

WEEKLY ACTIVITY REPORT IS DUE BY 5:00 P.M.

WEEK ENDING: JULY 07, 1993  
WEEKLY ACTIVITY REPORT

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CP/WILLIAM TAYLOR	7B-138	07/06/93	3:59	O. BARNETT
CR/ELIZABETH SMEDLEY	4A-139	07/06/93	NO REPORT	
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ED/LEONEL V. MIRANDA (ACTING)	5B-110	07/06/93	5:26	O. BARNETT
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EH/PETER M. BRUSH (ACTING)	7A-097	07/06/93	4:23	O. BARNETT
EI/LARRY L. PETTIS (ACTING)	2H-027	07/06/93	4:48	O. BARNETT
EM/THOMAS GRUMBLY (ACTING)	5A-014	07/07/93	7:46	S. BROOKS
ER/JAMES DECKER (ACTING)	7B-058	07/06/93	5:49	O. BARNETT
FE/JACK S. SIEGEL (ACTING)	4G-084	07/06/93	5:45	O. BARNETT
FM/DON PEARMAN	6A-093	07/06/93	4:02	O. BARNETT
GC/ERIC J. FYGI (ACTING)	6A-245	07/06/93	6:14	O. BARNETT
HG/GEORGE B. BREZNAY	6F-078	07/06/93	2:00	O. BARNETT
HR/ARCHER DURHAM	4A-257	07/06/93	4:06	O. BARNETT
IG/JOHN LAYTON	5D-039	07/06/93	NO REPORT	
IS/JOHN KELIHER	7A-049	07/06/93	NO REPORT	
LM/ANTOINETTE G. JOSEPH	3F-077	07/06/93	4:20	O. BARNETT
NE/EDSON C. BROLIN (ACTING)	5A-115	07/06/93	6:18	O. BARNETT
PA/MICHAEL GAULDIN	7A-145	07/06/93	5:27	O. BARNETT
PO/SUSAN F. TIERNEY	7C-014	07/06/93	6:03	O. BARNETT

RW/LAKE H. BARRETT (ACTING)	5A-085	07/06/93	5:54	O. BARNETT
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ALASKA/MICHAEL A. DEIHL		07/06/93	5:23	S. BROOKS
BPA/		07/06/93	4:02	O. BARNETT
SOUTHEASTERN/ JOHN A. MCALLISTER		07/06/93	5:23	O. BARNETT
SOUTHWESTERN/ J.M. SHAFER		07/06/93	5:23	O. BARNETT
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TO: THE SECRETARY

The weekly status reports are attached.

cc: William White  
Richard Rosenzweig  
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WEEKLY STATUS REPORT  
Office of Congressional, Intergovernmental,  
and International Affairs  
July 6, 1993

HOUSE AND SENATE INDEPENDENCE DAY DISTRICT WORK PERIOD: Neither the House nor the Senate is in session this week; both will return on July 13.

FUTURE ACTIVITIES

o Congressional Meetings and Briefings:

On July 12, Senator Gorton (R-Washington) will be briefed on Hanford Economic Transition Initiatives. The Assistant Manager for Administration at Richland, Bob Rosselli, will conduct the briefing at the Hanford Site. (J. Brady, 586-2770)

On July 15, Representative Derrick (D-South Carolina) will be briefed by Warren Chernock, Director, Office of the Deputy Science and Technology Advisor (Defense), on technology transfer programs at the Savannah River Site. (J. Rabb, 586-4656)

o Congressional Hearings:

On July 12, the House Natural Resources, Task Force on Bonneville Power Administration (Chairman Defazio, D-Oregon) will hold a field hearing on Bonneville Power Administration's acquisition of electric power resources, including energy efficiency, natural gas turbines, renewables and fuel switching. Both demand and supply side issues will be addressed. Randall Hardy, BPA Administrator, will testify for the Department. (M. Hastings, 586-5804)

On July 15:

The House Committee on Science, Space and Technology, Subcommittee on Energy (Chairman Lloyd, D-Tennessee) will hold a hearing on environmental restoration and waste management issues. Tom Grumbly, Assistant Secretary for Environmental Restoration and Waste Management, will testify. (J. Brady, 586-2770)

The Senate Committee on Governmental Affairs (Chairman Glenn, D-Ohio) will hold a hearing on environmental problems of the Federal Government. Assistant Secretary Grumbly will testify. (R. Terrell, 586-2859)

On July 15 or 16, the Senate Committee on Armed Services, Subcommittee on Nuclear Deterrence, Arms Control and Defense Intelligence (Chairman Exon, D-Nebraska) plans to hold a hearing on maintaining nuclear deterrence without nuclear testing. A Departmental official will testify. (J. Rabb, 586-4656)

- o Congressional Floor Action: On July 14-15, the FY 94 Appropriations for Interior and Related Agencies (H.R. 2520) is scheduled for House floor consideration. This legislation contains funding for 10 percent of the Department's programs, including energy efficiency and fossil energy programs. (P. Pontillo, 586-4176)

#### CURRENT ACTIVITIES

- o Congressional Site Visits:

On July 7:

Representative Bill Baker (R-California) will visit Sandia National Laboratories in Livermore, California, and participate in a roundtable discussion on technology transfer issues. (C. Olson, 505-845-6570)

Senator Jeff Bingaman (D-New Mexico) and Representative Pat Schroeder (D-Colorado) will visit Sandia National Laboratories in Albuquerque, New Mexico, to receive a tour and overview of defense and nondefense activities. (J. Rabb, 586-4656)

On July 8, Senator Pete Domenici (R-New Mexico) will participate in a Workshop on Partnership Projects in the Former Soviet States being held at the Sandia National Laboratories in Albuquerque. (C. Olson, 505-845-6570)

#### INPUT TO THE SECRETARY'S WHITE HOUSE REPORT

- o Secretarial Travel:

On July 8-10, the Secretary will be in Chicago, Illinois, to participate in a Total Quality Management seminar at Motorola University.

On July 14, the Secretary will travel to Indianapolis, Indiana, to address the 84th Annual Convention of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP).

On July 15, the Secretary will travel to San Antonio, Texas, to address the United States-Mexico Border Infrastructure Conference.

- o Congressional Action on DOE Nominees:

#### Nomination Hearings:

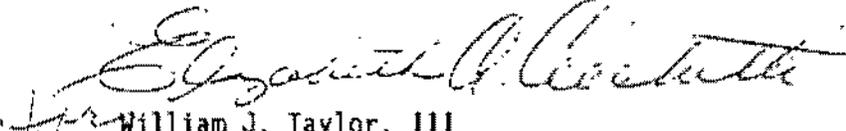
Following the July 4 Congressional recess, the Senate Committee on Energy and Natural Resources will hold a hearing to consider two DOE nominations: Tara O'Toole, to be Assistant Secretary of Energy for Environment, Safety, and Health and Robert Nordhaus, to be General Counsel for the Department of Energy. (N. Chumbris, 586-2777)

During the week of July 12, the Senate Committee on Armed Services (Chairman Nunn, D-Georgia) may hold a confirmation hearing for Victor H. Reis, to be Assistant Secretary of Energy for Defense Programs. (M. Wisniewski, 586-5450)

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Delegation of Authority:

I am on travel this week and will return on July 12, 1993. In my absence, Elizabeth A. Cecchetti, Acting Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary, will act as Assistant Secretary of Energy for Congressional, Intergovernmental and International Affairs.

  
for William J. Taylor, III  
Assistant Secretary  
Congressional, Intergovernmental,  
and International Affairs

July 6, 1993

Weekly Status Report for the Office of Chief Financial Officer

Current

- GAO Audit Start. There were three GAO audits initiated during the week.

Lessons Learned in the Clean Coal Technology Program.

Representative Sharp has requested GAO to identify those lessons learned in the Clean Coal program that might be applicable to other cost-shared Federal programs. An entrance conference was held with the Clean Coal Office on June 30, 1993.

Effectiveness of the Current Cost Accounting Standards Board.

In order to carryout this audit, GAO has sent questionnaires to a representative sample of individuals from industry, professional organizations, government contractors, Federal agencies, and others having an interest in cost accounting standards. Questionnaires have been sent to individuals at various DOE organizations.

Opportunities for Environmental Auditing by Federal Agencies.

Senator Glenn has asked the GAO to identify environmental auditing efforts currently underway in the Federal government, followed by an assessment of the potential for increasing the use of environmental auditing within the Federal sector and the potential benefits that might accrue from such efforts.



Elizabeth E. Smedley  
Acting Chief Financial Officer

July 6, 1993

WEEKLY REPORT FOR DEFENSE PROGRAMS

ITEMS RECOMMENDED FOR CABINET ATTENTION

- o None.

CURRENT

- o Nuclear Testing Moratorium - In accordance with the President's decisions extending the testing moratorium through at least September 1994, Defense Programs will prepare a budget amendment which protects the readiness to test, largely for infrastructure costs at the Nevada Test Site, and shifts the focus of future stockpile safety and reliability activities to those that can be accomplished without nuclear testing. (Gene Grewis, 301-903-2967)
- o Nonnuclear Environmental Assessment and Proposed Finding of No Significant Impact - On June 30, 1993, the Secretary authorized approval of the proposed Finding of No Significant Impact for publication and approved of the Environmental Assessment. The proposed Finding of No Significant Impact will be published in the Federal Register on July 8, 1993 for a 30-day public comment period. (Steve Sohinki, 202-586-0838)

FUTURE

- o Nothing of significance to report.

TRAVEL AND LEAVE PLANS

July 12 and 13 Official business to Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory and Los Alamos National Laboratory. Dr. Donald Knuth will be Acting Assistant Secretary for Defense Programs.



Everet H. Beckner  
Acting Assistant Secretary  
for Defense Programs

OTHER ITEMS OF INTERESTCongressional Activities

- o Nothing of significance to report.

Interagency Activities

- o Nothing of significance to report.

Internal Activities.

- o \*\*July - Landlord responsibility for the Rocky Flats Plant transfer from DP to EM. (Xavier Ascanio, 202-586-2494)

Outreach

- o July 8 - Publication of a Proposed Finding of No Significant Impact for the Nonnuclear Consolidation Environmental Assessment and a Revised Notice of Intent for the Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement. (Howard Canter, 202-585-2700)
- o July 7 - A public meeting will be held at Rocky Flats to discuss the scope of an Environmental Assessment being prepared regarding resumption of plutonium thermal stabilization in Building 707 (Xavier Ascanio, 202-586-2494)
- o August - Mound, Ohio Plant Open House (Larry Kirkman, 513-865-3271)
- o September - Public scoping meetings for the Revised Notice of Intent for the Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement to begin. (Howard Canter, 202-585-2700)

Reports, Rulemakings, and Litigation

- o August 31 - Annual Report to the President on Nuclear Weapons Surety (Joint with Department of Defense) (RADM. Ellis, 202-586-4879)

\* NEW ITEM

\*\* CHANGED FROM PREVIOUS SUBMISSION

July 6, 1993

WEEKLY REPORT FROM THE OFFICE OF ECONOMIC IMPACT AND DIVERSITY

Current:

o Latin American Management Association

The Office of Small and Disadvantaged Business Utilization will attend the Fourth Annual National Minority Business-to-Business Exposition sponsored by the Latin American Management Association, July 7-8, 1993.

Mr. Leonel V. Miranda will be a panelist of the forum, "The Emerging Market in Non-Defense Government Agencies." In addition, this conference will provide Federal agency representatives an opportunity to interact with and to inform the Hispanic and other minority business firms about procurement opportunities with the Department of Energy. (James Dixon, 254-5613)

Future:

o Minority Business Enterprise Forum

The Office of Minority Economic Impact will be holding a Minority Business Enterprise Forum on Monday, July 12. Twenty-two businesses have been invited and presentations will be made from five program offices and laboratories including the Virgin Islands Energy Office and private industries, and an overview of legislative issues affecting minority businesses.



Leonel V. Miranda  
Acting Director  
Office of Economic Impact and Diversity

July 6, 1993

Weekly Report for Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy

Near Term Activities

- USABC "Lessons Learned." On July 15 in Dearborn, MI, staff from EE, GC, ST, and the Chicago Operations Office will meet to document 'lessons learned' from two years of contracting and negotiating with the automobile manufacturing members of the U.S. Advanced Battery Consortium (USABC). At the meeting, participants will review all the contracting mechanisms used and identify problems, issues, and inefficiencies in an effort to identify solutions. USABC was formed two and a half years ago with EE encouragement to bring the three major U.S. automakers together with battery manufacturers and electric utilities to cost-share a major (\$260M), multi-year research program to develop advanced batteries for electric vehicles. (J. Brogan, EE-32, 6-1477)
- Federal Fleet Conversion Task Force Meeting. In support of the Federal Fleet Conversion Task Force, EE staff will participate in both the Economics and Vehicle/Equipment Working Group meetings in Detroit, MI, July 12-13, 1993. Staff members have already participated in the Refueling Infrastructure and State/Local Issues Working Groups held in Los Angeles on June 21-22, 1993. The June meetings provided an important opportunity to advocate Federal, State, local, and private partnerships to develop infrastructure, increase alternative fueled vehicle production by the original equipment manufacturers, and eliminate barriers to the increased use of alternative fueled vehicles. (J. Russell, EE-332, 6-8053)
- Poland Energy Efficiency Center Sponsors Weatherization Project. The Energy Efficiency Center in Krakow, Poland (funded by DOE, AID, and EPA), in cooperation with a housing cooperative in Krakow, will weatherize eight multi-family apartment buildings. The activity is a spin-off of a weatherization project conducted as part of a DOE/AID energy efficiency demonstration in Krakow. The project will use one-third U.S. materials and two-thirds Polish-produced materials and will be funded by the housing cooperative with their own funds. The competitor for the job was a Norwegian company. Other cooperatives and government authorities who have visited the Krakow demonstration are also considering funding such projects. (Elaine Guthrie, EE-542, 6-1719)
- EE Sponsors Partnership Meeting to Pursue "Reinventing Government Labs." On July 27-29, EE will sponsor a Stakeholder Core Group meeting to help carry out the partnership initiative under 'Reinventing Government Laboratories.' The meeting will involve 16 high-level representatives of such organizations as the National Governors Association, the National Conference of State Legislatures, the National Association of State Energy Officials, the National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners, the Solar Energy Industries Association, the Association of State Energy Research and Technology Transfer Institutions and the Environmental and Energy Study Institute. The purpose of the meeting will be to discuss with EE how stakeholders can become more involved in

strategic planning, technology development, and implementation of the Energy Policy Act. The meeting will include a tour of the National Renewable Energy Laboratory, and will be followed by a formal survey of stakeholders. (Bill Becker, EE-50, 6-8252)

- House Appropriations Committee Staff to Visit ASO. Bob Kripowicz, a key staff member to the Interior Subcommittee of the House Appropriations Committee will visit the Atlanta Support Office (ASO) in August to learn about the CleanAir Transportation--Atlanta project. (B. Jackson, Atlanta Support Office, (404) 347-2837)
- First FEMP Test Bed Project Shows Impressive Savings. The Office of Federal Energy Management Programs (FEMP) is using the Federal government as a test bed for energy efficiency and renewable energy technologies. The first test bed demonstration evaluated natural gas powered cooling technology. The natural gas technology resulted in an annual energy cost of \$2,450 for natural gas, compared to \$15,420 which would have been spent if an electric cooling system had been used. The unit was produced by Thermo King, Inc., and installed at the Willow Grove Naval Air Station. A savings to investment ratio of 5.56 (life cycle cost) has been estimated. This is equivalent to a financial investment which receives 16.6% interest per year. The next test bed demonstration involves the installation of gas-fired residential heat pumps at Fort Sam Houston. (K. Dean DeVine, EE-44, 6-6784)

#### Issues for the Secretary

- Forrestal Relighting Project. With the Forrestal relighting project nearing completion, there is an opportunity for a public event to describe how the Department obtained well over 60% energy savings on lighting and \$1 million in avoided costs with no capital costs to the Government. It is likely that several Congressional members, as well as representatives from PEPCO and relevant professional organizations would like to help celebrate this milestone. We are preparing event options for PA and the Secretary's Office to consider. The relighting of the Forrestal Building is an excellent example of Federal leadership and deserves recognition. (M. Ginsberg, EE-44, 6-5772)



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

OTHER ITEMS OF INTEREST FROM THE OFFICE OF ENERGY EFFICIENCY AND RENEWABLE ENERGY

INTERNAL ACTIVITIES

July 15 USABC Meeting. Staff from EE, GC, ST, the Chicago Operations Office, and various laboratories will meet in Detroit to discuss lessons learned from two years of contracting with the U.S. Advanced Battery Consortium (USABC). (J. Brogan, EE-32, 6-1477)

INTERAGENCY ACTIVITIES

July 12-13 Federal Fleet Conversion Task Force Meetings. Meetings of the Economics and Vehicle/Equipment Working Group are scheduled to meet in Detroit. EE staff members are participating. (J. Russell, EE-332, 6-8053)

July 27 Council on Office Energy Efficiency Products Meeting. The council consists of representatives of DOE, GSA, commercial office equipment manufacturers, and trade associations who are working on development of an industry-sponsored rating program for office products. (T. Logee, EE-431, 6-1689)

OUTREACH

July 18-19 Superconductivity Annual Program Review. The annual peer review of the DOE program to develop high temperature superconductivity for electric power applications will be held in Washington, DC.

July 27-29 Reinventing Government Labs Partnership Meeting. High-level representatives from 16 stakeholder groups will meet to discuss opportunities for the groups to become more involved in strategic planning, technology, deployment, and implementation of EPACT. (B. Becker, EE-50, 6-8252)

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Weekly Report to the Secretary

FUTURE

Staff of the House Energy and Commerce Committee has advised the Energy Information Administration (EIA) that they want us to conduct a number of analyses related to reducing greenhouse gas emissions, over the next 6 to 12 months. This was the result of a June 30, 1993, meeting among EIA staff, Congressional Affairs staff, and Michael Woo and Judi Greenwald of the Committee staff. A letter from the Committee identifying specific policy areas to be analyzed will be forthcoming. (M. Hutzler, EI-80, 586-2222)



L. A. Pettis  
Acting Administrator  
Energy Information Administration

July 6, 1993

Other Items of Interest from the Energy Information Administration

CONGRESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

o Meeting with Congressional Staff

On June 30, 1993, Mary Hutzler, Director, of the Office of Integrated Analysis and Forecasting, Calvin Kilgore, Director of the Office of Energy Markets and End Use (EMEUE), and Art Andersen of EMEUE met with Michael Woo and Judi Greenwald of the House Energy and Commerce Committee to discuss analyses that the Energy Information Administration could undertake to evaluate policies for reducing greenhouse gases, especially CO2. A letter request, including specific policies to be analyzed (over the next 6 to 12 months) will be forthcoming. (M. Hutzler, EI-80, 586-2222)

INTERAGENCY ACTIVITIES

o GAO Seeks Information on Value of Naval Petroleum Reserve Crude Oil

U. S. General Accounting Office (GAO) staff met July 2, 1993, with Energy Supply and Conversion Division staff in response to a Congressional request to value the "Stevens Zone" (Elk Hills) crude oil owned by the Naval Petroleum Reserve. U.S. Representative Philip R. Sharp, D-Ind., has asked GAO to determine whether the Naval Petroleum Reserve is receiving a fair price for its crude oil. Supply and Conversion Division staff have already done preliminary work on valuing Stevens Zone crude at the request of the Naval Petroleum Reserve and plan further study late in 1993. These plans and preliminary results were presented to GAO staff. (J. Kendell, EI-823, 586-9646)

OUTREACH

o NEMS Users Group to Meet

The Users Group formed to provide feedback on the development of the National Energy Modeling System (NEMS) will meet on July 8-9, 1993, for a demonstration of five NEMS modules - oil and gas supply, natural gas transmission and distribution, international oil, coal exports, and electricity capacity planning. (M. Hutzler, EI-80, 586-2222)

o Energy Emergency Exercise

On July 14-15, 1993, Douglas MacIntyre will be attending the 1993 Western Region Energy Emergency Exercise, which is being sponsored by the U.S. Department of Energy. This exercise will simulate an energy emergency for the western region of the United States. The goal of this exercise for the Energy Markets and Contingency Information Division is to determine what useful information we may be able to provide to State and local emergency planning officials in an energy emergency. (D. MacIntyre, EI-621, 586-1831)

July 6, 1993

WEEKLY REPORT FOR THE OFFICE OF ENVIRONMENTAL RESTORATION AND  
WASTE MANAGEMENT

- DOE helps sponsor new waste characterization process at Nebraska waste site that will hopefully demonstrate a cost-effective, technically advanced characterization technique that is usable across the country. The demonstration will be run in three 3-day sessions between July 12 and July 21 and is being co-sponsored by the Commodity Credit Corporation of the U.S. Department of Agriculture and Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Region VII, the agency responsible for cleanup of this Superfund site. We are trying to shorten the time required to complete site characterization work and either eliminate or substantially reduce the need for expensive groundwater monitoring wells. The York site is one of several locations in Nebraska and Kansas where groundwater has been contaminated with carbon tetrachloride from fumigation of grain stored in the 1950's and 1960's. The work will be observed by representatives from the Departments of Energy, Navy, and Air Force, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, EPA officials from several regional offices, staff representing members of the Nebraska congressional delegation, plus industry representatives. (Caroline Purdy, EM-541, 903-7672)
- New Mexico Governor creates advisory committee to review WIPP emergency response medical training, a step encouraged by Congress through its enactment last year of the WIPP Land Withdrawal Act. Members have 30 days (and annually thereafter) to review the WIPP emergency medical training program and report any findings to Governor King and the Secretaries of Labor and Energy. (Alton Harris, EM-342, 903-8466)
- Grumbly is in Idaho Falls on Wednesday to participate with State and community leaders at a conference designed to highlight post-cleanup mission areas for the Idaho National Engineering Laboratory. He then travels to Chicago to participate with other agency executives at Motorola University. Clyde Frank is acting for Mr. Grumbly during his absence this week from the office. (Mike Sellers, EM-1, 586-7709)

*Michael C. Sullivan*

Thomas P. Grumbly  
Assistant Secretary for Environmental  
Restoration and Waste Management

## OTHER ITEMS OF INTEREST FROM THE OFFICE OF ENVIRONMENTAL RESTORATION AND WASTE MANAGEMENT

### *Congressional Activities:*

- Grumbly will testify at two July 15 hearings, the first before the Senate Committee on Governmental Affairs, chaired by Senator John Glenn of Ohio, where DOE has been asked to testify on a panel that will describe environmental problems at Federal facilities. Grumbly appears that same day before a House subcommittee chaired by Congresswoman Marilyn Lloyd, who represents the Oak Ridge area. (David Waldrop, EM-4, 586-7924)

### *Interagency Activities:*

- Grumbly meets with EPA officials Marge Oge and Michael Shapiro on July 12 to discuss the evaluation of the WIPP test and retrieval plans. (Mark Frei, EM-34, 903-7201)
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### *Internal Activities:*

- University of Tennessee radioactive scrap metals workshop on July 13-14 in Knoxville will bring together organizations and groups interested in the standard-setting process for contaminated metals. As previously reported, tours of the K-25

Site and a local commercial recycling facility in the area are also included.  
(Robert Fleming, EM-431, 903-7627)

- EM to lead U.S. delegation to Russia for the Joint Coordinating Committee on Environmental Restoration and Waste Management meeting the week of July 26. Proposed site visits include Krasnoyarsk-26, Tomsk-7, Novosibirsk, and St. Petersburg. (Dave Geiser, EM-523, 903-7640)

*Reports, Rulemakings, and Litigation:*

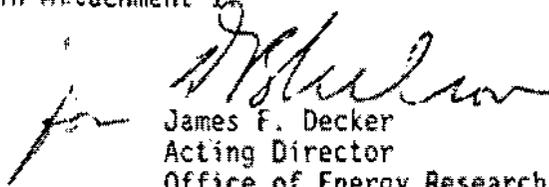
- District court jurist in Boise grants Idaho motion for summary judgement, ruling that DOE is enjoined from any further transportation, receipt, processing, and storage of spent nuclear fuel at the Idaho National Engineering Laboratory until an environmental impact statement is completed, reviewed, and any challenges are resolved. We are working this week to develop a path forward in consultation with the Justice Department. (Lynn Wade, EM-323, 903-6828)

July 6, 1993

Weekly Report for the Office of Energy Research

- International Thermonuclear Experimental Reactor (ITER) Joint Fund Development: On July 6-9, 1993, the ITER Council's Special Working Group 2 will meet in Vienna, Austria, to prepare guidelines for operation of the ITER Joint Fund. The Joint Fund was established in the ITER Agreement, with its operation subject to detailed rules and regulations to be approved by the Council. At its recent meeting, the International Atomic Energy Agency Board of Governors accepted the Council's request that the International Atomic Energy Agency collect and disburse the monies in the Joint Fund under an approved arrangement. What remains to be done is to develop specific arrangements for currency transfers, authorities and responsibilities, auditing, and any further necessary formal arrangements. The Council, acting on behalf of the Parties, must review and approve the rules and regulations before any monies would be paid by the Parties into the Joint Fund. The Council agreed that each Party should provide \$250,000 for this year's budget. Before giving approvals, the U.S. Council members will be seeking appropriate concurrence within the Department and other affected U.S. Government Agencies. (N. A. Davies, ER-50, 301/903-4941)
- Cooperative Research and Development Agreement Between Brookhaven National Laboratory and United States Biochemical Corporation: Brookhaven National Laboratory is establishing a Cooperative Research and Development Agreement with the United States Biochemical Corporation. The intent of this new agreement is to make improvements in the ease, reliability, and speed of DNA sequencing more available to molecular biologists. The work is based on new concepts for DNA sequencing developed by Dr. William Studier at Brookhaven National Laboratory, who is supported by Energy Research's Office of Health and Environmental Research. Through this collaboration, the United States Biochemical Corporation will extend its currently marketed DNA sequencing reagents and protocols to this promising large-scale sequencing technology. (D. Smith, ER-72, 301/903-5468)
- White House Organizes Working Group on U.S. Competitiveness in Lithography. The first meeting of the Working Group on U.S. Competitiveness in Lithography, which was organized by the White House at the request of several agencies, will be held Friday, July 9, 1993. The working group membership consists of representatives from the Department of Energy, Department of Commerce, Department of Defense, National Security Council, Council of Economic Advisors, and the Office of Science and Technology Policy. Norm Kreisman of Energy Research's Science and Technology Affairs Staff represents the Department of Energy. The group will have two tasks: (1) to conduct a thorough analysis of the competitiveness of the U.S. semiconductor lithography industry and the challenges it presents for Government policy; and (2) to develop a set of options for establishing Administration policy. The working group reports to the Deputies Committee on Science and Technology, which is co-chaired by the National Economic Council and the Office of Science and Technology Policy. (N. Kreisman, ST-12, 202/586-9746)

- Travel and Leave Plans: I have no travel or leave planned for the week of July 12, 1993.
- Other Items of Interest: Other items of interest from the Office of Energy Research are provided in Attachment 1.

  
James F. Decker  
Acting Director  
Office of Energy Research

Attachment

Other Items of Interest from the Office of Energy Research

**CONGRESSIONAL ACTIVITIES**

No significant items to report.

**INTERAGENCY ACTIVITIES**

July 8 The Strategic Environmental Research and Development Program Council meeting will be held at the Pentagon. The Council will meet to approve the total fiscal year 1993 program and to discuss the fiscal year 1994 program process. Department of Energy Council members identified in legislation are: the Assistant Secretary for Defense Programs, the Assistant Secretary for Environmental Restoration and Waste Management, and the Director of Energy Research. (Fenton Carey, ST-60, 202/586-0998) (Previously reported)

**INTERNAL ACTIVITIES**

July 13 Staff from the Office of Basic Energy Sciences will participate in the Combustion Coordinating Group Meeting in the Forrestal Building. (Lou Ianniello, ER-10, 301/903-3081) (Previously reported)

July 13-16 The third session of the Geosciences Research Program Peer Review will be held in Berkeley. Five panels will review 37 projects involving fundamental properties, geochemical transport, rock-water interactions, organic geochemistry, and sedimentary systems comprising 37 projects. (George Jordy, ER, 301/903-2971)

July 14 A pre-Energy System Acquisition Advisory Board meeting has been scheduled to prepare for the Energy System Acquisition Advisory Board meeting to obtain approval for full start of construction (Key Decision 3) for the Fermi National Accelerator Laboratory Main Injector Project. (Bill Hess, ER-20, 301/903-3721) (Previously reported)

July 22-23 Department of Energy workshop on Information Infrastructure Technology and Applications, involving Department of Energy program offices and National Laboratories. Steering group includes Office of Energy Research, Defense Programs, Policy, Planning and Program Evaluation, and Human Resources and Administration. (David Nelson, ER-2, 202/586-0095)

- July 26-30 An independent Department of Energy assessment of the new Superconducting Super Collider baseline will be performed by a review committee led by the Office of Procurement, Assistance and Program Management, with support from the Office of Energy Research. The committee will review the expenditures to date and the estimated cost (including laboratory manpower) required to complete the project, including the realism of the proposed construction schedule and associated funding profile. (Joe Cipriano, ER-90, 214/708-2521) (Previously reported)
- July 29 The 1992 Fermi Awards will be presented by Secretary O'Leary in a ceremony at the Department of Energy. (Nona Shepard, ST-12, 202/586-5767) (Previously reported)
- August 4 Office of Energy Research Pre-Briefing for Energy System Acquisition Advisory Board to obtain approval for full start of construction (Key Decision 3) for the Fermi National Accelerator Laboratory Main Injector Project. (Bill Hess, ER-20, 301/903-3721) (Previously reported)
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#### OUTREACH

- July 6-9 The International Thermonuclear Experimental Reactor Council's Special Working Group 2 will meet in Vienna, Austria, to prepare guidelines for operation of the International Thermonuclear Experimental Reactor Joint Fund. (Anne Davies, ER-50, 301/903-4941) (New item)
- July 19-21 The Office of Basic Energy Sciences will participate in the Federation of Materials Societies Workshop on Energy Policy Act/National Advanced Materials Program Plan in Reston, Virginia. (Lou Ianniello, ER-10, 301/903-3081) (Previously reported)
- July 22 The Office of Basic Energy Sciences will participate in the Committee on Materials meeting at the National Science Foundation. (Lou Ianniello, ER-10, 301/903-3081) (Previously reported)

#### REPORTS, RULEMAKINGS, AND LITIGATION

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July 13

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July 5, 1993

WEEKLY REPORT FOR FOSSIL ENERGY

ITEMS RECOMMENDED FOR CABINET ATTENTION

- o Nothing to report.

CURRENT

- o FEDERALLY-FUNDED RESEARCHERS FIND WAY TO MINIMIZE WASTE IN COAL INDUSTRY. Energy International Corp., Pittsburgh, PA, under a contract to the Office of Fossil Energy, has patented a new process that may reduce waste piles and ponds at coal cleaning plants. The company has discovered a low-cost additive that converts previously-discarded, fine coal particles into a dust-free granular material that handles, stores, and burns well. The discovery could turn such environmental eyesores as "black water" waste ponds and impoundments into a valuable source of marketable fuel. (Bob Porter, FTS 202/586-6503 or Anthony Mayne, Pittsburgh Energy Technology Center, FTS 412/892-4673)

FUTURE

- o MEETING WITH NORTHERN UTES INDIAN TRIBES. The Office of Naval Petroleum and Oil Shale Reserves has scheduled a meeting for July 15 in Salt Lake City, Utah, with the Northern Utes Indian Tribes to discuss the possibility of a collaborative oil and gas effort in and around the Naval Oil Shale Reserve No. 2 in Utah. (Gary Latham, FTS 202/586-0475)

STATUS OF CONGRESSIONAL INVESTIGATIONS/GAO REVIEWS

- o Nothing to report.

ACTING ASSISTANT SECRETARY TRAVEL FOR WEEK OF JULY 11

- o Jack Siegel, Acting Assistant Secretary, will be on annual leave. Marvin Singer will be acting in his absence. (Bob Porter, FTS 202/586-6503)



Jack S. Siegel  
Acting Assistant Secretary  
for Fossil Energy

July 5, 1993

OTHER ITEMS OF INTEREST FROM THE OFFICE OF FOSSIL ENERGY

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July 6, 1993

WEEKLY REPORT FOR THE OFFICE OF FIELD MANAGEMENT

ITEMS RECOMMENDED FOR CABINET ATTENTION

- o None.

CONGRESSIONAL/GENERAL ACCOUNTING OFFICE (GAO) ITEMS OF INTEREST

- o Congressional Investigations: On July 29, Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory Director John Nuckolls is scheduled to testify before the Energy Subcommittee of the House Science, Space and Technology Committee on HR 1432, Rep. George Brown's laboratory bill.
- o GAO Reviews: The GAO has notified us of an audit start for "DOE's Oversight of the Pension Funds," (Job Code 308660). Rep. John Dingell has asked the GAO to perform follow-up work at the three DOE laboratories under contract to the University of California to an Inspector General Report from September 1992 ("Pension Fund Activities at Department Laboratories managed by the University of California.") The three main areas of concern are: 1) what caused the overpayments to the pension fund?; 2) what is DOE doing to get the money back?; and 3) what is DOE doing to prevent future overpayments, e.g., has the contract clause changed? We have not been notified of an opening conference date as yet.

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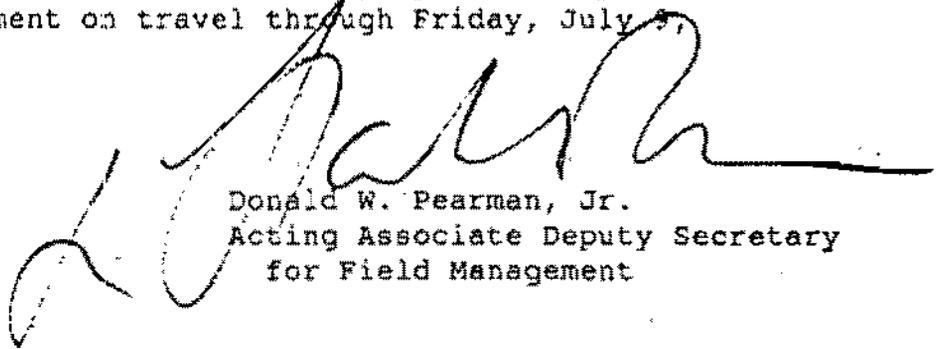
- o Kansas City Area Office (KCAO) to Negotiate Cooperative Recycling Agreement - The KCAO received approval from the Albuquerque Operations Office (AL) and DOE Headquarters for a pilot project to negotiate a cooperative agreement with Hoppmann Corporation regarding recycling of industrial waste by-products into moldable composites. Hoppmann Corporation is a diversified manufacturing firm located in Chantilly, Virginia. This will be the first cooperative agreement of this type for AL, and the second DOE-wide.

FUTURE

- o Chicago Operations Office (CH) Participates in Black Expo - CH, along with other federal, state, and private sector agencies, will participate in the third annual Chicago Black Expo career fair activities. The Expo combines business showcase, sale opportunities and a career fair with 200,000 participants in 1992 and 400,000 participants expected in 1993.

TRAVEL AND LEAVE PLANS

- o Don Pearman, Acting Associate Deputy Secretary for Field Management on travel through Friday, July 3, 1993.



Donald W. Pearman, Jr.  
Acting Associate Deputy Secretary  
for Field Management

WEEKLY REPORT OF GENERAL COUNSEL

July 6, 1993

Current

- o In Energy Research Foundation v. O'Leary (D.S.C.), a suit to compel DOE to prepare an Environmental Impact Statement concerning the restart of the HE-Line plutonium processing facility at the Savannah River Site, the plaintiffs filed a motion for partial summary judgment. (A. Capoferri, GC-22, 586-8135)
- o In United States v. KMS Fusion, Inc. (E.D. Mich.), an action to recover approximately \$5 million worth of government-owned property that KMS retained in connection with the termination of its contract with DOE, oral argument on the defendant's motion for summary judgment is set for July 12, 1993. (T. West, GC-21, 586-5677)
- o In United States ex rel. Navarette v. Rockwell (D. Colo.), a False Claims Act case alleging that Rockwell and the University of California obtained reimbursement for unauthorized costs, the court has scheduled a settlement conference for July 15, 1993. (M. Gossel, GC-21, 586-6488)

Status of Congressional Investigations/GAO Reviews - None

Status of Travel/Leave Plans - None



Eric J. Fygi

Other Items of Interest from the  
Office of General Counsel

Litigation

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- o In Dakota Gasification Co. v. ANR Pipeline Co. (D.N.D.), an action arising out of disputes concerning the Great Plains gas purchase agreements, the government filed technical amendments to its complaint and Dakota Gas separately filed two additional counts on its own that allege bad faith and breach of contract for lack of due diligence by the pipeline defendants. (T. West, GC-21, 586-5677)
- o In Rockwell International Corp. v. United States (Fed. Cl.), a case in which Rockwell claims that its Rocky Flats award fees were improperly reduced, the court has ordered the parties to file a joint status report on July 7, 1993. (M. Gossel, GC-21, 586-6488)
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July 6, 1993

Assistant Secretary for Human Resources and Administration

Weekly Status Report to the Secretary

o . Vice President's Town Hall Meeting

The Town Hall Meeting with the Vice President has been tentatively rescheduled for July 13. The meeting will be held in the Forrestal auditorium. (D. Bielan, 6-5710)

o Absence from Office

I will be away from the office beginning the afternoon of July 7 and will return on July 12. During my absence Linda Sye will be Acting Assistant Secretary for Human Resources and Administration. Linda can be reached at 6-8010.



Archer L. Durham  
Assistant Secretary for Human  
Resources and Administration

Other Items of Interest from the Office of the  
Assistant Secretary for Human Resources and Administration

o Telecommunications Conference

The 1993 DOE Telecommunications Conference will be held in Denver, Colorado, the week of August 2-6. (G. Chappell, 6-0166)

o Federal Register Documents

Since March 1993 the Department of Energy has been submitting certain routine documents to the Office of the Federal Register in electronic format for publication. This has resulted in a cost savings of over \$7,000 in Government Printing Office printing charges. The Department of Energy Federal Register management staff is working with originators of documents to extend the service to other categories of Federal Register documents. (H. Raiken, 6-6799)

## WEEKLY REPORT OF THE OFFICE OF LABORATORY MANAGEMENT

July 6, 1993

### CURRENT ACTIVITIES

#### o MEETING OF STEERING GROUP ON TECHNOLOGY TRANSFER VISION, STRATEGIC PLAN, AND FY 94 IMPLEMENTATION PLAN

- On June 24, 1993 the Technology Transfer Strategic Plan Steering Group reconvened.
- The Steering Group received a report on the Laboratory Director's meeting, reviewed and revised the draft technology transfer vision statement, and provided guidance on a technology transfer strategic plan, goals, strategies, outcomes and initiatives.
- The Steering Group nominated representatives to a working group that will draft the strategic plan and develop initiatives on an accelerated basis. (R. Lewis, 6-5388)

#### o MEETING OF WORKING GROUP ON TECHNOLOGY TRANSFER VISION, STRATEGIC PLAN, AND FY 94 IMPLEMENTATION PLAN

- On June 25, 1993 a Drafting Working Group convened to develop a technology transfer strategic plan.
- Guidance was reviewed and initial assignments made.
- The Working Group will devote the week of July 6-9 to develop a draft strategic plan, testimony input, and recommendations for possible technology transfer initiatives and proposals for legislative action. (R. Lewis, 6-5388)

#### o MEETING OF TECHNOLOGY TRANSFER COMMITTEE WORKING GROUP ON MEASUREMENT AND EVALUATION

- The Technology Transfer Working Group on Measurements and Evaluation met on June 30, 1993 to further discuss the development and implementation of tools for a technology transfer measurements and evaluation plan.
- On July 15 and 16, the Working Group will meet off site to develop survey instruments for the 12 identified technology transfer mechanisms.
- The development and implementation of this process is expected to be one of the key cornerstones to the Secretary's Technology Transfer Initiative to be announced later this month. (R. Lewis/M. Shea, 6-5388)

#### o NATIONAL TECHNOLOGY TRANSFER CENTER FUND FOR STRATEGIC PARTNERING AWARD CEREMONY

- On June 30, 1993, Don Pearman, Acting Associate Deputy Secretary for Field Management, represented the Secretary at the National Technology Transfer Center's Fund for Strategic Partnering awards ceremony.
- Don Pearman read a letter by the Secretary and added his personal commitment and that of the Department to work for the success of these model partnerships.

- The Fund for Strategic Partnering sought proposals for model innovative forms of cooperation involving federal laboratories and State and local government, universities, and industry that could be shared.
- The event was significant for the Department of Energy which had laboratory involvement in three of the four awards being made. (Over 100 proposals were received.)
- The Department laboratories were recognized not only for technical capabilities but also for ability to form innovative partnering arrangements.
- The ceremony was attended by Representatives Mollohan and Grandy, National Aeronautics and Space Administration Administrator Goldin, and Lee Rivers Director of the National Technology Transfer Center, and various trade press. (T. Cornwell, 6-5388)

o COMMERCIALIZATION OF COOPERATIVE INTERNATIONAL RESEARCH

- Office of Technology Utilization and Office of Policy, Planning and Evaluation are exploring use of technology transfer mechanisms to facilitate U.S. firms involvement in cooperative international research.
- Cooperative Research and Development Agreements (CRADAs) between DOE laboratories and U.S. firms are being looked at as one of several mechanisms to help U.S. firms compete in foreign research projects.
- Japan, and other countries, solicit demonstrations of technologies which support projects like Clean Coal in their countries.
- National laboratories have technologies that could be useful in foreign applications and demonstrations.
- Where international cooperative programs do not cover the research, technology transfer through a U.S. industry partner could be used. (T. Cornwell, 6-7939)

o MEETING WITH OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET STAFF

- On July 2, 1993, Office of Technology Utilization staff met with Office of Management and Budget staff to discuss OMB's request for information on the Department's Cooperative Research and Development Agreements (CRADAs).
- The staff at OMB is reviewing the use, by the various program elements in the Department, of program and set-aside funds for funding CRADAs, as well as the extent to which industry requests are not being satisfied.
- OMB is also reviewing the level and consistence of the program and policy and approval processes.
- In the two hour briefing, the Office of Technology Utilization provided explanation and copies of technology transfer policies and guidance, and also on-line access for the OMB staff to the Department's CRADA Information Management System (CIMS).
- Also discussed was the OMB comments on the Department's Annual Report to Congress on Technology Transfer Activities and Plans.

- OMB's two major comments were that (1) the report included as technology transfer the applied Energy Efficiency and Fossil research programs, and also (2) the report covered activities more than results.
- Despite OMB objection current version of the Annual Report for this year more closely reflects the Secretary's budget briefing and recent testimony. (T. Cornwell, 6-7939)

o OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET CRADA STUDY

- Douglas Deaton of the Office of Management and Budget, Energy and Science Division, contacted Kay Downey on June 30, 1993, regarding CRADA procedures at the Pittsburgh Energy Technology Center.
- Questions were on topics such as Program Office guidance to the laboratory, mechanism and timing for review and approval, what type of initial contacts led to eventual partnerships, use of model CRADAs, tracking of the laboratory's resources and partner's resources during a CRADA project, and National Environmental Policy Act issues.
- He requested any written procedures the Center had developed. The Center's CRADA Procedures Desk Reference, model CRADA, and a brochure about CRADAs at the Pittsburgh laboratory were sent. (K. Downey, 6-5830)

o DRAFT MODULAR CRADA CIRCULATED TO FIELD

- Draft copies of the modular Cooperative Research and Development Agreement (CRADA) have been provided to the 28 members of the Modular CRADA Working Group of the Technology Transfer Committee for their comments.
- The modular CRADA, which contains pre-approved baseline and alternate language, as well as guidelines for its use, is designed to convey a maximum of flexibility to DOE laboratories in negotiating CRADAs and to DOE operations offices in approving them, while preserving consistency across the system.
- The modular CRADA approach may allow the tailoring of language for specific industry groups to focus on specific CRADA articles of interest and the de-emphasis of the previous DOE practice of negotiating separate and distinct model CRADAs.
- It is expected that the issuance of this modular CRADA to the field will be one of the July 21, 1993 Secretarial initiatives. (Roger Lewis, 6-5388)

o SECOND ANNUAL TECHNOLOGY TRANSFER PROCESS WORKSHOP

- Office of Technology Transfer staff met with Kansas City Plant staff to review goals, tasks, milestones and resources for the second annual technology transfer process workshop, to be held in Kansas City, KS, on December 14-16, 1993.
- It is expected that this workshop will be attended by 200-250 members of the DOE technology transfer committee from headquarters, operations offices, laboratories and facilities.
- Objectives will be to discuss technology transfer issues of common interest, review recent legislative and other developments, hear industry feedback as developed in the industry partners feedback meeting and develop an action list of items for improvement of DOE's technology transfer process. (P. Green, 6-6439)

o FOLLOW UP TO GLOBAL CHANGE CONFERENCE

- Logistical matters regarding the conference continue to be managed by Ed Wall in the Office of Technology Utilization.
- A complete draft of Conference Highlights has been received from ORISE and was transmitted to S-1, the Office on Environmental Policy, and workshop moderators for comment.
- Guidance has been sought from the Secretary's Office regarding distribution of the final highlights and availability of audiotapes for listening.
- Lists of attendees to be reimbursed for follow up workshops were sought from the three workshops moderated by DOE chairs. These were forwarded to Oak Ridge Institute for Science and Education (ORISE) and the letters sent.
- Questions from the general public continue to be referred to this office by the Secretary's Office.
- Ed Wall and Tina McKinley (ORISE) received letters of appreciation from the Vice President and the Secretary of Energy for their successful efforts in support of the Global Climate Change Conference. (Ed Wall, 6-0410)

o FOREIGN OWNERSHIP, CONTROL, OR INFLUENCE GUIDANCE

- Guidance regarding the conduct of a Foreign Ownership, Control, or Influence Review was finalized and transmitted to the field and program offices.
- The guidance requires that industry partners provide certain assurances to the Department that there is no foreign ownership, control, or influence, or that it is sufficiently mitigated, when agreements involve access to classified information, sensitive nuclear materials, or security areas of Departmental facilities. (L. Thomas, 6-4479)

o UPDATED DOE NEW TECHNOLOGY PUBLISHED

- The latest edition of DOE New Technology dated May 1993, (Period Covered: April 1992-March 1992) arrived from the printer this week and will be distributed by the Office of Scientific and Technical Information.
- This publication lists the latest in inventions and technologies the laboratories have available for licensing. (Ralph Burr, 6-6429)

o INDUSTRY GIVES VIEWS ON TRADE AGREEMENT

- Tom Cornwell, Deputy Office Director, and Doug Faulkner of the Office of Technology Utilization co-chaired, along with Department of Commerce staff, a meeting at DOE on June 28 to hear industry representatives describe the impact of a new General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade on technology cooperation with the U.S. Government.
- AMOCO, DuPont, GE, and GM officials attended, along with staff from the National Economic Council, Office of Science and Technology Policy, and the Departments of Commerce and Energy.
- As in previous meetings of this nature, the industry challenged the usefulness of the terms "basic" and "applied research," as used in the draft Agreement.

- Industry said that these were irrelevant, because "everything industry does is applied" and suggested that maybe "Research" be distinguished from "Development."
- Industry said that the "notification" provisions of the draft Agreement were impractical and it would be virtually impossible to identify the expected results of the cooperative program ahead of time and, even if available, the information would probably be commercially sensitive.
- In general, industry representatives felt that the draft Agreement might have a chilling effect with respect to research relationships between government, academia, and industry.
- Formal industry comments were promised within a couple of weeks. The Department of Commerce will be preparing the overall summary for the U.S. Trade Representatives Office. (Doug Faulkner, 6-6864)

o INSTITUTE OF ELECTRICAL AND ELECTRONICS ENGINEERS -USA 1993 NATIONAL FORUM

- Kay Downey, on developmental detail to the Office of Technology Utilization from the Pittsburgh Energy Technology Center, was an invited participant in this forum held at the Johns Hopkins Applied Physics Laboratory June 29-30, 1993.
- Presentations and discussion centered around the title "Conversion, Modernization, and Restructuring of U.S. Resources: Goals, Strategies and Incentives."
- The IEEE expects to use ideas from this meeting as input to their congressional testimony, particularly in support of the Advanced Technology Project and Advanced Research Projects Agency.
- While individual industry presenters mentioned the Department and their collaboration with it, the focus of the meeting was on supporting the Defense labs, especially Army and Navy. (K. Downey, 6-5830)

o TECHNOLOGY TRANSFER FOR SMALL BUSINESS

- The Working Group on Small Business of the Technology Transfer Committee met on June 28, 1993 to discuss the implementation of the Guidelines on Technology Transfer to Small Businesses published in the Federal Register on June 14, 1993. The Group agreed to pursue the following activities:
- Development of a small business initiative for inclusion in the Secretary's Technology Transfer Initiative
- Development of a small business CRADA
- Development of a brochure on technology transfer for small businesses. (S. Glatt, 6-3897)

o PUBLICATION OF GUIDELINES FOR TECHNOLOGY TRANSFER FOR SMALL BUSINESS

- The Guidelines for the transfer of technology to small businesses, published in the Federal Register on June 14, 1993 has sparked considerable public interest.
- The Office of Technology Utilization is processing numerous inquiries for copies of the guidelines and additional information. (S. Glatt, 6-3897)

#### MEETING WITH HIGH TECHNOLOGY SMALL BUSINESS REPRESENTATIVES

- On July 1, 1993, Tom Cornwell, Deputy Office Director, and Sandy Glat, Small Business Specialist, from the Office of Technology Utilization met with the Drs. Marianne and Robert Hamm, President and Chief Financial Officers of AccSys Technology Inc., a small high technology company.
- In addition to representing their own firm, the Hamms also represent an organization of nearly 50 high technology small businesses, many of whom are SBIR recipients and/or engage in technology transfer activities with Federal laboratories.
- Members of this organization frequently testify before Congress on small business issues.
- The content of the meeting focused on initiatives and relationships between DOE technology transfer activities and the Small Business Innovation Research (SBIR) and Small Business Technology Transfer (STTR) programs.
- The Hamms agreed to review and assist in the design of a small business CRADA. (S. Glat, 6-3897)

#### TECHNOLOGY TRANSFER SOCIETY ANNUAL MEETING

- Moira Shea of the Office of Technology Utilization attended the "Technology Transfer Tools" conference.
- This was the annual meeting of the Technology Transfer Society, and co-sponsored by the Industrial Technology Institute.
- Two major focuses of this meeting were involvement of small businesses in technology transfer and improved methods of evaluation.
- This meeting was held in Ann Arbor, Michigan on June 26-29. (M. Shea 6-5388)

#### AMTEX™ TECHNICAL PROJECT MEETING

- A meeting of the AMTEX™ technical group responsible for Demand Activated Manufacturing Architecture project was held on June 17th at the facilities of the Textile/Clothing Technology Corporation in Raleigh, North Carolina. The purpose of the meeting was to communicate the objectives and scope of the project to potential industrial participants. The industry had previously sent a formal "Request for Participation" to approximately 100 potential industrial participants in this project of whom approximately 40 representatives from industry attended. In addition, there were approximately 15 task leaders, researchers, and project managers from the DOE laboratories and headquarters. Two program managers from DOE represented the Energy Research and Defense Programs Technology Transfer programs. (A. Claflin, 6-9740)

#### SENIOR AMTEX™ MANAGEMENT MEETING

- A meeting of key AMTEX™ leaders was held in Atlanta, Georgia to refine the organizational structure and management procedures for the AMTEX™ collaboration. The group developed a "flow chart" process showing the development, review and approval process by which research concepts move forward to become funded projects. The group also defined the structure and key responsibilities of each organizational body in the AMTEX™ structure. This includes a description of how projects will be managed, reviewed and guided. Those attending the meeting were the heads of the AMTEX™ research, education and technology transfer

organizations, the technical area leaders from the labs, and the program managers from the labs and industry. (A. Claflin, 69740)

o SPINOFF COOPERATIVE RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT (CRADA) PROJECT RESULTS IN INVENTION

- Oak Ridge National Laboratory scientists have been granted a patent for their invention "Process for Manufacturing Tantalum Capacitors".

The process, the manufacture of tantalum anodes by microwave sintering, was developed under a Cooperative Research and Development Agreement (CRADA) between Oak Ridge National Laboratory and AVX Tantalum Corporation. The advantages of the new technology over conventional vacuum sintering are:

- removal of surface impurities from the tantalum particles, thereby improving the quality of the dielectric film;
- shorter cycle time and tighter process control; and
- microscopic surface roughening, which increases total capacitance.

The Cooperative Research and Development Agreement (CRADA) project is supported by the Department of Energy Office of Energy Research Laboratory Technology Transfer Program (A. Claflin, 69740)

FUTURE ACTIVITIES

o TALKS WITH HIGH ENERGY MICROWAVE TUBE INDUSTRY

- On June 30, 1993, the Deputy Director, Office of Technology Utilization, met with the Vice President of Litton Business Development who was representing the Executive Council of the Electronics Industry Association.
- The industry is seeking a better understanding of the Departments planning and technology transfer efforts in microwave tube technology.
- The Office of Technology Utilization agreed to host a meeting, in late September, with the full Executive Council and various DOE organizations to discuss technology transfer mechanisms, DOE procurement procedures and program research planning. (T. Cornwell, 6-7939)

o TECHNOLOGY TRANSFER AWARENESS COURSE

- Arrangements are being made to give the Technology Transfer Awareness Course at Albuquerque and San Francisco Operations Offices during the week of August 9 through 13, 1993.
- The course on technology transfer was developed by the Oak Ridge Institute of Science Education under the direction of the Office of Technology Utilization in conjunction with the Office of Professional and Technical Training and Development.
- The course is a one-day awareness session to acquaint mid-level program and research managers with the terminology and mechanisms of DOE technology transfer, as well as the need for full program integration through planning. (T. Cornwell, 6-7939)

o FUTURE MEETING WITH STAFF OF THE HOUSE COMMITTEE ON SCIENCE, SPACE AND TECHNOLOGY

- Rose Pitts, staff, and A. Joyce Nickelson, Congressional Fellow assigned to this Committee, requested a meeting with Kay Downey to discuss how H.R. 1432 affects smaller government-owned, government-operated laboratories.
- Ms. Downey, on temporary assignment to the Office of Technology Utilization, is the Technology Transfer Officer at the Department's Pittsburgh Energy Technology Center. (K. Downey, 6-5830)

o TRAINING VIDEO NEARING COMPLETION

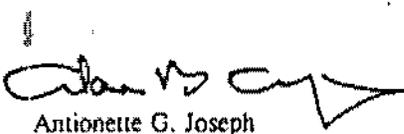
- Office of Technology Utilization staff reviewed the video summarizing industry comments regarding DOE technology transfer offered at the Industry Partners Feedback Meeting in November, 1992.
- Prepared by Argonne National Laboratory, the video is for internal use in the Technology Transfer General Awareness Course. (Ed Wall, 6-0410)

o DOE R&D 100 WINNERS EXHIBIT TO BE DISPLAYED AT FORRESTAL

- The travelling exhibit, highlighting the Department of Energy's 1992 winners of the prestigious R&D 100 awards, will be set up in the Forrestal lobby within a week.
- This exhibit, which traditionally starts out at Forrestal, will end its tour in Washington this year because of schedule adjustment due to the Forrestal lobby project.
- This exhibit identifies 28 innovations found to be among those having the most potential for the nation's economy by a group of outside experts.
- The Department of Energy has been averaging between 25 and 35 per cent of the awards for the past several years, a positive metric on the value of our work to industry.
- The Office of Technology Utilization will work with the Scheduling Office and the Office of Public Affairs to seek an opportunity for the Secretary to officially open the exhibit and to interest the local press in covering this good news event. (R. Lewis, 6-5388)

o ANNUAL LEAVE

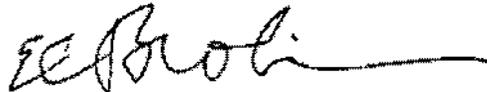
- Roger Lewis is scheduled to be on annual leave from August 23-27, 1993.
- This leave was previously approved by the Science and Technology Advisor.
- Mr. Tom Cornwell will be Acting Director in his absence.

  
Antionette G. Joseph  
Acting Director  
Office of Laboratory Management

July 6, 1993

Weekly Report for the Office of Nuclear Energy

- o Pluto Fast Flyby. The Pluto Fast Flyby project office at the Jet Propulsion Laboratory selected radioisotope power supplies for the two spacecraft on this mission. Baseline launch dates are February 1999 and 2000. The option of a February 1998 launch is also being considered. This is a new requirement which has been included in part in the FY 1995 budget. (E. Mastal, NE-53, 903-4362)
  
- o Status of Agreement to Purchase Plutonium-238 from Russia. On December 8, 1992, the Department of Energy signed a contract with Russia's Mayak Radioisotope Plant to purchase up to 40 kilograms of Plutonium-238 for use as fuel for radioisotope thermoelectric generators which provide electric power for various non-manned spacecraft launched by National Aeronautics and Space Administration. At the request of Russia, a companion government-to-government agreement between the Department and MINATOM was initiated and agreed to by Russia. The agreement has been under a Circular 175 review by the State Department since March 23, 1993, and was referred to the Vice President's office in early May. Russia has complained informally about the lack of action. The Acting Director, Office of Nuclear Energy, will attempt to obtain concurrence this week. If we fail to obtain action or indication of imminent action, assistance will be solicited from the Secretary's office. (E. Mastal, NE-53, 903-4362)



E. C. Brolin  
Acting Director  
Office of Nuclear Energy

## OTHER ITEMS OF INTEREST FROM THE OFFICE OF NUCLEAR ENERGY

### Outreach

- o Visit of Energy Officials from Thailand. On July 26, Nuclear Energy staff will participate in a briefing of a delegation of energy officials from Thailand and in the delegation's visit to Philadelphia Electric Company's Limerick Nuclear Generating Station. (J. Stamos, NE-44, 903-3007)

### Interagency Activities

- o Advanced Reactors Review. On August 2, the Acting Director of Nuclear Energy will participate in the Department of Energy/Nuclear Regulatory Commission/Design Vendor Executive Management Review of the advanced light water reactor certification process. (S. Franks, NE-42, 903-3456)
- o SP-100 Thermoelectric Cell Status. The cell development effort has achieved its principal goal, demonstrating the ability to fabricate a conductively coupled cell which can withstand the rigors and stresses of assembly. Three cells have been on test for 3794, 3593, and 1560 hours and have met their initial performance requirements, producing 8.7 watts. As testing of the cells has continued, the resistance of the cells has increased and, correspondingly, their output has decreased. An increase in resistance due to dopant precipitation is not entirely unexpected. A similar effect is observed in the materials used for radioisotope thermoelectric generators. Within the next month, one of the cells will be taken off test and analyzed to determine what mechanisms are contributing to the decreased cell performance. Testing of the two other cells will continue and two additional cells will be placed on test. The examination of the cell and continued testing of the others will provide a basis for lifetime performance predictions and may highlight areas where improvement to the design could be made. (L. Rutger, NE-52, 903-6470)
- o Argonne National Laboratory-East (ANL-E) Actinide Reduction Success Reported. Last week, three laboratory-scale reduction tests were performed at ANL-E on simulated spent fuel resulting in non-TRU salt after the reductions. The tests were with 500 gram simulated fuel samples (containing plutonium, americium, neptunium, and curium). Lithium-potassium chloride reduction salt was used at 500 degrees Celsius. All of the 210 milligrams of plutonium in oxide form was reduced, except for 17 micrograms. A similar result was obtained for the americium (1.1 milligrams left about one microgram in the residual salt). If further verified, this success means we now have a single Light Water Reactor actinide recycle flow sheet which will be used for the initial reduction in the 25 kg scale test. (F. Goldner, NE-45, 903-2025)
- o Restart of Armenian Reactors. An interagency meeting was held July 2 at the Department of State to develop a response to a request from the Armenian Government for U.S. participation in activities to restart the two VVER-230 reactors that have been shut down since an earthquake occurred near the powerplant where they are located in 1989. A decision will likely be deferred until after completion of an International Atomic Energy Agency review which, at the request of the Armenians, may be conducted in August. (S. Rosen, NE-14, 903-3218)

- o Evaluating World Bank/International Energy Agency Report on Russian Energy Options. The Office of the Vice President has requested an assessment of the World Bank/International Energy Agency study of Russian energy options relating to the possible shutdown of the riskiest Soviet-designed nuclear reactors. The Office of Nuclear Energy is working with the Nuclear Regulatory Commission and Department of State to deliver a report to the Office of the Vice President on July 9. (S. Rosen, NE-14, 903-3218)

July 6, 1993

WEEKLY REPORT TO THE SECRETARY

o MEDIA ACTIVITIES

Senior Staff Interviews: Print media interviews previously scheduled for Assistant Secretary Thomas Grumbly on July 2 and 6 have been postponed until late July due to the Assistant Secretary's busy schedule.

Heavy National and Regional Press Coverage: Secretary and the Department were spotlighted throughout last week on a variety of national issues ranging from your statements on management of the SSC, opposition to resumption of nuclear testing, transfer of uranium enrichment functions from Government to the newly formed U.S. Enrichment Corp, to the comments by Tom Grumbly on Judge Ryan's ruling to bar further storage of spent nuclear fuel at INEL, and Bill White's comments supporting a moratorium on nuclear testing and Tara O'Toole's nomination. Except for the commentary on the nuclear fuel ruling citing the Department's lack of planning for a possible injunction, media coverage was positive.

Conference on Future of INEL: Assistant Secretary Grumbly will address about 200 attendees at the Idaho Conference on Technology and Economic Growth on Wednesday, July 7, in Idaho Falls. The conference is sponsored by Governor Andrus, the four members of the state's congressional delegation, and Orval Hansen, a former congressman, to chart a future for new technologies and guarantee safety and maintain jobs at INEL. You will address the group through a video taped message. Associated Press carried the story on its July 3 wires. Because of New York Times' story on ruling barring storage of spent fuel at INEL, press coverage is expected to be national as well as regional.

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Vice President Gore's Town Meeting, July 13: Vice President Gore is tentatively scheduled to visit DOE and meet with employees on Tuesday, July 13, at 10:00 a.m. as part of the National Performance Review. Public Affairs is working with the DOE team and the White House staff on media coverage for this event.

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o CURRENT/FUTURE EVENTS

OUTREACH

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- Mound Plant Public and Media Activity: A full page ad in the Miamisburg News on July 7 will announce a community bus tour for August 10. More than a thousand citizens are expected. The site is also planning a media open house in mid-July, primarily to explain the environmental restoration program.

INTERNAL

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o WHITE HOUSE INTEREST

Leadership Training: Secretary O'Leary and other senior DOE officials will participate in Motorola/Milliken Leadership Training in Chicago, Wednesday evening, July 7, through Saturday noon, July 10. This training is part of the Secretary's efforts to change the DOE culture through quality management. The Secretary did an interview on quality management with THE WALL STREET JOURNAL for future publication.

Speeches: The Secretary has the following scheduled speeches:

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- Close Up Foundation, July 13: Secretary O'Leary will keynote a Public Policy Luncheon in Alexandria, Virginia, and speak to the group of 60 educators about the Administration's energy policy for the 90's.

- National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, July 14: Secretary O'Leary will keynote the 84th annual convention of the NAACP in Indianapolis on Wednesday, July 14, at 10:00 a.m. Her speech will focus on how the Administration's and DOE's changed priorities and policies apply to Afro-Americans.

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*Donald Anderson for*  
Mike Gauldin

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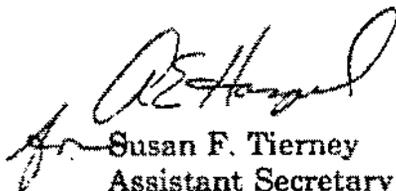
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**Weekly Report for the Assistant Secretary of Policy, Planning and Program Evaluation**

- o Policy Decision on Ocean Radioactivity Waste Disposal. The White House's Office of Environmental Policy has called a Deputies Committee meeting the week of July 12 to decide the U.S. position on the amendments to the London Convention, governing ocean disposal. The decision under consideration concerns whether low-level radioactive waste disposal at sea and sub-seabed disposal should be prohibited permanently or banned for a specific period. (J. Dugger, 6-5899)
  
- o Domestic Energy Initiative - Meetings with Natural Gas and Oil Stakeholders. Policy staff will meet on July 13 in New York with members of the financial community and representatives from the Natural Resource Defense Council. On July 22, staff will meet in New Orleans to discuss Outer Continental Shelf (OCS) and environmental issues with the oil and service companies, State oil and gas officials, and members of the oil spill and environmental groups. On July 23, the staff will meet in Washington with representatives from the consumer and environmental groups, petroleum and gas industry, trade associations, the financial community, and state and local officials. (Coburn, 6-566),



Susan F. Tierney  
Assistant Secretary  
Office of Policy, Planning,  
and Program Evaluation

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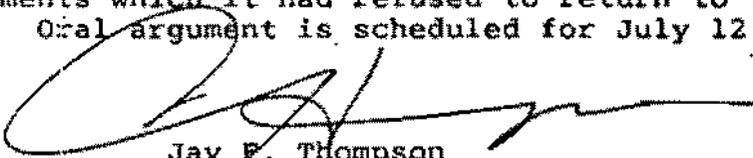
**Other Items of Interest from the Office of Policy, Planning and Program Evaluation**

- o United States-Mexico Border Conference. The Secretary will give the keynote address at a "U.S.-Mexico Border Infrastructure Finance Conference" on July 16 in San Antonio, Texas. Other Cabinet members also will participate in the two-day conference, which is being sponsored jointly by the U.S. Department of Commerce and Mexico's Ministry of Social Development. (Pumphrey, 6-6832)
  
- o FERC Notice of Technical Conference on Electric Transmission Pricing and Request for Comments on Staff Paper. On June 30, the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission approved publication of a notice declaring its intention to hold a technical conference on pricing of electric transmission services. It also released a paper providing preliminary observations on this subject by its electricity staff. Interested parties are invited to comment on the issues raised in the staff paper. The closing date for submitting these comments is expected to be around September 3 (depending on the date when the notice is published in the Federal Register). The technical conference will be scheduled after the Commission has reviewed the comments received on the staff paper. (Meyer, 6-5727)

July 7, 1993

Weekly Report of the Economic Regulatory Administration (RE)

- o On June 29, in OXY USA Inc., the Office of Hearings and Appeals issued a Decision in OXY's Freedom of Information Act appeal, upholding in virtually whole part the Economic Regulatory Administration's April 29, denial determination relating to drafts of the 1980 Cities Service Interpretation, an Economic Regulatory Administration litigation attorney's notes of 1989 telephone conversations with the Interpretation's drafters, and related materials. The Office of Hearings and Appeals ordered the release of the headings on the telephone notes, and the segregable fact portion of one memorandum.
- o On June 30, in Concord Petroleum Corp. and Paul C. Elliott, the Department of Energy filed with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission its brief in Support of Remedial Order in this \$3 million (plus interest) crude oil layering case.
- o On July 1, in Powerine Oil Company, the Department of Energy filed its Response to the Objection of the Creditors' Committee to the Department's Proof of Claim. The Creditors' Committee argued that the Department's \$16.5 million dollar claim should be forfeited because the Department of Interior had \$6 million in alleged preferential payments which it had refused to return to the bankrupt estate. Oral argument is scheduled for July 12 in Los Angeles.



Jay F. Thompson  
Acting Administrator  
Economic Regulatory Administration

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Weekly Report of the Office of Civilian Radioactive Waste Management

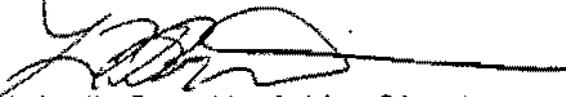
The Office of Civilian Radioactive Waste Management has no input for this week's report.

TRAVEL PLANS:

While I am on annual leave July 12-16, 1993, the following individuals are designated Acting Director, Office of Civilian Radioactive Waste Management.

Samuel Rousso  
Jerome Saltzman

July 12, 1993  
July 13-16, 1993



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

July 6, 1993

Other Items of Interest from the  
Office of Civilian Radioactive Waste Management

- o Nuclear Waste Technical Review Board Meeting - On July 13-14, 1993, the Nuclear Waste Technical Review Board will conduct a Full Board meeting in Denver, Colorado. Tentative topics of discussion are thermal loading effects on waste package and repository design. (A. Benson, RW-5, 586-2289)
- o Exploratory Shaft Facility - Excavation continues on the Tunnel Boring Machine Starter Tunnel at the North Portal area. The pilot drift and the north and south slashes are in approximately 37.5 meters as of June 25, 1993. (C. Gertz, YMPO, FTS-702-794-7920)
- o Extension of U.S. Department of Energy/Atomic Energy of Canada Limited Bilateral Agreement - The Department has received official notification from the Department of State of their approval of Circular 175 which will allow the extension of the cooperative agreement for one year. The formal letter to Atomic Energy of Canada Limited will be prepared for signature on the agreement. (C. Kouts, RW-4, 586-1253)
- o Secretary O'Leary will meet with approximately twenty-five Nevada and California government officials on July 12 to discuss issues associated with the civilian radioactive waste management programs. (L. Barrett, RW-1, 586-6842)

OTHER ITEMS OF INTEREST FROM THE OFFICE OF SCIENCE EDUCATION AND TECHNICAL INFORMATION

Interagency Activities

- o July 20 - 21, 1993, thirty District of Columbia 8th-graders will visit the Forrestal Building as part of Project Team. This program is administered by the District of Columbia Public Schools and aims to prepare students for the workplace by introducing them to a set of skills and competencies necessary for success. For example: reading, writing, speaking and listening; solving problems and making decisions; individual responsibility, self-esteem and working with others. As part of this effort, the students will visit three other Federal agencies. (POC: John Ortman, 586-1634)

Please designate one person from your office to assist us. The designated person should be available on July 20, 1993 for student-team career interviews. Department of Energy participants, arranged in 3 member panels, will be asked questions by the students relative to career planning and their current positions. Each student-team interview will last 30-45 minutes.

- o July 12, 1993, Mr. Richard Stephens will visit the Bonneville Power Administration and serve as Keynote Speaker at the 1993 Mid-Summer Conference for the Apprenticeship in Science and Engineering Program. In addition, Mr. Stephens will meet with representatives from Oregon Graduate Institute to discuss the consortium between Oregon Graduate Institute and Clark Atlanta University. (POC: Lani MacRae, 916/469-4436)

This apprenticeship program places high school students as fulltime summer apprentices with engineers and scientists in Oregon and Washington. One hundred and seventy students out of five hundred applicants were placed in thirty cities in 1993.

- o Federal Coordinating Council on Science, Engineering, and Technology: The Joint Committee on Human Resources, Committee on Industry and Technology and Technical Education Working Group, (Richard Stephens, Chair) are in the process of preparing an inventory on Technical Education Programs in FY 1994 and FY 1995. (POC: Robyne Gordon, 586-0868)

July 16, 1993, as Chair of the Committee on Human Resources, Committee on Industry and Technology and Technical Education Working Group, Mr. Stephens will make a presentation to the Subcommittee on Science, Mathematics, Engineering, and Technology Education (SMETE) on the status of the working group's accomplishments and future goals.

July 2, 1993

Weekly Report for Alaska Power Administration

Near Term Activities

- State Alaska Energy Authority Disbandment: Administrator will be meeting with the State Alaska Energy Authority's (AEA) Executive Director to further discuss impacts to divestiture as a result of recent State legislative action that eliminates AEA. AEA is the proposed purchaser of the Snettisham Project. (M. Deihl, 907-586-7405)

Completed Activities

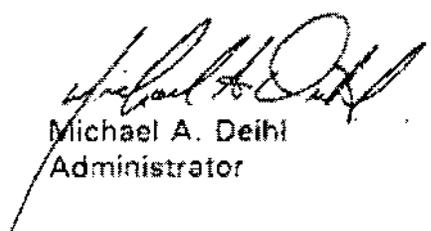
- State Environmental Inspection: Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation conducted a Resource Conservation & Recovery Act hazardous waste management inspection of the Snettisham Project. APA was complimented for an excellent program and no Notice of Violations were issued. (R. Waldman, 907-586-7405)
- Environmental Assessments: APA received approved Environmental Assessments from EH-1 for the long-term power sales contracts for the Snettisham and Eklutna Projects. (L. Linke, 907-586-7405)
- Eklutna Labor Contract: The Eklutna labor contract was returned by DOE Headquarters with an exception to language changes that discussed employees effected by divestiture. This section was determined unacceptable and will be re-negotiated with IBEW. (L. Linke, 907-586-7405)

Issues for Secretary

- No issues to report.

Administrator Travel/Leave Schedule

- July 7 & 8: Anchorage, Alaska; Meeting with State Alaska Energy Authority.

  
Michael A. Deihl  
Administrator

July 5, 1993

Weekly Report for the Bonneville Power Administration (BPA)

Near Term Activities

- Announcement of Bonneville Rate Increase  
On July 2, Bonneville Power Administration announced new electric power and transmission rates which will become effective October 1, 1993. Pending approval by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, BPA's Priority Firm Power rate will increase by 15.7 percent for preference utility customers. The average increase for utilities that exchange power with BPA is 13.4 percent. The direct service industries, including aluminum companies, will experience a 14 percent increase. The announcement is expected to generate extensive regional press coverage. A memo discussing the increase in greater detail has been forwarded to the Secretary. (Stephen J. Wright, BPA, 586-5640)
- BPA Named National Reinvention Laboratory  
Vice President Al Gore's National Performance Review Task Force has designated the Bonneville Power Administration one of the 17 "Reinvention Laboratories" in the Federal government. BPA was nominated on the basis of its new competitiveness project which is designed to transform the power marketing agency from a traditional government model to a one patterned more on a business model. (Stephen J. Wright, BPA, 586-5640)

Completed Activities

Nothing Significant to Report.

  
Randall W. Hardy  
Administrator

July 2, 1993

Weekly Report for Southeastern Power Administration

Near Term Activities

- o Meetings. The Director, Power Marketing Division and associates from the Power Marketing and Power Resources divisions will meet with the Southeastern Federal Power Customers, Inc., Operating and Maintenance Committee in Atlanta, Georgia, on July 9, 1993. Corps of Engineers' expenses, work in progress, outages, and other matters pertaining to the delivery of power to the preference customers will be discussed. (K. Tucker, 706-283-9911)

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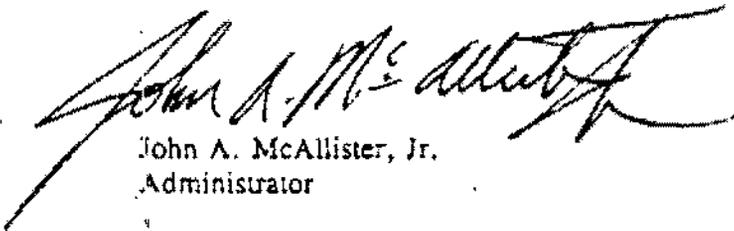
- o No activities to report.

Issues for the Secretary

- o No activities to report.

Administrator's Travel/Leave Schedule

- o No near-term travel/leave scheduled.

  
John A. McAllister, Jr.  
Administrator

July 5, 1993

Weekly Report for Southwestern Power Administration

Completed Activities

- o Advancement of Integrated Resource Planning in Public Power As part of its recently initiated "Advancement of Integrated Resource Planning in Public Power" project, DOE hosted a meeting of the project's steering committee in Washington, DC on June 22 and 23. Jerry Martin, who is a member of the steering committee, attended the meeting as Southwestern's representative. The steering committee is comprised of representatives from the American Public Power Association, National Rural Electric Cooperatives Association, National Renewable Energy Laboratory, Rural Electrification Administration, Tennessee Valley Authority, Western Area Power Administration, Southeastern Power Administration, and Southwestern Power Administration. The project's purpose is to develop a comprehensive strategy for DOE to advance the practice of Integrated Resource Planning in the public utility sector (i.e., Federal, state, municipal, and cooperative utilities). (G.W. Martin, (918 581-7516)
- o System Conditions Flood control releases are continuing for the 12 reservoirs in Southwestern's Federally Interconnected System, which is approximately 104 percent full. The system has produced 198 gigawatts of supplemental energy so far this month (through June 29) and the banks are in good shape with a current balance of 1,525 gigawatts for our use. The system is experiencing a large number of outages for this time of year with major construction scheduled for Broken Bow, Bull Shoals and Harry S. Truman projects. Work at Table Rock is nearing completion and the project should be able to generate at full capacity by the end of the week. (Edward Parker, (918 581-7512)
- o Telemetry Southwestern met with Empire District Electric Cooperative, on Friday, June 25, 1993, to discuss equipment requirements to exchange power system accounting information. Further fact finding is required to determine the communication media used to exchange the information from Table Rock Dam. (Danny Johnson, (918 581-7505)

Issues for the Secretary

- o Notification was received that Congressman Tom Bevill will attend Southwestern's 50th Anniversary celebration on September 1, 1993. (J.M. Shafer, (918 581-7476)

Outreach

- o Southwestern Power Administration Customer Conference and 50th Anniversary Southwestern will host a conference for its customers and customer organizations, representatives of other regional utilities, and staff from the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers regional district and division offices on August 31 and September 1, 1993. The program will include workshops on integrated resource planning, regional transmission

groups, and mitigation of dissolved oxygen problems in waters below dams with hydroelectric generators. Another program highlight will be a panel on the future of water resource policy which will include, among others, Dr. G. Edward Dickey, Acting Assistant Secretary of the Army for Civil Works and Patty Eaton, Secretary of Environment for the State of Oklahoma.

In addition to the customer conference, Southwestern has also arranged a dinner to commemorate its establishment on September 1, 1943. The anniversary dinner will be held the evening of September 1. Senator David Boren has been invited to be the keynote speaker for the dinner. Colonel James P. King, Division Commander of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Southwestern Division, will also speak. Congressman Tom Bevill of Alabama, chairman of the House Appropriations Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development, has confirmed that he will attend. (Annette Hinshaw, (913 581-6279)

#### Administrator's Travel and Annual Leave

Jul 7-8 Southwestern Power Resources Association Meeting, Tulsa, OK

Jul 12-14 1993 White River Power Conference, Lakeview, AR

Jul 27-Aug 6 Annual Leave

Other Items of Interest from Southwestern Power Administration.

#### Congressional Activities

- o Notification was received that Congressman Tom Bevill will attend Southwestern's 50th Anniversary celebration on September 1, 1993.

J.M. Shafer, Administrator  
(For further information contact, Joel Bladow, (202 586-5581)

JB/RJD

July 6, 1993

Weekly Report for Western Area Power Administration

Near Term Activities

o Department of Defense Base Closures

The Department of Defense base closure list, announced on July 1, 1993, included the Department of the Navy's Mare Island Naval Shipyard and the Treasure Island Naval Support Center, which receive power from the Western Area Power Administration. It appears, at this time, that the 29 megawatts of allocations can be utilized by other Department of Defense installations, especially since the McClellan Air Force Base was not listed for closure. Both the Department of the Air Force and Department of the Navy have been discussing options with Western Area Power Administration to shift Department of the Navy allocations over time, as the closures are implemented, either to McClellan Air Force Base, to Vandenberg Air Force Base or to Onizuka Air Force Base. The latter two installations will require wheeling from the Pacific Gas and Electric Company, which has resisted doing so in the past.

o Final Allocations Announced Under the Central Valley Project 1994 Power Marketing Plan

In a Federal Register notice, published June 28, 1993, Western Area Power Administration announced the final allocations under the Central Valley Project 1994 Power Marketing Plan. Included are four California entities that will receive a Federal allocation for the first time. They are: City of Avenal, Bay Area Rapid Transit District, Cawelo Water District, and Lassen Municipal Utility District.

Contracts totalling 8 megawatts will be offered to these entities for power sales beginning July 1, 1994. Delivery of these new allocations will require wheeling by the Pacific Gas and Electric Company. In the past, Pacific Gas and Electric Company has objected to wheeling to a load like BART that it considers its own retail customer.

o Litigation

Earlier this year, the Ninth Circuit reversed a District Court ruling in the City of Palo Alto's favor, holding instead that Western Area Power Administration's interpretation of the term "nonwithdrawable" in the Santa Clara settlement was correct. The Ninth Circuit now has denied the City of Palo Alto's request for rehearing of that earlier decision. We understand that the City of Palo Alto will not appeal to the Supreme Court, thus ending 17 years of litigation.

On June 30, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission Judge Grossman issued his decision in the California-Oregon Transmission Project case. After a month-long hearing, the judge ruled favorably on most issues for Western Area Power Administration, the Transmission Agency of Northern California, and several other Western Area Power Administration customers. We expect Pacific Gas and Electric Company, Southern California Edison Company, and San Diego Gas and Electric to appeal the judge's decision to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission.

Leave and Travel Report for William H. Clagett

o Week of July 5-9, 1993  
Monday, 7/5      Holiday  
Tuesday, 7/6     Annual Leave  
Wednesday, 7/7   None  
Thursday, 7/8    None  
Friday, 7/9      Montrose, Colorado

o Week of July 12-16, 1993  
Monday, 7/12     Montreal, Canada  
Tuesday, 7/13    Montreal, Canada  
Wednesday, 7/14   None  
Thursday, 7/15   None  
Friday, 7/16     None

(For further information contact: Joel Bladow, 202-586-5581)  
William H. Clagett, Administrator

JB/RJD

NEGATIVE REPORTS RECEIVED FROM THE FOLLOWING PROGRAM OFFICES:

- o Environment, Safety & Health (EH)
- o Hearing and Appeals (HG)
- o Science Education & Technical Information

NO REPORTS RECEIVED FROM THE FOLLOWING PROGRAM OFFICES:

- o Inspector General (IG)
- o Office of Intelligence & National Security (IS)
- o Chief Financial Officer (CR)

Office of Science Education and Technical Information  
Weekly Activity Report  
July 6, 1993

Nothing to report.



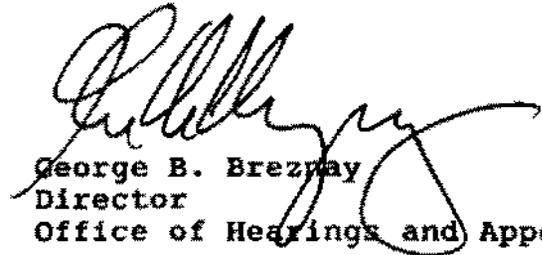
Richard E. Stephens, Acting Director  
Office of Science Education and Technical  
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July 6, 1993

Weekly Report for Office of Hearings and Appeals

Nothing significant to report.



George B. Brezney  
Director  
Office of Hearings and Appeals

July 06, 1993

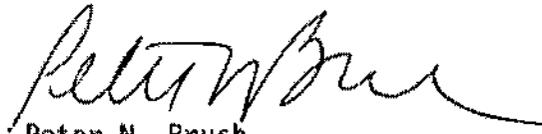
WEEKLY REPORT FOR THE OFFICE OF ENVIRONMENT, SAFETY AND HEALTH

Items for the Secretary

- o The Office of Environment, Safety and Health has no items for the weekly report to the Secretary.

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

WEEKLY ACTIVITY REPORT IS DUE BY 5:00 P.M.

WEEK ENDING: JULY 14, 1993  
WEEKLY ACTIVITY REPORT

PROGRAM OFFICE		DATE RECEIVED	TIME	RECEIVED BY
CP/WILLIAM TAYLOR	7B-138	07/13/93	5:38	O. BARNETT
CR/ELIZABETH SMEDLEY	4A-139	07/13/93	NO REPORT	
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ED/LEONEL V. MIRANDA (ACTING)	5B-110	07/13/93	5:51	O. BARNETT
EE/ROBERT L. SAN MARTIN (ACTING)	6C-016	07/13/93	6:06	O. BARNETT
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EI/LARRY L. PETTIS (ACTING)	2H-027	07/13/93	5:26	O. BARNETT
EM/THOMAS GRUMBLY (ACTING)	5A-014	07/13/93	4:30	P. SEISER
ER/JAMES DECKER (ACTING)	7B-058	07/13/93	5:21	O. BARNETT
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FM/DON PEARMAN	6A-093	07/13/93	NO REPORT	
GC/ERIC J. FYGI (ACTING)	6A-245	07/13/93	6:19	O. BARNETT
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HR/ARCHER DURHAM	4A-257	07/13/93	5:07	O. BARNETT
IG/JOHN LAYTON	5D-039	07/13/93	NO REPORT	
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SOUTHEASTERN/ JOHN A. MCALLISTER		07/13/93	NO REPORT	
SOUTHWESTERN/ J.M. SHAFER		07/13/93	NO REPORT	
WAPA/WILLIAM H. CLAGETT		07/13/93	NO REPORT	

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July 14, 1993

TO: THE SECRETARY

The weekly status reports are attached.

cc: William White  
Richard Rosenzweig  
Romy Diaz  
Dan Reicher  
Dan Dreyfus  
Robert Degrasse  
Johannah Dottori  
Lawanna Clark  
John Northington  
Mark Fallon  
Mark Gabor  
Bob Nordhaus  
Kyle Simpson

## WEEKLY STATUS REPORT

Office of Congressional, Intergovernmental,  
and International Affairs  
July 13, 1993

### FUTURE ACTIVITIES

#### o Congressional Hearings:

On July 20, the House Committee on Science, Space, and Technology, Subcommittee on Energy (Chairman Lloyd, D-TN), will hold an overview hearing on fuel cell development, focusing on the Department's research and development program as well as private sector developments. Both Jack Siegel, Acting Assistant Secretary for Fossil Energy, and Robert San Martin, Acting Assistant Secretary for Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy, will testify for the Department. (B. Keen, 586-5815 and M. Hastings, 586-5804)

On July 22, the Secretary will testify before the House Committee on Energy and Commerce, Subcommittee on Energy and Power (Chairman Sharp, D-IN) on Environment, Safety and Health issues at the Department of Energy. (A. Knight, 586-4768)

#### o Congressional Markups and Floor Action:

On July 19, the Senate Committee on Armed Services, Subcommittee on Nuclear Deterrence, Arms Control, and Defense Intelligence (Chairman Exon, D-NE) will mark up the FY 94 Atomic Energy Defense Activities Budget. (J. Rabb, 586-4656)

On July 20, the House Committee on Armed Services, Subcommittee on Military Acquisition (Chairman Dellums, D-CA) has tentatively scheduled a markup of the FY 94 National Defense Authorization Act (H.R. 2401). On July 21, the full House Committee on Armed Services (Chairman Dellums, D-CA) may mark up the legislation. (J. Rabb, 586-4656)

### CURRENT ACTIVITIES

#### o Congressional Meetings and Briefings

On July 15, Representative Derrick (D-South Carolina) will be briefed by Bob DeGrasse, Special Assistant, and Warren Chernock, Director, Office of the Deputy Science and Technology Advisor for Defense Programs, on technology transfer programs at the Savannah River Site. (J. Rabb, 586-4656)

o Congressional Hearing: On July 15, the House Committee on Science, Space and Technology, Subcommittee on Energy (Chairman Lloyd, D-TN) will hold a hearing on the Department's Environmental Restoration and Waste Management Program. Tom Grumbly, Assistant Secretary for Environmental Restoration and Waste Management, will testify. (J. Brady, 586-2770)

- o Congressional Floor Action: On July 14, the FY 94 Department of Interior and Related Agencies Appropriations Act (H.R. 2520) is scheduled for House floor consideration. This legislation contains funding for 10 percent of the Department's programs, including energy efficiency and fossil energy programs. (P. Pontillo, 586-4176)
- o Conference Committee Action: On July 15, the House/Senate Conference on the Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1993 (H.R. 2264) is scheduled to meet. House conferees have yet to be named. The House version, passed on May 27, contains a BTU tax; and the Senate version, passed on June 24, contains a transportation tax. (K. Peery, 586-2794)

INPUT TO THE SECRETARY'S WHITE HOUSE REPORT

- o Outreach Meetings: The Secretary continues to conduct meetings with members of Congress and other elected officials on the President's economic initiatives and specific Departmental site and project issues:

July 19        Senator Dirk Kempthorne (R-ID) - to discuss funding for the Integral Fast Reactor.

July 21        Representative Ronald Dellums (D-CA)  
 Representative Richard Durbin (D-IL)

On July 21, the Secretary will also meet with the House members who constitute the New England Congressional Energy Caucus:

Edward Markey (D-MA), co-chairman  
 Ronald Machtley (R-RI) co-chairman

Thomas Andrews (D-ME)  
 Peter Blute (R-MA)  
 Rosa Delauro (D-CT)  
 Barney Frank (D-MA)  
 Gary Franks (R-CT)  
 Sam Gejdenson (D-CT)  
 Nancy Johnson (R-CT)  
 Joseph Kennedy II (D-MA)  
 Barbara Kennelly (D-CT)  
 Martin Meehan (D-MA)  
 Joe Moakley (D-MA)

Richard Neal (D-MA)  
 John Oliver (D-MA)  
 John Reed (D-RI)  
 Bernard Sanders (I-VT)  
 Christopher Shays (R-CT)  
 Olympia Snowe (R-ME)  
 Gerry Studds (D-MA)  
 Dick Swett (D-NH)  
 Peter Torkildsen (R-MA)  
 William Zeliff (R-NH)

o Secretarial Travel:

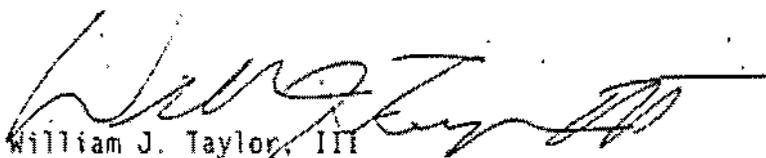
On July 14, the Secretary will travel to Indianapolis, Indiana, to address the 84th Annual Convention of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP).

On July 15, the Secretary will travel to Amarillo, Texas, for an overview briefing, stakeholders meeting, and tour of the Pantex Plant.

o Status of DOE Nominees:

The following confirmation hearings are pending:

- o Senate Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Chairman Johnston, D-LA): Tara O'Toole, to be Assistant Secretary for Environment, Safety, and Health and Robert Nordhaus, to be General Counsel.
- o Senate Committee on Armed Services (Chairman Nunn, D-GA): Victor H. Reis, to be Assistant Secretary for Defense Programs.



William J. Taylor, III  
Assistant Secretary  
Congressional, Intergovernmental,  
and International Affairs

July 13, 1993

WEEKLY REPORT FOR DEFENSE PROGRAMS

ITEMS RECOMMENDED FOR CABINET ATTENTION

- o Nothing of significance to report.

CURRENT

- o Possible Restructuring of the National Technology Initiatives - The Office of Science and Technology Policy is reviewing current interagency national technology initiatives to determine whether the efforts reflect current national priorities. The review may result in changes in the definition of the initiatives. The expected outcome will be a shift in emphasis in the FY 1995 budget to dual-use technologies, such as those in the Defense Programs technology transfer program. (Rick Peavy, 202-586-7907)

FUTURE

- o Visit by Governor Richards - Texas Governor Anne Richards will visit the Pantex Plant on August 20, 1993 for a half-day orientation and tour. (Dan Rhoades, 301-903-9408)

TRAVEL AND LEAVE PLANS

- o Nothing to report.

*Donald F. Beckner*

Everet H. Beckner  
Acting Assistant Secretary  
for Defense Programs

## OTHER ITEMS OF INTEREST

### Congressional Activities

- o Nothing of significance to report.

### Interagency Activities

- o Nothing of significance to report.

### Internal Activities

- o July - Landlord responsibility for the Rocky Flats Plant transfer from DP to EM. (Xavier Ascanio, 202-586-2494)

### Outreach

- o \*July 15 - Secretary O'Leary to visit Pantex. (Dan Rhoades, 301-903-9408)
- o \*August 20 - Texas Governor Anne Richards to visit Pantex. (Dan Rhoades, 301-903-9408)
- o \*August - DOE staff to meet with State of Texas staff, local stakeholders, and public on the Environmental Assessment for increased interim storage of plutonium pits at Pantex. (Henry Garson, 202-586-7343)
- o August - Mound, Ohio Plant Open House (Larry Kirkman, 513-865-3271)
- o September - Public scoping meetings for the Revised Notice of Intent for the Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement to begin. (Howard Canter, 202-586-2700)

### Reports, Rulemakings, and Litigation

- o August 31 - Annual Report to the President on Nuclear Weapons Surety (Joint with Department of Defense) (RADM. Ellis, 202-586-4879)

\* NEW ITEM

\*\* CHANGED FROM PREVIOUS SUBMISSION

July 13, 1993

Weekly Report for Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy

Completed Activities

- ARPA Electric Vehicle Activities: Two recent events illustrate the impact of the Advanced Research Project Agency (ARPA) entry into the electric vehicle field:
  - ARPA announced the finalists for its Electric Vehicle Technology Program. Sixteen proposals were submitted to ARPA totalling \$216 million. Of those, the six finalists are: Northeast Alternative Vehicle Consortium; Southern Coalition for Advanced Transportation; Mid-American Electric Vehicle Consortium; CALSTART; Sacramento Municipal Utility District (SMUD); and the Hawaii Electric Vehicle Demonstration Project Consortium. On June 30, the first grant was negotiated and awarded to SMUD; negotiations have begun for the other coalitions. Although DOE personnel participated in the evaluation process, the final selections were made by an executive committee with no input or concurrence by DOE participants. DOE's recommendations to include its Electric and Hybrid Vehicle Site Operator Program and the Detroit automobile manufacturers were not accepted. (D. O'Hara, EE-321, 6-8063)
  - Congressman Vic Fazio introduced a bill (H.R. 2560) June 29 to establish a program in the Department of Defense to demonstrate electric vehicle (EV) and related infrastructure technologies. The legislation would establish a 4-year, \$90 million electric vehicle/infrastructure demonstration program to be conducted by the Advanced Research Projects Agency (ARPA). This bill is modeled after Title VI of the Energy Policy Act of 1992. In addition, it defines a role for the military and defense-related industries that was not included in the Energy Policy Act provisions. The bill is the first step in the process to seek FY 1994 funding for an ARPA electric vehicle/infrastructure demonstration program (D. O'Hara, EE-321, 6-8063)
- India Proposes Joint U.S./India Initiative for Renewable Energy. Krishna Kumar, Minister of State at the Indian Ministry of Non-Conventional Energy Sources, visited the National Renewable Energy Laboratory in May and on June 28, submitted a draft protocol agreement for a joint U.S./India initiative to develop renewable energy applications in India. EE and the Department's photovoltaics laboratories are reviewing the draft agreement. Prime Minister Rao is expected to raise the possibility of cooperation between India and the United States during the Prime Minister's meeting with President Clinton this fall. (A. Bulawka, EE-131, 6-5633)

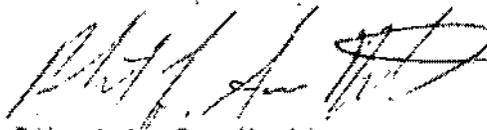
- Potential Cooperation on NICE, With Bureau of Mines. The Bureau of Mines invited DOE and EPA to present the National Industrial Competitiveness of Energy, Economics, and Environment program (NICE<sup>3</sup>). The Bureau agreed to assist in proposal evaluation of mining, mineral, and metals-related proposals and to participate on the selection boards. The Bureau will also consider funding contributions. NICE<sup>3</sup> has been an EE deployment success story. For each \$1 million invested by DOE, the program has attracted \$5.5 million in matching funds from states and industries for a cost-share of 85%. Commercialization of the technologies funded by NICE<sup>2</sup> creates an estimated 160 jobs for each \$1 million of DOE investment. (A. Schroeder, EE-222, 6-1641 and B. Cranford, 6-9496)

#### Completed Activities

- Nothing to report.

#### Issues for the Secretary

- Nothing to report.



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

OTHER ITEMS OF INTEREST FROM THE OFFICE OF ENERGY EFFICIENCY AND RENEWABLE ENERGY

OUTREACH

July 19-21      National Food and Energy Council Annual Conference. The 40th Annual Conference, "Energy, Agriculture, and the Environment," cosponsored by DOE, will be held in Columbus, Ohio. Approximately 100 representatives from utilities, educational institutions, rural electric cooperatives, allied industries, and local and state governments are expected to attend. (J. Galdo, EE-1, 6-6054)

INTERAGENCY

July 23      AIA Feasibility Study Group Workshop. In conjunction with the White House energy audit, the American Institute of Architects (AIA) is sending out final invitations, schedules, and confidentiality agreements to all Feasibility Group participants. The Group, expected to be 75-100, will be able to tour the White House and the pilot areas of the Old Executive Office Building on July 23. The tour will be followed by intense working sessions. Energy audit team members will be on hand to participate and serve as resources. (M. Ginsberg, EE-44, 6-1211)

Other Items of Interest from the Energy Information Administration

Interagency Activities

o Information Provided to the International Trade Commission

The International Trade Commission will soon publish its periodic report on selected U.S. industries. Part of the information for that report was the nature of the companies conducting business throughout the nuclear cycle, and the level of U.S. dependency on nuclear fuel imports, supplied by the Energy Information Administration's (EIA) Survey Management Division. (H. Walton, EI-52, 254-5500)

Internal Activities

o Analysis of the Secretary's Oil and Gas Initiative

The Office of Integrated Analysis and Forecasting has been asked to provide analytical support to the Department's Committee on the Oil and Gas Initiative. EIA has been requested to provide measures of the "strategic value of the domestic oil and gas industry to the Nation" with supporting graphics and analysis, as well as analysis of specific policy alternatives under consideration. (M. Nutzler, EI-80, 6-2222)

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WEEKLY REPORT FOR THE OFFICE OF ENVIRONMENTAL RESTORATION AND  
WASTE MANAGEMENT

- Grumbly testifies Thursday morning before a House subcommittee chaired by Congresswoman Marilyn Lloyd, who represents the Oak Ridge area, on our technology development goals. The Grumbly appearance that same day before the Senate Committee on Governmental Affairs, chaired by Senator John Glenn of Ohio, was postponed to August 5. (David Waldrop, EM-4, 586-7924)
- Surprise inspection of Argonne National Laboratory-East facilities by EPA Region V, Illinois EPA and Department of Public Health, and DuPage County Health Department officials identified no major deficiencies. The inspection focused on laboratory operations subject to regulation under provisions of the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA), the Clean Water and Clean Air Acts, as well as spill prevention and control requirements. (Brad Wright, EM-441, 903-8158)
- Steam injected at a dynamic stripping technology demonstration at the Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory in California has already extracted 4,800 gallons of gasoline, mostly produced from vapor extraction. Hundreds of aqueous, vapor, and organic samples have been analyzed to monitor operations and determine regulatory compliance and mass balance. Gasoline extraction is expected to continue for about 2 months. (Paul Zielinski, EM-443, 903-7645)
- Congressman Amo Houghton (R-NY, 31st) plans 2-hour visit to West Valley on July 23, his first visit to the site. West Valley is where we are demonstrating the technology to vitrify high-level radioactive waste. As a result of re-districting, the West Valley site is now located in Mr. Houghton's district. (Ted McIntosh, EM-343, 903-7189)
- DNFSB-hosted public meeting in Idaho Falls today offered an opportunity to discuss spent fuel storage at Idaho Chemical Processing Plant facilities. Presentations by DOE officials to the Board highlight increased attention placed on safely storing spent fuel and our commitment to addressing storage issues on a national basis. (John Jicha, Jr., EM-37, 586-9441)
- International Atomic Energy Agency urges U.S. to renew expired policy that would provide for the return of U.S.-origin fuel irradiated in foreign research reactors. The recent communique from Director General Hans Blix closely parallels a July 2 letter from Secretary of State Warren Christopher. (John Jicha, Jr., EM-37, 586-9441)
- Stakeholders attending a July 30 program review in Washington, D.C., for our Waste Isolation Pilot Plant project will have the opportunity to learn more about our proposed test program and facility operations. Open dialogue with and among stakeholders follows a series of briefings presented by experts from DOE offices in

Washington, D.C., Albuquerque, and Carlsbad; Westinghouse Waste Isolation Division; and Sandia National Laboratories. We expect about 40 stakeholders representing Congress, Federal and State agencies, Tribes, the City of Carlsbad, plus a number of citizen and oversight groups to attend. (Steve Schneider, EM-342, 903-7201)

- Grumbly represented DOE at interagency meeting on CERCLA reauthorization held July 9 and chaired by Katie McGinty, the first in series of meetings that will be held over the next several months to address options for amending CERCLA and develop by late November an Administration position on CERCLA reauthorization. The next working-group meeting held on July 15 at EPA Headquarters will focus on the development of a comprehensive list of potential reauthorization issues. (Martha Crosland, EM-5, 586-5793)
- DOE decides to include spent fuel from naval nuclear propulsion activities in Idaho environmental impact statement in the aftermath of a June 28 injunction imposed by a U.S. District Court judge which prohibits DOE from further transportation, receipt, processing, and storage of spent nuclear fuel at the INEL until a site-wide environmental impact statement is completed. (Martha Crosland, EM-5, 586-5793)



for Thomas P. Grumbly  
Assistant Secretary for Environmental  
Restoration and Waste Management

## OTHER ITEMS OF INTEREST FROM THE OFFICE OF ENVIRONMENTAL RESTORATION AND WASTE MANAGEMENT

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- DOE helps sponsor new waste characterization process at contaminated Nebraska waste site located near the town of York during three 3-day sessions between July 12 and July 21 which we hope will successfully demonstrate a new technique that could shorten the time needed to complete site characterization work and either eliminate or substantially reduce the need for expensive groundwater monitoring wells. (Caroline Purdy, EM-541, 903-7672)

### *Internal Activities:*

- Mixing pump successfully installed in Tank 101-SY on July 3 took 85 minutes from the time the pump was removed from the steel containment device (or pump cradle) to the time it was fully inserted in the tank; approximately 13 minutes elapsed from the time the pump first entered the waste to full insertion. Prior to pump installation, a water lance was successfully inserted and removed. This device was lowered from the top of the waste to the tank bottom in 3 minutes, using 350 gallons of water; another 150 gallons was added at the bottom to get to the planned minimum of 500 gallons, and another 300 gallons was used to decontaminate the lance during removal. Initial testing conducted this week will result in only 30 minutes of total operation time for the mixing pump. The second testing phase should begin August 2 and run through September 27, where we plan to run the pump at full speed and rotate the mixing jets around the entire tank circumference. Results from Phase "B" testing are expected to allow a determination of whether pump mixing is a viable mitigation option. (David Pepson, EM-362, 903-7432)

- DNFSB hosts public meeting in Idaho Falls today to discuss spent fuel storage at Idaho Chemical Processing Plant facilities. Our presentations to the Board will emphasize the increased attention we place on safely storing spent nuclear fuel and our commitment to implementing a national strategy to resolve storage issues and prepare spent fuel for disposal. (John Jicha, Jr., EM-37, 586-9441)
- Rocky Flats asks for more time to meet two remaining Interagency Agreement milestones for off-site remediation activities. The original milestones dates for the submission of the draft and final Facility Investigation/Remedial Investigation reports are July 16 and December 13, respectively, and DOE has asked for an extension to February 14 and October 21, 1994, respectively, for three reasons: delay in the approval of the work plan from November 1991 (causing a delay in the initial field work); delay in obtaining property access permits from landowners; and delay in obtaining soil data from another cleanup project. (Jeffrey Ciocco, EM-453, 903-7459)
- Cost improvement questionnaire distributed tomorrow by Argonne officials to over 3,000 recipients in both the public and private sectors will help identify ways to improve our estimation of environmental restoration and waste management costs. The survey is one component of our Benchmarking for Cost Improvement initiative. (Steve Meador, EM-433, 903-7422)
- Steam successfully injected at dynamic stripping technology demonstration at the Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory in California has extracted 4,800 gallons of gasoline, mostly produced from vapor extraction. Hundreds of aqueous, vapor, and organic samples have been analyzed to monitor operations and determine regulatory compliance and mass balance. Gasoline extraction is expected to continue for about 2 months. (Paul Zielinski, EM-443, 903-7645)
- Sediment from Miami-Erie Canal samples that we shipped from the Mound Plant near Miamisburg to BradTec Laboratories will be used in the first dissolution test involving contaminated materials. (John Sands, EM-453, 903-8192)
- Modification of Mound Federal Facilities Agreement to include the State of Ohio in the agreement has been approved by the Secretary and the State regulator. (John Sands, EM-453, 903-8192)
- University of Tennessee radioactive scrap metals workshop on July 13-14 in Knoxville brings together organizations and groups most interested in the standard-setting process for contaminated metals. As previously reported, tours of the K-25 Site and a local commercial recycling facility in the area are also included. (Robert Fleming, EM-431, 903-7627)

- DOE/Pantex contractors meet with regulators and Keystone officials on July 20 to discuss the establishment of a plant-wide advisory board. Given the continuing defense mission at Pantex, the DOE office in Amarillo concluded that the citizen advisory board should address all facility operations, not just environmental restoration and waste management, and that one advisory board would prove beneficial to all stakeholders through establishing a single source of information, regardless of the topic of interest, and, as a result should facilitate the flow of information. The Office of Defense Programs is taking the lead in this initiative. (Helen Belencan, EM-453, 903-8549)
- July 20-21 workshop on using mobile analytical laboratories for restoration field work in Los Alamos will be attended by experts from installations in each of the three regional environmental restoration program offices, the Office of Technology Development, and two Defense Department installations. (David Shafer, EM-452, 916-7327)
- Congressman Amo Houghton (R-NY, 31st) plans visit to West Valley on July 23 for a 2-hour general plant tour, his first visit to the site. West Valley is where we are demonstrating the technology to vitrify high-level radioactive waste. As a result of re-districting, the West Valley site is now located in Mr. Houghton's district. (Ted McIntosh, EM-343, 903-7189)
- EM to lead U.S. delegation to Russia for the Joint Coordinating Committee on Environmental Restoration and Waste Management meeting the week of July 26. Proposed site visits include Kransnoyarsk-26, Tomsk-7, Novosibirsk, and St. Petersburg. (Dave Geiser, EM-523, 903-7640)

#### Outreach:

- Stakeholders attending a July 30 program review in Washington, D.C., for our Waste Isolation Pilot Plant (WIPP) project will have the opportunity to learn more about our proposed test program and facility operations. Open dialogue with and among stakeholders follows a series of briefings presented by experts from DOE offices in Washington, D.C., Albuquerque, and Carlsbad; Westinghouse Waste Isolation Division; and Sandia National Laboratories. We expect about 40 stakeholders representing Congress, Federal and State agencies, Tribes, the City of Carlsbad, plus a number of citizen and oversight groups to attend. (Steve Schneider, EM-342, 903-7201)
- Quarterly Public Participation Working Group workshop is being held in the San Francisco area this week, preceded by a Citizens Advisory Group meeting yesterday that was opened to the public after local environmental interest groups demanded the opportunity to observe or participate. (Bobbie Smith, EM-433, 903-7436)

*Reports, Rulemakings, and Litigation:*

- WIPP Transportation Alternatives study required by the WIPP Land Withdrawal Act will compare the shipment of transuranic waste to the WIPP facility by truck and rail. The working draft, now being coordinated with other Secretarial Officers, estimates occupational and public risk and exposures and other environmental impacts, emergency response capabilities, and comparative costs. The report must be submitted to Congress by October 30. (Alton Harris, EM-342, 903-8466)
- Civil complaint for return of surcharge rebates was filed by the Central Midwest Interstate Low-Level Radioactive Waste Commission last month in U.S. District Court in Springfield, Illinois, against Secretary O'Leary. The Commission is seeking a portion of the disposal fees paid by waste generators held by DOE in escrow. The Commission claims it complies with the 1993 deadline contained in the Low-Level Radioactive Waste Policy Amendments Act of 1985 by virtue of its access over the next 18 months to a Barnwell County, South Carolina, disposal facility and that the Secretary is unreasonably delaying the issuance of these surcharge rebates. We asked the General Counsel early last March for an opinion on this matter, and are delinquent in responding to an inquiry from Maryland Governor William Donald Schaffer on behalf of the Appalachian regional compact. (Joseph Coleman, EM-35, 903-7410)
- DOE decides to include spent fuel from naval nuclear propulsion activities in Idaho environmental impact statement in the aftermath of a June 28 injunction imposed by the U.S. District Court in Boise. The judge's Order prohibits DOE from the further transportation, receipt, processing, and storage of spent nuclear fuel at the INEL until a site-wide environmental impact statement is completed. (Martha Crosland, EM-5, 586-5793)

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Weekly Report for the Office of Energy Research

- Small Business Innovation Research Program Receives Phase I Grant Applications: The Department received 510 grant applications in response to its second Small Business Innovation Research program solicitation for fiscal year 1993. The solicitation was issued in response to the Small Business Research and Development Enhancement Act of 1992, Public Law 102-564, which requires, for the first time, the participation of the Department's programs in Environmental Restoration and Waste Management and Arms Control and Nonproliferation. The award selection is scheduled for October 28, 1993, when approximately 40 applications will be chosen for funding. The successful applicants will receive a maximum of \$75,000 for Phase I projects that will be conducted over a six-month period. (L. Ianniello, ER-10, 301/903-3081)
- Workshop on Information Infrastructure Technology and Applications: On July 22-23, 1993, a Department of Energy workshop on Information Infrastructure Technology and Applications, involving Department of Energy program offices and National Laboratories, will be held in Rosslyn, Virginia. The purpose of the workshop is to develop a Departmental consensus position and begin documenting Department program plans for participation in the Administration's proposed Information Infrastructure Technology and Applications Program. (D. Nelson, ER-2, 202/586-0095)
- Travel and Leave Plans: I have no travel or leave planned for the week of July 19, 1993.
- Other Items of Interest: Other items of interest from the Office of Energy Research are provided in Attachment 1.

  
James F. Decker  
Acting Director  
Office of Energy Research

Attachment

Other Items of Interest from the Office of Energy Research

CONGRESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

No significant items to report.

INTERAGENCY ACTIVITIES

No significant items to report.

INTERNAL ACTIVITIES

- July 13-16 The third session of the Geosciences Research Program Peer Review is being held in Berkeley, California. Five panels are reviewing 37 projects involving fundamental properties, geochemical transport, rock-water interactions, organic geochemistry, and sedimentary systems. (George Jordy, ST-11, 301/903-2971) (Previously reported)
- July 14 A pre-Energy System Acquisition Advisory Board meeting has been scheduled to prepare for the Energy System Acquisition Advisory Board meeting to obtain approval for full start of construction (Key Decision 3) for the Fermi National Accelerator Laboratory Main Injector Project. (Bill Hess, ER-20, 301/903-3721) (Previously reported)
- July 22-23 A Department of Energy workshop on Information Infrastructure Technology and Applications, involving Department of Energy program offices and National Laboratories, will be held in Rosslyn, Virginia. The steering group includes the Offices of Energy Research, Defense Programs, Policy, Planning and Program Evaluation, and Human Resources and Administration. (David Nelson, ER-2, 202/586-0095) (Previously reported)
- July 26-30 An independent Department of Energy assessment of the new Superconducting Super Collider baseline will be conducted by a review committee led by the Office of Procurement, Assistance and Program Management, with support from the Office of Energy Research. The committee will review the expenditures to date and the estimated cost (including laboratory manpower) required to complete the project, including the realism of the proposed construction schedule and associated funding profile. (Joseph Cipriano, ER-90, 214/708-2521) (Previously reported)
- July 29 The 1992 Fermi Awards will be presented by Secretary O'Leary in a ceremony at the Department of Energy. (Nona Shepard, ST-12, 202/586-5767) (Previously reported)

August 4 Office of Energy Research Pre-Briefing for Energy System Acquisition Advisory Board to obtain approval for full start of construction (Key Decision 3) for the Fermi National Accelerator Laboratory Main Injector Project. (Bill Hess, ER-20, 301/903-3721) (Previously reported)

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#### OUTREACH

July 19-21 The Office of Basic Energy Sciences will participate in the Federation of Materials Societies Workshop on Energy Policy Act/National Advanced Materials Program Plan in Reston, Virginia. (Lou Ianniello, ER-10, 301/903-3081) (Previously reported)

July 22 The Office of Basic Energy Sciences will participate in the Committee on Materials meeting at the National Science Foundation. (Lou Ianniello, ER-10, 301/903-3081) (Previously reported)

October 28 Announcement of Small Business Innovation Research program award selections. Approximately 40 applications will be chosen for funding. The successful applicants will receive a maximum of \$75,000 for Phase I projects that will be conducted over a six-month period. (Lou Ianniello, ER-10, 301/903-3081) (New item)

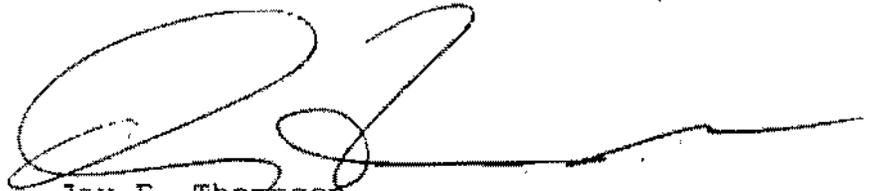
#### REPORTS, RULEMAKINGS, AND LITIGATION

No significant items to report.

July 13, 1993 .

Weekly Report of the Economic Regulatory Administration (RG)

- o On July 9, in Murphy Oil Corporation, et al., Murphy filed with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission Petitioners' Motion for Leave to File Reply Brief and Petitioners' Opposition to DOE's Motion to Strike and Reply to DOE's Opposition to Petitioners' Motions for Discovery and Evidentiary Hearing in this \$13 million (plus interest) crude oil producer case.
- o On July 9, in SunBehm Gas, Inc. v. DOE, the DOE filed its Reply in support of its motion to dismiss the complaint on the ground of res judicata in this appeal from a Subpart V refund proceeding determination by the Office of Hearings and Appeals.
- o On July 6, in Rice Oil Co. v. DOE, the court issued an Order joining the United States as a party for purposes of enforcing the Remedial Order in this product reseller case.
- o On July 6, in Mapco International, Inc. v. DOE, et al., the Federal Circuit granted Mapco's motion for leave to correct the record. On July 9, 1993, the court issued an order declining Mapco's suggestion for rehearing en banc.



Jay F. Thompson  
Acting Administrator  
Economic Regulatory Administration

July 13, 1993.

WEEKLY REPORT FOR FOSSIL ENERGY

ITEMS RECOMMENDED FOR CABINET ATTENTION

- o Nothing to report.

CURRENT

- o FOSSIL ENERGY HOLDS OPENING BUDGET SESSION WITH OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET. Fossil Energy presented its initial thinking on the FY 1995 budget with staff of the Office of Management and Budget on July 8 and received these general reactions:
  - Agreed with focus of coal, oil, and gas programs;
  - Did not react negatively to stopping Strategic Petroleum Reserve fill and using portion of oil funds to offset other costs;
  - Expressed concern over announcing Domestic Energy Initiative recommendations prior to completing the 1995 budget process;
  - Thought that many Cooperative Research and Development Agreements did not include "real" industry money; cautioned that Fossil Energy should avoid this problem in structuring lab diversification initiatives; thought labs' strongest core competencies were materials, computer modeling, and instrumentation;
  - Felt DOE's natural gas initiatives should incorporate regulatory actions at the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission;
  - Generally agreed with need to capitalize on current Clean Coal demonstration plant investment by co-financing new round of competition for "product improvement" at existing sites.
  - Expressed concern about any additional work in "1st generation" phosphoric acid fuel cells. (Bob Porter, FTS 202/586-6503)
- o OIL ACQUISITION FOR THE STRATEGIC PETROLEUM RESERVE. We have directed the Defense Fuel Supply Center to acquire an additional million barrels of crude oil for the Strategic Petroleum Reserve prior to August 31, 1993. This purchase will fully utilize the Reserve's remaining oil acquisition funds for FY 1993. (Paul Plaisance, FTS 202/586-4415)

- o OIL SHALE COOPERATIVE RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT. The Naval Petroleum and Oil Shale Reserves and the Morgantown Energy Technology Center have joined with the New Paraho Corporation in a Cooperative Research and Development Agreement to make available previously-mined oil shale in the Anvil Points Mine at the Naval Oil Shale Reserve No. 3, near Rifle, Colorado. New Paraho will pay all costs (no DOE funds are involved) to upgrade facilities at the mine, which has been shut down for over ten years. The oil shale will be used to produce an improved paving material that can increase the durability of highways. (Tom Alexander, FTS 202/586-5561)

#### FUTURE

- o GAS TURBINE PROGRAM PLAN FINALIZED. Stakeholder comments on the joint Fossil Energy-Energy Efficiency, \$700 million, eight-year advanced natural gas turbine program have been considered and, where appropriate, incorporated into the plan. The final plan is ready to be publicly released once transmittal letters to Congress are approved. We expect distribution to begin this week. (Dick Lynch, FTS 301/903-2643)

#### STATUS-OF CONGRESSIONAL INVESTIGATIONS/GAO REVIEWS

- o Nothing to report.

#### ACTING ASSISTANT SECRETARY TRAVEL FOR WEEK OF JULY 18

- o Nothing to report.

Jack S. Siegel  
Acting Assistant Secretary  
for Fossil Energy

July 13, 1993

OTHER ITEMS OF INTEREST FROM THE OFFICE OF FOSSIL ENERGY

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July 13, 1993

WEEKLY REPORT OF GENERAL COUNSEL

Current

- o In Euchee Marina & Campground v. Union Carbide Corp. (E.D. Tenn.), a case filed by nine businesses located on Watts Bar Lake alleging that DOE's Oak Ridge contractors have been discharging radioactive materials, heavy metals, PCB's and other toxic materials into Watts Bar Lake, the magistrate judge issued the following recommended decision regarding summary judgment: (1) the defendants' motion for summary judgment concerning claims based upon negligence and strict liability should be granted as a matter of law where there was no physical injury or actual property damage; and (2) the defendants' motion for summary judgment on the "nuisance" claims should be denied, on the ground that disputed issues of fact exist. Objections to the recommended decision are due August 19, 1993. (A. Fingeret, GC-21, 586-5678)

Upcoming

- o In United States ex rel. Navarette v. Rockwell (D. Colo.), a False Claims Act case alleging that Rockwell and the University of California obtained reimbursement for unauthorized costs, the court has scheduled a settlement conference for July 15, 1993. (M. Gossel, GC-21, 586-6488)

Status of Congressional Investigations/GAO Reviews - None

Status of Travel/Leave Plans - None



Eric J. Fygi  
Acting General Counsel

Other Items of Interest from the  
Office of General Counsel

Litigation

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- o In United States v. KMS Fusion, Inc. (E.D. Mich.), an action to recover approximately \$5 million worth of government-owned property that KMS retained in connection with the termination of its contract with DOE, oral argument on the defendant's motion for summary judgment was postponed. A pretrial conference is set for July 27, 1993, and trial is set to begin on August 2, 1993. (T. West, GC-21, 586-5677)
  
- o In Orion Scientific Systems v. United States (Fed. Cl.), an action in which the plaintiff seeks to enjoin DOE from proceeding with award of a contract for consulting services for the Office of Threat Assessment to any contractor other than the plaintiff, the court held a status conference and decided that there is no need for further discovery or for the issuance of a temporary restraining order, preliminary injunction or a protective order. The court set a schedule for the filing of briefs by the parties. (M. Gossel, GC-21, 486-6488)
  
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Interagency Activities

- o At the request of the State Department, we reviewed a proposed agreement under which Russia would indemnify United States contractors for liability resulting from safety assistance work. We agreed with the views of the State Department that the proposed agreement was insufficient. (B. McRae, GC-31, 586-4331)

July 13, 1993

Assistant Secretary for Human Resources and Administration

Weekly Status Report to the Secretary

o Hiring Constraints

Human Resources has received a total of 403 critical hire requests. Approval has been granted for 136 requests; 137 have been deferred; 83 are pending actions in process; and 47 have been withdrawn. (T. Dirks, 6-5610)

*Linda L. Lyle for*  
Archer L. Durham  
Assistant Secretary for Human  
Resources and Administration

OFFICE OF INTELLIGENCE AND NATIONAL SECURITY

WEEKLY REPORT  
JULY 13, 1993

CURRENT ACTIVITIES/ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- o On-Site Verification Systems. On July 8, 1993, representatives of the Swedish Parliament, Swedish Embassy, and the Swedish National Defense Research Establishment (FOA) met with representatives of the Office of Research and Development to discuss possible international collaboration on the development of the FOA-CARABAS radar system. The CARABAS radar could potentially be applied to the detection of buried underground structures in support of the DOE proliferation detection and arms control verification missions.
- o South Korean Inspector Training. An inter-agency U.S. team spent four days in Korea conducting inspection training and technical discussions with South Korean inspection and nuclear experts to help prepare them for nuclear inspections of North Korea. The Department of Energy (DOE) and the Arms Control and Disarmament Agency were joint leaders of the team - other participants were from the Department of Defense and the Intelligence Community. It was agreed to have further discussions in August.
- o Nuclear Supplier Group (NSG) Working Group on Information Sharing. The NSG Working Group on Information Sharing met in Vienna June 30 and July 1, 1993. Twenty-four of the 28 nations were represented. The goal of the working group was to define the objectives and potential contribution of information sharing with respect to denial information as well as other useful functions that could be provided by the system at no or minimal cost. The United States won agreement to conduct a test/demonstration of the automated system being developed by DOE. The results of the review will be reported to the NSG Dual-Use Consultations in October 1993.
- o United Mine Workers' Coal Strike. Approximately 14,000 United Mine Workers of America (UMWA) remain on strike in 5 states at mines owned by seven of the 10 Bituminous Coal Operators Association (BCOA) member companies. The strike began on May 10. The central dispute is over extending new jobs to union miners. Negotiations broke off several weeks ago. The strike has shut down about 10 percent of U.S. coal production.

EOCA members represent about 17 percent of U.S. production. Electric utility on-site coal stocks continue to average over 45 days of normal consumption. There is no immediate threat to electric power generation or to overall U.S. coal supplies.

**FUTURE**

**NEXT 7 DAYS**

- o Nothing to report.

**NEXT 30 DAYS**

- o Nothing to report.

**STATUS OF CONGRESSIONAL/GAO REPORTS**

- o Nothing to report.

**DEPUTY SECRETARY INITIATIVES**

- o Nothing to report.

John G. Keliher  
Director  
Office of Intelligence and  
National Security

July 13, 1993

WEEKLY REPORT OF THE OFFICE LABORATORY MANAGEMENT

CURRENT ACTIVITIES

o MEETING OF WORKING GROUP ON TECHNOLOGY TRANSFER VISION, STRATEGIC PLAN, AND FY 94 IMPLEMENTATION PLAN

- On July 6-9, 1993 a Strategic Planning Working Group convened to develop a technology transfer strategic plan.
- A series of Strategies were proposed and goals identified for the achievement of the strategies.
- The Working Group developed a series of possible initiatives consistent with the Strategies and Goals. A plan, which is scheduled to be circulated for comment on the afternoon of July 13, 1993. (R. Lewis, 6-5388)

o MEETING OF STEERING GROUP ON TECHNOLOGY TRANSFER VISION, STRATEGIC PLAN, AND FY 94 IMPLEMENTATION PLAN

- On July 14, 1993 the Technology Transfer Strategic Plan Steering Group will reconvene.
- The Steering Group will discuss the draft Strategic Plan which will have been circulated on the afternoon of July 13, 1993. (R. Lewis, 6-5388)

o MEETING OF TECHNOLOGY TRANSFER COMMITTEE WORKING GROUP ON MEASUREMENT AND EVALUATION

- The Technology Transfer Working Group on Measurements and Evaluation will meet on July 15-16 off-site to develop draft survey instruments for process measurements and performance evaluation for 12 identified technology transfer mechanisms.
- The measurement and evaluation proposal is expected to be one of the cornerstones to the Secretary's Technology Transfer Initiative to be announced later this month.
- Most program offices will have representatives at this meeting. In addition an observer from the Department of Commerce's Interagency Committee on Federal Technology Transfer will also be attending this meeting.
- The Director of Technology Utilization is also working with the Interagency Committee on Federal Technology Transfer's working group on measurements and evaluation which is developing a framework for a consistent measurement and evaluation process for R&D agencies. The Interagency working group will most likely build upon the process being developed by DOE. (R. Lewis/M. Shea, 6-5388)

o RESOURCE HANDBOOK FOR TECHNOLOGY TRANSFER

- To enable a better and more consistent technology transfer process throughout the Department, a *Technology Transfer Resources* handbook has been developed.
- This handbook will be distributed the week of July 14 to members of the Technology Transfer

Committee, Laboratories Directors, and ORTAs' offices.

The handbook is intended to serve as a ready reference of all of the major documents and resources affecting the Department's policy on technology transfer.

The Office of Technology Utilization will update the handbook as needed. (M. Shea, 6-0402)

#### MEETING OF THE EXPERT GROUP ON PAST TRENDS AND THE CURRENT STATE OF NUCLEAR RESEARCH INSTITUTES (NRI)

The first meeting of the Expert Group on Past Trends and the Current State of Nuclear Research Institutes (NRI) was held at the Office of European Community Development (OECD) Headquarters in Paris, France on July 6-7, 1993. Nuclear Research Institutes were defined as Department of Energy Laboratories in the U.S.

The focus of the study is on the health of research institutes that play a major role in nuclear research and development and have the potential to respond to new challenges in the future development of the nuclear industry. Trend data will be collected from the research institutes and analyzed; and each country will be asked to summarize their policies (including historical changes) relating to their Institutes or Laboratories.

The initial meeting focused on review and revision of goals, scope, contents and questionnaire for the study. A revised draft will be forwarded to the Department by the U.S. representative to the OECD in August. The next meeting of the Expert Group is tentatively scheduled for February 23-24, 1994. The OECD/NEA study on Past Trends and the Current State of Nuclear Research Institutes is not expected to be completed until 1995.

#### DISCUSSION OF AMTEX PARTNERSHIP WITH NATIONAL INSTITUTES OF STANDARDS AND TECHNOLOGY

The AMTEX™ Partnership between the Department of Energy and the American Textile Industry was discussed with representatives from National Institutes of Standards and Technology led by Dr. Howard Bloom, Director of the Factory Automation Systems Division of the Manufacturing Engineering Laboratory on July 12 to acquaint them with the history, status and some future plans for the partnership. There was interest on both sides to further explore potential cooperation within the AMTEX umbrella which could involve a Memorandum of Understanding and National Institutes of Standards and Technology participation on the appropriate government agency board for AMTEX™. Information was exchanged at the meeting with next action being planning for meeting between the Director of the the National Institutes of Standards and Technology and senior Department of Energy and industry officials involved in AMTEX™. (A. Claflin, 69740)

#### MEETING WITH DR. SAM ROTHMAN, PROFESSOR AT GEORGE WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY

On July 7, 1993, Tom Cornwell, Deputy Director Technology Utilization, meet with Dr. Sam Rothman, Chairman of the George Washington University's newly created Department of Research and Technology.

Dr. Rothman wanted to know more about how other universities have been involved in technology transfer and what arrangement the Department has to facilitate university involvement.

The Office of Technology Transfer agreed to provide a briefing on technology transfer to the faculty of the George Washington, School of Engineering Management in the fall. (T. Cornwell, 6-7939)

## FUTURE ACTIVITIES

### o BROOKHAVEN NATIONAL LABORATORY INSTITUTIONAL PLANNING ON-SITE REVIEW

The Brookhaven National Laboratory Institutional Planning On-Site Review will be held at the Laboratory on July 27. The review will focus on the Laboratory's mission, future plans, and institutional issues/initiatives. Representatives from all major program offices are expected to attend. This review is an excellent opportunity for new secretarial officers and their staffs to participate in the laboratory Institutional Planning process.  
(S. Buswell, 69742)

### o OFFICE OF TECHNOLOGY UTILIZATION TO SPONSOR REGIONAL INDUSTRY PARTNER FEEDBACK MEETINGS

- Between mid-September and the end of October, the Office of Technology Utilization will sponsor a series of 6-8 Regional Industry Partner Feedback Meetings to elicit input from industry on ways to improve DOE's technology transfer and cooperative R&D programs.
- The meetings will be hosted by the DOE operations offices, assisted by Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy Support Offices.
- Information received at the meetings will feed into and supplement the National Industry Partners Feedback Meeting to be held in Washington on November 9. (R. Burr, 6-6429)

### o SANDIA TECHNOLOGY TRANSFER EXHIBIT ON CAPITOL HILL

- Sandia National Laboratories will be featured in a July 12 technology transfer exhibit in the Hart Senate Office Building, room 902, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.
- The exhibit is entitled "Bringing Large Business Technology Capabilities and Services to Small Manufacturers." It will showcase technologies that can be transferred to smaller manufacturers from big industry, government, and academia, to make the smaller companies more globally competitive.
- The exhibit is sponsored by Senator Jeff Bingaman, and is co-sponsored by EDS, National Center for Manufacturing Sciences, and the University of South Carolina, as well as Sandia. (R. Burr, 6-6429)

### o TECHNOLOGY TRANSFER AWARENESS COURSE

- Arrangements are being made to give the Technology Transfer Awareness Course at Albuquerque and San Francisco Operations Offices on August 12, 1993.
- The course on technology transfer was developed by the Oak Ridge Institute of Science Education under the direction of the Office of Technology Utilization in conjunction with the Office of Professional and Technical Training and Development.
- The course is a one-day awareness session to acquaint mid-level program and research managers with the terminology and mechanisms of DOE technology transfer, as well as the need for full program integration through planning. (T. Cornwell, 6-7939)

### o DOE R&D 100 WINNERS EXHIBIT TO BE DISPLAYED AT FORRESTAL

- Last year's travelling exhibit, highlighting the Department of Energy's 1992 winners of the

prestigious R&D 100 awards, will be set up in the Forrestal lobby this week.

This exhibit identifies 28 innovations found to be among those having the most potential for the nation's economy by a group of outside experts.

The Department of Energy has been averaging between 25 and 35 per cent of the awards for the past several years, a positive metric on the value of our work to industry. (The 1993 winners will be announced in the next few weeks.)

The Office of Technology Utilization will work with the Scheduling Office and the Office of Public Affairs to seek an opportunity for the Secretary to officially open the exhibit and to interest the local press in covering this good news event. (R. Lewis, 6-5388)

o TRAVEL

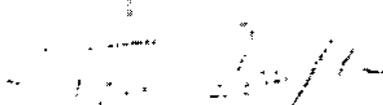
Toni Joseph and two members of the Office will be at the Brookhaven On-Site on July 27, 1993.

Roger Lewis and several members of the Office will be in Oakland for the Technology Transfer/Public Affairs meeting August 10-11, 1993. He will also be presenting a one day training course in technology transfer for the San Francisco Operations Office on August 12, 1993. Due to travel requirements, he will be out of the office essentially the entire week of August 9-13, 1993.

o ANNUAL LEAVE

Roger Lewis is scheduled to be on annual leave from August 23-27, 1993.

Mr. Tom Cornwell will be Acting Director in his absence.

  
Antonette G. Joseph  
Acting Director  
Office of Laboratory Management

July 13, 1993

Weekly Report for the Office of Nuclear Energy

- o The Russian Plutonium-238 Agreement package awaits action in the Office of the Vice President. Completion/approval of this Agreement is now the critical path item to make the first shipment of Russian Plutonium-238 to the U.S. The shipment has already been delayed twice and new shipping dates are being developed. Inquiries are being pursued with both the State Department and the Vice President's office in an attempt to expedite approval. (S. Lanes, NE-50, 903-4306)



E. C. Brodin  
Acting Director  
Office of Nuclear Energy

## OTHER ITEMS OF INTEREST FROM THE OFFICE OF NUCLEAR ENERGY

### Interagency Activities

- o An Official Notice of Intent for the Pluto Fast Flyby mission should be issued by the National Aeronautics and Space Administration in July. Two spacecraft will be launched separately to flyby Pluto and its moon Charon to conduct scientific investigations. The launches are planned for February 1999 and 2000. The Office of Nuclear Energy is actively participating with the National Aeronautics and Space Administration Pluto project office to provide the necessary radioisotope power supplies. (E. Mastal, NE-53, 903-3197)
- o The status of the Modular High Temperature Gas-Cooled Reactor Program Review was the subject of a meeting between Nuclear Regulatory Commission and DOE staff held on July 1. The Nuclear Regulatory Commission indicated that they would be staffing the Advanced Reactor Project Directorate and would resume the Modular High Temperature Gas-Cooled Reactor review in September. The Nuclear Regulatory Commission will issue the draft Modular High Temperature Gas-Cooled Reactor Preliminary Safety Evaluation Report in September 1994. (P. Karcz, NE-451, 903-7310)

### Internal Activities

- o Martin Marietta has notified DOE that there are not sufficient funds remaining on the SP-100 contract to provide for orderly termination. Martin Marietta has requested guidance on how they should proceed in view of the funding limitation and the Limitation of Funds clause in their contract. Nuclear Energy staff has held discussions with the Controller's office to determine what should be said about the availability of funds to close out the program in FY 1994; the possibility of a budget amendment is presently under consideration. (L. Rutger, NE-52, 903-6470)
- o Cassini fueled clad-new weld inspection method trials will be conducted at Los Alamos National Laboratory the week of July 12, 1993. Three recently welded fueled clads will be evaluated. Validation of this new inspection method is required prior to start-up of Cassini fueled clad production. DOE will participate in the trials. (W. Barnett, NE-53, 903-3097)
- o Cassini fueled clad-nonintegral weld shield performance met all design and performance objectives, and, based on visual and dimensional inspection, weld quality was excellent. Evaluation of these fuel clads is continuing. The successful adoption of this new weld shield design for Cassini fueled clads provides reduced manufacturing costs at Y-12, enhanced clad vent set integrity, simplified assembly process and reduced operation radiation exposure at Los Alamos National Laboratory. (W. Barnett, NE-53, 903-3097)

## Outreach

- o DOE participated in a meeting organized by the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development Nuclear Energy Agency in Paris to initiate a program of severe accident research proposed by Russia. The \$5.5 million program, to be conducted by the Kurchatov Institute, will develop experimental data on the severe accident strategy of flooding the outside of the reactor vessel in case of a core-melt accident, to keep the core in the vessel. The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission strongly supports this program, and indicated that it would be willing to carry the U.S. share of the program cost, i.e., \$825K over three years, but privately requested DOE's cooperation and contribution to the program. (W. Pasedag, NE-42, 903-5501)
- o A Meeting With Representatives of Mitsui/Japan Atomic Power Company/The Central Research Institute of the Electric Power Industry was held on June 30 to discuss the Collaborative Agreement on Liquid Metal Reactor Pyroprocessing and Light Water Reactor Actinide Recycle. Nuclear Energy staff provided Departmental plans for completing this collaboration in light of the Administration's research and development budget. (F. Goldner, NE-45, 903-2025)
- o The Department of Energy participated in an International Atomic Energy Agency Steering Committee overview of Soviet designed RBMK reactors. Other participants included western nuclear countries, Russia, and the Ukraine. (F. Cole, NE-10, 586-6630)

July 13, 1993

WEEKLY REPORT TO THE SECRETARY

o MEDIA ACTIVITIES

Media Coverage for Vice President Gore's Town Meeting, July 13: National press from the Boston Globe, Washington Post, AP Photo, and Scripps-Howard, Jonathan Winters of the Augusta Chronicle and Bill Loveless from Inside Energy covered the event in the cafeteria, while CBS affiliate, Channel 9, covered the event via satellite feed. Media representatives showed a lot of interest in such follow-up stories as reinvention labs, and your quality management and diversity council initiatives. Our press office will work to set up requested interviews. Public Affairs will also send copies of the video tape to business press that showed interest in covering the event but had schedule conflicts.

U.S. Acceptance of Used Uranium Fuel from Foreign Reactors. Public Affairs has received a number of follow up queries to the Washington Post July 13 article by Tom Lippman and is working with the Office of Environmental Waste and Restoration on appropriate response.

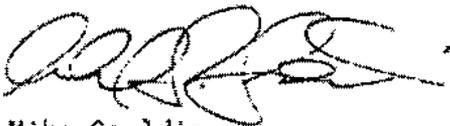
Introductory Media Interviews with New Assistant Secretary for EM: Assistant Secretary Tom Crumbly will do interviews with Brenda Flory, Weapons Complex Monitor, and Dave Kramer, Inside Energy, on Wednesday, July 14.

Yucca Mountain Story to be Broadcast, July 19: ABC World News Tonight will air their special on Yucca Mountain at 6:30 p.m. on "Your Money" segment. We expect a negative story presenting the project as an example of wasting taxpayers money.

Assistant Secretary Tierney to Talk on Global Warming: Dr. Tierney will speak at a meeting sponsored by the John Hopkins University School for Advanced International Studies (SAIS) in Washington, D.C., on Wednesday evening, July 21, on "U.S. Action Plan on Global Warming" to an audience of about 40 attendees.

o WHITE HOUSE INTEREST

Deputy Secretary Bill White to Visit NREL and Rocky Flats: The Deputy Secretary will have a press availability at the National Renewable Energy Laboratory during a visit to that facility and to Rocky Flats on Friday, July 16. Public Affairs is working with NREL Public Affairs and with the Deputy Secretary's office.



Mike Gaudin  
Director of Public and Consumer  
Affairs

July 13, 1993

OTHER ITEMS OF INTEREST FROM THE OFFICE OF PUBLIC AFFAIRS

o MEDIA ACTIVITIES

Media Coverage for Vice President Gore's Town Meeting, July 13: National press from the Boston Globe, Washington Post, AP Photo, and Scripps-Howard, Jonathan Winters of the Augusta Chronicle and Bill Loveless from Inside Energy covered the event in the cafeteria, while CBS affiliate, Channel 9, covered the event via satellite feed. Media representatives showed a lot of interest in such follow-up stories as reinvention labs, and your quality management and diversity council initiatives. Our press office will work to set up requested interviews. Public Affairs will also send copies of the video tape to business press that showed interest in covering the event but had schedule conflicts.

U.S. Acceptance of Used Uranium Fuel from Foreign Reactors. Public Affairs has received a number of follow up queries to the Washington Post July 13 article by Tom Lippman and is working with the Office of Environmental Waste and Restoration on appropriate response.

Introductory Media Interviews with New Assistant Secretary for EM: Assistant Secretary Tom Grumbly will do interviews with Brenda Flory, Weapons Complex Monitor, and Dave Kramer, Inside Energy, on Wednesday, July 14.

Deputy Secretary Bill White to Visit NREL and Rocky Flats: The Deputy Secretary will have a press availability at the National Renewable Energy Laboratory during a visit to that facility and to Rocky Flats on Friday, July 16. Public Affairs is working with NREL Public Affairs and with the Deputy Secretary's office.

Yucca Mountain Story to be Broadcast, July 19: ABC World News Tonight will air their special on Yucca Mountain at 6:30 p.m. on "Your Money" segment. We expect a negative story presenting the project as an example of wasting taxpayers money.

Assistant Secretary Tierney to Talk on Global Warming: Dr. Tierney will speak at a meeting sponsored by the John Hopkins University School for Advanced International Studies (SAIS) in Washington, D.C., on Wednesday evening, July 21, on "U.S. Action Plan on Global Warming" to an audience of about 40 attendees.

July 6, 1993

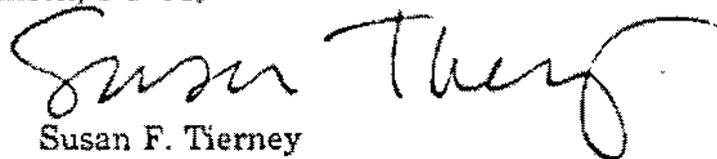
**Other Items of Interest from the Office of Policy, Planning and Program Evaluation**

- o United States-Mexico Border Conference. The Secretary will give the keynote address at a "U.S.-Mexico Border Infrastructure Finance Conference" on July 16 in San Antonio, Texas. Other Cabinet members also will participate in the two-day conference, which is being sponsored jointly by the U.S. Department of Commerce and Mexico's Ministry of Social Development. (Pumphrey, 6-6832)
  
- o FERC Notice of Technical Conference on Electric Transmission Pricing and Request for Comments on Staff Paper. On June 30, the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission approved publication of a notice declaring its intention to hold a technical conference on pricing of electric transmission services. It also released a paper providing preliminary observations on this subject by its electricity staff. Interested parties are invited to comment on the issues raised in the staff paper. The closing date for submitting these comments is expected to be around September 3 (depending on the date when the notice is published in the Federal Register). The technical conference will be scheduled after the Commission has reviewed the comments received on the staff paper. (Meyer, 6-5727)

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**Weekly Report for the Assistant Secretary of Policy, Planning and Program Evaluation**

- o Preparation for Budget Process. Meetings of senior cross-cutting groups within DOE are ongoing to renew preliminary analysis of Department priorities and outputs. (Sullivan, 6-5390)
- o Development of Climate Change Mitigation Plan. Interagency development of the Climate Change Mitigation Plan continues, with meetings scheduled over the next few weeks. DOE staff are briefing staff from the National Economic Council, Office of Management and Budget, and Council of Economic Advisers on the analytical exercise to date. (Haspel, 6-5316)
- o Interagency Group on Environmental Technology. The Interagency Group on Environmental Technology continues to meet to review new draft reports of the Technology Development, Business Development, and International (Export) workgroups. During upcoming meetings the groups will report on relevant barriers to or issues affecting the growth and expansion of the environmental technology industry, and will recommend solutions. Department staff will chair the Business Development Workshop, and will recommend conducting a series of regional stakeholder meetings in August to discuss the Interagency Group's recommendations with the public and individuals from the environmental business sectors. (Burrow, 6-1709)
- o U.S.-Japan "Framework" Discussions. A "Next Steps" meeting will take place the week of July 19 to follow up on the U.S.-Japan Framework for Cooperation that was approved in principle at the G-7 Summit in Tokyo. The global section of the Framework calls for cooperation on energy/environment issues. Policy staff will continue to coordinate Departmental input to Framework discussions. (Jaffe, 6-6777)
- o U.S.-Indonesia Bilateral Energy Consultations. Policy staff will lead the U.S. delegation to the fourth meeting of the U.S.-Indonesia Bilateral Energy Consultations, July 22-23, in Jakarta, Indonesia. The U.S. delegation includes representatives from the Nuclear Regulatory Commission and the Department of State. (Williamson, 6-5493)



Susan F. Tierney  
Assistant Secretary  
Office of Policy, Planning,  
and Program Evaluation

July 13, 1993

Weekly Report of the Office of Civilian Radioactive Waste Management.

The Office of Civilian Radioactive Waste Management has no input for this week's report.

Travel Plans

While I am on annual leave July 13-16, 1993, Jerome Saltzman is designated Acting Director, Office of Civilian Radioactive Waste Management.



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

OFFICE OF CIVILIAN RADIOACTIVE MANAGEMENT

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OTHER ITEMS OF INTEREST

Congressional Activities

- o Nothing of significance to report.

Interagency Activities

- o July 20 - A DOE/Nuclear Regulatory Commission Quality Assurance Quarterly Meeting will be conducted at the Nuclear Regulatory Commission in Bethesda, Maryland. (Dwight Shelor, 202-586-6046)
- o July 20-21 - The Nuclear Regulatory Commission's Advisory Committee on Nuclear Waste will hold its 55th meeting. On July 21, a presentation on the status of high-level waste management quality assurance will be provided by the Nuclear Regulatory Commission. Representatives from the Yucca Mountain Site Characterization Project Office will be present to answer questions. Also scheduled are reports on a visit by the Advisory Committee on Nuclear Waste to the Canadian Whiteshell Nuclear Laboratory and the Underground Research Laboratory, DOE Workshop on Multi-Purpose Canister, and the Nuclear Waste Technical Review Board meeting on Thermal Loads for the Proposed High-Level Waste Repository. The July 20 meeting will be closed. (Dwight Shelor, 202-586-6046)

Internal Activities

- o Nothing of significance to report.

Outreach

- o July 13 - The Yucca Mountain Site Characterization Project Manager will give an update on the status of new work at Yucca Mountain to members of the Nuclear Waste Technical Review Board in Denver, Colorado. (Carl Gertz, 702-794-7920)
- o July 16 - A tour of Yucca Mountain, Nevada, will be conducted for 15 guests from International Safeguards Group. (Carl Gertz, (702-794-7920)
- o July 24 - The Acting Deputy Director, RW, will be the keynote speaker at a workshop on Nuclear Waste Disposal Options at a conference sponsored by the National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners in San Francisco, California. (Jerry Saltzman, 202-586-6850)
- o July 25 - The Acting Deputy Director, RW, will speak to a joint session of the Energy and Environmental Resources Committees of the National Conference of State Legislatures in San Diego, California. (Jerry Saltzman, 202-586-6850)

Reports, Rulemakings, and Litigation

- o Nothing of significance to report.

## OTHER ITEMS OF INTEREST FROM THE OFFICE OF SCIENCE EDUCATION AND TECHNICAL INFORMATION

### Interagency Activities

- o The Department is taking the lead in the initiative to coordinate with the Department of Education and other Federal Coordinating Council for Science, Engineering and Technology agencies to provide information on its educational programs for the National Eisenhower Clearing House. There will be ten regional catalogs describing the educational offering by agency in each of the selected regions. The information will then be used to update the federal Coordinating Council for Science, Engineering and Technology publication, Guidebook to Excellence.

### Princeton Plasma Physics Laboratory

- The Science Education and Safety Departments have done a safety audit of Trenton High School science facilities and are developing a plan to enable the district to correct its safety violations, some of which are 10 years old. During a mid-June inspection of the laboratories and stockrooms, Laboratory engineers located an old can of ethyl ether, which can form highly explosive peroxide when left for a long time. Proper authorities were notified and the unsafe conditions rectified at a time when the school was evacuated. Laboratory disposal facilities will be used to dispose of other, less hazardous waste. Laboratory staff will participate in a further evaluation of school ventilation systems over the summer.
- Participation by Trenton administration in the partnership and a willingness by the district to commit funds and resources to improving science and math education has undergone a marked improvement as a direct result of partnership activities. The Trenton Board of Education will pay the stipends for 20 teachers who are involved in the district's science curriculum revision project to addend the Summer Teachers' Leadership Institutes at the Princeton Plasma Physics Laboratory this summer, and will support these teachers for an additional two weeks of curriculum development workshops at the Laboratory. In March, the district placed an order for \$22,000 of science equipment and supplies needed to support the new curriculum in the District's 18 elementary schools, and \$30,000 in support of the middle-school curriculum. An additional \$50,000 of equipment was ordered for science laboratories for the two new magnet schools, and \$80,000 committed for a new chemistry laboratory at the high school. Princeton Plasma Laboratory staff were instrumental in helping select the equipment and place the orders.

Office of Science Education and Technical Information  
Weekly Activity Report  
July 12, 1993

UPCOMING ACTIVITIES

- Richard Stephens will participate in a meeting on July 14 with staff from the Office of Management and Budget, the department of Education and the National Science Foundation to discuss the FY 1995 Terms of Reference for the interagency initiative on science, mathematics, engineering, and technical education. (POC: Richard E. Stephens, 586-8949)
- Scientists at the Princeton Plasma Physics Laboratory have been asked by the Trenton, New Jersey School System to help design the science and mathematics curriculum for two new inner-city science magnet schools for Grades 6-8. These two schools will open this September. (POC: Richard Stephens, 586-8949)



Richard E. Stephens, Acting Director  
Science Education and Technical  
Information

Enclosure

July 12, 1993

Weekly Report for the Bonneville Power Administration (BPA)

Near-Term Activities

- Supply System Bond Refinancing  
Bonneville Power Administration and the Washington Public Power Supply System are scheduling a refunding sale of net billed nuclear project bonds for the week of July 12. The sale, expected to be in the range of \$200 to \$500 million, could save the agency \$1 to \$2 million annually. This will be the ninth refinancing of Supply System bonds over the last 4 years.  
(Stephen J. Wright, BPA, 586-5640)

Completed Activities

- Conservation Power Plant  
On July 7, Bonneville Power Administration and the Emerald People's Utility District (Eugene, OR) signed a "conservation power plant" agreement to acquire 3.4 megawatts over the next 11 years. Administrator Hardy and Congressman Peter DeFazio participated in the event. Local press attended.  
(Stephen J. Wright, BPA, 586-5640)



Randall W. Hardy  
Administrator

NEGATIVE REPORTS RECEIVED FROM THE FOLLOWING PROGRAM OFFICES:

- o Economic Impact & Diversity (ED)
- o Environment, Safety & Health (EH)
- o Energy Information Administration (EI)
- o Hearing and Appeals (HG)

NO REPORTS RECEIVED FROM THE FOLLOWING PROGRAM OFFICES:

- o Inspector General (IG)
- o Chief Financial Officer (CR)
  
- o Southwestern
- o Alaska
- o WAPA

July 13, 1993

Weekly Status Report for the Office of Chief Financial Officer

Current

- None.

Future

- CFO Compliance Review of DOE Idaho Operations Office. A CFO Compliance Review will be performed at the Idaho Operations Office during the period July 19-30, 1993. The review will emphasize contractor operations and will concentrate on the areas of overhead budgeting, quality budget estimates, uncosted balances, DISCAS operations, data integrity, contractor financial management systems, and FMFIA/audit followup. The review will also followup on the recommendations made by a 1990 compliance review team in the reimbursable work, letters of credit and accounts receivable areas.
- GAO Audit Starts. There were three GAO audits initiated this week.
  - ◆◆ Central Arizona Project. Representative Miller has requested GAO to review this Bureau of Reclamation project because Western Area Power Administration will be responsible for marketing the electricity that will be generated by it. Since the Project is scheduled to be completed this fall, GAO wants to discuss the marketing plan with Western Area Power.
  - ◆◆ Superconducting Super Collider Management Initiatives. Representative Dingell has requested GAO to conduct a followup review of the SSC program, including monitoring the validation and operation of the Cost Schedule Control System. GAO has also been asked to:
    - Analyze the rebaselining that was conducted by the SSC Program Office in FY 1992;
    - Monitor and assess the rebaselining of the new funding schedule;
    - Review the program's change Control Board process and its impact on the accuracy of budgeting and scheduling;
    - Review the cost and schedule status of the major programs associated with the project, particularly the conventional construction, the magnet development, and the accelerators and detectors programs.

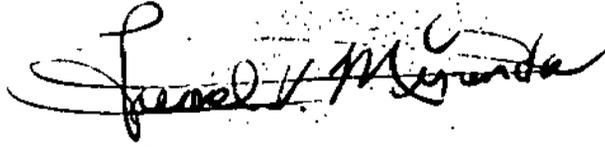
◆◆ Testimony on Followup to GAO Recommendations in RCED-92-244  
Concerning the Environmental Restoration Management  
Contractor. Representative Dingell has requested the GAO to  
obtain information on the implementation of recommendations  
contained in GAO report RCED-92-244, entitled "DOE  
MANAGEMENT: Impediment to Environmental Restoration  
Management Contracting." GAO will present this information  
in testimony before the House Subcommittee on Investigations  
and Oversight in late July or early August 1993.

*Elizabeth E. Smedley*  
Elizabeth E. Smedley  
Acting Chief Financial Officer

July 13, 1993

WEEKLY REPORT FROM THE OFFICE OF ECONOMIC IMPACT AND DIVERSITY

Nothing significant to report.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Leonel V. Miranda". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "L" and "M".

Leonel V. Miranda  
Acting Director  
Office of Economic Impact and Diversity

July 13, 1993

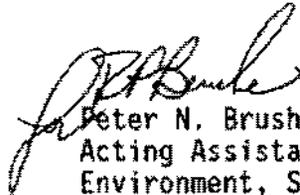
WEEKLY REPORT FOR THE OFFICE OF ENVIRONMENT, SAFETY AND HEALTH

Items for the Secretary

- o The Office of Environment, Safety and Health has no items for the weekly report to the Secretary.

Items for the White House

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

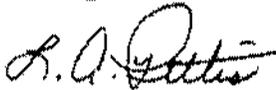


Peter N. Brush  
Acting Assistant Secretary  
Environment, Safety and Health

July 13 1993

Weekly Report for the Secretary

There is nothing significant to report.



L. A. Pettis  
Acting Administrator  
Energy Information Administration

July 13, 1993

WEEKLY REPORT FOR THE OFFICE OF FIELD MANAGEMENT

ITEMS RECOMMENDED FOR CABINET ATTENTION

- o None.

CONGRESSIONAL/GENERAL ACCOUNTING OFFICE (GAO) ITEMS OF INTEREST

- o Congressional Investigation: U.S. Representative Pete Stark has requested the budget figures and personnel utilized by the Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory for public relations activities in 1993 and 1994. The information is being developed and will be submitted by July 16, 1993.

CURRENT

- o Federal Facilities Agreement (FFA) Signing Ceremony at the Mound Plant - On July 15, 1993, a formal FFA signing ceremony will be held at the Mound Plant. The Agreement is the first FFA with the state of Ohio and authorizes the state to receive payment, through a grant, for its active participation in Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act activities at the Plant.
- o Violation of Resource Conservation and Recovery Act - On July 8, 1993, Nevada Operations Office received a settlement offer from the state of Nevada related to a Resource Conservation and Recovery Act violation resulting from a discharge of hazardous waste from Building 650 at the Nevada Test Site. The penalty proposed is \$20,000 which represents a very reasonable position being taken by the state of Nevada. The Department has until August 18, 1993, to respond to the proposal.
- o Review of Contractor Employee Allegations - The Office of Contractor Employee Protection (OC), in coordination with the Office of Civil Rights and the Office of the Assistant Secretary for Human Resource Management, is conducting a review of a contractor employee's allegations of possible expressions of racial and sexual bias by a DOE manager;

inaction in response to the employee's complaints by his supervisors; harassment of the employee by peers and supervisors; and possible violations of software copyright laws by the contractor. The OC has conducted an in-depth interview of the employee. Although the employee specifically denies being the target of reprisals for making disclosures protected under Part 708, the gravity, sensitivity and scope of the allegations warrant continued OC participation in and investigative assistance to this administrative inquiry.

#### FUTURE

- o Press Conference Planned at Amarillo, Texas - Amarillo's Panhandle 2000 organization is planning a press conference for July 19, 1993, to announce the formation of a consortium of universities seeking to establish a plutonium research operation should the Pantex Plant be selected for expansion under the Reconfiguration Program.
- o News Team at Nevada Test Site - On July 23, 1993, an NBC news team will tour the Nevada Test Site. They are planning a story on the Nuclear Emergency Search Team (NEST).

#### TRAVEL AND LEAVE PLANS

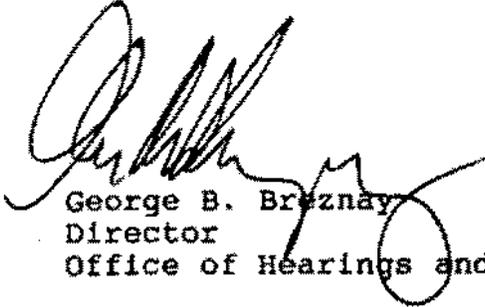
- o Don Pearman, Acting Associate Deputy Secretary for Field Management will be in the office July 12-16, 1993.

  
Donald W. Pearman, Jr.  
Acting Associate Deputy Secretary  
for Field Management

July 13, 1993

Weekly Report for Office of Hearings and Appeals

o Nothing to report.



George B. Breznay  
Director  
Office of Hearings and Appeals

July 12, 1993

Weekly Report for Alaska Power Administration

Near Term Activities

- No issues to report.

Completed Activities

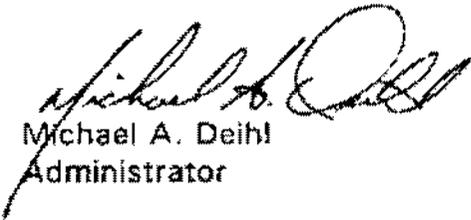
- State of Alaska Energy Authority (AEA): Governor signed HCS CSSB 106(FIN) that states AEA no longer will have authority to acquire projects, though the power to issue bonds in support of corporate purposes appears unaffected; also states existing contract and agreements with AEA remain in effect. AEA, APA and the State Attorney General will work together in determining the impact of this bill as related to the Snettisham purchase. Depending upon outcome, a Purchase Agreement Amendment may be required to facilitate divestiture. (M. Deihl, 907-586-7405)
- Snettisham Outage: A brief area-wide Snettisham outage occurred July 9, having the same characteristics of the previous outages of several weeks ago. It has been determined that the underwater cable across the Taku Inlet is NOT faulty. Further investigation continues. (L. Linke, 907-586-7405)

Issues for Secretary

- No issues to report.

Administrator Travel/Leave Schedule

- July 19-22: WAPA Headquarters in Golden, Colorado.

  
Michael A. Deihl  
Administrator

July 12, 1993

Weekly Report for Southeastern Power Administration

Near Term Activities

- o Meetings. The Administrator will meet with Savannah Corps of Engineers on July 13 in Savannah.

The financial sponsors for the proposed Bluestone Hydropower Project (Hinton, West Virginia) have requested a meeting to discuss the marketing of power from the project. A meeting of the sponsors, the Corps of Engineers, and Southeastern is scheduled for July 19, 1993, at the headquarters of the Huntington District Corps of Engineers. (E. Crenshaw, 706-283-9911)

Completed Activities

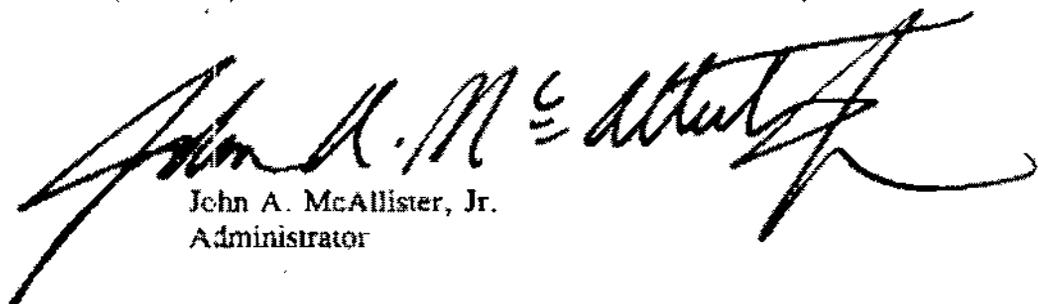
- o No activities to report.

Issues for the Secretary

- o No activities to report.

Administrator's Travel/Leave Schedule:

- o Travel to Savannah, GA - 7-13.  
Sick Leave, 7/14 -9A-12P.  
Annual Leave - 12/16 (tentative).



John A. McAllister, Jr.  
Administrator

July 12, 1993

Weekly Report for Southwestern Power Administration

Near Term Activities

- o Aviation Safety Program Southwestern Power Administration's Safety Manager is diligently working with aviation consultants revising Southwestern's Order on the Aviation Safety Program to comply with the new Department Order 5480.13a. In addition, a thorough overview of the Aviation Safety Program is being conducted with in-depth inspections to approve of facilities that Southwestern plans to use for its aviation operations. An Aviation Standard Operating Procedures Manual is also being prepared as guidance to employees on safety issues such as training, emergency procedures, and hazard identification. Other aviation activities include preparation of a response to the Department Aviation Safety Order requirement for an implementation plan that is due to Headquarters by August 23, 1993.  
(Darlene Low, SWPA-104, (918)581-7528)

Completed Activities

- o Resource Planning Guide Presentation Jerry Martin, Southwestern's Energy Efficiency and Renewable Resources Program Manager, attended a Regional Cooperative Integrated Resource Planning Workshop hosted by Southeastern Power Administration in Atlanta, Georgia. As part of the program, Mr. Martin gave a presentation regarding the Resource Planning Guide to a group of Southeastern's customers. Due to the increased level of interest in the Resource Planning Guide nationwide, Southeastern is consulting with Western Area Power Administration about making it available to its customers. (G.W. Martin, SWPA-320, (918) 581-7516)
- o System Conditions Flood control releases from projects within the Arkansas River Basin are continuing with the current energy-in-storage for the 12 reservoirs in Southwestern's Federally Interconnected System approximately 105 percent full. The system has produced 59 gigawatts of supplemental energy so far this month (through July 6) and the banks are in good shape with a current balance of 1,524 gigawatts for our use. Due to the heavy rainfall and flooding in the Missouri and Mississippi Rivers drainage basins, generation has been shut off at the Cannon, Truman and Stockton projects. The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers has estimated that generation may not resume at these projects for a week to 10 days, depending upon when downstream flooding subsides.  
(Edward Parker, SWPA-340, (918) 581-7512)
- o Quarterly Meeting of the Southwestern Power Resources Association Southwestern staff presented a briefing to the Federal Power Marketing Committee of the Southwestern Power Resources Association at its quarterly meeting in Tulsa, Oklahoma, on July 7, 1993. Southwestern staff also attended the quarterly meeting of the association Board on July 8, 1993. The briefing included information on Southwestern's upcoming customer conference and the 50th anniversary celebration, on matters related to competing uses of hydropower storage, and on a

variety of other issues of interest to the Agency's customers. Southwestern Power Resources Association is an association of regional utilities which is comprised primarily of Southwestern's power sales customers. (Jerry Johnson, SWPA-320, (918) 581-7408)

Administrator's Travel and Annual Leave

Jul 12 Leadership Group, Washington, DC  
Jul 12-14 1993 White River Power Conference, Lakeview, AR  
Jul 27-Aug 6 Annual Leave

*J. M. Shafer*  
J. M. Shafer  
Administrator

July 13, 1993

Weekly Report for Western Area Power Administration

Near Term Activities

- o Storm Rips Through Nebraska, Iowa, Causing Extensive Damage. On the evening of July 8, a storm ripped through central southeastern Nebraska and Iowa causing severe and extensive damage to transmission lines owned by Western Area Power Administration customers. Sustained winds in excess of 80 miles per hour caused approximately 534 out of 539 structures to fall along 82 miles of 345-kilovolt transmission line owned by Nebraska Public Power District. More than a dozen other interconnecting 115-kilovolt transmission lines were also reported as having sustained damaged as a result of the storm.

Omaha Public Power District also suffered widespread damage to its electrical system. At the height of the storm, 60,000 Omaha Public Power District customers were without electrical service.

The city of Denison, Iowa, reported that its distribution substations are now under one foot of water and out of power. Because of flooding, it is estimated to be weeks before crews will be able to re-energize the substations. The city also indicated that it may be requesting assistance from Western Area Power Administration in repairing facilities.

- o Litigation. The Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals rejected Mr. Bowers' Request for a Rehearing in Bowers v. Department of Energy. He had claimed that Western Area Power Administration lacked authority to build the California-Oregon Transmission Project.
- o Meeting with International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers. Western Area Power Administration's bargaining team met with the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers' representatives on June 25. It was agreed that bargaining for a new agreement will be held the week of August 16. The parties will exchange bargaining proposals July 23.

Leave and Travel Report for William H. Clagett

- o Week of July 12-16, 1993

Monday, 7/12	Montreal, Canada
Tuesday, 7/13	Montreal, Canada
Wednesday, 7/14	None
Thursday, 7/15	None
Friday, 7/16	None
- o Week of July 19-23, 1993

Monday, 7/19	None
Tuesday, 7/20	Sacramento, California
Wednesday, 7/21	Sacramento, California
Thursday, 7/22	Bismarck, North Dakota
Friday, 7/23	None

(For further information contact: Joel Bladow, 202-586-5581)  
William H. Clagett, Administrator

JB/RJD