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The Restoration Advisory Board (RAB) meeting was held on Thursday, August 20, 1998 at the Memphis Depot, in Building 144's Conference Room. The attendance list is attached.

WELCOME AND INTRODUCTION

- 1 MR. WILLIAMS: Can we call the meeting to order? First of all, I would like to
2 welcome everybody to the August meeting, and especially to the
3 ones that this is their first time attending. There are a couple of
4 things that have been discussed. Well, first of all, does anyone have
5 any problems with the minutes to the last meeting? Let's do that
6 first.
- 7 MR. ENGLISH: There is one that was brought to my attention by somebody else.
8 Alma, did anybody bring up that one that you brought to my
9 attention?
- 10 MR. PHILLIPS: Is this the one that you corrected on page 17, line 11? There was
11 one correction to the RAB minutes from June. This was not last
12 month's. This was two months back, but the correction was
13 caught, and a copy of the correction sheet is up here on the front
14 desk. But that was not July's minutes.
- 15 MR. ENGLISH: Page 32, line 10 and 11. The statement reads: "Dann, I think you
16 need to clarify that we think there is a cockfield between the fluvial

1 aquifer. We think that there is a connection between the fluvial
2 aquifer and the cockfield."

3 MS. MOORE: So, it should be: "We think there is a connection --"

4 MR. ENGLISH: -- "between the fluvial aquifer and the cockfield." We think. The
5 word think is still correct in there. But that is all I have.

6 MR. PHILLIPS: What line is that, Jordan?

7 MS. MOORE: 19?

8 MR. ENGLISH: Wait a minute. I don't think it is on mine.

9 MS. MOORE: Page 32.

10 MR. ENGLISH: It is 10 and 11 on mine. Page 32, lines 10 and 11.

11 MR. PHILLIPS: Read what you think that should read.

12 MR. ENGLISH: "Dann, I think you need to clarify that we think there is a
13 connection between the fluvial aquifer and the cockfield formation."

14 MR. WILLIAMS: Is that all right with everyone?

15 MR. CLAY: What is a cockfield?

16 MR. ENGLISH: It is a formation, name of a formation. Basically, it is the formation
17 that we think that the deep wells are in now. It is a formation that
18 is going to be above the Memphis Sands.

19 MR. PHILLIPS: Mr. Clay, let me mention, Alma did some research this past month
20 because she wanted to know what the cockfield formation was.

21 And the Groundwater Institute,—she has some fact sheets. She's
22 made copies of those here. It describes it, explains what the
23 cockfield formation is. Mondell?

24 MR. WILLIAMS: As part of the restructuring of the new charter, it was voted on, and
25 in unanimous decision, that the meeting would last one and a half
26 hours. And, that, if we could not cover that full agenda within that
27 one and a half hours, then we will call on the RAB members to vote
28 if we should continue it or put it on the agenda for the next
9 meeting. Is that all right with everyone?

1 MR. ENGLISH:

Yes.

2 MR. CLAY:

I agree.

3 MR. WILLIAMS:

Are there any visitors here, you know, that were part of the Depot,
4 Defense Depot, when it was going on?

5 MR. CLAY:

You mean employees?

6 MR. WILLIAMS:

Yes, employees.

7 MR. CLAY:

We have one.

8 MR. WILLIAMS:

I just wanted to acknowledge them and to let them know that their
9 concerns are our concerns, and I hope they continue to keep up the
10 good work in fighting for the causes for the community. Because
11 they are here, they have a vested interest in the community, and we
12 need more people from the community to work harder toward, you
13 know, a common cause of the community. So, I just wanted to let
14 them know that we have them at heart too.

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There will be a National RAB Conference in Washington, DC on
17 October the 17th through the 21st. I have been asked to attend this
18 meeting representing the RAB. And there will be information going
19 out to all the RAB members, and I would encourage all the
20 members to participate in what is going on when they send out
21 some information on that.

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MR. CLAY:

There will be a questionnaire or something?

23 MR. WILLIAMS:

Well, they are going to be telling about what the conference will be
24 about, and the agenda of the conference, and things like that. So, I
25 just wanted to let everybody know that when they send the
26 information out, if they would participate, if they have a
27 questionnaire or if they have something to correspond to get back
28 with.

1 MS. MOORE:

It is for community RAB members only. It is not for government RAB members. It is for community RAB members. So, all community RAB members will get some information from San Francisco, Jeff Lehman, the National Community RAB Secretary. So, that should come out, he said probably, by next week.

6 MR. CLAY:

Are they going to pay for Mondell's travel, hotel and other expenses?

8 MS. MOORE:

We hope so.

9 MR. WILLIAMS:

I hope so too. We have a second information session that will be held on September 19th at Corry Junior High from 10:00 a.m.. Like I said, it is on the 19th from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. And we are encouraging everyone to attend, and we are hoping that we could get the RAB members to agree to, at least, pass out at least 50 flyers.

15 MS. MOORE:

Here they are. I will give them to you at the end of the meeting.

16 MR. WILLIAMS:

We are hoping we could get everyone to give out at least 50 flyers to pass out to inform their community, as well as their community organizations, on this information session that we are going to have at Corry Junior High on the 19th from 10:00 to 4:00 p.m.

21 PRESENTATION To RAB

23 MR. PHILLIPS:

I have several small items on Old Business, but I will delay that for a few minutes. I would like to ask Dann Spariosu and Jordan English to join me up here. We have talked about this amongst ourselves, BRAC Cleanup Team, for probably three or four months, doing a presentation to recognize the non-paid private citizens of the RAB. Some members of the RAB have been with us three years, you know, back when we formed as a TRC [Technical

1 Review Committee]. And, to my knowledge, there has never been
2 a recognition of that service. So, we have put together, between
3 the three agencies, a presentation document, kind of like a thank
4 you. And we would like to hand that out to you. If you could,
5 please come up when we call you. Mr. Truitt. And you just let us
6 know who you want to shake your hand.

7 MR. TRUITT: I appreciate it very much.

8 MR. PHILLIPS: Well, we appreciate the service. That is what this is about. It is
9 about recognizing your service.

10 MR. TRUITT: With all the presentations, I won't speak.

11 MR. PHILLIPS: Dr. Kirk.

12 DR. KIRK: Thank you.

13 DR. SPARIOSU: Mr. Brayon. While we are doing this, I would just like to say that I
14 have seen other RABs. I get around the southeast region now and
15 then. And this is, by far, the best one I have seen. You are
16 dedicated. You show up. You get back to your communities.

17 MR. BRAYON: Thank you.

18 MR. ENGLISH: Mr. Kevin Clay.

19 MR. CLAY: Thank you.

20 MR. PHILLIPS: Mondell. Thank you.

21 MR. WILLIAMS: Thank you.

22 DR. SPARIOSU: Ms. McGlown, Karen.

23 MR. PHILLIPS: Thank you for your service.

24 MS. MCGLOWN: Thank you.

25 MR. PHILLIPS: Mr. Webb.

26 MR. WEBB: Thank you.

27 DR. SPARIOSU: Mr. Garrison.

28 MR. PHILLIPS: Thank you for such a good job.

29 MR. GARRISON: Thank you.

- 1 MR. PHILLIPS: Mr. Gray.
2 MR. GRAY: Thank you.
3 DR. SPARIOSU: Ms. Willett, this is a certificate of appreciation for your service on
4 the RAB.
5 MS. WILLETT: Thank you.
6 MR. PHILLIPS: Dann made a comment about our RAB before you came in, half a -
7 - how many RABs, 10?
8 DR. SPARIOSU: Half a dozen.
9 MR. PHILLIPS: He says this is the best one that he has worked with. Mr. Bond.
10 Thank you.
11 MR. BOND: Thank you.
12 DR. SPARIOSU: I think that is everybody.
13 MR. ENGLISH: All these other people, since they didn't show up --
14 MR. PHILLIPS: I need to mention something, because we might need some help.
15 Well, we do need some help. Mr. Smith, Larry Smith, and Mr.
16 James Goines, we are having a hard time tracking them down. We
17 are trying to send these to everybody who has participated in the
18 past, too. If anybody has any addresses?
19 MR. WILLIAMS: I will see if I can get some information on Larry Smith.
20 MR. PHILLIPS: How about Mr. Goines?
21 MR. CLAY: Somebody might have an old phone number on him.
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23 **UPCOMING EVENTS**
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25 MR. WILLIAMS: On September the 17th, from 8:30 p.m. to 9:00, a discussion on
26 the upcoming RAB information session will be on TV on the
27 Center for Neighborhoods' program. They normally come on
28 WEVL, FM 90. Is that the radio station?
29 MS. MOORE: That is the radio station.

1 MR. WILLIAMS:

So, what is going to be happening, on September the 17th, Shawn, Alma and I will be on the show discussing the upcoming information session that is going to be held at Corry Junior High. So, we are hoping that we could get everyone to sort of tune in to that when it comes up on the 17th, from 8:30 to 9:00 p.m. And also check your TV guide, on channel 18, The Library Channel, during October, and find out when the Center for Neighborhoods' program airs. Shawn, Alma and I will be appearing on there discussing the general cleanup and the RAB activities at the Depot.

11 MS. MOORE:

I found out today the times, because they've changed the schedule.

12 MR. WILLIAMS:

Discuss it then.

13 MS. MOORE:

It appears every Monday at 2:30 p.m. and every Friday at 4:30 p.m. throughout the month of October on the Library Channel 18. And I would like to thank the Center for Neighborhoods for allowing us that opportunity.

17 MR. PHILLIPS:

Before we start with Old Business, I would like to open the floor to Dr. Spariosu to introduce a new EPA player.

19 DR. SPARIOSU:

Our replacement, Ramone's [Ramone Torres] replacement, has finally arrived. Sitting to my left is Mr. Ballard. He has also come from Region 5 in Chicago, lots of EPA experience. About a year ago at this time, it was either at the August or September meeting, I was telling everybody it was my last meeting. I am not going to say that this time. But I will tell you that next month, September, on the third Thursday of the month, I plan to be in New Orleans at the Rock and Bowl listening to some Zydeco music and dancing up a storm. At least I won't be here next month. Anyway, Turpin can tell you a little bit about himself.

1 MR. BALLARD:

I have been with EPA for 11 years. And for the last nine, I have been a Remedial Project Manager. From '89 to '94, I was a Project Manager, EPA Project Manager, for Wright Patterson Air Force Base. I've got experience with federal facilities in the military. And, then, since '94 I have been doing the private side of Superfund that is working on sites that are non-military sites. And I just moved down to Atlanta. And, actually, Ramone may have -- I may have mentioned that he and I had had the same site. He and I had Wright Patterson Air Force Base. After I had it, his mentor was my mentee. So, it was a little bit of a connection. He was like my grandson.

12 MR. PHILLIPS:

Thank you. It is good to have you on board. Turpin did attend our BRAC Cleanup Team meeting today, and it was obvious to me that he had done a lot of research about Memphis. He knew groundwater issues. He knew a lot of the concerns that folks have. And I am sure it is going to be a profitable relationship for the whole board.

19 **OLD BUSINESS**

21 Old Business—It says down here Environmental Assessment. I have some information about that, but I need to cover some other topics real quick. The Memphis Depot Characterization Subgroup—which is a subgroup to the Greater Memphis Environmental Justice Workshop or Work Group rather. We met on August 6th. We met here in this room. Doris Bradshaw, Margaret Curry, Jordan English, Benjamin Moore and myself. Benjamin? There you are. Last month at the RAB I asked if any of the RAB members would be interested in being on this

1 subgroup. And, Benjamin, has anyone contacted you from the
2 RAB?

3 MR. MOORE:

No.

4 MR. PHILLIPS:

5 We still really don't have the membership that we would like on
6 that subgroup. The subgroup's purpose is to examine and explain
7 the way the decisions have been made here at the Depot in the
8 cleanup program, and, basically, how the BRAC Cleanup Team
9 operates. So, hopefully, it is going to be an informative subgroup
10 for the Greater Memphis Environmental Justice Work Group.

11 We have the RAB charter, and we have 20 copies of it here, with
12 the corrections we noted from the last meeting about the
13 unexcused absences, that clarification. We are missing a few
14 signatures. I believe I have, yes, I have a signature page here.
Mondell—I need Mondell, Ms. Willett, Mr. Brayon, Ms.

16 McGlown. We also need Janet Hooks. And I don't think she is
17 here tonight. So if we could circulate this. Is the plan to make
18 copies of the signature page and then distribute it to the members
19 tonight?

20 MS. MOORE:

We can't do it until Ms. Hooks signs it. Then I'll have to mail it
21 out.

22 MR. PHILLIPS:

23 Ms. Hooks—after she signs it, then we can mail it out to the
24 group, okay.

25 **OPEN RAB POSITIONS**

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27 This issue came up over the last month. It was pointed out to us
28 at the BRAC Cleanup Team that most RABs have the Local Reuse
Authority, which, in this case, is the Memphis Redevelopment

1 Corporation, headed up by Jimmy Covington. Most RABs have
2 that agency represented on the RAB. I would like you to think
3 about having the Depot Redevelopment Corporation become a
4 member of the RAB, and maybe we can either bring that motion to
5 the floor next month and invite them to join us. We have asked
6 them. They are interested in sending a member. I don't know --
7 they have a couple of folks here tonight. Mr. Gene Burr and Mr.
8 John -- John, what is your last name?

9 MR. LEWIS: Lewis.

10 MR. PHILLIPS: John Lewis.

11 MR. WILLIAMS: I think it is very important that we have the reuse board as a part
12 of this board here, because so much is going on that we do not
13 even know anything about. And, although we are an
14 environmental board, most of the questions that come to us are
15 about the redevelopment. It is very little about the environment.
16 Well, mostly, when it comes to Dunn Field. But I just think that
17 they need to be a part of our board, and we need to be a part of
18 theirs. And I would like to encourage everyone to think very, very
19 seriously on this.

20 MR. TRUITT: Frankly, I don't think there is anything to think about. I think it is
21 vitally important. So, if I am in order, I so move.

22 MR. PHILLIPS: I have three more, or two more, to talk about in terms of
23 membership. It might be more appropriate if we talk about it after
24 I get through with the next two cards.

25 MS. WILLETT: I was going to voice the same concern. Why do we have to wait
26 until next month to consider it?

27 MR. PHILLIPS: Maybe we can still do it here in a second. I would like to point
28 out that the environmental position is still open, you know, from
29 the environmental group. It has never been filled.

- 1 MR. CLAY: Do you have any applicants for that?
- 2 MR. PHILLIPS: We still have the CCC applicant on file.
- 3 MR. CLAY: Any others?
- 4 MR. PHILLIPS: I believe that is the only one we have.
- 5 MR. WILLIAMS: How long will you hold that --
- 6 MR. CLAY: What is the problem?
- 7 MS. HALL: Can I help to clarify? I think one -- if I could point out a point of
8 interest to the board. You might want to consider what your
9 definition of the environmental group is for this particular
10 question, because it has been difficult in the past for you to find the
11 representative for environmental issues that you would like.
12 Maybe the board needs to look at what is the definition.
- 13 MR. WILLIAMS: Yes. And I urge the board to really look at that, because I think
14 when we are looking for an environmental organization, we are
15 looking for someone who is in the community, who is working
16 hard, who has a vested interest, who has the people and the
17 community at heart. And I can't think of too many organizations
18 that are really being very dedicated to what is going on. I have
19 heard the CCC name come up on several occasions. And,
20 although, at times, I don't think they have been just believing of
21 what the board, the RAB board, has been doing or saying, but, as
22 we know, some of our best advocates are the people who never
23 went along with what was going on. I think I said that once
24 before.
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- 26 I am not saying that everyone will be candid with what is going
27 on, but I think that we need to take a close look at that
28 organization, and, at the same time, to define what we are really
29 looking for in an environmental organization, because basically

1 we are looking for a working organization in the community with
2 vested interest.

3 DR. SPARIOSU:

4 I would kind of like to add and really, secondly, it is up to you to
5 decide what the makeup of the RAB is. When the original RAB
6 was formed, it was kind of up to the Depot to do the best they
7 could to pick the most representative stakeholders from the
8 community they could. Some of them, it is pretty easy, County
9 Commissioner's Office, Memphis/Shelby County Public Health
10 Department. I mean, that is a no-brainer that these people
11 belong.

12 Then you have to go into the community and find out what are
13 the pertinent organizations and do it. Now, you know, whether
14 in a lot of communities there is an active environmental group like
15 Greenpeace, or, in this case, it used to be Center for Peace and
16 Justice from what I hear. They are not quite as active as they
17 used to be. It is really up to the RAB to decide whether that is,
18 you know, whether you really still need to do that, whether you
19 want kind of a community at large member or -- the makeup of
20 the RAB is kind of up to you. You are the people that know the
21 community and how you want to do it. So, I would not say that
22 there is a seat that is reserved for an environmental organization,
23 per se. We want the best representation in the community that
24 we can get.

25 MR. CLAY:

26 I would like to say that you started talking about qualifications
27 and all that. Let's not kid ourselves here. Anybody that is going
28 to get experience on anything has to start somewhere. I don't
29 know of a person in this community that has worked harder and
more diligently than Doris Bradshaw has to bring the Defense

1 Depot to the forefront. Not only does she attend our meetings,
2 she has her own community meetings. A lot of people listen to
3 what she says more than anybody on this board.
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5 I can understand you not particularly agreeing with sometimes
6 how forceful she is when she speaks, but she is not playing
7 around. And mostly what she is saying is based on facts. You
8 might not like what she is saying. You might not agree with it,
9 because you might not understand what she is talking about, but
10 to try and look over this lady who is recognized nationwide now
11 for her efforts, I think we are looking hard to find somebody else.
12

13 You know, you always come across people in life who might not
14 be your first choice or your third choice, but when you find
15 somebody who is fair enough in working, it is wrong in my
16 opinion to deny them access to what they are trying to do. Now,
17 I am going to vote for Ms. Bradshaw whether I am here or in the
18 graveyard. I think we are being short-sighted to just overlook her
19 because you might not like the way she packages her information.
20 You need people who know what they are talking about, number
21 one; secondly, who are not afraid to stand up and speak about it
22 and challenge you to do what you are supposed to do.

23 MR. PHILLIPS:

24 Mr. Clay, it is because of the second issue with the environmental
25 group or the second seat what I was going to speak about that I
26 thought we all might need a month to think about it. So, I would
27 like to bring this up next month. Remember what the first one
28 was. The first one was the LRA. Don't forget that. We need to
think about the Reuse Authority also, and I would like to table

1 that until next month. And you might want to mention to Ms.
2 Bradshaw that she might want to be here next month.

3 MR. CLAY: She was going to be here tonight, but she had another meeting to
4 attend. I don't mean -- I don't care if you don't like me
5 personally, but, please, let's look larger than the people and look
6 at what the issues and the processes are.

7 MR. PHILLIPS: Continuing with old business, there is a list of names and phone
8 numbers from RAB members floating. Is that this list here?

9 MS. HALL: Yes.

10 MR. PHILLIPS: I would like to circulate this in case of any changes. If you have
11 had any changes to your address or your phone number, if you
12 would make the correction on here, we would like to distribute a
13 new list. Before the end of the meeting, if you do have a change
14 to your address or phone, if you could give that list to Ms. Alma
15 Moore. Like I asked, if anyone knows how to get hold of Mr.
16 Goines, we would appreciate that. Ms. Hooks showed up. I
17 would like to do that last presentation. Thank you, Ms. Hooks.

18 MS. HOOKS: Thank you.

19 MR. PHILLIPS: Another thing that came up last month from Mr. Tyler -- I saw
20 Mr. Tyler come in. You asked about Web sites?

21 MR. TYLER: Yes, I got it. Thank you.

22 MR. PHILLIPS: United States Geological Survey [USGS]—They do have a home
23 page on the back of the USGS page on environmental topics, the
24 very last thing I have written down there. I was in their site last
25 night. That is a very informative page. You also asked last
26 month, Mr. Tyler, about the recovery wells over at Dunn Field
27 and if they were going to be adequate. When we looked back
28 through the minutes, we realized I might have not answered your
29 question as directly as you wanted. What our thought process is,

1 we install these first seven wells. They may be adequate to catch
2 the plume and keep the plume from migrating off. They may not
3 be adequate to do that. But we will know better after we run
4 those first seven wells for a period of time, six, seven months, or
5 a year, and we monitor the wells around those seven recovery
6 wells. So, in other words, we are going to find out how the
7 system out there responds to our pumping and if it is enough.
8 And that is the answer.

9 MR. ENGLISH:

Let's clarify that a little further. If it is not adequate, then we will
10 add more wells, whatever is needed, to make it work. And we
11 will keep looking at it that way.

12 MR. TYLER:

May I make a comment. Is it all right to make a comment now?

13 MR. WILLIAMS:

Could we hold public comments to — we have a certain time.

14 MR. PHILLIPS:

15 And I have one more that is in response to what you asked last
16 week. This might answer your other comment. You also asked if
17 there was any lead contamination over at Dunn Field where the
18 pistol range used to be. We don't really know that yet. We have
19 awarded the Remedial Investigation for Dunn Field. That is one
20 of the sites we are going to do sampling at. Hopefully, that will
21 answer that question for us.

22 Just a couple more here, and we will go on to new business. Dr.
23 John Smith from the Memphis Groundwater Institute provided us
24 some hydrogeological information. Alma has those fact sheets up
25 here for you. Also, when I get to my project update, I am going to
26 talk about the chemical warfare materiel [CWM] site investigation,
27 and I am going to talk about the housing removal.
28

I would like to point out that we have fact sheets for both of those two projects up on the table. I wanted to thank Mr. Clay. These fact sheets that we had for the chemical warfare materiel site work that we were doing, or that we are doing, Alma went around the Hays-Mason neighborhood the Saturday before that field work started. She went door-to-door to hand out those fact sheets. She was joined by Mr. Clay. I didn't realize that until she showed me the photographs from their Saturday out there knocking on doors, but Mr. Clay was out there with her in the heat. At least it looks pretty hot. I would like to circulate these photographs around the table in case you are interested. But we are really impressed with the effort put out by Ms. Moore in terms of trying to get information out to the community.

MS. MOORE:

Thank you.

ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT

MR. PHILLIPS:

The thing on the agenda for Old Business—Environmental Assessment. We are successful, and Mr. Bradshaw was successful, in getting the public comment period extended. It was really all his effort. The official 30-day public comment extension, the clock will start on that 30-day public comment extension from the date that that notice goes in the Federal Register. And the Corps of Engineers believes that is going to be either the week of August 24th, next week, or the week after. So, from that date, it will be a 30-day comment extension.

NEW BUSINESS

BCT MEETING UPDATE

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2 Okay, we're on to New Business. This month's BRAC Cleanup
3 Team meeting. Mr. English?

4 MR. ENGLISH: We had a pretty good meeting this morning. First thing I want to
5 do is recognize RAB members. Mr. Garrison attended the meeting
6 with us. I think it was a good meeting, but I would like to get Mr.
7 Garrison to give his comments about the meeting.

8 MR. GARRISON: I am John Garrison. I attended today's BCT meeting, and I feel it is
9 highly informative and very professional, and I encourage every
10 RAB member in the future to volunteer to go. You will find it very
11 informative.

12 MR. ENGLISH: I want to follow right behind that and ask, as the State BCT
13 member, I would like the same thing as well. I would like to see
14 every RAB member to have at least one chance to visualize the
15 BCT in action. We have a few agreements. We have a few
16 disagreements, but we basically work toward the same goals. And
17 I think it is very easy for you to understand when you come in and
18 see our meeting, how we agree and disagree and get to a decision,
19 usually through a logical, scientific process.

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21 Sometimes it doesn't seem quite so logical, how we come to our
22 decision and how things work. The project team, including the
23 consultants, and the Corps of Engineers, are there as well. It is
24 kind of interesting to see how that all works. I encourage
25 everybody to volunteer to be in these BCT meetings and be an at-
26 large member, so to speak, in these meetings.

27 MR. WILLIAMS: Question for you, Mr. Jordan, if you don't mind me asking. During
28 these meetings, when you get someone from the RAB to attend, are
29 they able to give input or ask or suggest or, you know, to make the

1 RAB member feel like he is a part of what is going on instead of
2 just sitting there? I was just wondering.

3 MR. ENGLISH: We have never had a problem with it before. You have been in the
4 meeting before?

5 MR. WILLIAMS: Yes.

6 MR. ENGLISH: I think if the person's question is valid or not, got to the point
7 where they interfered with the progress of our meeting, it might be
8 a problem, but it has never been a problem. And, usually, the RAB
9 member that has always attended, including you and Mr. Garrison
10 and others, their input has been informative, to some extent
11 anecdotal, but still helpful. I have never had a problem with it. I
12 don't think the other BCT members have either. It has worked out
13 quite well.

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15 I kind of feel like if it is not broken, let's don't fix it. So, that is just
16 a formal invitation. If you want to, I think it is interesting. It is a
17 day. It is actually a morning is what it is. It runs from about 8:30
18 a.m. to about 12 noon, and sometimes we run a little longer, but it
19 is interesting. It is the day. It is every third Thursday the day of the
20 RAB meeting, but it is that morning.

21 MR. PHILLIPS: Let me expound upon Mr. English's invitation there. That is a
22 formal invitation to the BCT. We had two people raise their hands,
23 I think, two months ago when I first asked in June—Mr. Truitt and
24 Mr. Garrison. So, come September, do we have anybody who
25 would like to come join us?

26 MR. TRUITT: Can you shorten it to 12:00?

27 MR. ENGLISH: We got done early today.

28 MR. PHILLIPS: Let me make a comment about that. If you have to leave, we
29 understand. We absolutely, totally, understand.

1 DR. SPARIOSU:

We would still like to see you there, even if you can't stay for the whole thing.

3 MR. ENGLISH:

Right. You can get the flavor of it in a couple of hours.

4 MR. PHILLIPS:

Do we have any volunteers?

5 MR. ENGLISH:

If you decide you want to --

6 MR. GARRISON:

I will come next month.

7 MR. ENGLISH:

Anybody that wants to volunteer to keep Mr. Garrison from coming, volunteer and give somebody else a shot at this, but it is pretty interesting. I guess I will step on into the actual, some of the general things we discussed.

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We had the City Reuse people there, and we were explaining to them—I am not necessarily going in order. But we covered these things. We were concerned about some of the things that the occasional worker might encounter as they are doing some of the work on the corridor project and setting the design and everything that is going to be out on the northeast corner. We wanted to make sure that the contamination at the site was not going to be a problem to the people doing that work out there. So, we discussed that there for a while. The City was there while we were doing that. The Reuse Corporation was there and decided that we know what our contamination values are for a lot of the parcels. And we have a general idea how long that work is going to last. So, you take the general information that you developed when you did the Preliminary Risk Assessment or Risk Evaluation, and you plug in your number of days that they are going to be there. It sort of reduces their exposure potential drastically when you go from a full time, on-site worker to a 10-day job or two-week job or whatever.

1 So that is the way we are going to look at that and try to come up
2 with the values for the different parcels, knowing what the
3 contamination level is for each parcel that might be affected.
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5 If we have two parcels adjacent, side by side, like we do on the
6 corridor project, we will take the highest contamination of the
7 parcel that is adjacent, whichever one is the higher value to look at.
8 And then we will look at the duration of the time they are expecting
9 to be out there. We can probably take that toxicity information and
10 develop a range of time that will be allowable for those people to be
11 out there. And, certainly, if there is a problem and the project
12 would run longer, then the solution is to change shifts on your
13 crew, send another crew out there so that the exposure wouldn't be
14 so involved for them. I don't want to get too far into it.
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16 We had a field work update. We talked about the housing, the soil
17 removals. We talked about the soil gas work to be done at Dunn
18 Field. We talked a little bit about the chemical warfare materiel
19 work that is being done up there. No migrations have been
20 observed from the disposal areas where the chemical warfare
21 materiel was disposed of. We did a 15-foot boring at several
22 locations around those pits. We did those very carefully with full
23 gear to make sure they didn't intersect anything. And, then, once
24 they got to that point, they went on deeper and put in groundwater
25 wells to try to determine if the contamination has migrated in the
26 groundwater away from those, and none have been discovered to
27 date. We feel pretty comfortable about that.

1 MR. PHILLIPS:

When I get into my project update, I've got some slides to show you the type of equipment these guys are wearing or were wearing when they did the 15 feet.

4 MR. ENGLISH:

We also had USGS involved. Dann has gotten USGS involved a little more deeply, and I have encouraged that all along, having USGS involved in regard to the groundwater. I don't know if you are aware or not, but Bill Parks and Jack Carmichael have been involved from the Memphis Area Groundwater Service for a long time. In my opinion, they are the experts in groundwater on the area. And I would like to have them involved. I would like to have them involved on an ongoing basis for both our BCT meetings and our field work activities. This is courtesy of EPA. The USGS works for EPA. So, they have been involved, and they were in this meeting today.

16 There is a potential solution for the Dieldrin problem that
17 everybody has been informed about at the facility. I want to say
18 potential, say it very strongly. It is a potential solution to the
19 Dieldrin problem. It appears that Dieldrin can be bioremediated by
20 either bacteria, or some kind of bacterial process. And studies are
21 going on right now that will help to determine whether that is going
22 to be viable. I think, eventually, they intend to do some on-site
23 bioremediation experiments to understand whether that is going to
24 work or not, to what degree that will reduce the toxicity of the
25 contaminant load. And what we are really hoping is, there will
26 probably be some areas where Dieldrin still will be a problem, but it
27 may reduce the overall numbers of the locations where Dieldrin is a
28 problem. But that is just a potential at this point. We are not
29 certain yet. We discussed other member issues.

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2 The LRA had some questions with regard to, as I said earlier, about
3 the activities that are going to occur in the corridor. They wanted
4 to make sure there are no problems with worker exposure.

5 ATSDR, I believe, was briefly discussed with regard to the
6 community working group activities that are coming up that Shawn
7 just described a minute ago. We have, basically, three FOSLs, is it,
8 on tap to be looked at real quickly — 4, 6 and 7.

9 MR. PHILLIPS: I will give that as an update.

10 MR. ENGLISH: Okay. And that is basically it. It doesn't sound like a lot, but it
11 took all morning.

12 MR. WILLIAMS: I would like to ask a couple of questions, not questions, make a
13 couple of — I can't find the word.

14 MR. ENGLISH: Let me interrupt you real quick, I did forget one thing. The RI
15 [Remedial Investigation] work for Dunn Field was also a topic we
16 discussed that comes right behind the chemical warfare materiel
17 work. And Shawn alluded to that when he talked about looking for
18 lead over there at the pistol range.

19 MR. WILLIAMS: Is it possible we can do an update? I would like someone to bring
20 it to the table and let us know about the water monitoring wells. I
21 would like an update on the wells that are out there in the
22 community along the fence line, what has been found in those, and
23 what is going on with them. I would like to know the update on
24 Dunn Field about the removal, and are the communities still up in
25 arms about it. I would like to know about the dirt that is being
26 moved from the housing over there, and how the people over there
27 feel about that, have they been notified, what is going on, you
28 know, directly behind.

1 And I would like an update, if possible, on the number of
2 warehouses that are available for reuse and the ones that were
3 found with chemicals in them. And I would like to know -- these
4 are just some things I would like to know.

5 MR. ENGLISH: There are a number of ways to -- let me say this --

6 MR. WILLIAMS: This hasn't come up in awhile.

7 MR. ENGLISH: Let me say this --

8 MR. WILLIAMS: I want to know about the community now, not what is going on,
9 but how the community feels about what is going on.

10 MR. PHILLIPS: Actually, several of these I can give you a bit on. I think we are
11 going to have to set up some presentations in upcoming RAB
12 meetings.

13 MR. WILLIAMS: But the first one I would like to be done on the water monitoring
14 wells in the community.

15 MR. ENGLISH: Let me say this: One good way to learn what happened in the BCT
16 meeting is to look at the BCT minutes. Those are available. And
17 we usually touch on every one of those issues to some extent in
18 every one of our BCT meetings.

19 MR. WILLIAMS: I would like this to be put in sort of layman's terms for the
20 community, for me, and everyone else that is not environmentally
21 educated. I want to be sure everyone would be able to understand
22 what is going on, because a lot of people say they need an update
23 on just where we stand and what is going on.

24 MR. PHILLIPS: Okay. Let me see. FOSLs, warehouse availability, groundwater
25 wells, housing, notice to neighbors, and the dirt removal, soil
26 removal, groundwater wells, how the groundwater is doing,
27 warehouses, availability. Was it the Dunn Field RI?

- 1 MR. WILLIAMS: Yes, Dunn Field. See, the community has been complaining about
2 Dunn Field and the dust, and they were supposed to have been
3 wetting --
- 4 MR. PHILLIPS: You mean the stockpiles?
- 5 MR. WILLIAMS: Yes.
- 6 MS. MOORE: I think we can answer some of those a little bit now. Kevin, when
7 he was out there with me, that was addressed — Dunn Field.
- 8 MR. WILLIAMS: I wish they could do it in a presentation like, so it could be sort of
9 informative, so if any of the other people in the community wanted
10 handouts on what they are saying, they could take it and look at it.
11 But, however you want to handle it, if it is informative.
- 12 MS. MOORE: I went to the two apartment complexes that are on Airways and
13 passed out fact sheets on the removal of the soil.
- 14 MR. PHILLIPS: I can cover that. We had another member show. Ms. Peters, could
15 you join us up here for a second.
- 16 MS. PETERS: Oh, Lord.
- 17 MR. PHILLIPS: Thank you for your help.
- 18 MS. PETERS: Thank you. Thank you all very much.
- 19 MR. BRAYON: You alluded to the fact that there are some minutes for this
20 meeting.
- 21 MR. PHILLIPS: The BRAC Cleanup Team.
- 22 MR. BRAYON: Yes, I would like to have a copy of the minutes if I can.
- 23 MR. PHILLIPS: What is the feasibility of mailing those to the RAB?
- 24 MS. HALL: Not a problem.
- 25 MR. PHILLIPS: I tell you one thing, let me make a general statement. You know
26 how the minutes to the RAB is now a transcript? You won't find
27 discussions, only conclusions. I tell you, it is a very useful -- the
28 BCT minutes, I find them extremely useful. I use them every week
29 at work.

- 1 MS. COOPER: We had this discussion earlier this week about whether we should
2 start sending out the BCT minutes after the BCT signs them after
3 each meeting. And one of the concerns was, we send you a lot
4 already. Do you want us, as a whole RAB, to include that in your
5 meeting package or your minute package that we already send you?
6 Would you like for us to make them available to you here so you
7 can pick them up because we, it is just like the RAB minutes. They
8 are a month behind. We get the meeting minutes. And then, like
9 today, the BCT signed July's minutes. So July's minutes are
10 available. And they will be going into the Information Repositories.
11 That was a question that Jennifer, Alma and I had talked about last
12 week. What would you all like to do?
- 13 MR. PHILLIPS: Do we need to take a vote, or could I get a yes or no real quick.
14 Who would like to get them? That is roughly half, a little more
15 than half. So, it is worth us doing it. If you are not interested in
16 seeing them, do what you will with them when your package
17 arrives.
- 18 MR. BRAYON: She mentioned the time factor. If the July is available today, then it
19 would save time if we picked up the July at this place, and then
20 August at this place, because we would be just that much further
21 ahead.
- 22 MS. COOPER: However you all would like to receive the information.
- 23 MR. PHILLIPS: We cannot guarantee they will always be ready at the following
24 BCT, because sometimes we don't always agree on how the
25 minutes --
- 26 MR. BRAYON: Today, I want those minutes.
- 27 MS. COOPER: If the minutes aren't available for that evening's RAB meeting, when
28 they do become available, when we work through the issues that

1 may have them hung up, we can send them out or have them
2 available at the next meeting. So, we will get them to you.

3 MR. PHILLIPS: I have some slides up at the front. And, in just a minute, I will be
4 headed your way, Ms. Hooks, for the projector.

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6 **PROJECT/FOSL UPDATE**
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8 MR. PHILLIPS: Let me talk about the FOSLs for a minute, Mondell. Currently, we
9 have five signed FOSLs. The most recent FOSL is FOSL 4.

10 DR. SPARIOSU: What is a FOSL?

11 MR. PHILLIPS: What is a FOSL? I am sorry. It is a Finding of Suitability to Lease.
12 It is a document that we must write, provide it to the city. The city
13 has the master lease for the property, but they are not allowed to
14 sublease out smaller parcels or buildings until there has been a
15 FOSL developed for that building. So, basically, it is a document
16 that must be developed before you can do a sublease. Just hitting
17 on the more recent FOSLs, FOSL number 4 was for this police
18 compound area. That allowed for the police department to move
19 in. And they wouldn't be in there if the FOSL had not been signed
20 and delivered to the Redevelopment Organization. FOSL 4, FOSL
21 5.

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23 FOSL 5 is a grouping of these four of the 20 Typicals, Buildings
24 329, 229, 330 and 230. The next FOSL that is up at the Army now
25 for review, it has already been through EPA, I believe state review.
26 Did you review FOSL 6? Well, if you haven't reviewed it, it is in
27 your in-box, Jordan. But that FOSL covers the corridor project
28 right through here. The city needs that FOSL signed before they
29 can do their corridor upgrade project, which maybe we can provide

1 a fact sheet about that. You guys have a fact sheet on that. We
2 can mail that out with our meeting minutes from this month.

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4 And the last FOSL that is in the works, but is not signed yet, FOSL
5 number 7, it is the remaining of the 20 Typicals, Building 835 and
6 Building 770. And also, it is the housing area, the soils around the
7 housing. The actual buildings themselves are already on a FOSL.
8 But the soils around them weren't. It is kind of hard to lease
9 buildings, residential buildings, to people and tell them they can't
10 walk on the grass. So, we have to provide the soils in the FOSL
11 also. That is the FOSL update.

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13 The groundwater wells presentation—I have a question for Mr.
14 Underberg from CH2M Hill. When is your next round of ground
15 water monitoring?

16 MR. UNDERBERG:

This is Greg Underberg with CH2M Hill. The next round will be in
17 September. We are contracting to put in some additional wells.
18 We have to get those wells installed about the same time we do all
19 the samples. It will be early to mid September.

20 MR. PHILLIPS:

I would request Dorothy Richards from the Corps that maybe,
21 maybe like in the October time frame, we can do a presentation at
22 the RAB over at least the data we have so far with our monitoring
23 program.

24 MS. RICHARDS:

Okay.

25 MR. PHILLIPS:

Because it has been awhile. I think it was last year we did that.
26 The corridor project—the Enviro Newsletter that we mailed out
27 that has Johnnie Mae's picture on the front of it. It has a real quick
28 blurb. You know, I knew I had seen this before. This is a summary
29 of the corridor project in case you are interested in that. And if you

1 guys still don't have that, or if you don't have it any longer, I think
2 we have plenty of copies of this. There are copies up here on the
3 table.

4 MS. HALL: Oh, yes, and more in the back.

5 MR. PHILLIPS: Now, to get on to more current projects. A project update—I am
6 really going to talk about two projects in particular of interest to us.
7 The housing removal, which we took a visit out there last month,
8 had they begun construction last month when we were out there?
9 Had we really seen excavation?

10 MR. GRAY: Yes, a little bit.

11 MS. HALL: Before we start, is it dark enough, can people see those overheads?
12 And, if you can't see, please tell me. I will make it completely dark
13 in here. I want them to be able to see them.

14 MR. PHILLIPS: I thought I would point out a couple of things. The sidewalks
15 around the housing units, we not only removed the top 12 inches, 6
16 or 12 inches, of soil between the housing units, we also removed all
17 the shrubs from right in front of the units inside the sidewalk. And,
18 as part of our contract to have the construction contractor go back
19 in and put new shrubbery in and new bushes, new monkey grass, I
20 think that is what that one plant is called. I like this slide because I
21 wanted to show you what else we have to do here.

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23 Before we back-fill in front of these housing units in with clean soil
24 and plants, new plants in there, we are going to drape plastic over
25 the edges of the buildings and tape it up to the side of the building.
26 There is a small amount of lead-based paint on these stoops in front
27 of the units. And we need to abate that lead-based paint. We don't
28 want to have to re-dig this out. So, we are going to lay plastic
29 down on the ground. There is also a small amount of lead-based

1 paint on these fascia boards and soffits at the end of the housing
2 units. I just wanted to make sure I pointed that out.

3 MR. BRAYON:

Are those units on a concrete base? Do they have basements,
4 secure and not leaking?

5 MR. TRUITT:

Well, they weren't leaking when I left here. Now, I can tell you that
6 any basement, during sustained rains, will show evidence of
7 moisture, also in climate changes. But those basements don't leak.
8 They were used for storage and what have you.

9 MR. PHILLIPS:

One other thing I wanted to point out, we do have storm water
10 control devices, culverts, grates, manholes, that are in the housing
11 area, and we are requiring the contractor to protect those. This
12 was the only shot I found that we had taken where you could see
13 some of this sediment and erosion control features. This is like
14 straw. We call it a pig. It is a round bale of straw that is flexible.
15 You can mold it around the entrance way to culverts or other
16 things.

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18 This black cloth here is called silt fence. It is a permeable, woven,
19 black cloth that lets water through but knocks down a substantial
20 amount of the sediment. And you always -- well, you should
21 always see this used. I don't know about Tennessee highway
22 projects, but you should always see these things used in tandem.
23 That is what I wanted to point out on that slide.

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25 In terms of when are we going to be done at housing, around the
26 units themselves, we are pretty much finished. We are doing a little
27 bit to the north end of this northern most unit closest to where we
28 were last month when we visited the site. We also have a little bit
29 left to do down around the garages, below the units. A question

1 came up: Did the two apartment complexes, were they informed.
2 Alma, are you here?

3 MR. WILLIAMS: Well, she said that they had.

4 MR. PHILLIPS: Colonial Heights, Colonial Village. I don't remember the name of
5 the other unit.

6 MS. HALL: Yes. Alma went around to the two closest apartments that could
7 see that particular work being done and took around this July 24th
8 notice titled "Soil Removal at Depot's Family Housing Area."

9 MR. PHILLIPS: I wanted to go on to the next project also. The chemical warfare
10 site investigation. These slides are quite a bit darker. That is fine.
11 There is no active work going on here. They are cleaning up,
12 getting ready to do a drill. You can tell the drill bit is not in the
13 ground. It is just hanging over the top of the hole. The gentleman
14 is cutting a hole in plastic, so it doesn't twist up around the auger.
15 This is where he is going to place a monitoring well. I just wanted
16 you to get an idea of the preparation work that they did before they
17 ever broke the ground surface.

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19 And they are required, according to the Corps of Engineers Health
20 and Safety Manuals, to have fire suppression and everything close
21 to the site. I assure you, once they started drilling, this lady was
22 not this close to this well without wearing anymore equipment than
23 she has on there. Let me point out the kind of equipment a worker
24 on this site would have been wearing. This gentleman is from
25 Parsons Environmental Corporation. He is in an area called the
26 support zone. We had a couple of tents set up out there for the
27 workers to sit when they were not in the exclusion zone, the hot
28 area. One of our biggest hazards to do this work was doing the
29 work in August in Memphis. We are pretty thankful it wasn't July

1 with the July we had. But I will just point out, the suit he is
2 wearing, it is called Tyvec. Tyvec is a woven material that is
3 impermeated with like a plastic media. It is designed to keep out
4 vapors and other foreign debris. You can tell he has his gloves on,
5 and he has duct tape around his gloves and his boots. That is to
6 keep him from bringing home any soils that might be contaminated
7 and get in his food. I wanted to point out this pack he is carrying.
8 And you can kind of see this on the previous slide. The well driller,
9 you can see an orange pack right behind him there. That pack is
10 called an escape pack. It has five minute --

11 MR. WALTERS:

Five or ten.

12 MR. PHILLIPS:

13 Five or ten-minute air supply in case they were to drill through
14 something that would release gases. Along the perimeter of the
15 site, they had -- the Corps of Engineers gentleman likes to use
16 acronyms. I am not sure I understand what they all are. But they
17 use air monitoring devices that monitor real time.
18 We didn't record any releases during our field work when we were
19 drilling these wells. We had one safety incident, and that happened
20 the very first week. A gentleman came out of the exclusion zone or
21 the hot zone. We had an on-site ambulance firm. And we had
22 emergency medical technicians that took the workers blood
23 pressure, temperature, and some of their vital statistics when they
24 came out of the exclusion zone. I don't think it was this gentleman
25 at this time. If I am wrong, Wilson, correct me. But we had one
26 worker who came out who was running over a hundred degree
27 temperature.

27 MR. WALTERS:

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28 MR. PHILLIPS:

102 degree temperature. He couldn't go back in the area until he
29 stabilized. So, they put him under observation. That was the one

1 safety-type incident we had during this, and that was also the
2 hottest day we had.

3 MS. PETERS: What were you all handling?

4 MR. PHILLIPS: We were drilling soil.

5 MR. ENGLISH: It was from the heat.

6 MS. PETERS: Oh, it was just from the heat, not from what was in the hole.

7 MR. PHILLIPS: It was just heat exhaustion.

8 MR. CLAY: Is that August the 5th—is the date of that incident?

9 MR. PHILLIPS: No. This is just a sample photograph. I don't think we were out
10 there with our camera when the guy had the heat exhaustion
11 problem.

12 MR. CLAY: I had reports on August 13th that the ambulance was on the
13 property.

14 MR. PHILLIPS: The ambulance is on the property all the time. We are paying a
15 significant amount of money to have them there during the entire
16 site investigation.

17 MR. CLAY: So, what day, what time was that incident we're talking about?

18 MR. PHILLIPS: What day was the heat exhaustion?

19 MR. WALTERS: I can't tell you the day. It was about 1:00 in the afternoon.

20 MR. PHILLIPS: It was the first week, the week of August the 2nd.

21 MR. WALTERS: I have to look on my reports. It had to be the 5th or the 6th. The
22 third was Monday—the training course and the preop. So, it had
23 to be the 5th or the 6th.

24 MR. PHILLIPS: That is a project update. Those are our two really active projects
25 right now, the housing removal and the chemical warfare materiel
26 investigation.

27 MR. GRAY: How many wells did you install?

28 MR. PHILLIPS: We are installing six. They are not finished yet. The way this
29 works, the protocols behind the investigation we did here, or we're

1 doing here, are pretty stringent because they are in the vicinity, you
2 know, within 10 or 15 feet of a suspected CWM site. And they
3 have an elaborate air monitoring system set up around the area.
4 And they drill the first 15 feet totally suited up and monitoring the
5 air.

6 The thought is that if material was buried, it is in the top 15 feet.
7 Having that sampling crew out there with the air monitoring
8 devices, the full-time ambulance, this type of field investigation can
9 run upwards, I mean, it is a very expensive thing per day. They do
10 not finish the well then. They did all the six of the wells to 15 feet.
11 Then, they are coming back now. This is what you are doing
12 currently. They are finishing up going to the groundwater and
13 putting the casing in the ground. And I think they have three of
14 them done.

15 MR. WALTERS:

Yes.

16 MR. PHILLIPS:

And you will finish a fourth tomorrow, and, probably, by next
17 Tuesday, they will be done?

18 MR. WALTERS:

Then, they will do groundwater sampling.

19 MR. PHILLIPS:

20 Like, they did real-time soil sampling when they were boring.
21 There was no mustard, lewisite. There was nothing discovered.
22 So, it looks like the preliminary field sample says, while there might
23 be Chemical Agent ID that is buried, there has been no off-site
24 migration. We are looking for that, the report that is going to
25 follow this field work, possibly this winter. It depends on if the lab
26 samples, if there are any problems with doing the lab work. But
27 that is the time frame we're looking at for this. So, most likely, in
28 January, when we come back, that will be one of the topics on our
agenda is bring you up to speed.

1 TAPP PRESENTATION

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3 MR. PHILLIPS:

We are into the next thing. Is that what you were pointing out, Mondell?

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5 MR. WILLIAMS:

Yes.

6 MR. PHILLIPS:

It has been a while since you have seen this gentleman. If you remember, his name is Michael Dobbs. He is with the Defense Distribution Command, and he is in Susquehanna, Pennsylvania. He is going to do a presentation on a grant program that is available to RABs around the country.

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11 MR. DOBBS:

Good evening. I was asked by Shawn to come down and give you all a review on what TAPP is all about. TAPP stands for Technical Assistance for Public Participation in DOD's program. I am going to basically talk, hit on the highlights here. We are going to talk about what it is, the purpose behind it, who it is for, how did it begin, how does it benefit the RAB, and the assistance that is provided in the program, what kind of projects that are eligible for the program.

Pretty lengthy slide, but, basically, it says that in the TAPP, it is a program that can provide the independent assistance in interpreting scientific and engineering issues with regard to the nature of the environmental hazards. The goal of the program is to enhance the public's ability to participate in the decision-making process. Quick glance is, it is going to afford the RAB the opportunity to go out and hire an independent contractor to help you out in your decision-making process here at the Depot.

1 The purpose of the program is to involve the public, demonstrate a
2 commitment, ability to communicate and restore trust. By the way,
3 all these slides, everybody has a copy of them, if you picked them
4 up at the front.

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6 Who is the TAPP for? It is for basically RABs or TRCs, Technical
7 Review Committees, which have demonstrated the need for
8 technical assistance. How did it begin? Basically, back when the
9 Federal Facilities Dialogue Committee met in '93, they came up
10 with an interim report that made a suggestion that federal facilities
11 take a note in establishing grants and things of that nature. They
12 went for comments. Then, in 1996, well, it was in 1995, they
13 revised the National Defense Authorization Act that will allow for
14 this type of a grant process. They proposed the rule in December,
15 and it became final in the fall of '97.

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17 When they rewrote the Act, basically they put in there that a TRC
18 or RAB that demonstrates that Federal Facilities overseeing the
19 restoration do not have the technical expertise necessary for
20 achieving the project's objectives, assistance may be obtained. Or,
21 and I think here is what really applies to the Depot here. If the
22 technical assistance that you need would lead to the efficiency or
23 effectiveness of the installation of the RAB, or is likely to
24 contribute to the community's acceptance of the environmental
25 restoration activities.

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27 The assistance that is going to be provided at this installation, in
28 this case here, will be up in New Cumberland Procurement will be
29 the procurement official. The funding will be coming out of the

1 source of BRAC funds. DOD will manage the actual contract, per
2 se, and I will get into a little detail, then, basically, how you guys
3 get more involved as the RAB. There is a ceiling. There are
4 money limits here. An annual \$25,000 a year with the lifetime limit
5 of \$100,000. This is not like an open checkbook. But, again, if
6 you think there is some type of service that you need to better
7 understand what we are giving to you all, then this is available to
8 you.

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10 The process is the RAB will determine a need, if you would need a
11 type of a program. DOD CO-chair, which is Shawn, will assist.
12 And, then, there is an application that needs to be prepared. Once
13 it is prepared, it will go up to the installation commander. In this
14 case, it is going to Mr. Jeff McCauslin, the deputy commander for
15 New Cumberland who will do the approval. From there, it will go
16 to our contracting in New Cumberland, and they will go ahead and
17 procure the actual contract. Once a contract is awarded, it will go
18 back to the COTR. That is the Contract Officer Technical
19 Representative. That will be Shawn. From there, the contractor
20 will work for you guys and obtain the assistance as you need, and
21 then we will do a close-out report and report up to DOD and up to
22 Congress on the progress.

23
24 Again, the quick overview, is sitting down as the RAB, I don't
25 know how the RAB is going to work here. Some RABs break out
26 into subgroups, subcommittees, to decide if there is a need to go
27 out for a grant. That is up to you. You prepare a request. And,
28 again, what I wanted to demonstrate here, this is a working issue of
29 working together. In other words, it is the RAB, the installation,

1 and the contracting working together to procure a contract that you
2 need. Then, from there, you will receive a report and report on the
3 project.

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5 Like everything else, when we pass things, there are eligible
6 projects and ineligible. These are the type of things that say that the
7 projects are eligible for. If you needed to interpret documentation,
8 technical. If you needed to review a proposed technical action,
9 participate in any type of relative risk, understand health or
10 environmental implications or just training. If there is some training
11 that you all need and you say we can't provide it through the federal
12 government or state or local, you can go out and procure a contract
13 to do that.

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15 These are the projects, similarly, that are ineligible. Political
16 lobbying, underwriting legal actions, or to go back in and
17 regenerate some type of new data, reopening a decision, health
18 studies or community outreach. There are other programs out
19 there for those type of things. Once you all decide everything you
20 need, we go ahead and we prepare the request form. In
21 everybody's package, I think it is toward, I think, the last, is a copy
22 of the form. Once the RAB decides that they need to go out and
23 they want to procure a TAPP, and they want to go out and hire a
24 contractor, the RAB must come to DOD, or Shawn, with some
25 proposed, like, who would they like to hire, or so there are some
26 credentials out there. When they go out to the nominating or
27 providers must have, and that is the key there, the must, they must
28 demonstrate the knowledge, the academic training, and the ability

1 to technically inform the information to the layperson. That is
2 where you guys are going to have to become involved.

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4 If you know somebody like, I think Mr. Jordan said Mr. Parks. If
5 you know you want Mr. Parks to do something for you to help you
6 to understand, and you know Mr. Parks fulfills that, you can
7 request Mr. Parks. They also would like to have a provider that
8 should have experience with working on hazardous waste or
9 hazardous problems, experience in making technical presentations,
10 and, basically, experience working with effective individuals of
11 community groups.

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13 I threw this up here again to go back, because once you go through
14 all of your preparation and what you want, then you come up, it is
15 going to go up to New Cumberland again. Like I said earlier, they
16 will go ahead and make the procurement. They will put the, I
17 would say, contract into place. And then the COTR duties kick in.
18 That will be Shawn. And then, of course, you will start to obtain
19 your assistance. Then, you will follow-up with a close-out report.
20 Completing the project. Once the project is done and the report is
21 final, that report will be made available. That will be in the
22 repositories. At the time of report, at the end of the year, the RAB
23 will say how the progress was, and we will do a close-out final
24 report.

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26 There is an appeals process here. And let me go over several of the
27 things on that, so if you happen to get into an appeal. I am sitting
28 here trying to figure out what would cause an appeal. And it could
29 be several different reasons. One of the things would be, say, for

1 example, that the RAB submitted a TAPP up, and Mr. McCauslin
2 refused it. That may be an example of an appeal. Another appeal
3 would be the way the contract, say, the contractor came in, did his
4 job, the RAB views the contractor did not fulfill the requirements
5 set forth in the contract and the contractor did, that would be a
6 reason for an appeal. Those are just some of the reasons that I can
7 think of, and there are probably others. But Shawn will be the
8 COTR who makes sure that everything complies with the appeal. If
9 you go through an appeals decision, then you always get results at
10 the lowest level possible. They always like one voice, whoever you
11 decide to be representing the appeal. That is basically, in about a
12 hundred words or less, a TAPP program. Thank you very much.
13 MR. PHILLIPS: Let's say the RAB puts in an application and wants to procure a
14 consultant to review a single document, and we have that potential
15 coming up in the next year or year and a half, folks. We have got
16 two remedial investigations, one for Main Installation, and one for
17 Dunn Field. Those are going to be highly technical, very
18 voluminous documents. We might choose to have an AE to review
19 that for us under the TAPP program. You might choose to hire a
20 TAPP.

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22 Let's say what the objective of the RAB is to get that TAPP
23 selected contractor to review the documentation and develop an
24 executive summary report, then, maybe respond to a list of
25 questions from the RAB members. Let's say each RAB member
26 looks at the executive summary, develops two or and you task him
27 to respond to those questions. Let's say he doesn't respond to the
28 liking of some of the RAB members, or he doesn't fulfill some of
29 the things he is tasked to do, who enforces on this, who makes sure

1 he does his job? Is that the contractor officer in New Cumberland,
2 me?

3 MR. DOBBS: Well, once you turn around and you go up and you ask for a
4 statement of work, that should be able to help provide the
5 statement of work. You are going to have to spell exactly what
6 you anticipate.

7 MR. PHILLIPS: Yes, exactly what we are ordering.

8 MR. DOBBS: Right. Now, you, as the COTR, you are to ensure that he gives
9 you that information. If the individual does not, then, of course, it
10 is up to the contracting office in New Cumberland to say that we
11 have a problem here, correct. But it goes back to, like any
12 contract. If you expect the contractor to say I want you to answer
13 20 questions, you need to put in there that the contractor should
14 answer 20 questions. You know what I mean. If you expect him
15 to come to a RAB meeting, say, two or three times, you ought to
16 put that in there, two or three times.

17 MR. PHILLIPS: If you want him to make a summary presentation of a document,
18 that is something we could order?

19 MR. DOBBS: That is right.

20 MR. BRAYON: Do you pay before or after?

21 MR. DOBBS: After.

22 MS. PETERS: Are you saying the RAB members have the power to do that since
23 we don't know a contractor to do that kind of work? Somebody
24 would have to recommend to us the best --

25 MR. PHILLIPS: I bet some people around the table know contractors who could do
26 this for you.

27 MR. WILLIAMS: I have a question for you. If we just use this RAB, for instance.
28 Now, I understand that we get so much money for BRAC for the
29 operation of the RAB, am I right? And we get so much money

1 from the environmental. We got on the top priority environmental
2 list, am I right? So, that is money there coming in.

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4 Where I am going is that, we basically know where little of this is
5 going and how much is spent here or there. What will we do with a
6 TAPP grant that we probably would not know where it will go
7 either, to a certain extent. And we have all the technical people at
8 our disposal with the federal government and state and local
9 government, I am just wondering, would we actually need a TAPP
10 grant?

11 DR. SPARIOSU:

I mean, you may not, if you are happy with the explanations you get
12 from DLA or EPA or the State of Tennessee. It is an opportunity
13 to get someone who is independent of these government
14 organizations just in case you don't trust us. I don't know why that
15 would ever be. But, just in case you wanted somebody who is
16 independent, you have an opportunity to hire someone pretty much
17 of your choosing. The only thing the government ensures is that
18 they have the technical credentials.

19 MR. PHILLIPS:

Let me mention something. It is right now at 7:30. I want to have
20 some public comment period. Let me put this out to the RAB. I
21 believe that an appropriate way to handle this would be, like we did
22 with the charter, maybe establish a subcommittee of two or three
23 people. I will also work with that subcommittee, since I will be
24 involved with this. But maybe develop a list of the types of support
25 that the RAB might need, presentation, answering of questions, a
26 review of documents. You know, I just thought of the three right
27 there.

1 Do we have -- is the idea of a subcommittee to review this -- by the
2 way, I have put into the budget a request for TAPP funding for FY
3 '99. Fiscal year '99 starts on 1 October. So, anywhere from 1
4 October through the following 30 September, if this group decides
5 to do that, we can submit an application. But let's not wait until the
6 end, because it is hard to get it through the system.

7 MR. ENGLISH:

8 I think it is up to the community members of the RAB to determine
9 whether or not they need any TAPP assistance at all. And if you
10 decide you do -- I guess, when you look at it, it is \$25,000 max per
11 year, maximum total of \$100,000. That is not a lot of money. You
12 need to be very certain of where you are going to get the most bang
13 for your money if you think you need some money in this way for
14 this process. If you are happy with everything, I don't think you
15 want to go out there and say we need this because we need to
16 spend that money.

17 If you have a concern, you need to find out the most efficient way
18 to spend that money to answer your questions or your concerns. It
19 is a total effort by the RAB as a whole, and I think to the
20 community members of the RAB, to determine with our assistance
21 if you wish, only if you ask, how you can best spend that money.
22 Would the members of the RAB agree to take a good look at this
23 presentation between now and next month when we bring this up
24 again during old business next month?

25 MR. PHILLIPS:

26 Let me make a suggestion, too. When we start talking about a
27 contractor for \$25,000, I hope the law still says it has to be
28 advertised so nobody goes away with the understanding they are
29 going to bring a recommendation back. I think it has to be
competitive. But, on the other hand, if we start talking about if we

1 apply for the money, we need to determine the terms and conditions
2 of the contract. That is what the RAB members need to bring or
3 what do you want.

4 MR. PHILLIPS: You give me a scope. You give me a scope, and I will dot the i's
5 and cross the t's. You need to figure out what the need is. I think
6 Jordan said that. I think, I believe, that is what you are referring to.
7 It is not a whole lot of money. I will tell you, in the next year we
8 are going to have two highly technical documents come out, one
9 for the Main Installation, and one for Dunn Field. It is your call.

10 MR. BALLARD: I understood Mr. Dobbs to say that if you had someone that you
11 were particularly interested in that you knew of, that you can ask
12 for that person. It is not the usual got to have at least three bids
13 kind of contract.

14 MR. DOBBS: It clips at 25 thousand. You can go sole source with one person, or
15 if you have three, you know, three people, then, of course, it would
16 be nice to have three different bids. But, yes.

17 MR. PHILLIPS: But there are minimums that one offer or would have to meet. He
18 said it. The key word was must. Must have the academic
19 knowledge or whatever. It must --

20 MR. BALLARD: It has got to be --

21 MR. PHILLIPS: It has to be someone who does it for a living and who is recognized
22 as doing it for a living.

23 MR. WILLIAMS: We will open the floor for public comment. I have seen Mr.
24 Bradshaw's hand up. But there is another gentleman who was on
25 this side over here. He wanted to make a comment earlier.

26 MS. BLANKS-MCGLOWN: Before we move to public comment, I just wanted to say that, I
27 just want to take an opportunity, if that is possible, to thank all of
28 the board members that I have had an opportunity to serve with
29 over the last three—three and a half years time period. The

1 complexion of the board has been diverse over that time. We have
2 seen a lot of advancement in this remediation project and in the
3 efforts to reach the community and educate the communities on
4 what is going on.

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6 Although there is a lot of work to be done, I find that right now,
7 because of other commitments, I am going to have to submit my
8 resignation to the board at this point and allow someone else who is
9 very interested -- and there are lots of people who are very
10 interested in contributing to this board -- allow them to sit here and
11 help you in your efforts. So, I apologize that I will have to
12 decrease my involvement, but, certainly, there are lots of well-
13 qualified people who are ready and willing to assist this board in
14 their efforts to manage this project. I just wanted to say that before
15 we move on.

16 MR. WILLIAMS: You will be greatly missed.

17 MR. PHILLIPS: And your efforts were appreciated.

18 MR. WILLIAMS: Can we open the floor now?

19 MR. PHILLIPS: Public comment

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21 **PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD**

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23 MR. TYLER: Stanley Tyler. On that well building over there, there will be
24 possibly six months before we can get any data on water
25 contamination, possible water contamination?

26 MR. PHILLIPS: Are you speaking about the chemical warfare materiel?

27 MR. TYLER: No, the wells, the drilling of the wells.

28 MR. TYLER: Getting the data back.

1 MR. PHILLIPS:

Oh, the recovery wells. Okay, Dann might want to break in to what I am getting ready to say. But I can speak, in general, about the EPA, their approach. They like to look at seasonal variations of the groundwater levels. And I think he probably would prefer four quarters worth of pumping to see how the wells are affected.

6 MR. BALLARD:

What we will be doing is, when the extraction wells are turned on, they will start to catch the plumb. And we will have observation wells, also, which will let us know how effectively that progress is going on. So, we are going to be collecting data over time and can give updates at RAB meetings as that capture of that plumb progresses.

12 MR. TYLER:

Will it be on the Web site, the data? Someone was asking that.

13 DR. SPARIOSU:

Yes, the data will be coming in continuously and will be available before that. I think what he was referring to was it will be six months' data before we decide how many more wells we want to put in and where we want to put them. That is the kind of, you know, we want to run these first seven wells before we make those kinds of decisions, because that is going to tell us where we have to, you know, where the additional wells have to go, if we need them at all, to make sure that the whole, the entire, volume of contaminants is captured.

22 MR. BALLARD:

But we will have a partial effect right from the start, at least a partial effect right from the start.

24 DR. SPARIOSU:

There will be data coming in, and that will be available. It doesn't mean we will wait six months before we know anything.

26 MR. PHILLIPS:

Mr. Tyler, I think at least on three separate occasions I have heard you voice concerns or questions about the groundwater. Have you seen one of our Information Repositories yet?

29 MR. TYLER:

No, I haven't.

1 MR. PHILLIPS:

Okay. There is quite a bit of volume in terms of documentation of the groundwater sampling results. If you can't, we can show you what we have in our Information Repository here. Quite a bit of data though. Be prepared to see reams.

5 MS. BRADSHAW:

My name is Kenneth Bradshaw. I want to make a couple of comments on the groundwater as it relates to the drinking water. A couple of years ago at the DERTF [Defense Environmental Restoration Task Force] meeting where you had all of the generals and all the high-level ranking officials from the Pentagon come to Memphis and was at the Depot and everything, I put forth a comment relating to the groundwater, that there was a connection between the fluvial aquifer and the drinking water aquifer. And, at that meeting, we had some officials from the Light, Gas and Water. We had Dr. Spariosu, Carter Gray and Mr. Jordan English. And I got a bevy of complaints of vicious attacks that stated that I was crazy for thinking that there was any connection between these two aquifers that might permit poison from the Depot to get into the City of Memphis drinking water supply.

Now, I still hear Mr. Parks' name being thrown around as to come in and do some research. I know Dr. Spariosu made a comment at the DERTF that he wanted Dr. Parks to come in, because it was still a little controversy about the groundwater. Now, two years later, I don't know where this happened, but, evidently, somebody on the RAB, EPA, TDEC, done reversed itself and said, now they are saying there might be an interconnection between these aquifers, which I have maintained all along. And, this is very relevant, because a lot of people think Memphis Light, Gas and Water been selling people poisoned water all along because of the

1 Depot situation and everything. And this seemed crazy, and
2 everybody attacked me and everything.
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4 Now, here, Mr. English and them talking about there may be an
5 interconnection. Then, another member of the RAB, which I am
6 not going to call his name and embarrass him, but he wrote a letter
7 to the Defense Depot a couple of years ago, and he asserted the
8 same problems with the groundwater that I have said and
9 everything. And he is a prominent member of the RAB. No one
10 has ever attacked him. And I was astonished to see that this man
11 thought something like I did at that time, which they said I was
12 crazy. I want to know what has happened that everybody has
13 reversed their position and say now there may be an
14 interconnection, because that means, if an interconnection exists,
15 that the poison has been getting in the drinking water all along.

16 MR. ENGLISH:

17 I just want to clarify a little bit. I was invited to the Defense Depot
18 back in 1990 by a guy that worked here, a guy by the name of
19 Danny Chumney. We were not involved with the facility, but he
20 thought that there was a problem here that we needed to see about.
21 I came and listened to a presentation by Law Environmental. Law
22 Environmental had a map in their book that showed a bull's-eye, a
23 potentiometric circle bull's-eye. At that time I was concerned there
24 was a connection. At no time have I ever thought there was not a
25 connection. So, I just want to set the record straight for that, that
26 that is my position, that there is a good possibility that there is a
27 connection. And I will say further, at this point, there is no proof
that any contamination has reached the wells.

28 MR. BRADSHAW:

May I have a follow-up?

29 MR. WILLIAMS:

Go ahead.

1 MR. BRADSHAW:

2 According to Dr. Jeff Kellum, an ATSDR geologist, his research
3 that was based on Dr. William S. Parks, who is a preeminent
4 expert, said there is a hole right up under the Depot where the
5 negative well head pressure will cause poison from that plume of
6 contamination that we said exist that everybody agrees that already
7 exists. He said the negative well head pressure would draw that
8 toxic contamination into our drinking water. And I know we don't
9 have time to debate it. I just wanted to make that comment, that I
10 just wanted to know what has happened since that makes people on
11 the RAB reverse their decision about the drinking water.

12 DR. SPARIOSU:

13 Nothing. We have certainly always been aware of the previous
14 work that Parks and Carmichael have done and wanted to study it.
15 It is just that they had not been involved for a while during the
16 transition from the previous RPM to me. And then I started the
17 ball rolling, and actually got them involved almost a year ago in
18 starting to review some of the groundwater documents that were
19 coming through.

20 Now, this past summer, they have installed some monitors in the
21 wells. Now, what we said at the DERTF meeting is that, it is not
22 that there wasn't a possible connection. We have always been
23 aware of that, like Jordan said. But, what we said was that deep
24 wells on the Depot in the drinking water aquifer have been tested.
25 They show no signs of any contamination. Memphis Light, Gas
26 and Water regularly tests their wells in the Memphis Aquifer where
27 they draw water. There is no contamination from the Depot in
28 those wells.

1 Now, a hydraulic connection can work both ways. It might be
2 drawing water up from the drinking water aquifer into the
3 contaminated water. There is a potential that poison -- that
4 contaminants could go down, but we haven't seen it happen yet.
5 And, it appears -- it is early yet, we are doing the studies now --
6 that under Dunn Field itself where the contamination is, they appear
7 to be separated pretty well, but there may be off to the southeast a
8 little bit, there might be. And we certainly don't want the
9 contamination to get to anywhere where it might get down into the
10 Memphis Sands. To the southwest, I am sorry. So, yes, we are
11 looking very closely at that, and we are very aware of that
12 possibility.

13 MR. PHILLIPS:

I need to recognize another citizen. Ms. Curry, did you have a
14 question or a comment?

15 MS. CURRY:

I am with the Memphis City Schools, Dunn Avenue Advisory
16 Council. And, also, I just got back from Nashville for the children
17 and working together for the Next Generation, and Memphis Light,
18 Gas and Water Division, Neighborhood of Small Grants Program,
19 and the Community Foundation of Greater Memphis. I was born
20 and reared in this area. My name is Margaret Gwen Curry.

21 MR. PHILLIPS:

Thank you, ma'am.

22 DR. SPARIOSU:

Thank you for coming.

23 MR. PHILLIPS:

Mr. DeBack.

24 MR. DEBACK:

I just, with Mr. Tyler's permission, I just want to make sure that we
25 answered his question. One question that I heard him ask was is
26 your information on the Internet? You did not answer that
27 question. And I thought his original question was: "When do you
28 expect to get data from the wells that you are drilling now?"

1 MR. PHILLIPS:

Our data is not on the Internet yet. Alma Moore is looking into an Internet provider here in Memphis. We want to do that. I do not know how far away we are. I won't even tell you three or four months, because I don't know that information, but we are looking at that. We want to do that. I was fairly confused by the question — "when will we have data from the wells?" Now, we have so many wells at Dunn Field. I have recovery wells, which we are going to be pumping water and discharging to the city sewer system. We have monitoring wells. I mean, I thought you were referring to the recovery wells which we are going to be pumping large volumes of water out of and putting into the sewer system. I thought I answered that part of the question.

13 MR. TYLER:

What I am concerned about is drill so many wells and what we hope to find or not to find, so that information can be given out to the community to alleviate anybody's fears or suspicion so we all know what is there and what is not there.

17 MR. PHILLIPS:

Would you like to see something like this, instead of the reams of data that I was referring to, would you like to see a summary?

19 MR. TYLER:

That will be fine. I just want some data, so we can get some suspicions down.

21 MR. PHILLIPS:

Thank you. That is a very good comment, and that is something that we can, hopefully -- I don't know if by the next RAB we will have that information together. But, if that is what the need is, that is what we will strive to provide.

25 MS. PETERS:

Could I say something? I think Alma Moore, Alma Black Moore, our rep, I think she has been doing a very good job getting information out to the community. So, I feel like since she has these cards that people who need information, if they would just call her, she calls people in the community. If I give her names of

1 people that need information, she called those people. She will
2 even go to their house. She will even meet with them. So, you
3 really don't have a problem. If you want some information, I think
4 she is doing a very good job getting it out.

5 MS. MOORE: Thank you, Ms. Peters.

6 MR. PHILLIPS: Do you have cards with you tonight, Alma?

7 MS. MOORE: Yes.

8 MR. WILLIAMS: Okay, Ms. Hooks.

9 MS. HOOKS: I have one comment. I submit it respectfully and request, with the
10 utmost urgency, that we attend to it and do everything in our power
11 to remedy the situation. The people that live over on Hays Street
12 continually call me to complain about the dust from what is going
13 on at Dunn Field. I know that we are supposed to wet it down.
14 They have requested that it be covered up. I will submit that
15 whatever we're doing is not adequate.

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17 And we would, posthaste, need to remedy that situation so that the
18 people that are most directly affected by what is going on over
19 there, do have a level of comfort. And, certainly, it is their right to
20 expect that whatever we are doing over there does not continue to
21 interfere with their daily lives. And that is what it is doing. And I
22 would appreciate, not before -- not at the next meeting, but within a
23 week, that someone provide me with information that we have put
24 something in place to resolve that.

25 MR. WILLIAMS: Ms. Hooks, I had brought that question up myself. And I hope that
26 it will be taken care of too, as soon as possible, because that was
27 one of my main questions that I brought up. But, anyway, I would
28 just like to say, if anyone else has any other comments, we are
29 about to adjourn.

1 MR. CLAY:

I have about two minutes. Ms. Hooks is right on target. One of the things that Ms. Moore and I heard continuously over and over again is the lack of, for lack of a better word, is the lack of concern for the community and their concerns. Cutting grass, keeping the weeds trimmed, I think that should be performed on an ongoing basis.

8 You have got people walking around the Defense Depot, people standing at the bus stop. They can't even stand at the bus stop because the grass is not mowed on a timely basis. You have got children here walking, for 25 years I know, on that north end of Dunn Field. No sidewalk. The water is obviously terribly contaminated. The more I think about it, the worse I think the water is. And, you know, to do nothing is wrong.

16 I think we need sidewalks along Hays Road and Person under the viaduct going toward Kyle Street. The housekeeping needs to be greatly enhanced. And these are things that probably should already -- we are paying somebody to do it. They are not doing their job. This is not Kevin talking. These are members of the community. You check with anybody up and down Hays Road, Person, you point to me and they will tell you my name. They know who I am. And I am telling you, I know what I am talking about.

25 MR. PHILLIPS:

We have heard the same concern from Ms. Moore when she got back after that Saturday when she canvassed the neighborhood.

27 MR. CLAY:

How many times must we ask, Ms. Hooks, myself, Ms. Black, voice their concerns before something gets done?

1 MS. HOOKS:

That is the very reason why we requested a response within a week. I don't want to continue to have to come to the meeting and let's discuss this. I think that something needs to be put in place within a week. It should not take that much to be considerate of the community that has had to suffer as a result of problems that were not created by the community.

7 MR. WILLIAMS:

Gene?

8 MR. BURR:

I just wanted to comment in response to Kevin's question about Hays Street, and I think it is positive. And I think members of the community will feel good about it, but not too much has been said about it.

13 One of the property transfers, what we call public property
14 transfers, that is being made as part of the closure of the Depot, is
15 that we are, through the Federal Highway Administration, making
16 arrangements for 75 feet along the east edge of Dunn Field be
17 transferred to the City for the improvement of Hays Street. One
18 reason for that is to avoid the conflict with five or six houses that
19 are part of the neighborhood that would have been affected by a
20 street improvement that had been planned a couple of years ago.
21 So, that property transfer is in process.

23 How soon that improvement will be made, I don't know. But I
24 know that they do plan, not only to widen the road, but to add
25 sidewalks. I think, in a way, we are contributing to solving a
26 problem that exists that you have obviously --

27 MR. CLAY:

Are you talking about the entire length of Hays Road, from Persons to Dunn?

29 MR. BURR:

All the way from Person to Dunn, yes, sir.

1 MR. CLAY:

Well, what about Person to the viaduct? It is a much smaller section that should be included.

3 MR. BURR:

This was just something that we could do to contribute to the solution of the problem.

5 MR. CLAY:

Thank you. If you could include the section from Person to the viaduct. And we will have made substantial progress, at least, in addressing some of the community's concerns.

8 MS. HOOKS:

I would like to respond. About five or six months ago -- this has been in the budget for two years to improve Hays Street, which would have been a city project. About five or six months ago, John Conroy, who is the city engineer, myself, and one of the other planners, went out, stood there, because I was jumping up and down about why this had not been done. Logistically, it could not be done on the east side of the property. So, that leaves the west side where Dunn Field is.

If we are talking about transferring some property to the city for the purpose of improving that street and doing some sidewalks, I would tell you that the deputy director stood there and told me that, when I asked him, why don't we then take five to eight feet over here on Dunn Field so that we can widen this street and do the sidewalks, and his response to me was, because it is contaminated and the city will not touch it. I said, well, John, that is not what we're being told over at the Depot. And his reply was, well, the city will not disturb it until that point in time that it has a clean bill of health. any improvement over there, it is news to me. It cannot be done any time soon, because I know that it is not going to have a clean bill of health any time soon.

1 And I do not want that kind of information leaking out into the
2 community when I have to go into that community and explain to
3 them why things that they are requesting do not get done. So, we
4 can talk about two years down the road what we're going to do. I
5 am asking that something be done in one week's time. And, so far,
6 all I am hearing is what we might be able to do down the road. I
7 have not yet, in response to what I have requested, heard somebody
8 say that we are going to look into this problem immediately and
9 resolve it. And that is what I am needing to hear tonight.

10 MR. PHILLIPS: Let me respond to that right now. Before next Thursday, the
11 eastern portion of Dunn Field inside and outside of the fence will be
12 mowed, will it not, Pam?

13 MS. GOWDY: Yes.

14 MR. PHILLIPS: That is Thursday, the 27th.

15 MS. HOOKS: That is part of it.

16 MR. PHILLIPS: If you come over here on Thursday, the 27th, and it is not mowed,
17 come see me. We will walk down the hall. We will talk to the
18 gentleman that is responsible for it. The second issue about the
19 dust. We get the phone calls that you get. And every time that
20 contractor removes fluorspar or bauxite, I have, if not one, two
21 employees after them four or five or six times a day to water the
22 road. We still have to beat that contractor up to do that.

23 MS. HOOKS: Then I would suggest that we get a new contractor.

24 MR. PHILLIPS: He doesn't work for me.

25 MR. CLAY: Fire him, whoever he works for.

26 MS. PETERS: You can't fire nobody that don't work for you. Somebody else who
27 hired them have to fire them.

28 MR. PHILLIPS: That is the situation where the U.S. Government has sold those
29 stock piles of ore material to a private purchaser. The remaining

1 purchaser, I don't even remember the name of that buyer. But the
2 contractor works for him. And we have threatened to lock the gate
3 and not let him onto the base.

4 MS. HOOKS: Well, let's not threaten anymore. Let's lock the gate.

5 MR. PHILLIPS: Every time we make threats like that, all of a sudden his
6 performance is good for a week or two.

7 MS. HOOKS: Let's lock the gate, Shawn, because that community deserves --

8 MR. PHILLIPS: I heard it here. By the way, Ms. Hooks, I appreciate the comments.
9 Thank you.

10 MR. WILLIAMS: Yes, sir.

11 MR. BLACK: My name is Elroy Black, and I live in that neighborhood, and I have
12 been over there 40 something years. From Dunn Field, they are
13 moving some of that dirt or whatever it is, start off early in the
14 morning. They come right out Perry to Ball, and those trucks go
15 along and dust falls off them. And when you get up in the morning,
16 you can't hardly get a good breath when
17 you walk out. That is daily. We have been going through this since
18 they built that place over there. Shortly after that, we have been
19 having problems, and we still have them.

20 MR. PHILLIPS: Thank you.

21 MR. DEBACK: Are those trucks covered when they leave?

22 MR. PHILLIPS: I have seen those trucks covered. I can't tell you every truckload is
23 covered.

24 MR. DEBACK: We will get back with you, Ms. Hooks.

25 MS. HOOKS: I appreciate it.

26 MR. WILLIAMS: If there are no comments, we will adjourn the meeting. I appreciate
27 everyone coming out, and I hope to see everyone at the September
28 meeting, 6:00, the third Thursday.

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(Whereupon, at 8:00 p.m., the meeting was
adjourned.)

Next Meeting: Thursday, September 17, 1998
The Depot, Commander's Conference Room
2163 Airways Boulevard, Memphis

Attendance List

Restoration Advisory Board Members

Mr. Shawn Phillips	Facility Co-Chair
Mr. Mondell Williams	Community Co-Chair
Mr. Dave Bond	Citizen Representative
Mr. Jordan English	Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation (TDEC)
Mr. John Garrison	Citizen Representative
Mrs. Willie Mae Willett	Citizen Representative
Mr. Kevin Clay	Citizen Representative
Ms. Karen Blanks-McGlown	Citizen Representative
Mr. Carter Gray	Memphis/Shelby County Health Department
Ms. Johnnie Mae Peters	Citizen Representative
Mr. Eugene Brayon	Citizen Representative
Dr. Dann Spariosu	Environmental Protection

Mr. Turpin Ballard	Agency (EPA) Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)
Ms. Janet Hooks	Memphis City Council
Mr. Ulysses Truitt	Citizen Representative
Mr. James Webb	Memphis Light, Gas & Water (MLG&W)
Dr. Cleo Kirk	Shelby County Commissioner

Others in Attendance

Mr. Robert E. Jones	Citizen
Ms. Alma Black Moore	Frontline
Ms. Jennifer Hall	Frontline
Ms. Denise Cooper	Memphis Depot Caretaker
Mr. Robert E. Jones	Citizen
Mr. Kenneth Bradshaw	Citizen
Mr. Michael A. Dobbs	Defense Logistics Agency
Ms. Sherrye Wheeler	Memphis/Shelby County Health Department
Mr. Franklin Dmitreyezs	Citizen
Mr. Benjamin Moore	Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry (ATSDR)
Mr. Greg Underberg	CH2M Hill
Mr. Paul E. Lewis	AFGE Local 2501
Mr. Herman Williams	Citizen
Mr. John DeBack	Base Transition Office
Mr. Dedrick Brittenum	Citizen
Ms. Pam Gowdy	Memphis Depot Caretaker

Mr. Stanley Tyler	Citizen
Mr. John R. Lewis	Depot Development Corporation
Mr. John Burr	Depot Development Corporation
Ms. Dorothy Richards	U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
Mr. Wilson Walters	U. S. Army Corps of Engineers
Mr. Willie & Mrs. Lucy Whitney	Citizen
 Katrina Hamm	 Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)
 Everett Humphreys	 Memphis Depot Caretaker
 Kurt Braun	 U. S. Army Corps of Enngineers
 Ms. Margaret Curry	 Citizen
 Mr. Elroy Black	 Citizen
 Mr. Russell Ray Anderson	 Citizen

Defense Logistics Agency
Memphis Depot Caretaker

Restoration Advisory Board Agenda

Thursday, August 20, 1998
6:00 p.m.

MDC Conference Room
2163 Airways Boulevard
Memphis, Tennessee

Welcome and Introduction	5 min.	Mr. Mondell Williams Community Co-Chair
Presentation	10 min.	Mr. Shawn Phillips Facility Co-Chair Dr. Dann Spariosu, EPA Mr. Jordan English, TDEC
Old Business		
Environmental Assessment - Public Comment	5 min.	Mr. Shawn Phillips
New Business		
BCT Meeting Update	5 min.	Mr. Jordan English, TDEC
Project/FOSL Update	15 min.	Mr. Shawn Phillips
TAPP Presentation	15 min.	Mr. Mike Dobbs, DDC
Public Comment Period	10 min.	Mr. Mondell Williams
Meeting Adjourned		

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