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MEETING MINUTES Restoration Advisory Board May 17, 2000 2163 Airways Boulevard "J" Street Café, Building 274 The Memphis Depot Business Park Memphis, TN

The Restoration Advisory Board (RAB) meeting was held at 6:00 p.m. on May 18, 2000 at the Memphis Depot Business Park in the "J" Stret Cafe, Building 274, 2163 Airways Boulevard. The attendance list is attached.

WELCOME AND INTRODUCTION

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1	MR. PHILLIPS.	Welcome and good evening This is our May 2000 Restoration Advisory
2		Board meeting It marks almost a change of command type of meeting for
3		us This is the first meeting for our new RAB Community Co-chair,
4		Kevin Clay We have business from our last meeting, but before we get to
5		that, we have the agenda for tonight Unfortunately, due to some
6		circumstances that you were made aware of in a letter dated May 18th,
7		which is today, we don't have our RAB meeting minutes in front of us
8		from April. We don't have anything to second and approve. So we will
9		go right to the May agenda
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11	REVIEW AND A	PPROVE MAY AGENDA
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13	MR. CLAY:	I would like a motion from the floor to approve the agenda for tonight's
14		meeting.
15	MR TRUITT:	So moved.
16	MR. TYLER:	Second.

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1	MR CLAY	With the motion and second for the agenda for tonight's meeting to
2		approve, all in favor say "aye."
3	THE BOARD.	Aye.
4	MR CLAY	Any opposed? (Brief pause.)
5	MR. CLAY:	None opposed
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7	OLD BUSINESS - 1	TAPP PRESENTATION
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9	MR PHILLIPS:	Thank you, Kevin. On Old Business. The very first thing on my notes
10		today for Old Business deals with our TAPP contractor. As some of you
11		might know, there's something that's not on the agenda tonight that you
12		expected. That was a TAPP presentation on the Main Installation
13		groundwater. I contacted the gentleman from Environmental Realty,
14		Incorporated back in March-February, or March I believe, and gave him
15		that Main Installation Remedial Investigation Report to review to provide
16		the RAB a report And I had a hard time keeping in contact with him. I
17		haven't been able to touch base. So I finally referred it to my contracting
18		officer to figure out what was going on with this particular contractor, and
19		they found out last week Environmental Realty, Incorporated went
20		bankrupt. So right now we don't have a TAPP contractor
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22		The contracting officer I spoke to earlier this week and what she is
23		planning on doing is the RAB TAPP subcommittee rated four different
24		TAPP contractors and there was somebody who was a close second.
25		She's planning on contacting that contractor so we can do something
26		quickly. Documents need to be reviewed this summer because we have a
27		public comment period coming up during the middle of the summer, and
28		the RAB needs a technical presentation on that document fairly quickly.
29		So she's going to go to the next vendor down the line who was also pretty
30		well received by the TAPP subcommittee that sets those presentations
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1		Other than that, there's not much I can say I will tell you that I gave the
2		former contractor a copy of our Remedial Investigation, and I'm going to
3		try to get that back from him because that is a very expensive document.
4		And I need another copy of it to hand off to whomever we get next as
5		TAPP contractor. I don't recall the name of that next contractor on the list.
6		Does anybody from the subcommittee remember?
7	MS. YOUNG:	No, I don't remember.
8	MR. PHILLIPS:	Okay, I will have to go back and look at the notes. So no TAPP
9		presentation tonight. Mr Tyler?
10	MR. TYLER	Being chairman of that subcommittee Stanley Tyler I apologize for
11		any inconsistencies that we didn't see in this company filing bankruptcy
12		But the next company on the list I will openly proceed to give them a
13		contract. And I hope you will fax me any pertinent information so that I
14		can just go ahead and move on this so we can go ahead and approve this
15		and get it done.
16	MR. PHILLIPS.	Okay, will do If the contracting officer would have let me mention the
17		second person tonight, I would have But she wanted to review what the
18		TAPP subcommittee sent forward I wish I could recall the name of the
19		contractor at this time
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21	DEPARTMENT OF	F DEFENSE GUIDANCE ON BCT MEETINGS
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23	MR PHILLIPS	Okay the Department of Defense guidance regarding BCT meetings
24		This is something Mr Tyler asked about a couple of months ago Mr.
25		Tyler, I put a letter in front of you from DLA to me regarding whether the
26		BCT (Base Realignment and Closure Cleanup Team) meeting is a public
27		meeting. I have additional copies of that letter in case anyone else is
28		interested in it. Are the RAB members interested in this?
29	MR. CLAY:	Is it a public meeting?

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1	MR PHILLIPS.	No, it's not If there are any comments on that, you could bring it up
2		during the RAB comment period That will give you a chance to look at
3		the letter I received.
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5		Last month, or the month before, Mr. Brayon asked for a copy of the
6		Action Memorandum for the paint shop There was a paint shop and
7		chemical warfare materiel removal Action Memorandum that we placed in
8		the libraries. We mailed copies of those two documents to all the RAB
9		members. Did everyone receive those okay? They are the Action
10		Memorandum for the Chemical Warfare Removal and the Action
11		Memorandum for Parcels 28 and 35.
12	MR. CLAY	Twenty-eight?
13	MR PHILLIPS:	Twenty-eight, thirty-five That's the paint shop area alternatives in the
14		documents Mr Tyler, you had a question?
15	MR TYLER	Yes, sir Stanley Tyler I read what you gave me about the BCT meeting
16		It says it's not a public meeting. But it does not say that you cannot invite
17		more than one person from the RAB That's what I was asking Courtesy
18		invitation it doesn't say you cannot do that.
19	MR PHILLIPS.	Well, it's been the BRAC Cleanup Team's decision to invite a member
20		from the RAB to each month's BCT. And what was asked was for a
21		second person, who is actually not even on the RAB to attend The feeling
22		was and this is our decision that would pose a disruptive presence in
23		the BRAC Cleanup Team meeting. Just the same as if a RAB member
24		was to ask to come if they had their children with them that particular day.
25		Go ahead
26	MR. TYLER.	Regardless of children, anybody can bring a child. Any parent nowadays
27		who is subject to childcare sometimes is forced to bring a child to work or
28		a meeting. My question was where is it in stone that you can't have a
29		second RAB board member? Is it a policy decision that the BCT made
30		that you three got together and said we only want one RAB member, not
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1		two? And that's the only clarification I need. Is that just a policy decision
2		made by BCT? If it's in writing, that's fine. But if it's part of a decision
-3		you guys made, that's fine with me
4	MR. PHILLIPS.	In the RAB charter it says "a RAB member." But the BCT meeting is not
7 5	MIN, I IIILLII S.	a public meeting. That's actually a question that came up last year with
6		respect to a Tennessee Sunshine Law. It was Tennessee's interpretation
7		that the BRAC Cleanup Team meeting was not a public meeting as well.
8		Thank you. Ms. Bradshaw, we are in the Old Business portion of the
9		agenda
10	MS. BRADSHAW.	I don't know if the minutes reflect this, but in the beginning when you
11		started letting RAB members come in, there were two. This was before
12		you. So frankly, go back and look at those minutes because they allowed
13		two RAB members to come in
14	MR PHILLIPS:	Thank you, Ms Bradshaw.
15	MS BRADSHAW.	They gave us the opportunity to have two
16	MR CLAY:	Are the members of the BCT present today at this meeting? All present?
17	MR PHILLIPS.	Yes, sir.
18	MR. CLAY:	I was just going to ask them if there was a possibility that two people
19		could attend I'm sorry. Kevin Clay. I was posing a question to the BRAC
20		BCT members if it was possible that they would consider adding a second
21		person, or allowing a second person to attend the meeting? I didn't want
22		an answer now. I mean, maybe they can discuss it and get a staff member
23		to come in after they discuss it
24	MR PHILLIPS:	The reason we afforded that opportunity for a RAB member to come to
25		observe the BRAC Cleanup Team was to not operate in silence; to let the
26		RAB afford the RAB to see how the BRAC Cleanup Team worked; to
27		see how it was they valued work level roles relative to these type of
28		meetings. Unfortunately, since we implemented that informal procedure
29		of inviting a RAB member, it seems like month in, month out it's Mr.
30		Tyler. And I've got to tell you, Mr. Tyler probably knows better than
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1		anybody how we	e operate.	Unfortunat	tely, that's not really w	vhat we
2		envisioned We	thought di	fferent peo	ple and perspectives f	from the RAB
3		would come and	see how v	ve operate	We already provide -	when we
4		mail out the RA	B meeting	minutes	when we have those,	BRAC
5		Cleanup Team n	neeting min	nutes. So e	everything that comes	to a decision in
6		the BRAC Clear	up Team r	meeting ge	ts mailed out to the R.	AB members,
7		as well as puttin	g those BR	AC Clean	ip Team meeting min	utes in the
8		repositories. Th	ey are part	of the pub	lic record. As far as r	ny feeling, I
9		think that's adeq	uate in terr	ns of being	open and forthcomin	g. But to not
10		lose the flavor o	f this being	, working -	- a working level mee	ting what do
11		the other BCT m	nembers thi	ink ⁹		
12	MR BALLARD:	Turpin Ballard, I	EPA (Envi	ronmental	Protection Agency).	I have to agree
13		with Shawn. We	e get into a	lot of tech	nical subjects at the B	CT meetings.
14		And it's hard sor	netimes to	stop stop	p the flow if you will -	to answer
15		questions to brin	ig someone	e up to spec	ed. Now, you know, v	ve do it We
16		do it because we	do want to	o be able to	have the attending R	AB member
17		understand what	we're talk	ing about	But, you know, if you	ı have two
18		people that are q	uestioning	different t	hings, or need to have	clarification
19		on different thin	gs, you kno	ow, we dor	't get the work done t	hat we need to
20		get done So that	at's my take	e on it		
21	MR. PHILLIPS	Do you want to	add anythir	ng?		
22	MR. MORRISON.	Jim Morrison I	just have t	o agree wi	th both of the other Bl	RAC members.
23		From my perspe	ctive, it is	a very tech	nical meeting. I knov	v well this
24		past week we've	been meet	ing for thre	e days to get things in	oned out. And
25		it was helpful	it was very	v helpful	to have the input back	and forth
26		There's a lot of l	brainstormi	ing going c	on. And when you're l	naving
27		questions and	very valid	questions -	when a person does	not understand
28		and asks what's l	happening,	it makes u	s have to stop, think a	bout why
29		we're saying what	at we're say	ying, and g	et back out of that mo	de and then
30		jump back into i	t. So I will	l confer wi	th my other two BRA	C members.
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1	MR PHILLIPS	Mr Tyler?
2	MR. TYLER:	Stanley Tyler. What I'm getting at is if this a procedural thing? In other
3		words, you feel like two RAB members would impede the progress of the
4		meeting, regardless of the information that you have to dispense to the
5		members who are present? Because that's what I'm hearing.
6	MR. PHILLIPS	We dispense the progress of the BRAC Cleanup Team through the
7		distribution of the BRAC Cleanup Team meeting minutes. The purpose of
8		having attendees is just to observe the process. So we feel that the
9		information is getting out if folks will read the minutes, and I believe most
10		of the RAB members do read those minutes. So there is nothing ventured
11		beyond opening up that meeting We believe it would be a hindrance to
12		the meeting. So, yes. Sir?
13	MR TYLER:	Well, since you've got the voice and the vote, it looks like it's a moot
14		issue However, I must protest the fact that people can come to a meeting
15		and observe things that sometimes you can't read in a document
16		Interpretation is in the eyes of the beholder whether or not something is
17		too technical or not And if there are two people there, maybe one person
18		can explain it to the other person they brought. Though I know you have
19		important work to do, this community is concerned. And if somebody is
20		concerned enough to volunteer their time and energy to come just to sit in
21		and to observe your meeting, I don't see how that would impede progress
22		any my opinion. Stanley Tyler. Thank you.
23	MR PHILLIPS	Thank you, Mr. Tyler. Kevin?
24	MR CLAY:	I wanted to know if there is some way that the RAB members could
25		address the meeting minutes on the BRAC either by written questions to
26		these guys for clarification, or if that's just not a reasonable alternative
27	MR. PHILLIPS:	If any RAB member has a question of anybody, either from me and DLA,
28		or from the other two members of the BRAC Cleanup Team, you can
29		always ask us that question in writing or here at the RAB meeting. That's
30		always open. Sure.
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1	MR MORRISON	Jim Morrison, TDEC (Tennessee Department of Environment and
2		Conservation) I understand your concern, Mr Tyler Procedurally what
3		you were just asking about, if someone needs clarification, this is what the
4		RAB is for If you're not understanding something that we're talking about
5		and you do need clarification, the RAB is the forum for that. The BCT is
6		essentially like Shawn said, a working level, a technical meeting in that
7		when RAB members come in to observe and you do have questions, that's
8		fine. But if you say well, why not two, why not three, why not four or
9		five, it gets to a point where what is enough. And actually what is the
10		intent of that BCT meeting? So and again, the RAB is for what your
11		needs are
12	MR. PHILLIPS	Are you finished, Mr. Tyler?
13	MR TYLER	I have another question
14	MR. PHILLIPS	Ms. Bradshaw has a question.
15	MS BRADSHAW.	The person over here, what's your name again?
16	MR MORRISON	My name is Jim Morrison.
17	MS BRADSHAW	Jim, for your information, I don't know if Shawn shared with you what has
18		been going on with some RABs throughout the country But it seems like
19		the East Coast RABs is more progressive than this Southern RAB because
20		they let the people in They let whoever wants to come in, especially one
21		that dealt with many secrets See, if there are no secrets, then it shouldn't
22		be a closed meeting anyway Which is which I feel like that you have
23		already broke the Sunshine Law.
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25		And at the next meeting I hope that you can ask the Speaker Pro Tempore
26		to come in. Because I want her to get these minutes because I think that
27		what even though this is the federal government, I know there was
28		secrecy. I know that there was a signing of the Federal Facilities
29		Agreement with the state, EPA and DLA. I understand that. But I don't
30		see why you all feel as though that the BRAC should be totally closed I
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1		understand how the president set it up I understand that. But it seems as
2		though that it seems like these Southern people have a tendency to push
3		things a little bit too far. And I don't see no reason for it whatsoever. So
4		I'm going to ask the Speaker Pro Tempore if there is some type of
5		legislation about the Sunshine Law and how it would be enforced on
6		federal facilities. I don't know if there is any or not because, you know,
7		this is her district. I'll ask her to see if she can be here at the next meeting
8		And Shawn if you could, please make sure that she gets a set of the
9		minutes at the next meeting.
10	MR PHILLIPS	Could you run the name by me one more time?
11	MS. BRADSHAW:	The Speaker Pro Tempore is Lois DeBerry
12	MR. MORRISON:	Jim Morrison, TDEC. The BCT meeting is not a closed meeting.
13	MS BRADSHAW.	Yes, it is.
14	MR MORRISON	If it has one RAB member present, that is not a closed meeting.
15	MS. BRADSHAW.	Yes, it is. It's closed.
16	MR PHILLIPS	Mr Tyler has one more question.
17	MR TYLER.	On this BCT meeting situation, I understand you have business to conduct
18		And it's been my pleasure sitting in on your meetings I've been blessed
19		and cursed to understand some of what's been going on I've been cursed
20		to get on the Internet to verify what you guys are doing, or trying to do
21		However, it seems to me that we've got what, 400 U.S. Representatives,
22		and we've got two from D.C. who can come down, talk and do everything
23		So I don't know why we can't have two RAB members on this committee.
24		Seems like y'all could get it done with people who can be there and not
25		vote. I don't know why we can't have two committee two community
26		people there who can't vote to just sit around and watch. I don't think
27		we're going to impede your progress. At least I try not to impede your
28		progress. And if y'all are trying to say that I have impeded, please be
29		blunt and tell me.

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1MR MORRISONNo, that's not -- you've been a very beneficial part of our meetings. Jim2MorrisonThat was not what we were eluding that at all. I've enjoyed3you being there

- MR. PHILLIPS 4 Well again, when we get to the BCT Update tonight, we're going to ask if someone would like to attend the next BCT meeting. As we've discussed 5 6 today, I believe we might have a one-month break in the BRAC Cleanup Team meeting in June. But whenever, we'll ask for a volunteer for the 7 next meeting, which looks like it might be in July. But hopefully Mr. 8 9 Tyler, if you do not feel like attending, hopefully someone else will step 10 forward and attend But I think we need to move onto the next order of business. 11
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I'm in agreement

14 AGENDA TOPICS

MR. TYLER

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MR PHILLIPS 16 Agenda topics. As always, we welcome topics from the RAB members for 17 the agenda. As we said last month, we're going to have a busy summer in 18 terms of documents coming out, and there is a public commend period 19 scheduled for later this summer We plan to have some technical 20 presentations on the Remedial Investigation (RI) for the Main Installation 21 over the next couple of months It's not something we can do in one month. So it's probably going to take two, possibly three. We also want 22 23 to continue providing updates on the chemical warfare materiel, as well as 24 the removal action out at Parcels 35 and 28 - the old paint shop and 25 maintenance area. 26

27I've got a pretty good story to tell, an item of good news. Last month Mr.28Truitt brought back some information over a potential local Information29Repository location, and it was discouraging information. Since last30month, Mr. Truitt brought me some information from a -- I'll call it a

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campus, a school campus. It's really hard to describe what it is It's a job 1 training center that's right down here off Alcy Road. I went down to speak 2 with the lady who runs that, Gayle Rayford, and I spent about an hour in 3 there talking with her, and she's willing to donate some space for a 4 repository. I have the shelving. She has limited hours of operation. She's 5 open during business hours I forgot to ask her if there were any 6 weekends or if there were nighttime hours, but she told me she was there 7 until at least five o'clock every day. It's right off of Alcy. It's pretty close 8 to where Alcy comes off of Ketchum and Ball there So it's just right here 9 in the community. She's got enough space for what I need, and I plan on 10 moving our branch next week -- our Information Repository branch from 11 the Main Library to this location There's a second reason why that's good 12 news. The main branch is going to be moving to the new branch they are 13 14 building over on Poplar sometime over the next year So it's just better, in a better location for the residents in this community 15 16 Again, I would like to invite everybody to visit our other Information 17 Repositories. the one on Cherokee -- rather the Cherokee branch on 18 Sharpe; the one that Carter Gray houses down at the Memphis/Shelby 19

Repositories. the one on Cherokee -- rather the Cherokee branch on Sharpe; the one that Carter Gray houses down at the Memphis/Shelby County Health Department; plus the one that we have in our building --Building 144 here at the Depot If you want to visit the one here at the Depot, please call Ms Moore, Alma back here, 544-0613, to schedule access into that room From that particular repository RAB members can check out documents There are even videotapes. Actually, we've done that. We did that a couple of months ago, checked out a copy of the Main Installation RI. So that's worked. That's the last item of Old Business I have

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MR. PHILLIPS Okay, the first item that I had dealt with the agenda and how the TAPP
contractor has defaulted on us That's put me in a mode of -- oh, Mr.
Tyler?

MR TYLER 6 Stanley Tyler. I hate to keep bringing this up, but how is our web page coming in terms of putting the repository information on the web page? 7 8 As you know, I try to visit it weekly, and it's slow, you know When you 9 try to go back and get past documents, historical statutes, or just -- the repository itself on the web instead of having one in the library It appears 10 to me there's a -- I'm going to try to use a friendly -- there appears to be a 11 tedious process involved But could we expedite this process getting the 12 13 repository information on line? This is an electric generation Almost 14 everybody is on line, including the Commercial Appeal I don't know 15 why, but it's on line So if we could get historical documents in the repository, especially the one on chemical warfare removal, the Site Safety 16 17 Submission. I would like to at least get that on line before the work is 18 finished with Dunn Field Thank you. 19 MR PHILLIPS Thank you, Mr Tyler Like I said, a new item of New Business is a

presentation that literally got put together today It's a very timely
presentation on the decision process under Superfund It's timely because
the Main Installation Remedial Investigation has been complete and there
will be a public comment period later this summer. And during a tour of
the chemical warfare removal site with Mr. Tyler a couple of weeks ago,
he and I had a brief discussion over how does the program proceed. What
are the nuts and bolts of the program?

28 So we thought we would put together -- straight out of the regulation -- a 29 very brief presentation over how the decision process worked and when 30 the public comment period came into play. I only have three or four slides

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i		to this affect Actually, more of the information is provided to you in a
2		handout It's here, this handout. It's called the EPA Guidance for
3		Conducting Remedial Investigations and Feasibility Studies Under
4		CERCLA So with no further adieu, I'm going to get the overhead
5		projector and set it up here for the presentation. I will need a couple of
6		minutes to do that if you can excuse me. (Brief pause)
7	MS. MOORE:	I would just like to mention to the RAB members that the June 15th RAB
8		meeting is going to be at Norris School. We want to try to go within the
9		local community a little bit. So the principal, Ms. Yolanda Jordan, has
10		offered her school Ms Willett is having renovations done at Dunn, and
11		she's agreed to have a meeting in the fall when she gets a new cafeteria
12		So we'll take it into the community. So next month don't drive up here
13		and do things like I do and come in Gate one or Gate two I've even
14		driven into the old gate Drive to Norris school Try to put that memo on
15		your refrigerator Thanks.
16	MR TYLER.	Stanley Tyler. I would like it on the record Thank you Ms. Alma Black
17		Moore for the hard work you're doing in trying to put this RAB meeting in
18		the community Hopefully she will keep up the hard work, and thank you
19		for a job well done
20	MS. MOORE.	Thank you
21	MR PHILLIPS	Okay unfortunately, I believe our projector is in the way of probably Mr.
22		Eskridge and Mr. Truitt. I will keep moving so you can see around me.
23		Like I said, the meat of the presentation is in this document, which is in
24		front of each of you. For members of the audience, there are copies of this
25		back at the table where you came in Again, it's the EPA Guidance for
26		Conducting Remedial Investigations and Feasibility Studies Under
27		CERCLA. Turpin and I are both going to discuss portions of this. The
28		presentation is geared more towards how the process works I don't have
29		any data specific to Memphis except some dates of when things are going
30		to be out.

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1	MR TYLER	Is there a page you're on?	
2	MR PHILLIPS	Pardon?	
3	MR TYLER	Pages?	
4	MR. BALLARD.	You don't have this slide	
5	MR. PHILLIPS:	Here is a step-back look at the program Let me pull that out. Okay, the	
6		Remedial Investigation is an effort to collect data through environmental	
7		sampling. It's also to characterize the site This is determining	
8		answering the questions of the nature of any contamination that's on this	
9		site as well as the extent of the contamination A major portion of our	
10		Remedial Investigation is a Risk Assessment. That would be folk like Dr.	
11		Ted Simon who has been at the RAB before You take the data collected	
12		through the Remedial Investigation and get a quantification of the risks	
13		that environmental situations on the site pose Right now we are doing our	-
14		Feasibility Study, which looks at different alternatives that address the	
15		risks that came out of the Remedial Investigation for different sites, for	
16		different areas of the base	
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18		This includes a Detailed Analysis of Alternatives It has compared each of	
19		them against Nine Criteria, which Mr. Ballard is going to speak to The	
20		Nine Criteria are the law. We're required to follow those Nine Criteria.	
21		It also looks at a comparative analysis between alternatives with respect	
22		of, for example, this one. This one is to protect human health and the	
23		environment – that kind of comparative analysis. After the Feasibility	
24		Study is complete and it goes into the libraries, a Proposed Plan comes	
25		from DLA and will go to the libraries with input and involvement from the	;
26		Environmental Protection Agency and the Tennessee Department of	
27		Environment and Conservation.	
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29		That is the Proposed Plan for what will remedy all the situations that were	
30		found through the Remedial Investigation It's based upon the Remedial	
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1		Investigation. It's also based upon that analysis that's in the Feasibility
2		Study of different alternatives to clean something up This goes out this
3		is the document that once it hits the library, that begins the public
4		comment period It's required by regulation that it be very basic Now,
5		you really can't review the Proposed Plan unless you have what it's based
6		upon, which is the Remedial Investigation and the Feasibility Study. You
7		know, the Proposed Plan is a very brief document. It's maybe you can
8		describe it better when you get up but
9	MR BALLARD	I'll try.
10	MR. PHILLIPS	It's a very brief document It's based upon the science of the previous two
11		documents, the Remedial Investigation and Feasibility Study. After the
12		Proposed Plan goes out also, let me mention During that period we will
13		have a public meeting, and that's the opportunity for the public to provide
14		the verbal comments If you came to any of our two removal action public
15		comment meetings last year, it will be very similar
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17		After that closes, the lead agency, which is Defense Logistics Agency,
18		with approval from EPA and TDEC, will publish a Record of Decision.
19		That's an official decision document It's based upon the Administrative
20		Record, which is the Remedial Investigation, Feasibility Study, Proposed
21		Plan, plus public comments and any other documents that fed into the
22		decision And it responds to and incorporates all of the public comments
23		that happen during that period Where we are right now with the
24		Feasibility Study and this is from my discussion with Mr. Tyler. I
25		realize this was a very timely discussion to have with the RAB, because
26		the Nine Criteria is set forth in the law. That's what we're looking at right
27		now, and with that I want to present those Nine Criteria. Mr Ballard can
28		discuss oh, by the way, before I turn it over to Mr. Ballard, these Nine
29		Criteria are
30	MR. MORRISON:	Six dash seven.

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1	MR PHILLIPS	Six dash seven? There is a table on Page 6-7 that looks like this that has
2		the Nine Criteria Underneath them they have examples of these criteria
3		As well, the page starting on 6-6 and for the several following pages
4		there's a paragraph that describes these Nine Criteria. Turpin is going to
5		try to do a real brief overview of it.
6	MR. BALLARD:	Thank you, Shawn. The Nine Criteria are embodied in regulation in the
7		National Contingency Plan, and they are the criteria. In fact, I believe one
8		of the RAB members at a previous meeting asked if we have any
9		standards of criteria that we're evaluating. You know, the alternatives are
10		mentioned in the Nine Criteria. And so now we're giving you a little
11		more formal presentation on that
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13		Those criteria are divided into three categories, the first two being
14		threshold criteria. There are two threshold criteria And what we look at
15		when we've assembled some alternatives to take to a detailed analysis
16		this is a final check with these threshold criteria to make sure that the
17		alternatives pass a certain threshold They must be protective of human
18		health and the environment, and they must be able to meet all applicable
19		or relevant and appropriate requirements That's an acronym called
20		ARARs, which you may have heard That's what that means Those are
21		just other environmental laws, including things like resort preservation,
22		wetland protection that may be appropriate for the situation. If they are
23		determined to be appropriate for the situation, then we would have to meet
24		any substantive requirements of those laws. So once you determine that
25		your alternatives pass the threshold criteria, then there are what we call
26		primary balancing criteria. Those are where we mainly do the
27		comparative trade offs to you know, to see which one will give us the
28		best balance and meet the remedial action objectives. Those primary
29		balancing criteria are long-term effectiveness and permanence, reduction
30		of toxicity, mobility or volume through treatment, short-term
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effectiveness, implementability and cost And the handout that you were given describes each of those in good detail and provides a sort of subcriteria.

You know, one of the things we look at under each of those *primary balancing criteria* is, you know, to evaluate each alternative. The detailed analysis has two aspects to it. We take each alternative and hold it up against the **Nine Criteria** just to see how it satisfies, or fails to satisfy each criterion. Then there's a comparative analysis where the criteria are compared to each other with respect to each criterion. Once we've done the comparison against the *primary balancing criteria* -- and usually after the public comment period -- we look at the *modifying criteria* That is the extent to which the state and the community accepts the alternatives and what kind of comments are in the public comment period because you can receive all kinds of comments

17 If someone has made a substantive comment that provides new 18 information which we didn't previously have which might cause us to 19 change how we would look at an alternative or remedial approach, we 20 would factor that into a possible revision to the approach of that safety 21 site. We would perhaps consider different alternatives; more favored different alternatives when we have that kind of input I guess I would 22 23 encourage you to, you know, become more familiar with the process that 24 we're going through so that when the time comes to review the 25 Administrative Record and the Remedial Investigation Feasibility Study --26 to briefly skim through them so that you can have a basis for 27 understanding Why we're proposing what we propose when the 28 Proposed Plan comes out. If you will -- you will be familiar with the 29 process and be -- I guess, a little more informed, make more informed 30 comments Do you have a question for me, Mr Tyler?

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1	MR TYLER	Yes, a layman's question Is this the time during this decision process	to
2		block something you don't like?	
3	MR. PHILLIPS	As a citizen?	
4	MR TYLER	Yes.	
5	MR. PHILLIPS:	No, it's not I was going to get to	
6	MR. BALLARD:	This is the time that if you're against something to make that known. Y	es.
7	MR. TYLER:	I understand making it known, but if there are certain affects on the	
8		community that if you catch what goes in an ounce of prevention is	
9		worth a pound of cure. If you prevent an ounce of it before it gets to be	e a
10		pound, the community will be much better protected rather than trying	to
11		fight it on the last decision. Is this where y'all formulate your plan, dec	ide
12		what you're going to do, how much it's going to cost and how you're go	ing
13		to go about doing it?	
14	MR BALLARD	Yes	
15	MR. TYLER	And the community should be informed of this before it goes into actio	n.
16		Would that be a layperson's time to get in there and get your voice hear	d,
17		your vote heard?	
18	MR BALLARD:	That's this point right here. That's when the Superfund Law requires	
19		community involvement This is the place where the formal involvement	ent
20		is required You know, if when you read the Proposed Plan If you have	ve
21		comments to make about it, and you're opposed to it and you provide th	ıe
22		reason you're opposed to it, those comments go in to get considered.	
23		Either we incorporate somehow or respond to it by you know, in a	
24		Responsiveness Summary, which is attached to the Record of Decision	
25		similar to the Responsiveness Summary that you have attached to the	
26		Action Memorandum.	
27	MR. PHILLIPS:	Well, when Turpin brought up the time in the process to make commen	its
28		or whatever, this was my last slide here. It was just to show the dates a	nd
29		where we are. The Remedial Investigation, which had the data that we	did
30		through the through all our sampling All that data has been through	the
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Remedial Investigation as well as a Risk Assessment which was produced, which quantifies what that environmental sampling data means in terms of this much risk, or that much risk from this site to that site. That's there, That's out in the library It went final in January So far we've had one request from the RAB, which I got a copy of that document, and it was checked out to that member. It's still checked out to that member.

8 The Remedial Investigation -- the text of the document is in two binders 9 It's a very extensive document We looked at the entire Main Installation. 10 which is approximately 570, 550 acres, something to that affect We 11 looked a lot at the golf course, industrial area and administrative areas. 12 We looked at all of that. These two binders of the Remedial Investigation 13 are probably four inches thick -- apiece It's not something that you check 14 out for a weekend and you're smart the next week It takes a while to look 15 at You've got to figure out what concerns you the most. Are you 16 concerned about the groundwater and the drinking water? Are you 17 concerned about dust? Are you concerned about surface water, like in our 18 two ponds here? Look in the document to see what the data tells you 19 Now is the time to be looking at that, because this summer -- and right 20 now we're looking at I believe the August time frame If we maintain the 21 schedule and if we get the Feasibility Study and it says 'final ' If it says 22 two regulatory agencies here agree with what we've done there in terms of 23 comparing the different alternatives against the Nine Criteria. If we keep that schedule, this summer in the August time frame, the Proposed 24 25 Plan will go up for public comments. So it's something that if you're real 26 interested in, it would take you a while to review the documents to form 27 some good questions for comments. Mr. Tyler? 28 MR. TYLER I hate to be the one always asking all these questions. Could we get back 29 to my basic premise? We've got an Internet set up just for this purpose. 30 That document is four inches thick. We have to check it out, or come to May 18, 2000

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1		view it. Why is that document not on line whereas I could just double
2		click on the pages I need to print, or the things I'm concerned about? I
3		mean, we've had the Internet, what, about six months, the web site?
4	MR PHILLIPS	No. I believe the web site has been up and running for about ten or eleven
5		months now.
6	MR TYLER:	Well, I'm being generous. Okay, I know the first three months you've got
7		to work the kinks out Now, why aren't these documents on line in the
8		web site repository for somebody like me who can double click on it and
9		just get the pages that he's concerned about and study them instead of
10		checking out a big old monstrosity that you've got to thumb through?
11		With the telephone, children and everybody bothering you you can get
12		on line, get what you need, double click, print out what you want,
13		highlight it and then send your questions in email back to you, rather than
14		having to go through all this Isn't that the purpose of the Internet, of the
15		web site, of the web page or do I have it wrong?
16	MR. PHILLIPS.	The purpose of the web page is to let the community know what we're
17		doing in terms of meetings our up-to-date progress, our chemical
18		warfare materiel weekly briefings all of that information I will ask our
19		technical web site manager about putting this document on the Internet
20		due to the length of the document. I will get an answer to you on that to
21		see if we can do that, and I will get that answer before the next month's
22		RAB meeting
23	MR. TYLER:	Okay, one follow up. It was my opinion maybe I have the wrong
24		opinion that there would be a repository on the web site equal to or
25		greater than what's in the library for those people who cannot get to the
26		library for physical reasons or personal reasons. They could sit at their
27		computer and download the information that's pertinent to what they're
28		trying to do Now, that was my understanding of it Now, I must have
29		missed the mission, or missed the page or something. So repeat to me.
30		What is the purpose of our web page, so that I can get this correct?
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1	MR PHILLIPS	Going down the vein of what you're asking – documents What we have
2		done is put summaries of some critical documents that we produced on the
3		web pages that describes what happened to the document, about what the
4		document said, and it gives conclusions of the documents. The entire
5		documents are not on the web page. We haven't done that. I will have to
6		ask if that's possible. I don't know if you've been to the repository, but we
7		are talking about a significant amount of information. So I will have to
8		get you the answer to the technical feasibility of putting the actual
9		document on the web site. Mr. Tyler?
10	MR. TYLER	One last follow up As you know, when President Clinton was being
11		impeached, there was a whole wealth of documents about him and
12		Monica It didn't take but about a day or two for that to get on the
13		Internet. And the Library and Congress got their document out, and you
14		know how thick their document was So it was the next day, it was on the
15		Internet. You could download any and all the testimony you wanted All
16		we're asking for is the repository on line for those of us who want to
17		participate on line, and if it's going to be cost effective We need to find
18		out if it costs too much so we can start writing the right people, the people
19		to get them to pay for it
20	MR PHILLIPS	Let me get an answer to the technical question first, Mr Tyler Then, you
21		know if it's not to your satisfaction, you can always ask the question Any
22		other questions? Mr. Morrison?
23	MR MORRISON:	I just wanted to let you know that this EPA Guidance for Conducting
24		Remedial Investigations and Feasibility Studies Under CERCLA this is
25		on the EPA web site. This is just an excerpt from this, but you can
26		download this entire document, or look at any portion of the RI-FS
27		process there to make certain that we have followed the culminated
28		documents on that.
29	MR. TYLER:	Stanley Tyler. I have ATSDR I have ATSDR on my bookmark. I have
30		EPA on my bookmark, and I have the Depot on my bookmark. EPA has a
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1		great site One day I would like to see the Depot have an even better site	
2		I've got a lot of information off of EPA and ATSDR, and I'm looking	
3		forward to the Depot having the same wealth of information on their web	
4		site That's my understanding of what I would like to have. Thank you for	r
5		the insight.	
6	MR. CLAY:	I have a comment I would like to go on record of saying. I also was under	•
7		the impression we were going to have a full-fledged what do you call it?	,
8	MR. PHILLIPS.	Information Repository?	
9	MR CLAY:	Information Repository on the web site as well That's something I was	
10		hoping to have that up and running very soon So if you could, find out	
11		first if that's the purpose of it Then the next question I want to know	
12		how soon can we get that up and running? Because, believe it or not, it	
13		does save a whole lot of wear and tear to just go to your computer versus	
14		going up to Cherokee Library. We'll find out if we're going to put it on	
15		there And secondly, when are we going to have it up and running?	
16	MR PHILLIPS	Okay, I have two questions to take back then Thank you If and when	
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18	CHEMICAL WAR	FARE MATERIEL UPDATE	
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20	MR PHILLIPS.	Okay, the next item on the agenda is Mr. Clyde Hunt, the engineer on-	
21		site coordinator rather from the Corp of Engineers with the chemical	
22		warfare materiel removal project. He was going to tell us how the	
23		removal action is going. Mr. Hunt, do you need the overhead projector	
24		that I just removed?	
25	MR HUNT:	No. How is every one this evening?	
26	THE BOARD:	Fine	
27	MR TYLER:	We'll let you know in a minute	
28	MR. HUNT:	You'll know in a minute Okay, all right. Just to alleviate any concerns or	•
29		fears, first of all, let me just go over the scope of work in case we have	
30		some new people here tonight who might not be familiar with the	
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chemical warfare removal action that is occurring at Dunn Field. We're looking at three sites The scope of work at site one. removal of the chemical agent identification sets (CAIS), those sets were used during World War II to train military soldiers in what chemical agent mustard smelled like. It contained a very dilute solution of the chemical agent mustard, and that is what we suspect that is buried at site one.

The second site: we refer to it as the neutralization pit because that goes 8 9 back to --- back in history in what occurred in 1946 when bomb casings that contained the chemical agent mustard was being transported from 10 Mobile, Alabama to Pine Bluff, Arkansas While traveling through 11 12 Memphis, several rail cars were noted leaking. Those rail cars were 13 brought to Dunn Field Those bomb casings, there was about 29 of them, 14 were drained into a pit that contained bleach The bleach neutralized the mustard, which is why we refer to the second site as the neutralization pit 15 16 The scope of work in regards to that site would be primarily to examine 17 that pit to ensure that everything was neutralized that has not been 18 neutralized, which resembles a glob, and, of course, it would be removed.

The third site would be the burial of the bomb casings That's the 20 21 containers That's what contained the chemical agent mustard. The third 22 site is the, of course, examination of the remains that occurred 50 years 23 ago. At this point in time, the vapor containment structure (VCS) is 24 located over site one. Work began on May 4th. So I believe tomorrow 25 would be the twelfth day of work. What we have found so far? Well, let 26 me explain to you the method of excavation. It's being done in, I guess, an 27 arch format starting here (indicating) and methodically just going into an arch shape. The depth in some areas is ten feet. We do not plan to go any 28 deeper than ten feet. Describing the pit is ten feet in this area, but perhaps 29 over here is more of a step format And as we progress over, it comes -- it 30

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becomes ten feet That doesn't -- okay, let me go back In terms of the
excavation area, the vapor containment structure is circular So the work
that's occurring inside is being done by a backhoe It's basically digging a
hole, and right now the size of the hole is about 30 feet in length, 11 feet
wide and in some areas a depth of 10 feet. And what we have found so far
has been pieces of concrete

8 I believe we found a fence post, some pieces of asphalt had been found in 9 the hole And on I believe the day before yesterday -- and Alma can pass 10 this out -- we found -- we refer to it as K-941 shipping containers We 11 know that the mission of the installation was to receive, store and ship 12 supplies to the U.S. Army. So what you're looking at, and what Alma is 13 passing out, are three and one-half ounce mustard bottles They were 14 empty bottles that we have found at site one About 24 is what we've 15 found up to date There has been no evidence of any type of mustard 16 inside of the containers They were basically referred to as shipping 17 containers They were stored, and, of course, when we reached the point 18 where mustard was not being used, the Depot buried the containers 19 We've done testing Once again, there is no significant evidence The 20 bottles were never filled with the chemical agent mustard. They were just 21 containers that were stored and buried at Dunn Field. Once again, at site 22 one what we are looking for are the chemical agent identification sets, and 23 what we have found thus far are 24 three and a half ounce bottles which 24 resemble what's shown on the paper that you have in front of you. Yes, 25 ma'am, Ms. Bradshaw? MR. PHILLIPS: She needs the mike, Mr. Tyler. 26 MS. BRADSHAW 27 Since you have been digging and in the tent and everything, do you have a

report on the air? I would like to see, you know, the report that you -- I
know you're suppose to pull it so often while you're digging or whatever.

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1	MR. HUNT	Okay, I would need to refer that probably to Shawn or Steve Dunn	
2		perhaps, a report on the air monitoring.	
3	MS BRADSHAW	A day-by-day account since you have started digging into the ground	
4		Since you have started digging into the ground, and I know the ventilation	on
5		is supposed to be on now. I don't know if it's on or not, but it's up to you	u
6		to tell the truth about it. Only thing I can do is accept your word, believe	e
7		you or not. But what I'm asking you, do you have a report on the quality	/
8		of air going through the air monitoring system?	
9	MR. DUNN:	Those were reports and	
10	MS BRADSHAW	Can we not see those? As you know, since you're going to bring us an	
11		update on chemical warfare materiel	
12	MR HUNT:	Yes, ma'am	
13	MS. BRADSHAW.	Bring us an air report. And I'm making this a recommendation by the	
14		RAB I'm making a recommendation that we see those reports And it	
15		can be the raw data, and you don't have to fix it up or nothing. You can	
16		bring us the raw data, and we can learn as we, you know, look at the rep	ort
17		because we do have technical people in the community that can read the	se
18		reports that DLA thought that we can't understand. You know this	
19		technical stuff But we have people that can read this and that can	
20		decipher information to the community.	
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22		So it would be nice if you give us that raw data as it comes up. When	
23		you're doing the briefing for the RAB you know that would be somethin	ıg
24		good that we could see Step by step, and it's a thing of trust. So I make	e a
25		recommendation that the RAB get these reports monthly because we me	et
2 6		monthly. And I won't be back to anymore chemical warfare meetings	
27		because when I went over there, I had a severe headache from the air.	
28		And I'm like a canary in a cage Anything that you know, it bothers n	ne.
29	MR. PHILLIPS:	Thank you, Ms. Bradshaw. Let me mention something that I have been	
30		aware of that the Corp of Engineers, who is responsible for this project,	is
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1		going to be putting out Upon the completion of the project, they will be	
2		putting out a Post Removal Report that documents whether or not there	
3		were any releases during the project or any all our sampling results, all	
4		that kind of material. Clyde let me ask you If not only here, but during	
5		your weekly briefings, to report back from your teamincluding the	
6		Edgewood Chemical Biological Command folksif you guys have had	
7		any detections during that week?	
8	MR HUNT:	There have been no detections.	
9	MR. PHILLIPS:	No detections of organics Okay, thank you, but it's a good point. Not	
10		only at the weekly briefings I guess you could say this is how far we	
11		have dug and this is what we have found Saying this is what we have not	
12		found in terms of our air sampling, which we hope, is okay Thank you,	
13		Clyde. Good suggestion, Ms Bradshaw. Mr. Clay?	
14	MR CLAY:	I was going to ask Ms Bradshaw if she wanted to make a motion for an	
15		air monitoring update	
16	MS BRADSHAW.	That was a motion. The recommendation is that I move that the RAB	
17		get the data report of the air monitoring at each monthly meeting. And	
18		Shawn, if we wait for the report to be done, that will be too late, you	
19		know, once we hear about something. And I understand you think that	
20		less work is possible But, you know, we need to see this step by step, and	I
21		it's up to us to kind of go through this Since you want to say that you've	
22		got community participation, then we should be able to see the reports as	
23		we go along I make a motion that the RAB get data, air data samplings or	г
24		whatever it's called, at each monthly meeting	
25	MR. CLAY:	Ms. Bradshaw has made a motion that the air sampling be included in the	
26		report in the monthly meeting. Is there a second?	
27	MR. TYLER:	I second.	
28	MR. CLAY:	Okay, this information will be included	
29	MR. HUNT:	Yes.	
30	MR. CLAY:	Hold on a second. Is there a discussion question about this, Ms. Brooks?	
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MS BROOKS: No, no I'm in firm agreement 1 2 MR. CLAY Mr. Tyler, is there a discussion question? 3 MR. TYLER: I call for the question. 4 MR. CLAY The question has been called for So we now have to vote. All in favor of 5 including a monthly air quality update on Mr. Hunt's report vote ave. 6 THE BOARD: Aye. 7 MR CLAY: All right, any opposed? (Brief pause.) MR. CLAY: It sounds like that's unanimous. That's okay, you can do that, can't you? 8 9 MR. HUNT I can't make that decision, but we'll certainly look into it. MR. PHILLIPS: 10 I would like to request you to take it back to the Corp, evaluate this, see 11 how practical this is, raw data. You know, I understand we're going to 12 have to wring through raw data, but, you know, tell us what's feasible 13 We'll look at it We'll present that next month. If that's not enough, then 14 we'll get another question, but see what you can do about this. It's a 15 reasonable request. Ms. Brooks had a question, and then I believe Mr 16 Gray has a question. MS BROOKS. 17 And could that information also be included in the information presented 18 on the web site? I think that would be great. And I would also like to say, 19 for the record, that the information on the web site would be extremely 20 expedient because even though there are people who might not have the 21 computers at home, there are computers in the schools. Dunn Avenue 22 School--and during the course of the day I'm very sure that the principal 23 would allow the residents to come in and view that material I'm sure the 24 librarian would help them to get on line for those who are not proficient 25 And also in regard to the web site, would it be possible to have a statement in terms of the government's response or answer as to why the chemical 26 27 warfare materiel was ever brought into the location? Why could it not 28 have been left at its site? I mean, I don't know. During the time could it --29 what was the point in it being transported to Pine Bluff anyway? Why 30 was it necessary to go -- to be transferred? I don't know. I'm just -- I'm

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1		curious, and I'm sure possibly others might be curious What was the
2		point?
3	MR. PHILLIPS.	I believe most of that information is actually available in the EE/CA
4		(Engineering Evaluation and Cost Analysis), and I will try to summarize
5	MS BROOKS	Just a brief statement.
6	MR. PHILLIPS:	Well here is the deal, and that is still the case as far as I'm aware The
7		folks from the Corp can correct me if necessary. Pine Bluff in Arkansas:
8		There are very limited locations that are permitted by the Environmental
9		Protection Agency that were equipped to handle chemical warfare
10		materiel. Back in 1946, the Environmental Protection Agency didn't exist
11		when the trains containing the mustard bomb casings were in route from
12		Mobile to Pine Bluff. But they were going to Pine Bluff for disposition,
13		for disposal. They were found to be leaking in West Tennessee, and the
14		Depot was the closest military installation that had the property and the
15		wherewithal to handle it Folks from the Depot did not handle the
16		situation when it happened here. They flew down chemical warfare
17		materiel experts from Aberdeen, from the Aberdeen Proving Grounds, and
18		they are the ones that dug the hole, drained the mustard out into the
19		treatment pit and buried the casings in a second pit. But the whole reason
20		why that ended up here was it's a military installation that had the property
21		to handle it, and it was the closest one when the incident occurred back in
22		1946.
23	MS. BROOKS:	Okay, and is there a statement so if children are using the net and they are
24		on that particular point of information, as many of them will be because of
25		what's going on and they are aware you know, just in simplified terms
26		that they can understand why this was done, and why houses were allowed
27		to be built and people were fully aware of what was over there? The
28		government was aware but somehow contractors were allowed,
29		nevertheless, to go ahead and build all of these residences? I know it has
30		been put upon me to further that search of information, but I'm thinking
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1		that possibly since this is a government related institution, you might have
2		in roads that I would not have. But basically, as a matter of knowledge,
3		we were just thoroughly concerned how this situation got to this point
4		Thank you.
5	MR. PHILLIPS.	Thank you, Ms. Brooks.
6	MR. HUNT:	I want to make one other point. We do have our weekly briefings every
7		Wednesday at ten o'clock. Of course, all of you are welcome to attend. If
8		any of you would like to see or or anyone from the community would
9		like to see what the work the activities that are occurring within the
10		vapor containment structure, there is another trailer that's closer to the
11		vapor containment structure we refer it to as a command post. I would
12		escort you to that site, and you would be allowed to actually review the
13		live video of the activities in the vapor containment structure. In fact,
14		we've had several RAB members that have already had the opportunity to
15		see that.
16	MR PHILLIPS.	Actually that brings up a good point. I wanted to ask either Mr. Tyler or
17		Mr. Clay if they wanted to say a word about their report of this site Mr
18		Tyler?
19	MR TYLER:	First of all, I would like to thank everybody for the five-dollar tour. If
20		you're in insurance, I know you didn't get all your money's worth. We had
21		an opportunity to go to the I call it the bio-dome or whatever. We saw
22		all the equipment. We saw the safety procedure videos and we saw the
23		medical equipment, the fresh air equipment, the laser, and also the safety
24		precautions they had shown for the workers, and for the paramedic
25		ambulance on staff. And I don't mean to put a damper on this but, again,
26		we get back to the citizens in the community. You showed a lot of love
27		and affection for the workers. They have a lot of safety mechanisms in
28		place for the workers. However, there are senior citizens in the community
29		along the fence line in their neighborhoods who might have trouble getting
30		evacuated, might have trouble getting out of their houses and just might
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1		have trouble period Is there a contingency plan for this problem? Those
2		who are disabled and unable to effectively remove themselves from that
3		neighborhood? I'm not talking about able-bodied people. I'm talking
4		about senior citizens and confirmed disabled people. You know some
5		kind of special contingency plan for them in that neighborhood.
6	MR. PHILLIPS:	Thank you, Mr. Tyler. Ms. Bradshaw?
7	MS. BRADSHAW	Doris Bradshaw. I was at the Board of Scientific Council's Community
8		Involvement Tribal subcommittee meeting the first part of this month.
9		And along those lines, I feel like that DLA still has not provided any type
10		of measure for the community in case of emergencies I'm sorry. You just
11		didn't get there We have hot, hot summers in Memphis, very hot. People
12		die if they cut off the air-conditioning, and what you all are asking us to
13		commit is suicide in our house. It gets hot. Well, the emergency plan for
14		the community, read the plan It says, "Stuff wet towels in the door, take
15		plastic and seal up your windows." And you know I want to know who's
16		going to provide the plastic? And, you know the poor people around here,
17		some of us may not have too many towels And I want to know who is
18		going to provide this? You should be giving out duct tape and plastic if
19		you want us to stay in the house What I want to know is when the
20	-	weather gets to 100, 102 sometimes, 104 degrees, who do you think will
21		cut off the air-conditioners? Would you cut your air-conditioner off in the
22		summer in case something should go wrong?
23	MR PHILLIPS:	We need to clarify what you're stating from that emergency plan If what
24		you're saying is in there if what you're saying is in there, you're right
25		But it does say that that's to be done in case there is a release. We're not
26		going to have a release from this site
27	MS. BRADSHAW:	How do you know, Shawn? Are you God?
28	MR. PHILLIPS	How do we know? We've got a vapor containment structure. We've got
29		four air filters. We've got three
30	MS. BRADSHAW:	The report I got was
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1	MR. PHILLIPS	different types of monitoring to find a release, if there is a release. A	nd
2		we disagree with you that that's not enough	
3	MS BRADSHAW	Shawn, Shawn, this is a manmade tent This is not made by God This	
4		tent is like anything else that's manmade an accident can happen. And	ł
5		so since you're so sure that everything will work out, I feel like that you	
6		wouldn't even report a release to us. I feel like that you all would lie for	
7		the next 50 years after we have died out. We might die out, you know,	
8		that day. But Utah just released that they did have a release. I think it w	vas
9		last year. And I think it was underground, and they have one of the best	
10		systems, I mean, real great system. But my question is, reading the	
11		chemical warfare removal sampling plan, why is there cobalt U-12 in that	at
12		water and some of these things that sound very radioactive?	
13	MR PHILLIPS:	That's your question? I have no idea what you're talking about. So I can	n't
14		provide you an answer for that.	
15	MS. BRADSHAW	What I'm saying? Is it any chance that it is in that plan as far as the	
16		chemical warfare removal? I want to know why is it cobalt in that water	r
17		And it states over and over and over again that it's in that water and this i	is
18		not a natural occurrence for cobalt If this was a natural occurrence, yeah	1,
19		cobalt would be there, but it would haven't a number. So Shawn, just lik	ce
20		the mustard gas I found out about, I'm wondering do I have to go find if	
21		there is nuclear material over there	
22	MR. PHILLIPS	There is no nuclear material at Dunn Field to my knowledge. I will ask the	he
23		Corp to look at this. Look at your safety plan and let me with know if	
24		cobalt is an issue. And if it is, please give me a letter telling me what the	e
25		issue is so I can report back to the RAB. But I am not aware of that.	
26	MR. HUNT.	Let me just say once again, and I just want to wrap up my comments. If	•
27		there are not any further questions, the whole purpose of the vapor	
28		containment structure is an engineering control, to provide protection for	r
29		the people of the community, our environment and our workers if a relea	ase
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		should occur. We have four filtration systems in place that could handle	;

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1		more than what we could even imagine. Safety is certainly our priority,	
2		Ms Bradshaw	
3	MS. BRADSHAW:	I don't believe it.	
4	MR. HUNT:	So I'm at Dunn Field, and I'm equally as concerned.	
5	MS. BRADSHAW:	They would get you out first.	
6	MR. HUNT:	And if there is a release, I would be right there, and I have a family. I'm	
7		very concerned about my family and everyone who lives in the area	
8		Safety is certainly the number one priority for our organization. Are there	
9		any other questions?	
10	MS. PETERS.	I want to ask a question	
11	MR HUNT	Yes, ma'am	
12	MS. PETERS:	You wouldn't have all those different things out there if you weren't trying	
13		to protect the community, right?	
14	MR HUNT	Yes, ma'am.	
15	MS PETERS.	So that means if something happens, you intend to control whatever	
16		vapors right there in that particular area, and you don't plan on it being	
17		enough to go all over the community?	
18	MR HUNT	When this work was done yes, ma'am, when this work was done	
19	MS. PETERS	So you have a plan that you could control whatever would happen?	
20	MR. HUNT.	The vapor containment structure is an engineering control as well as the	
21		filtration system. And keeping in mind this work was literally done at the	
22		done in Spring Valley in people's backyards There was a vapor	
23		containment structure and the filtration system in place. So with that	
24		you know once again, our commitment is to serve. Our commitment is	
25		safety the number one priority.	
26	MR PHILLIPS	Thank you, Clyde. Mr. Tyler?	
27	MR. TYLER	Stanley Tyler. You said in your report	
28	MS. MOORE.	Excuse me. Would you use the microphone?	
29	MR. TYLER:	You said in your report you found concrete, asphalt and fence posts Can	
30		you decide from your dealing, was it dumped there, formed, left or what?	
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1		Somebody just drove a truck over there and dumped it, or they built a
2		fence post, or was it a footing section of a road? How did it get there or
3		what was the purpose of it?
4	MR. HUNT.	Mr. Tyler, I cannot answer that question. I am not really sure how it got
5		there. It was not there in 1946 or 1960. From what I understand, Dunn
6		Field was used to bury lot of things. And during that process, I can
7		imagine that concrete probably was buried at some point in time It might
8		have been a fence post that was embedded in concrete that was buried
9		there.
10	MR TYLER	The only reason I bring this up, it gets back to the question I always ask
11		Was Dunn Field a dump, a landfill or just somewhere you put something?
12	MR HUNT.	The practice and Shawn might want to cover this from the reports I've
13		received, the mission of the installation was to bury things.
14	MR PHILLIPS:	Yes, a dump is an accurate description of that northwest corner Mr.
15		Eskridge, I believe Ms Brooks was next and then we'll get to your
16		question. Ms Brooks?
17	MS BROOKS:	My question is this line is just a matter of physical aesthetics Can we
18		get that grass cut in Dunn Field? It looks like weeds I know there was a
19		lot of money put into well, I assume there was a lot of money put into
20		beautifying that area last whatever it was. And now it's decadent, and I
21		just would appreciate if I didn't have to look at weeds over there on a
22		timely and regular and consistent basis.
23	MR. PHILLIPS	Thank you, Ms. Brooks. I will refer that to the responsible person.
24	MR. ESKRIDGE:	I have a question. You mentioned that you were only digging ten feet deep
25		down. Is there any reason not to check down deeper?
26	MR HUNT:	Well, we're going to the point where virgin soil is. And if that's - if we
27		reach virgin soil at three feet, we'll go still as far as ten feet. We do not
28		suspect any chemical warfare materiel is buried any deeper than that based
29		on our findings.

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1	MR. PHILLIPS.	Let me follow up on Mr Eskridge's question What if you are at ten feet	
2		and you are still in the material that looks like it's burial stuff, dump stuff,	
3		what will you do then?	
4	MR. HUNT:	We will certainly go to the point where virgin soil is reached. Actually,	
5		that would probably be a good question for our safety specialist, who is	
6		not with us this evening However, I can do some additional research of	
7		that information and provide you some accurate information	
8	MR. PHILLIPS:	I can provide you part of that answer that I have seen from their work	
9		plan. The contractors are required to have a certified geologist on site, and	
10		that geologist is a professional geologist, PG He or she will certify that	
11		they've reached virgin soil. I know that has to be done That's part of	
12		their work plan.	
13	MR. ESKRIDGE	If you do find contaminants and bombs, or whatever material there, would	
14		you keep digging as deep as you need to remove everything?	
15	MR HUNT	Of course, that is what's necessary for the chemical warfare removal. So	
16		certainly we would do that on each of the sites	
17	MR ESKRIDGE	Even if it's 22 feet deep?	
18	MR HUNT.	We will detect it, and if there is any indication of any CWM we will	
19		certainly continue	
20	MR CLAY	Mr Tyler, do you have a question?	
21	MR TYLER	Yes At one point you said, CWM. If non-CWM contaminants show up,	
22		what are you going to do about those?	
23	MR HUNT.	Non CWM contaminants, meaning HTW hazardous toxic waste?	
24	MR. TYLER:	Well I would consider carcinogens are hazardous to people's health	
25	MR. HUNT:	Well, all the soil that we have removed thus far with respect to chemical	
26	warfare materiel has come back negative. And what we're doing at this		
27		point is testing it for HTW, hazardous toxic waste. If that comes back	
28		negative then, of course, that will go back into the hole that we have	
29		already dug. However, if there is some indication that it contains certain	
30		type of contaminants, I'm certain that it would be removed and taken to	
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1		the area that it should go. There is an area that accepts soil that has been	
2		contaminated It certainly would not be placed back into the hole.	
3	MR CLAY	Kevin Clay. I have a question for Mr Hunt. It appears well first, what	
4		percentage of the structure has been excavated so far in the vapor	
5		containment structure?	
6	MR. HUNT:	Maybe ten percent. You know, that's really a question for our safety	
7		specialist.	
8	MR CLAY	What are we talking about, the safety specialist? What's the name of the	
9		safety specialist?	
10	MR. HUNT:	Wilson Walters.	
11	MR. CLAY:	Oh, yes	
12	MR. HUNT	You're familiar with Wilson?	
13	MR CLAY	Yes	
14	MR HUNT	But, of course, he's not with us this evening, but Ken Shott is working in	
15		his place. Wilson I believe has been out here for 60 days. So if there is a	
16	,	time in a meeting, we can bring another person in.	
17	MR CLAY.	My follow-up question to that is would it be possible if we dig up say, a	
18		hundred percent of the area we have in the containment structure and we	
19		don't find what we're looking for, could we possibly be in the wrong	
20		location?	
21	MR HUNT.	Finding the K-941s in various locations that have been buried, at least it	
22		gives us some sense that we are in the right location in terms of burial of	
23		any chemical warfare materiel.	
24	MR CLAY:	But if we don't if we don't find the testing cases possibly we'll say 20	
25		feet more or	
26	MR HUNT:	There might be some movement of the vapor containment structure to	
27		ensure that we have done everything possible to find the contaminants that	
28		might be based on our report.	
29	MR. CLAY:	Thank you.	
30	MR. PHILLIPS	Ms. Brooks, and then we need to move on to the next order of business	
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1	MS. BROOKS	I've noticed what appears to be a little pond of water in Dunn Field	Have
2		you done you know what I'm talking about?	
3	MR. HUNT	Yes	
4	MS. BROOKS:	Do you mind telling me what that is?	
5	MR. HUNT [.]	To be honest with you, I really don't know what that is. It might be	some
6		surface elements.	
7	MR. PHILLIPS:	Near the trailer across from you?	
8	MS BROOKS:	That's it. You can see it. It looks like a pond, and you can see the	water
9		glistening in the evening. I was just wondering, you know, where	is this
10		water coming from or is it of consequence. You know, I'm just curi	ous.
11	MR PHILLIPS:	No, it's not a consequence. I had the same question after those fluo	spar
12		mounds were removed. We sampled that surface soil in that souther	ast
13		corner across from your house. That pond shows up every time after	er a
14		rainstorm There must be a deeper level of clay right there that's no	t
15		letting that water drain off, or drain through But what that is is t	that's
16		just rainwater puddling pond, and it stays there for a couple of days	after it
17		rains several days We sampled that because we had a concern about	ut it
18		Thank you. That's a good observation.	
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20	BRAC CLEANUP T	TEAM UPDATE	
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22	MR. PHILLIPS:	The next item on the agenda tonight is the BRAC Cleanup Team up	date.
23		Well, actually we are at the allotted time for the meeting. We have	one
24		more agenda item here, and then we have the public comment perio	d Do
25		we have a motion to extend the meeting?	
26	MR. CLAY:	I move that we extend the meeting to facilitate the completion of the	5
27		public comment period, 15 minutes. I don't know, 15 minutes for th	ıe
28		public comment period.	
29	MR. TYLER:	Second.	
30	MR. CLAY.	Those in favor?	
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1	THE BOARD.	Aye	
2	MR CLAY.	Any opposed? (Brief pause)	
3	MR PHILLIPS	Mr Brayon has a question.	
4	MR. BRAYON	I would suggest on the next agenda that the time imposed that you have	
5		listed should be eliminated or adhered to, one or the other.	
6	MR. PHILLIPS	I agree with you, Mr. Brayon The hour and a half was an issue that came	
7		from the RAB. I believe that's a charter issue. So the subcommittee will	
8		have to look at that. We have typically an hour and a half, especially	
9		since we're getting into the meet and bones of the cleanup program here.	
10		We never did get a vote on that to extend.	
11	MR. TYLER	I would like a point of information on this time. Are there a number of	
12		minutes that we can extend the meeting past an hour and a half by a vote?	
13	MR PHILLIPS.	That is a RAB decision	
14	MR TYLER:	That's all I need to know	
15	MR CLAY	Back to the motion on the floor to extend this meeting to include a 15-	
16	,	minute public comment period extension after that The move was	
17		seconded. All in favor?	
18	THE BOARD:	Aye	
19	MR CLAY	Any opposed? (Brief pause)	
20	MR CLAY	Motion carried.	
21	MR PHILLIPS	Okay, let me cover the BRAC Cleanup Team what we've covered today	
22		real briefly We've actually already talked about one of the issues, which	
23	was the majority of our meeting That was the Feasibility Study on the		
24	Main Installation. We talked about when that will be coming out and		
25	when the public comment period would be happening to ensure that we		
26		were still on schedule. The reference is back to the Main Installation	
27		Remedial Investigation The second item we've talked about was the	
28		transfer issue. We had the Depot Redevelopment Corporation attend some	
29		of our meetings where we talked about the zoning of the property being	
30		predominantly light industrial and storage I believe Also, the recreation	
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zoning down here at the golf course, and a little bit of housing behind me at the base housing area

4 We talked about the Dunn Field groundwater investigation at today's 5 meeting and in particular, the spot that we found on the west side of Dunn 6 Field We're going to try to get out there to try to nail down more about 7 that hot spot that we found. Our time frame for that is the end of June, 8 July time frame Some of that property is not ours. So we have to talk 9 about asking who does own it, plus we have to get a work plan together 10 for that We also discussed since the Proposed Plan is coming up this summer for the Main Installation the need for our BRAC Cleanup Team 11 12 meeting to be longer than they are. It seems like, believe it or not, the 13 BRAC Cleanup Team meetings are like this meeting. We also always find 14 ourselves up against the clock, and we still have a lot more to talk about 15 So just a heads up for RAB members, who might choose to attend the 16 . BRAC Cleanup Team meeting or volunteer to come, BRAC Cleanup 17 Team meetings are probably going to possibly extend to two meeting --18 two-day meetings We feel it's just a matter that it's going to have to be 19 that way just to cover everything we need to cover. So that's what we 20 talked about today in our BRAC Cleanup Team meeting 21 **RAB COMMENT PERIOD** 22 23 MR. PHILLIPS: 24 And now with that, let's open up the RAB Comment Period. Ms 25 **Bradshaw?**

MS. BRADSHAW: I just want to ask if anything was tested in that water other than TCE
 (trichloroethylene). I know you spoke about this at the last BRAC
 meeting -- at the last RAB meeting. Was there any -- did you test - maybe I need to word this correctly. Did you test for anything other than

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I		TCE? If you did, what did you test for, and why didn't you test for
2		everything that was on that list that was found in the groundwater?
3	MR PHILLIPS	We did test for everything
4	MS. BRADSHAW	Could we see that data?
5	MR. PHILLIPS	Actually, a lot of that data we have three monitoring wells already over
6		on Rozelle, one down at the end of Rozelle, two halfway up it. A lot of
7		that groundwater data is in a 1997 report called the Groundwater
8		Characterization Report Those wells have repeatedly been sampled. The
9		well that we found this hot spot in is a new well and it's right up against
10		our property line It's 30 or 50 feet outside our fence line.
11	MS BRADSHAW.	Outside the fence line?
12	MR PHILLIPS	Outside the fence line and we did test
13	MS BRADSHAW.	Don't you remember
14	MR PHILLIPS	And I will report back to you what that report scan was last month.
15	MS. BRADSHAW	Do you remember years well, you wasn't here Years ago Chris
16		Kartman told us that the plume would only migrate one inch a year, and
17		since it's been 50 years, it would be 50 inches. And I was wondering why
18		this is what Chris Kartman told the community, and you can go back on
19		the record and read what she said because that's when they started. They
20		were giving us raw data They was giving us data, telling us what the
21		threshold limits were for EPA, and also how high those limits of the
22		chemicals So I want to see some data Shawn, everything that you-all
23		have brought to us just like y'all talking to us. Bring us the data. You
24		give us slide shows, and I think the last time one of the RAB members
25		suggested if you're going to do a slide presentation, let us also have the
26		papers in front of us, and so maybe the next time you will get there.
27	MR. PHILLIPS	That observation about not having real environmental restoration projects
28		presented that include a lot of real raw data, that observation has been
29		made several times this year, calendar year. Next month when we start
30		presenting the Main Installation Remedial Investigation data It will be
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ł		with the exception of the chemical warfare update, which will have to be
2		briefer than it was tonight, and the paint shop update. That's going to be a
3		highly technical presentation. I think you're going to see that in the next
4		couple of months
5	MS. BRADSHAW:	So you will know what you're going to present to us in about halfway of
6		the month. So why can't you give us you know, send copies to our
7		house so that we can read the information before we get here so we can be
8		up to speed on what you're talking about? We can have our questions
9		written out, and this would take and we won't have to sit here and read
10		through reports and mark things when we could have read them before we
11		got here
12	MR. PHILLIPS	I understand that. Ms. Bradshaw, the presentation next month will be on
13		the Main Installation Remedial Investigation, and you've had that report I
14		think since March
15	MS BRADSHAW	I got that
16	MR. PHILLIPS	That's what we're going to be presenting next month. The contractor has
17		prepared a slide presentation I assume this is something that we can
18		distribute if we can get it out prior to the meeting, the RAB meeting
19		Earlier that week we'll mail it out to you A lot of times we get things
20		finalized the day or two before the meeting We'll do what we can. I
21		appreciate your comment Mr. Clay?
22	MR CLAY	We are in our five minutes RAB Comment Period. I just have a couple of
23		brief suggestions that I'm going to throw out here. The first thing is we
24		each individually have several questions we would like to ask. An hour
25		and a half is allotted for the RAB meeting. It's not going to cut it to give
26		us ample time to ask questions and for answers that we need. I'm going to
27		suggest, and I'm also going to try to approach it in writing ahead of time,
28		and hopefully I can get a response back in writing that I can use I think
29		that would help us facilitate spending time on it. The next thing, are there
30		any more public comments? Mr. Tyler?
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1	MR TYLER	Keeping with your new theme, I was sitting here and I though	about what
2		you said in writing. I have something in writing that I'm going	g to read,
3		and I want it put in the record It's been properly checked by a	dedicated
4		professional I'm not going to call any names. I did have some	e errors and
5		some initials "To Mr. Shawn Phillips: I, Stanley W. Tyler, he	ereby do
6		request that a full Information Repository be put on the Depot	web page
7		by June 1st, 2000 Respectfully yours, Stanley Tyler Postscrip	pt. Please
8		respond to me in writing as to why or why not this could not b	e done
9		Thank you."	
10	MR. PHILLIPS:	Thank you, Mr. Tyler	
11	MR. CLAY	We then will open up the floor I have one thing I would like to	do We
12		have a young lady sitting in for to Ms. Willett. I would like for	her to
13		identify herself so the members would know.	
14	MS ROGERS	Good evening. My name is Deborah Rogers	
15	MR CLAY	Thank you I just wanted her to get it on the record	
16		ν.	
17	PUBLIC COMMI	ENT PERIOD	
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19	MR. CLAY.	We are now open for the record Public Comment Period (Brid	ef pause)
20	MR PHILLIPS	With no public comment	
21	MS MOORE.	Wait just a minute.	
22	MR PHILLIPS:	Okay, Alma Moore	
23	MS. MOORE: I just need a favor because we've slacked off a little bit. When you-all ge		you-all get
24		ready to leave, if you would push your chairs up under the tabl	e and take
25		your trash to the trash receptacles. I do have to go to Atlanta in	1 the
26		morning for the graduation. So I need to straighten up tonight	and not in
27		the morning So could I have a little bit of help out there? The	ink you
28		very much	
29	MR. PHILLIPS	Mr. Tyler, before we there is no motion yet to adjourn the m	eeting Mr.
30		Tyler?	
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1	MR TYLER	Well, since we don't have a public comment period, I would just like to	
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2		say that I would like to thank the people for going out in the community	
3		and passing out that informational sheet about what possibly could	
4		happen. Also I would like to thank Alma and everyone concerned for the	
5	•	mail outs that was about the chemical warfare materiel It's important that	
6		we do everything and anything to get the community the information in a	
7		timely manner. Thank you.	
8	MS MOORE.	We have two new people. This will just take one more second Karen	
9		Adderley is from my Frontline office in Canada. This is her second time	
10		to Memphis. She was here two years ago Cookie has taken another job	
11		with the state, and I have a new part-time assistant who is one of my	
12		daughter's friends, Tondalaya Washington. She's the one who called	
13		yesterday Welcome them, please. Thank you	
14	MR. PHILLIPS	Thank you May I have a motion to adjourn?	
15	MR TRUITT	So moved	
16	MR TYLER	Second	
17	MR PHILLIPS	Those in favor?	
18	THE BOARD	Aye	
19	MR PHILLIPS	Those opposed? (Brief pause)	
20	MR. PHILLIPS	Thank you and I will see you next time	
	(Whereupon at enpressimetely 8:13 n m, the meeting was adjourned)		

(Whereupon, at approximately 8:13 p.m. the meeting was adjourned).

NEXT MEETING: THURSDAY, JUNE 15, 2000

6:00 P.M.

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Mr Shawn Phillips	Facility Co-Chair
Mr. Kevin Clay	Citizen Representative
Ms. Elizabeth Young	Citizen Representative
Mr Turpin Ballard	Environmental Protection Agency
Mr. Dave Bond	Citizen Representative
Mr Jim Morrison	Tennessee Department of
	Environment and Conservation
	(TDEC)
Mr Reginald Eskridge	Citizen Representative
Mr. James Webb	Civic Representative/Memphis
	Light, Gas and Water Division
Mr Ulysses Truitt	Citizen Representative
Mr Carter Gray	Memphis/Shelby County
	Health Department
Ms Johnnie Mae Peters	Citizen Representative
Mr Eugene Brayon	Citizen Representative
Mr Stanley Tyler	Citizen Representative
Mr. Jim Covington	Depot Redevelopment Corporation
	(DRC)
Ms. Doris Bradshaw	Environmental Representative
	(DDMT-CCC)
Mr. John Garrison	Citizen Representative

Others in Attendance

Mr Clyde Hunt

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Mr. Stephen Offner
Mr. Brian Deeken
Ms Tiki Whitfield
Ms Nicole Slaughter
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