

MEMORANDUM

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FROM: V. J. Murphy/Weston Geophysical Corporation

DATE: October 12, 1987

SUBJECT: Attendance Trip Report
DOE Briefing - October 8 and 9, 1987
Forestdale Building, Washington
Topic: Issues Hierarchy/Performance Allocation/NNWFI Project SCP

The SCP's [for all three candidates] will be released simultaneously as "consultation drafts". Accordingly, a draft of the "consultation draft" was available for inspection and review during the briefing period of October 8 and 9 at DOE offices.

The formal part of this briefing consisted of clear and well illustrated presentation by the DOE throughout the day of October 8. Copies of the graphics [clear and adequately described] were provided to all participants at the opening of the session.

It is noteworthy that this briefing was similar to a briefing approximately two weeks previously in Nevada on seismic/tectonic "issues". A principal distinction is that the briefing of October 8 and 9 covered the entire SCP, whereas the earlier briefing in Las Vegas by the DOE had a much narrower technical focus. Both meetings, taken in total context, provide considerable insight and understanding on the part of Weston Geophysical as an NRC contractor, for the anticipated assignment of SCP reviews. Weston Geophysical is now in a better position to plan, as well as anticipate, the types and levels of professional involvements that will result in the most cost-effective return for this planned NRC task; although the SCP itself is a rather extensive document [approximately 6,000 pages] we are now aware that study plans [a number of individual studies] will each consist of approximately 90-200 pages which will probably require a prioritization and possibly elimination of large number of those study plans as inappropriate for Weston Geophysical's consideration.

A desirable and satisfying aspect of the briefing of October 8 and 9 [occurring during the day of October 9] was the opportunity to focus on a narrow or broad item of interest in order to better illustrate the extent of content on a particular technical item, as well as by means of such a real example to better understand where relevant and associated topical materials are included in various parts of the SCP. Accordingly, this reviewer designated and was adequately accommodated with the topic of "faulting" which was then expanded through the means of a tutorial review on the part of DOE to an equally significant topic, "fracturing". Furthermore, it was helpful to proceed with such an involvement by considering both the static and dynamical aspects of such important technical topics.

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For future involvements with these materials [SCP's and work plans, etc for NNWSI, et al] we suggest an additional meeting[s] with only NRC staff to more specifically define Weston Geophysical's anticipated involvements and especially the manner or means that the NRC will wish us to adhere to for reporting, criticizing, suggesting and recommending, and clarifying both technical specifics and need to proceed with more in depth involvements with "issues" or various sub-parts of "issues".

It is again opportune, through the means of this trip memorandum/report to acknowledge the high level of professional competency displayed on the part of all briefing participants, both DOE and NRC.

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