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SUBJECT: QA Input to OGR Weekly Highlight Report for Week Ending June 19, 1987

TO: Jim Knight

Attached is the QA input for the Weekly Highlight Report for the week ending June 19, 1987.

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Quality Assurance Input to OGR Weekly Highlight Report
for the Two Week Period Ending June 19, 1987

I. For the Director, OCRWM

A. QACG Meeting

Final arrangements for the July 23, 1987 Quality Assurance Coordinating Group meeting in Denver have been made. A proposed agenda will be sent to State and Tribe Representatives early next week. The main agenda topic will be a workshop to discuss the DOE proposed resolution of State, Tribe and NRC comments on the OGR QA Plan.

B. Audit of HEDL and PNL

Karl Sommer of OGR participated in an SRPO QA Audit of HEDL's robotics and cask handling program this week. No findings were made and only one observation. Karl also participated in the SRPO QA Audit of PNL this week and expressed concern about PNL's lack of the required annual management assessment.

C. Audit of SAIC

Dave Brown of WESTON participated in a WMPO QA Audit of SAIC this week. Although the exit meeting will not be held until Monday, June 22, we expect 5 findings and 14 observations to be made.

II. For the Associate Director, OGR

A. Karl Sommer participated in the SRPO audit of HEDL's Robotics and Cask Handling program this week. The audit resulted in one observation and two comments. The observation was:

"Technical/Engineering documents requiring DOE review/approval are being informally submitted and commented on in draft form, circumventing the data transmittal system and the formal documentation of comments and their resolution."

The two comments were:

- QA records system is incomplete. SRPO will identify what documents should be in the QA records system.

- The data transmittal form, which is used to document review/approval signatures, does not identify the independent reviewer on the form.

B. Jim Knight and Carl Newton met with Tom Longo on June 15 to discuss the task he is working on to determine the impact of beginning construction on the BWIP ES while the Large Scale Hydrologic Test is underway. It was generally agreed that the task would probably be assigned to quality level 2. Subsequent discussions between Carl Newton and the BWIP QA manager took place on this matter. The BWIP QA Manager, Pierre Saget, and the AMC Deputy Manager, Lee Olson, felt the task was clearly quality level 1. We are awaiting a decision by RW-23 as to the quality level of this activity and the specific quality controls to be applied.

- C. Carl Newton met on June 18 and June 19 with Stan Echols and Abel Lopez of GC to discuss the impact of the Right to Privacy Act on DOE's ability to make available to NRC the necessary personnel records to show that personnel are qualified to perform the activities assigned them. A followup meeting on June 22 with Abel Lopez is planned.
- D. A briefing by the NRC (Browning, Linehan, Kennedy, etc.) for Mr. Kale has been tentatively scheduled for 1:00-3:00 p.m. on June 29, 1987 in the Forrestal Building. The results of the NRC mini-audit of LANL will be discussed.
- E. Carl Newton met with Ched Bradley of EH and Kim Grimes, and EH Contractor; on June 16 to discuss the resolution of EH comments on Section 8.6 (QA) of the WMPO SCP. The WMPO QA Manager and Carl had previously decided to reject most of the EH comments. After discussion, EH agreed with all the dispositions except one which they agreed to rethink. The one comment possibly under contention is that we add a lengthy (1-2 page) discussion of what QA is in our program and to point out that QA does not pass technical judgment over the work done by contractors. Ms. Grimes experience with QA is limited to EPA where QA evidently plays a much stronger role including acceptance of all technical work performed
- F. The following Project QA audits of contractors are scheduled for June, 1987:

<u>Project</u>	<u>Contractor</u>	<u>Dates</u>	<u>Representative</u>
SRPO	Morris-Knudson	July 6-10	G. Faust (W)
SRPO	Parsons-Brinkerhoff	July 13-17	J. Marchand (W)

III. For the Director, SL & QA Division

- A. Major activities completed the past two weeks:
 - 1. WESTON completed the quarterly report of QA activities completed for the period Jan.-March, 1987.
 - 2. The master audit schedule was updated and distributed to the States, Tribes and NRC.
 - 3. The OGR proposed position on Status of Observers on DOE Audits was provided to State, Tribal and NRC representatives.
 - 4. The draft agenda for the July, 1987 QACG meeting was prepared.
 - 5. The OGR review of the BWIP QA Plan, Rev. 2, was completed and comments sent to BWIP.

B. Major near-term activities underway:

1. Complete review of four BWIP procedures and two SRPO procedures.
2. Resolve comments from RW-23 on Supplement #6 to the OGR QA Plan (actually, RW-23 recommends it not be issued).
3. Prepare materials for briefing Mr. Kale on the proposed disposition of comments (from States and NRC) on the OGR QA Plan."
4. Send agenda for July, 1987 QACG meeting to participants.
5. Following OGR management approval, send material to States, Tribes and NRC that show how comments on OGR QA Plan are to be dispositioned.

IV. Travel, Leave and Meetings

A. Travel

<u>Traveler</u>	<u>Dates</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Purpose</u>
Sommer	July 21-24	Denver	QACG Meeting
Newton	July 21-24	Denver	QACG Meeting

B. Leave

<u>Person</u>	<u>Dates</u>
Newton	June 25-26
Sommer	July 6-10
Sommer	Aug 3-7

C. Meetings (Tentative)

<u>Date</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Purpose</u>
June 29	Forrestal	NRC briefing on Mini-Audit
July 22-23	Denver	QACG Meeting

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