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I followed up with Brooke Smith about her statement during today's Texas/Whittaker call about the need for a follow up call. She stated that she thinks this issue needs to be discussed from a broader perspective, and wants to talk to Scott Flanders before a call is set up. So she will take responsibility for coordinating with everyone and setting up the call, probably in a week or two. Additionally, I took a look at the memo from Gillen to Pangburn dated 11/10/2004 responding to our TAR for an assessment of the Whittaker amendment to blend material for disposal. The memo says it is OK to blend, but is specifically says, "Based on the acceptability of the dose assessment for disposal of the material at WCS (see below), it is recommended that approval be granted to Whittaker Corporation for disposal of the material at the WCS Facility, under specified conditions. Attachment 1 provides suggested conditions under which the disposal should be approved." This seems to say that it is OK for Whittaker to blend, but only if they go to WCS. Do we require a dose assessment for the specific site that would accept the blended material? We've been saying that we could just modify the EA to say that blending is OK, and not specify the disposal location. leaving that up to the licensee to work out. Would Whittaker need to submit another amendment request if they choose to go to another site with the blended material, and would we do another review of their dose assessment. I'm not sure if we can do a "generic" EA for blending with out knowing the disposal location first.

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