPRESSED NATURAL GAS FUELING STATION AT NAVAL PETROLEUM RESERVE NO. 1. The Elk Hills Naval Petroleum Reserve has completed construction of a compressed natural gas fueling station on site. Elk Hills is the Department of Energy's largest user of compressed natural gas vehicles, with 20 vans operated for its vanpool program and 59 pickup trucks used for daily activities. (Tom Alexander, FE-62, FTS 202/586-5561)

FUTURE

- o NEW COAL COMBUSTION WASTE MANAGEMENT STUDY. Fossil Energy's Coal Combustion Waste Management Study is scheduled for release the week of February 22. The study summarizes utility management practices, State regulatory programs, and a data base and methodology to estimate the impacts of more stringent waste management requirements on utility costs, rates, and coal markets. An advance copy of this study was provided to the Environmental Protection Agency who will make a final regulatory determination by August 2, 1993. (Debra Littleton, FE-4, FTS 202/586-3033)

STATUS OF CONGRESSIONAL INVESTIGATIONS/GAO REVIEWS

- o Nothing to report.



Jack S. Siegel
Acting Assistant Secretary
for Fossil Energy

WEEKLY REPORT OF GENERAL COUNSEL

February 17, 1993

Current

- o In Day v. NLO (6th Cir.), a class action lawsuit on behalf of workers at the Fernald plant against DOE's former M&O contractor, the court of appeals granted the defendant's motion for a stay of the scheduled summary jury trial pending consideration of the defendant's petition for mandamus challenging the district court's intention to open the summary jury trial to the public. (A. Fingeret, GC-21, 586-5678)
- o In Heart of America v. Westinghouse Hanford Co. (E.D. Wash.), an action against DOE and Westinghouse, the M&O contractor at the Hanford site, alleging violations of the Clean Water Act and CERCLA reporting requirements, and requesting declaratory and injunctive relief and civil penalties, the replies of the plaintiff and the State of Washington to our response to the State's amicus curiae brief were filed. A hearing on the motions to dismiss filed by DOE and Westinghouse is scheduled for March 8, 1993. (A. Capoferri, GC-22, 586-8135)
- o On February 16, the Fernald Environmental Management Project (FEMP) is expected to file a Notice of Dispute with EPA Region V in connection with EPA's February 9 rejection of FEMP's request to extend certain cleanup schedules under the FEMP cleanup agreement between EPA and DOE. EPA also issued a "Notice of Intent to Assess Stipulated Penalties." FEMP is expected to meet with EPA on February 17 to discuss its position. (S. Miller, GC-11, 586-6947)

Upcoming

- o In Friends of the Earth, Inc. v. O'Leary (E.D. Tenn.), a citizen suit under the Clean Water Act alleging violations of NPDES permit limits at Oak Ridge, the plaintiffs' reply to our opposition to their motion for summary judgment and for injunctive relief is due February 18, 1993; our response to their reply is due March 15, 1993; and a hearing is scheduled for March 22, 1993. (A. Capoferri, GC-22, 586-8135)
- o In United States v. Andrus (D. Idaho), an action in which the State seeks to enjoin shipments of any type of spent nuclear fuel to INEL until DOE prepares an EIS meeting the State's specifications, the court has set the following schedule: the discovery cut-off is February 19, 1993; Idaho's motion for summary judgment is due March 5, 1993; our cross-motion for summary judgment is due March 19, 1993; Idaho's reply is due April 2, 1993; and our reply is due April 16, 1993. A hearing on the cross-motions is set for May 6, 1993. (R. Henderson, GC-22, 586-8706 and J. Schlaifer, GC-22, 586-8709)
- o In Atlantic Richfield v. Department of Energy (3d Cir.), an action in which several refiners seek a declaratory judgment that OHA's conduct of a refund proceeding concerning the Citronelle Field escrow fund is unlawful and ask the court to order the appointment of an independent decisionmaker, our brief in response to the plaintiffs' appeal from the

district court's order denying their motion for summary judgment is due February 19, 1993; and the plaintiffs' reply brief is due March 5, 1993. (T. Kemp, GC-22, 586-5550 and M. Kasischke, GC-22, 586-8334)

- o In United States v. California (S. Ct.), a case in which the Court is reviewing the Ninth Circuit's affirmance of the district court's rejection of our claim for the refund of sales taxes and interest paid by DOE's M&O contractor at NPR-1 between 1975 and 1981, oral argument is scheduled for February 23, 1993. (E. Jiran, GC-21, 586-5508)
- o On February 18, 1993, staff from this office and the Superconducting Super Collider Project Office are scheduled to meet with Treasury Department and Commerce Department staff to discuss the subject of duty-free entry of imported material for the collider. (S. Bradley, GC-32, 586-2900)

Status of Congressional Investigations/GAO Review - None

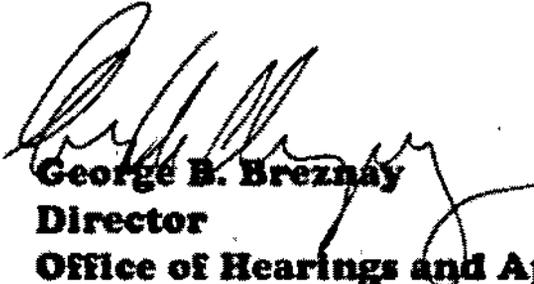


Eric J. Fygi
Acting General Counsel

February 17, 1993

Weekly Report for Office of Hearings and Appeals

Nothing to report.


George B. Breznay
Director
Office of Hearings and Appeals

United States Government

Department of Energy

memorandum

DATE: February 17, 1993
REPLY TO:
ATTN OF: IG-10
SUBJECT: Weekly Status Report

TO: The Secretary

The Office of Inspector General submits a negative report for this reporting period.

Judith M. DeMaire
Judith M. DeMaire
Assistant Inspector General
for Policy, Planning and
Management

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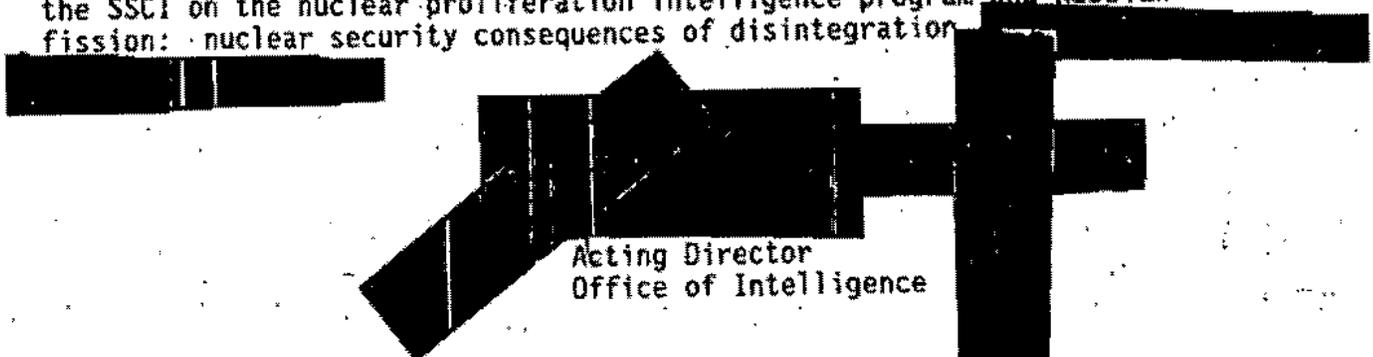
February 17, 1993

Office of Intelligence (IN)

Weekly Status Report to the Secretary

FUTURE

- o Senate Select Committee on Intelligence (SSCI) Briefing. On March 1, 1993, members of the Office of Foreign Intelligence staff will brief the SSCI on the nuclear proliferation intelligence program and Russian fission: nuclear security consequences of disintegration



Acting Director
Office of Intelligence

February 17, 1993

Weekly Report of the Office of Minority Economic Impact (MI)

- o Nothing significant to report.

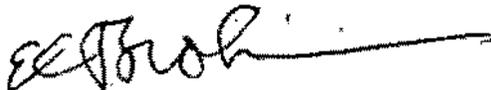


Gloria E. Smith
Acting Director
Office of Minority Economic Impact

February 17, 1993

Weekly Report for the Office of Nuclear Energy

- o Defense Nuclear Facility Safety Board to Visit Idaho Facility. The Board has scheduled a radiological control review of the Idaho Chemical Processing Plant during the week of March 1. Discussions will also be held with Board staff members on sodium waste issues and the New Waste Calcining Facility restart progress. (R. Stallman, Idaho Field Office, (208) 526-5711)



E. C. Brolin, Acting
Assistant Secretary
for Nuclear Energy

February 17, 1993.

Weekly Report for the Office of Nuclear Safety

Current Activities:

There is no input from the Office of Nuclear Safety this week.

Thomas A. Rollin

for Steven M. Blush
Director
Office of Nuclear Safety

February 17, 1993

Weekly Report for the Office of Nuclear Safety

Current Activities:

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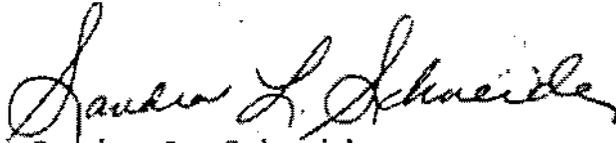


for Steven M. Blush
Director
Office of Nuclear Safety

February 17, 1993

WEEKLY REPORT OF OFFICE OF CONTRACTOR EMPLOYEE PROTECTION

The Office of Contractor Employee Protection has no input for the week ending February 17, 1993.



Sandra L. Schneider
Director, Office of Contractor
Employee Protection

OFFICE OF EMERGENCY PLANNING AND OPERATIONS

FEBRUARY 17, 1993

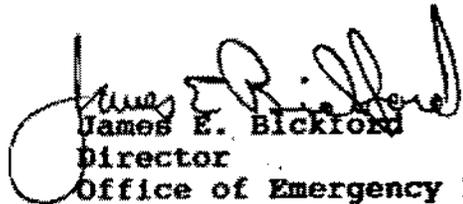
- o NATIONAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT ASSOCIATION. The Director, Office of Emergency Planning and Operations, will be speaking at the 1993 Mid-year Conference of the National Emergency Management Association, on the morning of March 2, 1993, at the Sheraton Crystal City in Arlington, VA. In the afternoon, the State Emergency Directors have been invited to tour DOE's new Emergency Operations Center. (A. Drance, OE-32, 6-8809; J. Phipps, OE-322, 6-1366)
- o ENERGY SECURITY. The Office of Emergency Planning and Operations will sponsor a pilot training program on energy industry risks from terrorism. The program will be classified and run for four days, beginning March 30. It will be attended by selected security managers from electric power, petroleum and gas industries. (G. Coplon, OE-21, 6-1311)
- o DISASTER PREPAREDNESS CONFERENCE. The Electric Power Research Institute will conduct a disaster preparedness conference on April 19-21, 1993, in New Orleans, LA. Experts will cover emergency preparedness and response topics. The Director, Office of Emergency Planning and Operations will make a presentation on DOE's energy emergency preparedness and response activities. (S. Trumbower, OE-21, 6-1365)

STATUS OF CONGRESSIONAL/GAO REPORTS

- o Nothing to report.

DEPUTY SECRETARY INITIATIVES

- o Nothing to report.


James E. Bickford
Director
Office of Emergency Planning
and Operations

February 17, 1993

Weekly Status Report of the Office of Civilian Radioactive Waste Management

WHITE HOUSE INTEREST: None

FUTURE:

- o Triangle Coalition for Science and Technology Education - On February 18, 1993, staff will attend a briefing sponsored by the Congressional Liaison Task Force on Science and Technology Education. Triangle Coalition has initiated these sessions to share information on how education, particularly in the fields of science and mathematics, contributes to economic competitiveness. There will be a panel presentation by corporate education leaders with an opening by Senator Mark Hatfield. The Edison Electric Institute, among others, will participate on the panel. (J. Saltzman, RW-5, 586-2277)
- o Ft. McDermitt Paiute Shoshone - On February 19, 1993, staff will participate in a public forum at the Ft. McDermitt Reservation regarding Monitored Retrievable Storage. (R. Milner, RW-40, 586-9694)
- o Yucca Mountain Site Tours - On February 20, 1993, the Yucca Mountain Site Characterization Project Office will conduct an open house and tour of Yucca Mountain for the general public. Approximately 300 visitors are expected from Las Vegas, Pahrump, and Amargosa, Nevada. (C. Gertz, RW-20, 8-702-794-7920)
- o Waste Management '93 Conference - Staff will participate and make presentations at the Waste Management '93 Conference in Tucson, Arizona, March 1-5, 1993. (J. Saltzman, RW-5, 586-2277)
- o Requested Nuclear Waste Technical Review Board Meeting with the Secretary - Dr. John E. Cantlon, Chairman of the Nuclear Waste Technical Review Board, has requested a meeting with Secretary O'Leary on March 2, 1993. The Board wishes to discuss concerns and recommendations made in its Special Report to Congress and the Secretary of Energy, which will be officially released at 10 a.m. on that morning. (D. Shelor, RW-30, 586-6046)



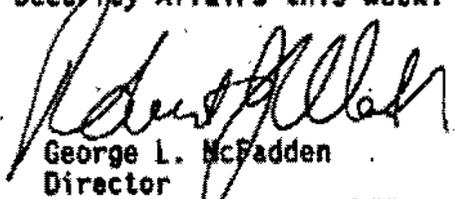
Lake H. Barrett, Acting Director
Office of Civilian Radioactive
Waste Management

February 18, 1993

WEEKLY REPORT OF OFFICE OF SECURITY AFFAIRS

Current:

- No input from the Office of Security Affairs this week.


for George L. McFadden
Director
Office of Security Affairs

Office of the Executive Secretariat did not receive a Weekly Report from:

- o Chief Financial Officer

- o Public Affairs

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 WEEKLY ACTIVITY REPORT

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Department of Energy
Washington, DC 20585

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February 25, 1993

TO: THE SECRETARY
SECRETARIAL OFFICERS
MANAGERS, DOE FIELD OFFICES
ADMINISTRATORS, POWER MARKETING
ADMINISTRATIONS

The weekly status reports are attached.

February 23, 1993

Director of Administration and Management, AD-1

Weekly Status Report to the Secretary

o National Women's History Month

Planning is underway for the Department's National Women's History Month program. Plans include workshops on March 23 (Germantown) and March 24 (Forrestal) on the topics of employee development and communication in a culturally diverse workplace. (J. Pagano, 6-2218)

o EEO Complaint Processing

As of February 19, OCR was processing 141 active EEO complaints. Approximately one-third of these complaints are in the beginning stages of processing, and the remaining two-thirds are being investigated in accordance with the procedures and timeframes outlined in 29 C.F.R. Section 1614 or are pending a hearing before the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission. (J. Pagano, 6-2218)

o DOE Executive Fleet

As part of the planned reduction to the executive fleet, two commercially leased 1993 Lincoln Town Cars are being returned to the Ford Motor Company. (D. Bielan, 6-5710)

o Shared Energy Savings (SES) Project - Forrestal

The contract for the SES lighting retrofit project at Forrestal was awarded on February 16. The Notice-to-Proceed date will be March 1, with a scheduled completion date of July 29. Ninety-eight percent of the existing light fixtures will be retrofitted with energy efficient components at no cost to DOE. Annual savings on energy consumption are projected to be \$341,000, which will be 63 percent reduction in lighting costs. (D. Bielan, 6-5710)

o Senior Executive Service Candidate Development Program

The Office of Professional and Technical Training and Development is currently in the final phase of screening applicants for the 1993-94 SES Candidate Program. An action memorandum will be forwarded for the Secretary's approval recommending selection of fifty GS/GM-14s and 15s by March 5. Upon completion of the Candidate Program, in approximately 12-18 months, participants will be eligible for non-competitive selection for Senior Executive positions. (C. Tierney, 275-1717)

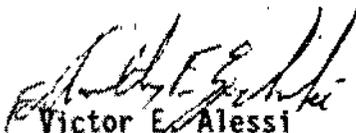


Linda G. Sye
Acting Director of Administration
and Management

February 24, 1993

WEEKLY REPORT FROM THE OFFICE OF ARMS CONTROL AND NONPROLIFERATION

The Office of Arms Control and Nonproliferation has no input for the week ending February 24, 1993.



Victor E. Alessi
Director
Office of Arms Control
and Nonproliferation
Office of the Secretary

February 24, 1993

WEEKLY REPORT FROM THE OFFICE OF SMALL AND DISADVANTAGED BUSINESS UTILIZATION

National Association of Minority Contractors (NAMC) Conference

Mr. Miranda, Director, BU-1, will participate in the NAMC conference at West Palm Beach, Florida during the period February 25-27, 1993. (Contact: Paul Terban, BU-1, 254-5602)

Small Business Administration Subcontract Marketing Opportunities Conference

Ms. Brenda DeGraffenreid and Paul Terban of my staff will make presentations at the SBA sponsored subcontracting conference in Arlington, Texas on April 23, 1993. Approximately 1,000 participants are expected, including 100 prime contractor representatives and 600-900 small businesses. (Contact: Paul Terban, BU-1, 254-5602)

Technology Transfer Survey

BU-1, in conjunction with ST-40, will complete its survey of DOE's laboratories technology transfer activities with small businesses on March 8, 1993. This is being accomplished in accordance with section 3135(b) of the National Defense Authorization Act, which requires DOE to establish a program to accelerate the transfer of technology to small businesses. (Contact: Paul Terban, BU-1, 254-5602)

Women-owned Business (WOB) Export Assistance Program

Women-owned Business (WOB) Export Assistance Program is a pilot program which will assist women-owned businesses in obtaining DOE contracting and subcontracting opportunities abroad. The program, which will be initiated in late March, will include up to six WOB firms who are either currently performing or seeking international opportunities. BU-1 will utilize its network of small business international trade associations to identify firms.

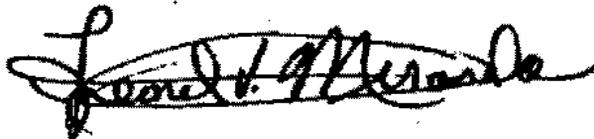
Small Disadvantaged Business Export Assistance Program

Small Disadvantaged Business Export Assistance Program is designed to assist minority firms who are seeking and obtaining DOE contracting and subcontracting opportunities abroad. This pilot program, which has a duration

of one year, will coordinate with the DOE program offices doing business internationally, the Small Business Administration and the Department of Commerce, to match minority firms with international opportunities. (Contact: Brenda DeGraffenreid, BU-1, 254-5592)

8(a) Pilot Program Proposed Ruling

BU-1 staff met with a PR-12 representative to discuss development of a proposed rulemaking for the 8(a) pilot program. BU-1 implemented the pilot in 1991 to encourage subcontracting by management and operating (M&O) contractors to small disadvantaged companies. The test is limited to purchases of \$50,000 or less; eligibility is restricted to 8(a) firms in the "developmental stage" and no premium is paid to participating 8(a) companies. Eleven M&Os are currently participating in the pilot program. Based upon the results of the program, (FY 1992 \$1,640,000 and FY 1991 \$167,000), BU-1 is interested in making the program permanent and having all M&Os participate. (Contact: Fern Spivy, BU-1, 254-5606)



Leonel V. Miranda, Director
Office of Small and Disadvantaged
Business Utilization

February 24, 1993

Weekly Report for Conservation and Renewable Energy

Near Term Activities

- o Central and South West Corporation Comprehensive Study of Renewable Technologies. Central and South West Corporation (Austin, TX) announced that its four electric utility companies are planning the most comprehensive study of renewable technologies ever undertaken in the Southwest. The \$10 million, 5-year program calls for installing a large photovoltaic system connected to the electrical network, individual photovoltaic panels on customer rooftops, two solar-dish Stirling engines, and several wind-powered turbines. This project will increase the system's research expenditure for 1993 by more than 40 percent. They believe that research, technological advances, and economies of scale could help make the use of sun and wind for electrical power an affordable alternative for customers early in the 21st century. (A. Bulawka, CE-131, 6-5633)
- o Meeting with State Research Organizations. Opportunities for collaboration between DOE and the States in energy efficiency and renewable research will be discussed Monday at a joint meeting of the National Association of State Energy Officials (NASEO) and the Association of State Energy Research and Technology Transfer Institutions (ASERTTI). ASERTTI has recommended a National Energy R&D Strategy that includes closer cooperation between DOE and State research organizations in the planning and conduct of R&D and in the diffusion of advanced technologies. DOE will discuss cosponsorship with ASERTTI this spring of a national workshop on R&D planning. ASERTTI represents public research institutions in New York, California, Florida, Iowa, Kansas, Minnesota, North Carolina, Washington, and Wisconsin. (J. Millhone, CE-40, 6-1510)
- o Institutional Conservation Program Rule. The final rule for the Institutional Conservation Program was published in the Federal Register on February 19. It will improve the ability of DOE to assist States, institutions, and other interested parties in improving energy efficiency, reducing energy costs, and leveraging available resources. (T. Stapp, CE-531, 6-2096)
- o DOE/HUD Initiative - Boston Area Demonstration Project. A media event spotlighting the installation of energy conservation measures at the Chelsea Housing Authority's Margolis Apartments will be held on February 25. The Chairman of Citizen's Conservation Corp., Boston Edison Company officers, State and local politicians, and HUD and DOE Support Office staff will participate. (Richard C. Michaud, Boston Support Office, 617/565-9713)
- o Industry Acceptance Documents Success Of Industrial Combustion Equipment. Performance and environmental tests on the oxy-fuel fired (oxygen-enriched combustion) glass furnace at Gallo Glass will be complete by the end of February. In this project, oxygen is replacing

air as oxidant for natural gas fuel. Now, the world's first vacuum pressure swing absorption (VPSA) system is in full operation, supplying oxygen in Gallo furnaces. Performance shows a 25% decrease in fuel use, plus emissions reductions. The overall system, including oxygen separation, is expected to be lower in cost due to the energy efficiency of the VPSA system. Because of this and other CE demonstrations, use of oxy-fuel firing by the glass industry will quadruple to 3200 tons of glass per day over the next two years. (G. Varga, CE-22, 6-0082)

o Interagency "305" Ad Hoc Subcommittee for Federal Agency Promotion, Education, and Education on Alternative Fuels. CE will host the third meeting of the 305 Ad Hoc Subcommittee to develop practical strategies for implementing Section 305 (a) of the Energy Policy Act of 1992 (P.L. 102-486) on February 24. Section 305 calls for DOE to promote programs and educate officials and employees of Federal agencies on the merits of alternative fuels. (P. Labrie, CE-33, 6-1738)

o Visit to Electric Motor Manufacturers. CE staff will visit three electric motor manufacturers, (Reliance, U.S. Motors, and Baldor) March 15-18 to examine manufacturing and testing facilities and discuss the draft EPACK proposal for implementation of the energy efficiency standards for motors. We met last week with the National Electric Manufacturers Association and manufacturers to discuss definition of motors covered by the standards, laboratory certification requirements, and labeling requirements. (T. Logee, CE-431, 6-1689)

o Golden Field Office: Local Commissioners Meet on Rocky Flats. Gary Laura, Jefferson County Commissioner, held a meeting February 17 to discuss his plan to turn Rocky Flats into a renewable energy demonstration facility. Some 60 local businesses, academic, and government officials attended. Laura will meet with Acting ASCE San Martin on March 2 on the same subject. He also hopes to meet with the Vice President and the Colorado Congressional delegation. (Christopher Power, Golden Field Office, 303/231-7842)

o Bonneville Power Administration (BPA): Power Situation Status. At the end of January, the Federal system of reservoirs was 31 percent full rather than the average 70 percent. The chance of refill by the end of July remains very low, in part because of heavy reservoir drafts this winter due to very cold temperatures. The February early bird runoff forecast was 82 percent of average. As a result, BPA will probably use its remaining purchasing power to keep reservoirs up as much as possible. BPA will draft reservoirs conservatively to keep a 7,000 megawatt reserve in the system by the end of March to increase flows for fish this spring. (Stephen J. Wright, BPA, 6-5640)

o BPA: Wildlife Funding Agreement With State of Washington. BPA and the State of Washington are entering into a wildlife funding agreement to mitigate for impacts from construction of Federal Columbia River Power System facilities. This interim agreement will provide funding until a long-term trust agreement is concluded. The interim agreement is expected to be concluded in March. (Stephen J. Wright, BPA, 6-5640)

- o Western Area Power Administration (WAPA): National Science Bowl Regional Finals. The Regional finals for the 1993 National Science Bowl competition for the Sacramento region were held on February 13. The day-long tournament was co-sponsored by the WAPA. On February 27, WAPA, in conjunction with local businesses, will sponsor Montana's Regional Science Bowl Competition. The winner of the event will compete in the National Science Bowl Competition April 16-19, in Washington, DC. (Joel Bladow, WAPA, 6-5581)

Completed Activities

- o WAPA: California-Oregon Transmission. The second segment of the California-Oregon Transmission Project was energized on February 22. This segment consists of 190 miles of 500-kv transmission line from Olinda Substation (near Redding, California) to Tracy Substation. The final phase is scheduled to be completed March 17, when the project will be ready for commercial service. (Joel Bladow, WAPA, 6-5581)

Issue for the Secretary

- o Forrestal Relighting Contract Awarded. A contract was awarded February 16 to EUA Cogenex to install energy efficient lighting in the Forrestal Building. This is a shared energy savings project which requires no Federal capital investment. It will be financed by savings from electricity costs and includes rebates from the Potomac Electric Power Company. This is a joint effort between the DOE Office of Administrative Services, DOE Office of Organization, Resources, and Facilities Management, and CE. This is a significant milestone which illustrates DOE's leadership in this innovative type of Federal procurement. CE is coordinating an event involving the Secretary, GSA, Pepco, and the contractor to highlight the activity. (L. Harris, CE-44, 6-9794)


Robert L. San Martin
Acting Assistant Secretary
Conservation and Renewable Energy

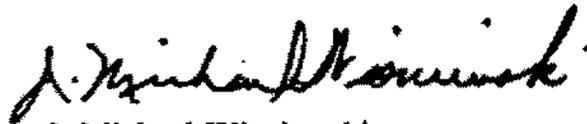
February 25, 1993

CURRENT EVENTS

- February 22 The Secretary met with Representative Martin Frost (D-Texas) to discuss the Superconducting Super Collider project.
- February 23 The Secretary met with Senator Robert Krueger (D-Texas) to discuss the Superconducting Super Collider project and pending energy tax proposals.
- February 24 The Secretary met with Senator John Warner (R-Virginia) to discuss free electron laser technology; a cask design for spent nuclear fuel; and the Continuous Electron Beam Accelerator Facility located in Newport News.
- February 24 The Secretary testified before the House Appropriations Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development on the energy portions of the President's economic stimulus plan.
- February 25 The Secretary will meet with Senator James Exon (D-Nebraska) to discuss defense issues.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- March 4 The Secretary will meet with Senator Frank Murkowski (R-Alaska) to discuss various issues concerning the Department and the State of Alaska.



J. Michael Wisniewski
Acting Assistant Secretary
Congressional, Intergovernmental
and Public Affairs

WEEKLY REPORT -- OFFICE OF THE CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER

February 25, 1993

CURRENT

o Bank Deposit Financial Assistance Program

Further expansion of the Bank Deposit Financial Assistance Program took place this week. An additional \$2,565,000 was disbursed on February 18, 1993, and a total of 27 certificates of deposit were placed through two Administrative Financial Institutions with 14 Minority Financial Institutions. The February 18, 1993, expansion brings the total Petroleum Pricing Violation Escrow Funds invested in the Bank Deposit Financial Assistance Program to \$136,895,000 (26 Administrative Financial Institutions) (1441 certificates of deposit), with a concentrated effort in California of \$42,750,000 (450 certificates of deposit).

o Environmental Waste: Cost of Federal Cleanup of Hazardous Waste

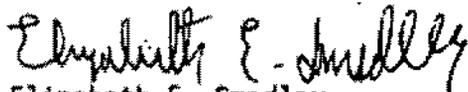
The General Accounting Office is conducting a multi-agency study to obtain information on current and future cost estimates of Federal cleanup of hazardous waste. The General Accounting Office wants to look at recent Department of Energy studies on cost and how the cleanup process will be tracked. The General Accounting Office is aware of a 1988 Department of Energy report which estimated the cost of such cleanup, but wants current figures.

o Technology Transfer: Transfer of Critical or Unique Submarine or Production Technology from Vendors to Department of Energy Production Laboratories

At the request of the Senate Committee on Armed Services and the House Committee on Government Operations, the General Accounting Office has initiated a survey of the Navy's attack submarine force structure. The survey is focusing on the Navy's plans to achieve its force level goals, including the industrial base necessary for achieving and maintaining the goal, the threat to United States forces, and the expected capabilities of both United States and threat submarines. At such, the General Accounting Office is exploring the possibility of transferring critical or unique submarine and production technology from vendors to Department of Energy laboratories. In this regard, the General Accounting Office is trying to determine the capabilities of Department of Energy laboratories to perform similar technological production.

FUTURE

- o The Office of the Inspector General is planning an audit of the Department's efforts to resolve oil overcharge cases and to collect funds owed by the petroleum companies. The objectives of the audit are to evaluate the Economic Regulatory Administration's progress in concluding actions on unresolved cases and to follow up on previously reported deficiencies in documentation, control over cases, and effectiveness of collection actions. The portion of the audit to be performed at the Office of Headquarters Accounting Operations will focus primarily on the effectiveness of collection actions. An entrance conference is scheduled for March 8, 1993.



Elizabeth E. Smedley
Acting Chief Financial Officer

WEEKLY STATUS REPORT
Office of Defense Programs

February 24, 1993

Omega West Reactor at Los Alamos National Laboratory - Leak tests identified the source of the reactor coolant leak discovered January 29, 1993. Efforts are continuing to evaluate the extent of the damage and costs associated with corrective actions. (John Ordaz, Defense Programs, 301-903-8055)

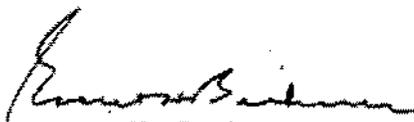
Industry Advisory Board for the Defense Programs Technology Transfer Program - The Directors of Los Alamos National Laboratory, Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory and Sandia National Laboratories, the Plant Manager of Y-12, members of the Laboratory Coordinating Board, and DOE management will meet in Dallas on March 1. The Board will identify and prioritize dual-use technologies to enhance U. S. competitiveness. These actions will form the basis and guidelines for the 1994 technology transfer program. (Warren Chernock, Defense Programs, 202-586-7590)

University of California Regents to Meet With Northern New Mexico Indian Tribal Officials - A committee of University of California Regents has offered to meet with American Indian leaders on a visit to Northern New Mexico in late March. The leaders had expressed concerns about the impact of Laboratory operations on public health and the environment and had requested a meeting with the Regents. (Jerry Bellows, Los Alamos Area Office, 505-667-5105)

Supercompactor Start-up - The first drum of transuranic waste was compacted on February 22, 1993. Representatives of the Colorado Department of Health were in attendance. Supercompaction of radioactive mixed waste is a major step in initiation of Rocky Flats clean-up activities. The supercompactor provides an important tool to keep plant waste storage volumes within regulatory limits. (Bob Nelson, Rocky Flats Office, 303-966-2025)

Weapons Dismantlement Meeting - A meeting is scheduled March 25-26 at Headquarters to discuss issues associated with the dismantlement of Russian nuclear weapons. This is the second in a series of seminars for DOE laboratory and DOE Headquarters personnel involved in future cooperative programs with the Russians. (Bob Ghetti, Defense Programs, 202-586-2177)

Replacement Tritium Facility at Savannah River - The Operational Readiness Review was completed on February 4, 1993. There were 29 findings requiring resolution by the contractor, and three findings requiring resolution by the Department. A DOE team will brief the Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board staff on the results of the Operation Readiness Review on March 3, 1993. The Board indicated they would not hold a public meeting. (Bill Barker, Defense Programs, 202-586-8266)


Everet H. Beckner
Acting Assistant Secretary
for Defense Programs

February 25, 1993

Weekly Report of the Departmental Representative to the Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board (DNFSB).

Negative report.



Mark B. Whitaker, Acting
Departmental Representative
to the Defense Nuclear
Facilities Safety Board

February 24, 1993

WEEKLY REPORT FOR THE OFFICE OF ENVIRONMENT, SAFETY AND HEALTH

Items for the Secretary

- o Certification of Shipping Cask for the Russian Plutonium. The Office of Environment, Safety and Health has certified the package planned for use in transporting Russian plutonium-238. The package has been certified as meeting all applicable requirements of the Departments of Energy and Transportation and the Nuclear Regulatory Commission for shipment of fissile radioactive materials. The certification is, however, conditioned on use of the package in a transportation mode which does not impede natural convection heat transfer (circulation). This condition may pose a problem since the Office of Nuclear Energy plans to transport the package in the Department's "Safe Secure Transporter," which would not meet this requirement. Additional safety analysis will be required to justify use of his transport mode.

Items for the White House

- o The Office of Environment, Safety and Health has no items for the Weekly Report to the White House.



Peter N. Brush
Acting Assistant Secretary
Environment, Safety and Health

February 24, 1993

Weekly Activity Report for the Energy Information Administration

CURRENT

o U.S. and Midwest Propane Situation

Inventory levels of propane declined for the week ending February 12, 1993, in all three major consuming areas of the country: the East Coast, Gulf Coast, and Midwest. As a result, stock levels reached a new record low of 8.9 million barrels (MMB) in the Midwest and a new record low of 27.7 MMB at the U.S. level. Texas Eastern and Dixie Pipeline systems are on allocation, but no disruptions have been reported, and spot prices for propane at both Conway, Kansas and Mt. Belvieu, Texas continue to range around 32.5 cents per gallon. The situation warrants continued close monitoring since a sudden rise in demand or a disruption of propane supplies could give rise to propane shortages. (C. Heath, EI-42, 6-6860)



L. A. Pettis
Acting Administrator

DOMESTIC AND INTERNATIONAL ENERGY POLICY WEEKLY REPORT
FEBRUARY 24, 1993

FUTURE ACTIVITIES

- PETROLEUM MARKETING LEGISLATION MARK UP. On March 4, Senate Energy and Natural Resources Committee will mark up S. 338. The bill deals with conversion to company operations, state preemption, underlying leases and waiver of rights. An identical bill was marked up in the last session (S. 2656/H.R. 5000) and defeated due to the opposition of major oil companies. Policy has no objection to the bill. (L. Coburn, 6-5667).
- DISCUSSIONS WITH OFFICIAL FROM JAPAN'S MINISTRY OF INTERNATIONAL TRADE AND INDUSTRY. On February 25, Ikusaburo Kashima, Director of the International Energy Policy Division at Japan's Ministry of International Trade and Industry, will meet with Acting Assistant Secretary Vito Stagliano and Deputy Assistant Secretary Richard Williamson. Discussions will include the proposed energy tax, international energy policy, and the upcoming U.S.-Japan energy bilateral consultations scheduled for March 2-3. (L. Ekimoff, 6-6159)
- ENERGY POLICY ACT IMPLEMENTATION. Policy staff will negotiate a memorandum of understanding with the Agency for International Development (AID) governing new joint DOE/AID global technology transfer programs in the areas of renewable energy, clean coal technology, and environmental technology as required in the Energy Policy Act of 1992. (S. Lee, 6-0836)
- ENERGY POLICY ACT PRIORITIES. House Energy and Power Subcommittee staff have requested meetings with DOE Policy and program staff to discuss Fiscal Year 1993 and 1994 budget support for EPACT implementation and implications for the President's stimulus package. (V. Stagliano, 6-4640)
- NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF REGULATORY UTILITY COMMISSIONERS (NARUC) MEETINGS. Policy staff will attend NARUC's Winter Committee meetings in Washington, D.C., February 27 - March 3. Discussions will cover the full spectrum of current issues concerning State regulation of electric and gas utilities. Policy will also attend a meeting of NARUC's Nuclear Waste Office will convene a meeting to develop informed positions on nuclear waste issues. (K. Kelly, 6-5727)



Vito Stagliano
Acting Assistant Secretary
Office of Domestic and International
Energy Policy

February 24, 1993

Weekly Report for the Office of Energy Research/Science and
Technology Advisor

- Department of Interior Secretary Babbitt Halts California Low Level Waste Dump: On February 19, 1993, Secretary of Interior Bruce Babbitt announced he will not transfer Federal land in the Mojave Desert to California for use as a low-level nuclear waste dump until he is satisfied the move is legal. He will review an environmental assessment of the land transfer and seek more public comment. The review will take 90 days, after which Secretary Babbitt will decide whether or not to sell California the 1,000 acres near Needles, California. Former Department of Interior Secretary Manuel Lujan had approved the land transfer at the request of California Governor Pete Wilson, waiving a requirement for public comment to speed up the process. Anti-nuclear activists obtained a court order to prevent the transfer from occurring and asked Secretary Babbitt to review the action.
(C. Powell, SF, 510/273-6398)
- Experiment to Test "Thermostat" Theory for Global Warming: The Central Equatorial Pacific Experiment will be conducted from March 7 to April 7, 1993. It is funded jointly by the National Science Foundation and the Department of Energy and includes participation from the international global change and climate communities. The goal of the experiment is to examine the validity of a thermostat effect which may limit greenhouse warming. (D. Galas, ER-70, 301/903-3251)
- Regional Science Bowl to be held at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology: On February 27, 1993, the Department of Energy New England Regional High School Science Bowl will be held at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. Twenty high schools from Massachusetts and New Hampshire will be participating. This is the first time this area will be represented in the National Science Bowl finals to be held in Washington, D. C. in April. (W.N. Hess, ER-20, 301/903-3713)
- Cooperative Research and Development Agreement: On March 2, 1993, Mrs. O'Leary will participate in a ceremonial Cooperative Research and Development Agreement signing between Oak Ridge National Laboratory and Odgen Corporation. This agreement also involves the participation by a German firm through Odgen. Representatives from the Environmental Protection Agency and the Department of Commerce have been invited to attend. (R. Lewis, ST-40, 202/586-6864)

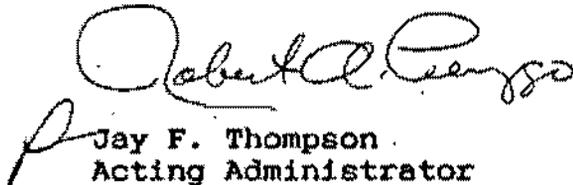
William Happer

William Happer
Director, Office of Energy Research

February 24, 1993

Weekly Report of the Economic Regulatory Administration (RG)

- o On February 18, in Chevron U.S.A., Inc., ERA filed with the Office of Hearings and Appeals its Response to Statement of Objections, Opposition to Motion for Evidentiary Hearing, and Opposition to Motion for Discovery in this Tertiary Incentive Enforcement proceeding in which ERA seeks \$261 million, including interest.


Jay F. Thompson
Acting Administrator
Economic Regulatory Administration

February 24, 1993

WEEKLY REPORT FOR FOSSIL ENERGY

Items Recommended for Cabinet Attention

- o None

Current

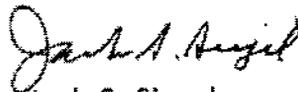
- o Clean Coal Project Dealt Major Setback by Virginia Senate. An intense shareholder lobbying campaign by Dominion Resources (parent of VEPCO) resulted last week in an unexpected defeat for one of DOE's major Clean Coal Technology projects. The Virginia Senate voted 21 to 18 against legislation that would have required VEPCO to enter into an arbitrated agreement to purchase power from a gasification-combined cycle project proposed by Coastal Power Production Co. and Tampella Power Corp. DOE and its partners are looking at options, but until a power purchase agreement is in place, the project cannot proceed with government co-funding. (Doug Uthus, FE-221, 703-235-2558)

Future

- o Bids for Elk Hills Crude Oil To Determine Future Shipments to Strategic Reserve. DOE will open bids on March 4 for the sale of 50,000 barrels/day of Elk Hills Naval Petroleum Reserve crude oil. If bids don't meet congressionally-mandated price test, we will likely opt to continue shipping 20,000 barrels/day to the Strategic Petroleum Reserve. A year ago this action prompted a very vocal outcry from California independent producers and the State's congressional delegation and led to a pending law suit against DOE. (Chuck Olentine, FE-63, 586-5556).

Status of Congressional Investigations/GAO Reviews

- o None



Jack S. Siegel
Acting Assistant Secretary
for Fossil Energy

WEEKLY REPORT OF GENERAL COUNSEL

February 24, 1993

Current

- o In United States v. California (S. Ct.), a case in which the Court is reviewing the Ninth Circuit's affirmance of the district court's rejection of our claim for the refund of sales taxes and interest paid by DOE's M&O contractor at NPR-1 between 1975 and 1981, oral argument was heard. (E. Jiran, GC-21, 586-5508)
- o In LARCO v. DOE and Sinclair Oil Corp. v. DOE (TECA), consolidated entitlements exception relief cases in which the district court ordered the cases remanded to DOE for a determination of the amount of relief the plaintiffs would be entitled to under the "Delta (FEA)" standard, the parties jointly moved to dismiss our appeal based upon an agreement to settle all of the plaintiffs' remaining entitlements exception relief claims. As part of the settlement, the parties further jointly moved to dismiss three pending petitions for review filed by the plaintiffs before the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission. (T. Kemp, GC-22, 586-5550 and T. West, GC-21, 586-5677)
- o In SEMCO v. United States (Fed. Cl.), a case brought by a disappointed bidder for the systems engineering and development management contract for Yucca Mountain, the parties agreed to a settlement under which the plaintiff will be paid its bid and proposal costs. (M. Gosse, GC-21, 586-6488)
- o In United States ex rel. Charla Dickens v. John Brown E & C, Inc. and Lawrence Allison Associates West, Inc. (S.D. Tex.), a qui tam action under the False Claims Act, a settlement was reached by the parties under which the defendants will pay the government a total of \$1.6 million, with \$995,000 to be allocated to two DOE M&O contracts at NPR 3. (T. West, GC-21, 586-5677)

Upcoming

- o In Cook v. Rockwell International Corp. (D. Colo.), a class action tort suit against DOE's former M&O contractors at Rocky Flats brought on behalf of local property owners, a scheduling conference is scheduled for February 25, 1993. (A. Fingeret, GC-21, 586-5678)
- o In United States v. Andrus (D. Idaho), an action in which the State seeks to enjoin shipments of any type of spent nuclear fuel to INEL until DOE prepares an EIS meeting the State's specifications, the court has set the following schedule: Idaho's motion for summary judgment is due March 5, 1993; our cross-motion for summary judgment is due March 19, 1993; Idaho's reply is due April 2, 1993; and our reply is due April 16, 1993. A hearing on the cross-motions is set for May 6, 1993. (R. Henderson, GC-22, 586-3706 and J. Schlaifer, GC-22, 586-8709)

- o In Heart of America v. Westinghouse Hanford Co. (E.D. Wash.), an action against DOE and Westinghouse, the M&O contractor at the Hanford site, alleging violations of the Clean Water Act and CERCLA reporting requirements, and requesting declaratory and injunctive relief and civil penalties, a hearing on the motions to dismiss filed by DOE and Westinghouse is scheduled for March 8, 1993. (A. Capoferri, GC-22, 586-8135)
- o In Energy Research Foundation v. O'Leary (D.S.C.), a suit to compel DOE to prepare an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) concerning the restart of the HB-Line plutonium processing facility at the Savannah River Site, our response to the plaintiff's complaint is due March 8, 1993. (A. Capoferri, GC-22, 586-8135)

Status of Congressional Investigations/GAO Reviews - None

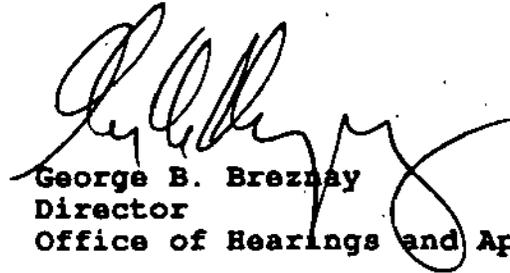


Eric J. Fygi
Acting General Counsel

February 24, 1993

Weekly Report for Office of Hearings and Appeals

- o Nothing significant to report.



George B. Breznay
Director
Office of Hearings and Appeals

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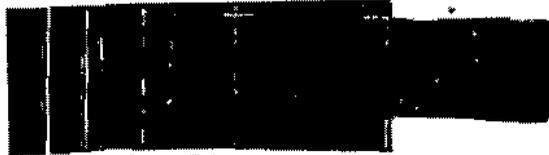
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February 24, 1993.

Office of Intelligence (IN)

Weekly Status Report to the Secretary

The Office of Intelligence has no significant current or future items to report for the week ending February 26, 1993.



Acting Director
Office of Intelligence

February 24, 1993

Weekly Report of the Office of Minority Economic Impact (MI)

Nothing significant to report.



Gloria B. Smith
Acting Director
Office of Minority Economic Impact

February 24, 1993

Weekly Report for the Office of Nuclear Energy

- o Purchase of Russian Highly Enriched Uranium (HEU). U.S. officials will be meeting with representatives from the Russian Federation Ministry of Atomic Energy (MINATOM) the week of March 1, 1993, for the purpose of commencing negotiations on purchases by the Department of Energy of HEU resulting from nuclear weapons dismantled in Russia. These purchases serve as an implementing contract for the Government-to-Government umbrella agreement signed in Washington on February 18, 1993, by Major General William Burns (Ret.), on behalf of the U.S., and Minister Mikhailov of MINATOM. (P. Sewell, NE-30, 903-4321)

- o Environmental Protection Agency Region X Award. Environmental Protection Agency Region X announced that they will award the Agency's Bronze Award to the Department of Energy Idaho Field Office and the state of Idaho Department of Health and Welfare for successful implementation of the Federal Facility Agreement and Consent Order. The award will be presented March 2, 1993, at the Environmental Protection Agency/state of Idaho/ Department of Energy semianual retreat in Idaho Falls. The agreement was signed by all three parties December 9, 1991. (T. Burns, ID, 208-526-7653)



E. C. Brolin, Acting
Assistant Secretary
for Nuclear Energy

February 24, 1993

Weekly Report for the Office of Nuclear Safety

Future Activities:

Nuclear Safety Information Exchange With the United Kingdom -- The Director of NS will visit the Atomic Weapons Establishment at Aldermaston, England on March 3-4, 1993. He will be accompanied by the Director of NS Field Programs Division and the Director of the Savannah River Restart Special Projects Office. The purpose of this visit is to discuss nuclear safety topics of mutual interest, including safety oversight in a government-owned and contractor operated environment. (J. Keating, 6-2407)

for *Steven M. Blush*
Steven M. Blush
Director
Office of Nuclear Safety

February 24, 1993

Weekly Report of Office of Contractor Employee Protection

Status of Cases

Savannah River Field Office

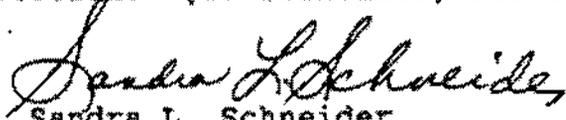
- o SR-93-0003. This case involves a second complaint by a contractor employee who alleges he continues to be reprimed against by contractor management personnel for raising safety issues. The reprisals allegedly include threats of termination, poor performance evaluations, assignment to tasks that are not meaningful, and "shunning." An OC team is on site this week investigating the second complaint. The Complainant has made numerous safety and other complaints to other entities, including several Congressional committees and other safety oversight entities. (S. Dillingham/A. Chrisp, 586-8289)

Chicago Field Office

- o CH-92-002. The Complainant in this case has alleged that he was dismissed from employment as a result of his disclosure of company improprieties, including time card fraud. Because the Complainant's dismissal occurred prior to the effective date of Part 708, and the underlying issues involve waste, fraud, and abuse, there may be no way to require the contractor to participate in a Part 708 proceeding. However, we are discussing with the contractor their voluntary participation in such a procedure. The Complainant has recently written to the President, the Secretary, and various Congressional committees regarding his situation. (S. Schneider/G. Gray, 586-8289)

Status of Congressional Investigations/GAO Review

- o There are no pending Congressional investigations or GAO reviews concerning the operations of the Office of Contractor Employee Protection. (S. Schneider, 586-8289)



Sandra L. Schneider
Director, Office of Contractor
Employee Protection

OFFICE OF EMERGENCY PLANNING AND OPERATIONS
WEEKLY REPORT
FEBRUARY 23, 1993

CURRENT ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- o Propane Issue. Stocks remain below "normal" levels with expected season inventory draws continuing. Staff from Petroleum Supply Division of Energy Information Administration (EIA) and Office of Emergency Planning and Operations (OE) staff have been in daily contact with propane distributors and State energy officials in the Midwest and Northeast and have no reason to believe there are serious supply and distribution problems at this time, but are aware of the potential for spot outages to arise. The weather in the Midwest and Northeast was sharply colder the past week, but stock draws and prices remain within season patterns. Several of the pipelines moving propane into the Midwest are beginning to report difficulties in moving product.

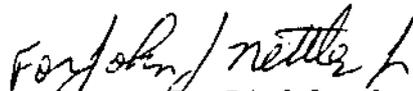
Reports for the week ending February 19, 1993, U.S. propane stocks stood at 26.9 million barrels (MMB), down 0.9 MMB, a normal seasonal change. The U.S. level is the lowest recorded. Propane stocks in the Midwest (PADD II) decreased 1.1 MMB to 7.8 MMB. Reports also show propane spot prices at Conway, Kansas, (a major distribution hub) have increased 7 cents per gallon in the past two days after holding steady at about 30 to 34 cents for the past month.

STATUS OF CONGRESSIONAL/GAO REPORTS

- o Nothing to report.

DEPUTY SECRETARY INITIATIVES

- o Nothing to report.



James E. Bickford
Director
Office of Emergency Planning
and Operations

February 24, 1993

Director of Public Affairs, PA-1

Weekly Status Report to the Secretary

CURRENT/FUTURE

- o National Congress for the Advancement of Minorities - Secretary O'Leary will speak on February 25, at the official opening ceremony of the 1993 National Congress for the Advancement of Minorities in the Environmental Profession in Washington, DC. This national event will be held at the Sheraton Washington Hotel and an audience of 500 is anticipated. Media will attend and the Secretary will provide an interview to Channel 5 (Fox TV) before the ceremony; C-Span will also cover event.
- o CNN Moneyline Interview - Secretary O'Leary will be a guest on CNN moneyline on February 26. Topic: the Department's role in the President's Economic Plan.
- o Waste Management 1993 Conference - The Waste Management 1993 conference will take place February 28 - March 4 in Tucson, Arizona. Representatives from Radioactive Waste (RW) will be presenting papers, including Yucca Mountain Project Manager, Carl Gertz and Strategic Planning and International Affairs Director Tom Isaacs. Paul Grimm, Acting Assistant Secretary for Environmental Restoration and Waste Management, will speak on the Future of the Environmental Restoration and Waste Management Program. This is an international event with an audience of 1100 expected. Media expected.
- o Interview on Defense Conversion - CNN anchor Frank Sesno will interview Secretary O'Leary on Monday morning March 1, on technology transfer aspects of defense conversion; part of a one-hour Special Report: "Swords to Plowshares..."
- o Improved Technology for Fossil Power Plants - On March 1, Jack S. Siegel, Acting Assistant Secretary for Fossil Energy, will speak at an International Symposium entitled "Improved Technology for Fossil Power Plants." The symposium, sponsored by the Electric Power Research Institute, will be held in Washington, DC, at the Mayflower Hotel and is expected to attract 400 attendees. Mr. Siegel will speak on Clean Coal Technologies now ready for deployment. Media expected.
- o Society of Automotive Engineers - March 1-3 DOE will participate in the 1993 Society of Automotive Engineers International Exposition in Detroit, Michigan. DOE is sponsoring a major exhibit, focusing on tech transfer. Media anticipated.
- o Morgantown Technology Center - Dan Kaplan, of Energy Daily will visit on March 3-4, the Morgantown Energy Technology Center for an update on coal/gas R&D programs.
- o DOE this Month - March issue out on March 4.

CURRENT/FUTURE (con't)

- o Naval Petroleum Reserve Site 1 - On March 4, bid openings for sale of oil from the Naval Petroleum Reserve Site 1 will begin at DOE Headquarters. Media is invited to attend.
- o Frederick D. Patterson Award - Secretary O'Leary will receive the Frederick D. Patterson Award on March 11, the highest award conferred by the United Negro College Fund, at their 49th anniversary dinner in New York City. Former Democratic Majority Whip Bill Gray, now President and CEO of the United Negro College Fund, will preside. Expect wide media coverage. Arranging Editorial Boards for Secretary; NY Times and Wall Street Journal, also community event on weatherization.
- o Media Activities - Secretary O'Leary will travel to Newport News, Virginia and do a series of media events possibly, including editorial boards, and a news conference.
- o CRADA Agreement - Secretary O'Leary will preside over a major signing ceremony in Raleigh, North Carolina, on March 15, with the Textile industry on an "Amtex," American Textile, CRADA agreement. The CRADA will enable the textile industry to access DOE's manufacturing, waste management, and machine tooling capabilities. This CRADA will also have a big impact on U.S. jobs and the textile industry. Media expected.

FIELD ACTIVITIES:

- o Public Hearings - The Environmental Protection Agency holds public hearings on the proposed radioactive waste standards for the Waste Isolation Pilot Plant in Carlsbad and Albuquerque on February 23 and 24. Media interest should be heavy.
- o Project Chariot Meetings - Community meetings to discuss the Department's cleanup plans in four Alaska communities continue until February 27. The Nevada field office has a public affairs officer present to facilitate expected interviews and media requests. This project involves returning to the "Power 48", some slightly contaminated soil placed for study in the permafrost region about 30 years ago.
- o CNN at Labs - CNN crews continue to tape interviews at the Los Alamos National Laboratory and Sandia National Laboratory, New Mexico, for several stories about spin off technologies from weapons programs. Subjects include: nonproliferation, satellite sensing technology, computer modeling, robotics, weapons waste management and computer enhancement technologies. No air dates are set.

PRESS RELEASES:

February 17: DOE Makes It Easier For Industry To Access The National Laboratories (R-93-023)

PRESS RELEASES (con't)

- February 17: DOE To Play Role In Implementing President's Economic Plan (R-93-024)
- February 23: Thad R. Grundy Nominated for Assistant Secretary for Environmental Restoration and Waste Management (R-93-025)
- February 23: Susan Fallows Tierney Nominated for Assistant Secretary for Energy Policy (R-93-026)

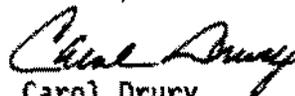
NOTE TO EDITORS:

- February 17: Natural Gas Plays Key Role In New Economy, O'Leary Says (L-93-003)
- February 17: DOE Technology Transfer Program Given Prominence In President's Economic Program (L-93-004)
- February 17: Secretary of Energy Hails President's Economic Plan (L-93-005)
- February 17: Statement by Secretary of Energy Hazel R. O'Leary Related to the Energy Tax Proposal Set Forth by President Clinton (N-93-010)

TOTAL HEADQUARTERS MEDIA CONTACTS: 210

PUBLIC INQUIRIES: Total: 551

- o Public interest in DOE, sparked by President's economic plan and Secretary's public/media appearances, generated over 55 calls on Energy Tax in two days to Public Inquiries Office. Fact sheets being coordinated for factual response. Beefing up staff and phone lines to ensure public trust.



Carol Drury
Acting Director
Office of Public Affairs

February 24, 1993

Weekly Report for the Office of Procurement, Assistance and Program Management

A negative report is submitted.

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Berton J. Roth, Deputy Director
Office of Procurement, Assistance
and Program Management

February 24, 1993

Weekly Status Report of the Office of Civilian Radioactive Waste Management

WHITE HOUSE INTEREST: None

CURRENT:

- o General Accounting Office Activities - On February 22, 1993, an entrance conference was held with representatives of the General Accounting Office to discuss the purpose and scope of the General Accounting Office's survey of the use of Monitored Retrievable Storage feasibility grants by recipients. (S. Rousso, RW-10, 586-9116)

FUTURE:

- o Requested Nuclear Waste Technical Review Board Meeting with the Secretary - Dr. John E. Cantlon, Chairman of the Nuclear Waste Technical Review Board, has requested a meeting with Secretary O'Leary on March 2, 1993. The Board wishes to discuss concerns and recommendations made in its Special Report to Congress and the Secretary of Energy, which will be officially released at 10 a.m. on that morning. Dan Drefus, Office of the Secretary, will meet with Dr. Cantlon on behalf of the Secretary. The Board also plans to meet with Representative Sharp, Senator Johnston, and members of the Nevada delegation. (D. Shelor, RW-30, 586-6046)



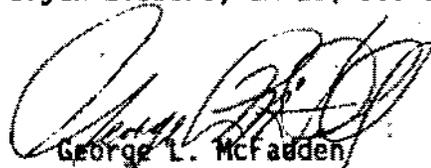
Lake H. Barrett, Acting Director
Office of Civilian Radioactive
Waste Management

February 23, 1993

WEEKLY REPORT OF OFFICE OF SECURITY AFFAIRS

Current:

- o No input from the Office of Safeguards and Security this week.
- o NATIONAL ARCHIVES AND RECORDS ADMINISTRATION MEETING. Office of Classification staff plan to meet with National Archives and Records Administration staff on Thursday, February 25, 1993, to review their classification review requirements for historical Atomic Energy Commission documents. (POC: A. Bryan Siebert, SA-20, 903-3521)



George L. McFadden
Director
Office of Security Affairs

Office of the Executive Secretariat did not receive a Weekly Report from:

o Environmental Restoration and Waste Management