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NNWSI WEEKLY HIGHLIGHTS FOR WEEK ENDING OCTOBER 3, 1984

- I. Issues Requiring Involvement of HQ or Other Projects
- A. New Issues:

The revised program developed by Weston for the IBM PCXT has been received at WMPO. There remains some confusion about definitions for required data, so the budget data will not be available to HQ on October 15 as requested. The submittal date will be October 26.

B. Previously Reported Issues:

Issue Status First Report Date

Does HQ have a policy Open regarding state conduct of site specific measurements at proposed repository sites? (Is this clarified by the recent grant guidelines?)

II. Major Internal Concerns

None to report.

III. Significant Accomplishments (SA)/Information Items (II)

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None to report.

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Notice was recently issued to exercise an option to extend the term of the Westinghouse contract (DE-ACO8-82NV10250) for maintenance and operation of the E-MAD facility. The term has been extended through September 30, 1985.

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Amendments to the BLM Cooperative Use Agreement have been received at WMPO for transmittal to the Manager of DOE/NV for signature. The two amendments were negotiated to include power lines to serve UZ-6, UZ-1, and the Meteorological Tower.

The NRC completed an intensive two-week Data Review of USGS Geology data. The Data Review was conducted September 17-28 in Menlo Park, Denver, and at the NTS where the NRC panel spent time in the Core Lab and at Yucca Mountain. Only cursory feedback has been received from the NRC panel during the closing session and that mostly dealt with the high level of cooperation from the USGS and NNWSI Project participants.

A meeting was held during the week with Westinghouse, REECo and WMPO/NV to discuss plans to ship the Climax spent fuel assemblies to Idaho. The Plan is being prepared, but in order to allow sufficient time to develop the Plan, it will be submitted to DOE/HQ on November 1, rather than October 15 as reported in the September 27 Weekly Highlights Report.

# IV. Upcoming Events

## 1. Coordination Group Meetings

- o Tuesday-Wednesday, October 23-24: Quality Assurance Coordination Group Meeting, D.C.
- o Thursday-Friday, October 25-26: Institutional/Socioeconomics Coordination Group Meeting, DEN.

### 2. HQ Meetings

- o Monday-Tuesday, October 29-30: Beginning of FY 85 Program Review, D.C.
- o Wednesday-Friday, October 31-November 2: SCP Meeting to Develop Common Annotated Outline, D.C.

#### Internal Project and DOE/NV Meetings

- Thursday-Friday, October 4-5: PM-TPO Meeting, Las Vegas.
- Wednesday, October 10: Tour of E-MAD for MRS Group from Richland and PNL.
- o Friday, October 12: SCP Meeting to Develop NNWSI Annotated Outline, Las Vegas.
- o Tuesday, October 16: DOE/NV Program Review Meeting (Kunich); Joint Program Coordination Council (Vieth).

- o Thursday, October 18: USGS HQ & HQ Meeting, Reston (discuss implementation of NRC-DOE Site Specific Agreement)
- o Monday-Thursday, October 22-25: HYDROCOIN Conference, Stockholm.
- o Tuesday, October 23: EA Presentation to DOE/NV Management.
- o Tuesday-Thursday, October 23-25: Project Administrative Coordination Meeting, Las Vegas.
- o Wednesday-Thursday, October 24-25: PM-TPO Meeting, Las Vegas.
- o Thursday-Friday, October 25-26: ESTPC Meeting, Las Vegas.
- o Tuesday, November 13: OECD Source Term Workshop.
- o Tuesday, November 13: DOE/NV Program Review Meeting.
- o Wednesday, November 14: Don Vieth visit to Los Alamos.
- o Thursday-Friday, November 15-16: ESTPC Meeting, Las Vegas.
- o Wednesday-Thursday, November 28-29: PM-TPO Meeting, Las Vegas.

#### 4. State and Public Interaction

- o Friday-Saturday, October 12-13: Meeting with first potential Repository States, DEN (D. L. Vieth).
- o Friday, October 19: National Committee for Tunneling Technology (NCTT), D.C. (D. L. Vieth).
- o Monday, October 22: Visit to Lincoln County to discuss socioeconomic impacts (D. L. Vieth).
- o Tuesday, October 23: Tour of NTS for officials from Lincoln County (D. L. Vieth).
- o Thursday, November 8: Don Vieth to address LV Chapter of Professional Engineers, Las Vegas.

### 5. NRC Interaction

o Monday, October 15: Meeting to discuss Implementation of NRC-DOE Site Specific Agreement, Las Vegas.

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