



UNITED STATES
NUCLEAR WASTE TECHNICAL REVIEW BOARD
1100 Wilson Boulevard, Suite 910
Arlington, VA 22209

November 23, 1993

Mr. Robert M. Bernero
Director, Office of Nuclear Material
Safety and Safeguards (MS-6E-6)
U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Washington, DC 20555

Dear Mr. Bernero:

On January 11-12, 1994, the U.S. Nuclear Waste Technical Review Board will conduct its quarterly meeting at the Doubletree Hotel, 300 Army/Navy Drive, Arlington, Virginia 22202. On behalf of the Board, I would like to invite you to participate in the sessions on January 11.

On the morning of January 11, we will be briefed on the reports of two recent Department of Energy (DOE) studies initiated by former Secretary of Energy Watkins. They were prepared by the Secretary of Energy Advisory Board Task Force on Radioactive Waste Management, whose goal was to analyze how the DOE might increase public trust and confidence in the DOE's civilian radioactive waste management program, and the Task Force on an Alternative Program Strategy, whose goal was to develop a new strategy for that same program. We have invited the Office of the Secretary of Energy to present its views of these reports and outline any action being planned as a result of their recommendations. A representative of the Swedish National Council for Nuclear Waste (KASAM) will review for the Board a new waste strategy being proposed in Sweden, similar in a number of ways to that being suggested by the DOE Task Force.

In addition, the Board is interested in hearing your views and those of the Nuclear Regulatory Commission on either or both of the task force reports. We also anticipate comments from representatives of the state of Nevada, the National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners, the Edison Electric Institute and the Board of Radioactive Waste Management of the National Academy of Sciences. I have enclosed a copy of the tentative agenda. Please limit your prepared presentation to five minutes. There will be time during the ensuing round-table discussion for you to provide additional comments. Please bring 120 copies of your presentation or overheads for distribution at the meeting.

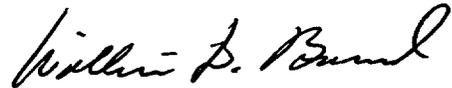
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You may be interested in knowing that on the afternoon of January 11, the Board has scheduled presentations on waste management system studies and the multipurpose canister, and on January 12, the Board will discuss the DOE's latest efforts in performance assessment.

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to call Leon Reiter of our staff.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "William D. Barnard".

William D. Barnard
Executive Director

Enclosure



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Tentative Agenda

Full Board Meeting

Task Force Studies

January 11, 1994

**Doubletree Hotel
National Airport
300 Army Navy Drive
Arlington, Virginia 22202
(703) 892-4100
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Tuesday, January 11, 1994

- 8:15 A.M.** **Welcome and opening remarks**
John Cantlon, Chairman
Nuclear Waste Technical Review Board (NWTRB)
- 8:20 A.M.** **Session introduction**
Garry Brewer, NWTRB
- 8:25 A.M.** **Task Force Report: Proposed Alternative Program Strategy**
Thomas Isaacs
Department of Energy (DOE)
- 9:10 A.M.** **Report from Sweden**
Nils Rydell
Swedish National Council for Radioactive Waste (KASAM)
- A. Overview of the Swedish nuclear power and waste program**
 - B. Swedish Nuclear Fuel and Waste Management Company's (SKB) proposed strategy**
 - C. Comments on the SKB strategy by KASAM and others**
- 9:55 A.M.** **BREAK (15 minutes)**

Tuesday, January 11 - continued

- 10:10 A.M.** **Task Force Report: Public Trust and Confidence**
Todd LaPorte
University of California — Berkeley
- 10:55 A.M.** **What will the DOE do with these reports?**
TBA
Office of the Secretary of Energy
- 11:20 A.M.** **Round-table discussion**
- A. Invited comments**
1. **National Academy of Sciences/Board on**
 Radioactive Waste Management — Chris Whipple
2. **Nuclear Regulatory Commission — TBA**
3. **State of Nevada — TBA**
4. **Edison Electric Institute — Steven Kraft**
5. **National Association of Regulatory Utility**
 Commissioners — TBA
- B. Discussion**
- C. Comments from the audience**
- 12:25 P.M.** **Session wrap-up**
Garry Brewer, NWTRB
- 12:30 P.M.** **LUNCH**