IOWA ARMY AMMUNITION PLANT RESTORATION ADVISORY BOARD AUGUST 21, 2003

The Restoration Advisory Board meeting was called to order by Richard Johnson at 5:05 p.m. on August 21, 2003 at the Burlington Ballroom located in the Burlington Apartments. He welcomed Randy Cerar, Rob Snyder from the Army Environmental Center and Alison Hart from Senator Harkin's office.

Minutes Review

The minutes were accepted as written.

Agenda Review

The FUSRAP presentation was placed before the project report. The agenda was accepted with the change.

Public Comment

Shawn Blackshear from ATSDR brought the public comment version of the ATSDR Health Consultation for Environmental Pathway Evaluation for Beryllium and Depleted Uranium. The report determined that there we no releases off-site. At this point the report has determined there is no public health hazard at this time.

Restoration Issues

Rodger Allison briefed the RAB from briefing charts. See exhibit 3 for a copy of his presentation.

Randy Cerar stated that the dispute originally started over a single work plan, but now it covers the entire schedule. Today AEC met with Iowa AAP and the EPA. He indicated that AEC wants to move higher priorities forward and accelerate completion dates. They are particularly concerned with the speed in which the off-post area and surface water discharges are addressed. AEC plans to have a complete schedule by the middle of October.

Eric Orth stated that in the past there have been problems with changing contractors. Randy Cerar said that one contract would be issued fence to fence. By the end of FY05 80% of the Army will be using performance based contracting.

Rick Johnson asked of a layer of cost was being added by inserting a contractor to oversee restoration. Randy stated that it doesn't take the Army's responsibility away. Rodger and Kevin will stay engaged. The contractor will be responsible for scheduling instead of given a contract where they are not responsible to meet a schedule. Rick asked if everything will be contracted to one contractor with no subcontractors. Randy stated that in reality subcontractors are used now and will be used under performance based contracting. He thinks performance based contracting will be cheaper.

Rick asked what cost auditing procedures will be in place. Randy stated that existing contracts may not have been competitive. In the future contracts will have to have at least three bids. He then asked who would be responsible for the cost audit. Randy state the Army would do the cost audit. Rick questioned if the Army would be responsible to assure quality work is being done. Randy asserted that these contracts are not cost plus they are fixed fee. The contractor will give the Army one price and they are responsible for doing to job for that price. If the costs go over then it's the contractor's nickel. Rick stated that he was concerned in the quality of the work. Many times the low bidder is not the quality bidder. What quality check is being done before they are awarded the contract? Randy said that the potential contractors must meet technical qualifications before they are considered. At that point the bids are opened. Rick asked in what timeframe this change will be made. Randy said it will be implemented in FY04. Rick asked if the RAB will be informed on the process. Rodger indicated they would and invited AEC to give the RAB a full briefing.

Vaughn Moore asked which storage yard had elevated levels of Uranium or Uranium by-products in the Aerial Radiological Survey Report. Rodger stated it was Yard E. Dan McGhee stated the levels were not elevated they were above background which was expected at that area.

Rick asked if the report will be available on the RAB website. Rodger stated that is was his goal to have the whole administrative record on the web, but it won't be on the RAB website. Rick requested a link be placed on the RAB website to the document website.

FUSRAP Status

Sharon Cotner stated that FUSRAP assisted with the Flyover and has provided field support for the sewer and electric lines. In FY04 FUSRAP will receive \$300,000. The money will be spent on three activities. A new FFA will be negotiated between FUSRAP, EPA, Iowa AAP and Iowa Department of Public Health. Work will not be held up while the FFA is being negotiated. A management strategy will be developed to determine how the programs will be integrated. FUSRAP also plans to do some sampling but first they will review the data available from the ER,A program.

Project Report

Kevin Howe briefed the RAB from briefing charts. See exhibit 4 for his presentation.

Rick asked how many wells have been placed since the beginning of the clean-up effort. Kevin stated there was close to 250 wells. Vaughn Moore asked if the contamination from Line 9 could move to Line 8. Kevin explained that it wasn't possible for the contamination to move that way.

Rick asked if there were any records of buildings burning at the Fire Training Pit. Kevin stated that no records have been found, but the area used to be the administration area. Rick asked what metals were found there. Kevin stated they found silver, barium, and lead. They are in a very leachable form. Rick asked that if this site was discovered under the new contracting method would this action be happening as quickly. Randy stated that

scope would cover whatever was there. There will be a 9 to 10 year warranty to make sure the contractor will be onsite for long-term monitoring and operations.

Kevin thanked everyone for helping to move along the Fire Training Pit documentation so the effort could be completed on such a short time frame.

Committee Reports

Marketing

Eric stated the displays are still available. Rick asked if something could be drafted by the next meeting. Eric will get with Rodger.

Recruiting

Larry was contracted by a woman who may be interested in joining the RAB. He asked if everyone thought a new member was needed. General discussion ensued but no determination was made.

Budget

There was no report at this time.

Training Position

Bruce Workman polled the members and no one had anything specific. He and Rodger will talk about possible topics for training sessions. Scott Marquess offered that the RAB should return to the "Technology of the Month" sessions that were scheduled in the past.

Public Comment

No public comments made at this time.

Next Meeting/Draft Agenda

The next meeting is scheduled for November 20, 2003 at 5:00 p.m. at the Burlington Ballroom. The agenda will include a UXO presentation, a FUSRAP update, and an update on the formal dispute.

The meeting adjourned at 6:35 p.m.

Melenie Mutchler

Secretary

Richard Johnson

Community Co-Chair

Rodger Allison

Army Co-Chair

Exhibits:

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Exhibit 1

RAB MEMBERS PRESENT

Jeff Bergman

Marjorie Fitzsimmons

Glen Fullhart

Richard Johnson

Dan Nelson

Larry Orr

Eric Orth

Dean Vickstrom

Bruce Workman

RAB MEMBERS NOT PRESENT

Joel Behne

Mark Hagerla

GOVERNMENT MEMBERS

Rodger Allison

LTC Rory Tegtmeier

Dan Cook

Dan McGhee

Scott Marquess

PUBLIC

Lou Dell'Orco

Sharon Cotner

Alison Hart

Gaynor Dawson

Robert Snyder

Janet Kim

Tom Lorenz

Vaughn Moore

Kevin Howe

John Carroll

Thurman Huffman

Cyril Onewokae

Gene Gunn

Howard Reif

Shawn Blackshear

Leon Baxter

Melenie Mutchler

Kiley Miller