

# ROCKY MOUNTAIN LOW-LEVEL RADIOACTIVE WASTE BOARD

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## PUBLIC NOTICE

### REGULAR MEETING OF THE

### ROCKY MOUNTAIN LOW-LEVEL RADIOACTIVE WASTE BOARD

The Rocky Mountain Low-Level Radioactive Waste Board will hold a Regular Meeting on September 23, 2005, at the Alexis Park Resort, 375 East Harmon Avenue, Las Vegas, Nevada. The meeting will begin at 1:30 p.m.

An agenda for the meeting is attached.

Interested parties and the public are welcome to attend the meeting.

An opportunity will be provided for public input.

For further information, contact Leonard Slosky, Executive Director of the Board, (303) 825-1912.

#### NOTICE OF NORM/TENORM WORK GROUP

The Rocky Mountain Low-Level Radioactive Waste Board (Board) has established a NORM/TENORM work group to identify and propose solutions to radioactive water treatment residuals disposal issues within the Compact. The work group is comprised of two representatives from each member state.

The work group's charge is enclosed and is also available on the Board's web site at [www.rmlwb.us](http://www.rmlwb.us).

The Board welcomes public comments and input regarding the issues outlined in the work group's charge. Comments, questions, and other input should be sent to Vicki Green via email at [vgreen@rmlwb.us](mailto:vgreen@rmlwb.us), phone 303/825-1912, or fax 303/892-3882.

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**AGENDA  
REGULAR MEETING**

Alexis Park Resort  
375 East Harmon Avenue  
Las Vegas, NV 89109  
800/582-2228

September 23, 2005  
1:30 p.m.

Approval of Minutes of the June 8, 2005 Regular and Annual Meetings, and July 13, 2005  
Telephonic Meeting

Update on the Clean Harbors Regional Facility Licensing Process

Update on the NORM/TENORM Work Group

Discussion of Fiscal Year 2004-2005 Audit

Update on the Matters Concerning the U.S. Air Force

Update on National Compact Developments

Executive Director's Report

Fiscal Status

Permit Fee Revenue

Expenditure/Budget Comparison

Status of Volumes Authorized for Export and Disposal in 2005

Consideration of Investment of Board Funds

Executive Session to Discuss Legal Issues

*The order of matters on this agenda is subject to change without notice.*

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## NORM/TENORM WORK GROUP

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The Rocky Mountain Low-Level Radioactive Waste Compact ("Compact") has jurisdiction over low-level radioactive waste as defined in the Compact. Naturally occurring radioactive materials (NORM) and technologically enhanced naturally occurring radioactive materials (TENORM) that are waste are included in the Compact definition.

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency ("U.S. EPA") has established new standards for uranium in drinking water that require drinking water providers to remove more radionuclides from the raw water. These radionuclides end up in the water treatment residuals at concentrations above background. Most of these residuals are high volume, low activity sludges. The State of Colorado ("Colorado") has expressed concern that disposing of radioactive water treatment residuals ("RWTRs") at the Compact's regional disposal facility ("Regional Facility") or at facilities outside the Compact region (Colorado, Nevada, and New Mexico) would be an unreasonable burden on drinking water providers.

The Rocky Mountain Low-Level Radioactive Waste Board ("Board") has agreed to Colorado's request to establish a Work Group to explore this issue. The Work Group will seek to identify the nature and extent of the RWTR disposal problem within the three member states. To the extent that the Work Group concludes that the disposal of RWTRs at the Regional Facility or facilities outside the Compact region constitutes an unreasonable burden on drinking water providers, the Work Group will explore means within the Compact structure for allowing alternative disposal options. The Work Group will present its findings and recommendations (which may include recommended rule changes) to the Board.

The Work Group will consist of up to two representatives from each member State designated by that state's Board member. The Work Group shall make every effort to conclude its work by September 2005.

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In conducting this assessment the Work Group may undertake, but is not limited to, the following activities.

- **Develop an understanding of drinking water providers' current and projected RWTRs disposal needs**
- **Identify the costs of transporting and disposing of RWTRs at the Regional Facility, facilities outside the Compact region, and other facilities within the Compact states**
- **Seek input from generators of RWTRs in each of the Compact states**
- **Review how the U. S. EPA and the Conference of Radiation Control Program Directors are addressing RWTRs**

The sole purpose of the Work Group process is to identify and propose solutions to RWTRs waste disposal issues facing generators within the Compact region. The Board does not intend for the process to be used to identify potential violations of the Compact or Compact Regulations; such use of the process for Compact would not further Compact objectives.