

From: Renee Pedersen
To: EDO Extension Request
Date: 1/31/2007 7:28:10 AM
Subject: Extension Request for DPO-2006-002

The purpose of this email is to request an extension to the current EDO-approved schedule for this DPO, such that the new goal is March 30, 2007.

I'm including the email request on behalf of Jim Dyer, NRR, OD.

Challenging scheduling issues and other agency work priorities have caused delays and are expected to impact the OD's timeliness in issuing a DPO Decision. I have reviewed this case and I think the proposed schedule is justified.

I'm also including the latest Milestones and Timeliness Goals for this case.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

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CC: Andrea Kock; Cynthia Carpenter; David Cullison; James Luehman; Jim Dyer; John Grobe; Mary Kay Fahey; Michael Johnson; Tilda Liu

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ADSS/NRP

From: John Grobe
To: Renee Pedersen
Date: 10/30/2006 11:55:17 AM
Subject: DPOs 2006-002 and -003 Extension Request

Renee,

See the enclosed schedule/justification for extended closure of the subject DPOs. Jim Dyer supports this schedule extension. If there is anything that I can do to facilitate your generation of the memo to the OEDO, please let me know.

Note that one of the due dates for -002 (7 days for the Panel to resolve comments on the report) spans Thanksgiving week. I will be very comfortable with the report before it goes forward, so I do not anticipate significant comments, but in the event that there are, this may be a challenge.

Thanks.

Jack

CC: DPO Panel; Jim Dyer; Michael Weber

RESOLUTION SCHEDULE FOR DPOs 2006-002 AND 2006-003

Below is listed the projected schedules for resolution of the two subject DPOs.

The delays have been related to several factors:

- The initiation of Panel work and scheduling the first Panel meeting was delayed due to several other competing priorities and travel schedules of various Panel members (approximately one and one-half month delay).
- The review was more complex than normal DPO Panel activities due to the assignment of two DPOs to one Panel. This assignment was appropriate due to the similarities between the DPOs, but increased the Panel workload handling the two issues simultaneously.
- The issues involved in the DPOs had their root in actions taken by the NRC approximately 20 years ago with multiple revisions of GDC-4. Due to age of the background materials, reconstruction of the history was complicated and time consuming.
- Because the matter involved in resolving the DPOs concerned an interpretation of the revisions to GDC-4, the Panel determined that it desired a review of its conclusions by the Office of General Counsel (approximately two week delay).

DPO Milestone DPO-2006-002DPO-2006-003

Panel issues report	11/09/2006	10/26/2006	(complete)
OD/Submitter comments on	11/19/2006	11/06/2006	
Panel Report			(10 calendar days)
Panel evaluates comments	11/27/2006	11/13/2006	
and issues final report			(7 calendar days)
OD issues DPO decision	12/18/2006	12/04/2006	
			(21 calendar days)
Total	220 calendar days	206 calendar days	(target 130-190 calendar days)