

RESTORATION ADVISORY BOARD

FORT McCLELLAN, ALABAMA

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MR. GENE HOWARD: Let's call
the roll. Cheryl Bragg? Ain't
here.

James Buford?

MR. JAMES BUFORD: Here.

MR. GENE HOWARD: Phillip
Burgett?

MR. PHILLIP BURGETT: Here.

MR. GENE HOWARD:
Monty Clendenin?

MR. MONTY CLENDENIN: Here.

MR. GENE HOWARD: Dr. Barry
Cox?

DR. BARRY COX: Present.

MR. GENE HOWARD: James Hall?
Michael Kimberly?

DR. MICHAEL KIMBERLY: Here.

MR. GENE HOWARD: Jim Miller?

MR. JIM MILLER: Should I read
anything into it, that when I
went to the restroom you started
calling roll?

1 MR. GENE HOWARD: Yeah. We
2 marked you absent.
3 Buddy Nelson?

4 John Pearce ain't with us.
5 John has moved. Lives around
6 the corner from where he did.

7 Dr. John Spain?

8 DR. JOHN SPAIN: Y'all notice
9 my new shirt? If y'all are
10 wondering where I got this good
11 looking shirt right here --

12 DR. MICHAEL KIMBERLY: Please,
13 don't --

14 DR. JOHN SPAIN: -- told him
15 how good looking his shirt was
16 he had on, he took me up to his
17 house and gave me his shirt.

18 DR. MICHAEL KIMBERLY: And
19 then he gets on TV, now, if you
20 want a shirt, two houses down
21 from me, my neighbor has them.
22 Fourteen dollars --

23 DR. JOHN SPAIN: Good looking

1 shirt, isn't it, James?

2 MR. JAMES BUFORD: You are
3 right.

4 MR. GENE HOWARD: Well, at
5 least Mike has good taste,
6 anyhow, doesn't he?

7 DR. JOHN SPAIN: He does.
8 Going to brush off right on me.

9 MR. GENE HOWARD: David Steffy
10 is not here. Penn Wilson is not
11 here. Karen Pinson?

12 MS. KAREN PINSON: Here.

13 MR. GENE HOWARD: NG, all
14 right. Got some more down here
15 I've got to pull out.

16 Ron Grant?

17 MR. RON GRANT: Here.

18 MR. GENE HOWARD: Roger Hall?

19 MR. ROGER HALL: Here.

20 MR. GENE HOWARD: Brandi
21 Little?

22 MS. BRANDI LITTLE: Here.

23 MR. GENE HOWARD: And

1 Leigh Lattimore is excused.

2 Now, have any guests that need
3 introducing?

4 MS. LISA HOLSTEIN: Lisa
5 Holstein, transition force.

6 MR. GENE HOWARD: Okay. We
7 got you.

8 MS. BRENDA CUNNINGHAM: Brenda
9 Cunningham, transition force.

10 And let the record show that
11 Jerome Elser, Mary Harrington,
12 David Steffy, Penn Wilson and
13 Leigh Lattimore are excused.

14 MR. GENE HOWARD: Okay.
15 Approval of minutes, April 2010,
16 who's got them?

17 MS. BRENDA CUNNINGHAM: You
18 don't have a quorum.

19 MR. GENE HOWARD: Pardon?

20 MS. BRENDA CUNNINGHAM: You do
21 not have a quorum, so you'll
22 have to skip all that.

23 MR. GENE HOWARD: I didn't say

1 anything.

2 MS. BRENDA CUNNINGHAM: You're
3 missing one.

4 MR. SCOTT BOLTON: I thought
5 we were going to be close.

6 MS. BRENDA CUNNINGHAM: You're
7 missing one.

8 MR. GENE HOWARD: How many are
9 we shy?

10 MR. SCOTT BOLTON: Short one.
11 Let's hope.

12 MS. BRENDA CUNNINGHAM: Maybe
13 somebody will show up.

14 MR. GENE HOWARD: Looks like a
15 crowd. Not a very good looking
16 crowd, just a crowd.

17 MR. PHILLIP BURGETT: Just the
18 room got smaller.

19 MR. SCOTT BOLTON: That's
20 true.

21 MR. GENE HOWARD: Got any old
22 business? None on your agenda.

23 Program? None. Which will be

1 exciting.

2 And moving right along, our
3 new business, agency reports,
4 first of all is ADEM.

5 MS. BRANDI LITTLE: All right.
6 In your packet you should see
7 the -- I guess the ADEM handout.
8 And once again, you'll see the
9 documents we received and
10 reviewed during this last
11 quarter.

12 I guess the major documents
13 that have come through is we've
14 had a lot of MEC and UXO
15 documents on the Matrix side.

16 And we're also working to
17 modify the cleanup agreement
18 with the MDA. And I think
19 that's about it.

20 MR. GENE HOWARD: Okay.
21 That's it? That's what you got?

22 MS. BRANDI LITTLE: Yes, sir.

23 MR. GENE HOWARD: Okay. EPA?

1 MS. BRENDA CUNNINGHAM: We
2 have a new representative for
3 EPA. Leigh Lattimore, and I've
4 talked to her once. She could
5 not come to the meeting tonight
6 because she was on vacation, but
7 maybe she'll be here in the
8 future.

9 MR. GENE HOWARD: Maybe she'll
10 be here in the future.

11 MR. SCOTT BOLTON: Yeah. I
12 think she was just appointed
13 literally, within the what, last
14 two weeks, Lisa?

15 MS. BRANDI LITTLE: That's
16 news to me.

17 MR. SCOTT BOLTON: Do you know
18 her?

19 MS. BRANDI LITTLE: I -- no.

20 MR. SCOTT BOLTON: Well, we
21 went through so many. I mean,
22 literally, that's our fourth
23 -- that's what Brandi is

1 laughing about -- this is, I
2 think, our fourth EPA
3 representative since November,
4 or December, thereabouts.

5 And so finally, I just called
6 Harold Taylor and said -- Harold
7 is branch chief there, and I
8 know Harold from Tennessee. And
9 he now has most of the southeast
10 federal facilities.

11 And so I just called Harold
12 and said, look, you got to help
13 us out. We need somebody.

14 And he said, give me a few
15 days, week, whatever, and let me
16 see what everybody's workloads
17 are like and so on.

18 And so, that's how this came
19 up. I really don't know what
20 was behind the decision, but
21 that's how her name came up.

22 And, I guess, Lisa, you've
23 talked to her and Brenda you've

1 talked to her, I think.

2 MS. BRENDA CUNNINGHAM: I
3 have.

4 MS. BRANDI LITTLE: Her name
5 is?

6 MR. SCOTT BOLTON: Leigh
7 Lattimore; is that right?

8 MS. LISA HOLSTEIN: Leigh,
9 L-E-I-G-H, Lattimore,
10 L-A-T-T-I-M-O-R-E.

11 MS. BRANDI LITTLE: No longer
12 Gregory Fraley?

13 MR. SCOTT BOLTON: No, no
14 longer him or -- what was the
15 other one?

16 MS. BRANDI LITTLE:
17 Bart Reedy.

18 MS. BRENDA CUNNINGHAM:
19 Bart Reedy.

20 MR. SCOTT BOLTON: Bart Reedy
21 or Doyle Brittain.

22 MS. BRENDA CUNNINGHAM: No.

23 MR. SCOTT BOLTON: Anyway,

1 so --

2 MR. GENE HOWARD: What kind of
3 ongoing business do we have with
4 them?

5 MR. SCOTT BOLTON: With EPA?

6 MR. GENE HOWARD: Yes.

7 MR. SCOTT BOLTON: On the MEC
8 side -- I can't remember how the
9 documentation is -- letter from
10 them said, basically they don't
11 regulate MEC, so they're not
12 going to opine. Although
13 Gregory Fraley handed a MEC
14 document to the world's slowest
15 lawyer, although I now have
16 found one in the Army --

17 MR. GENE HOWARD: It's
18 billable hours, you know.

19 MR. SCOTT BOLTON: I have now
20 found one in the Army who is
21 apparently trying to compete
22 just this afternoon. But
23 nonetheless -- so, anyway, we

1 were not happy about that.

2 And Ms. Lattimore and
3 Harold Taylor are trying to
4 retrieve said MEC documents.
5 It's the finding of suitability
6 for transfer for
7 Iron Mountain Road addition I'll
8 talk about in our update.

9 But on the haz waste side and
10 stuff, EPA does have a dog in
11 the fight.

12 MR. GENE HOWARD: Good. NGB.

13 MS. KAREN PINSON: Let's see,
14 I think the last time I reported
15 we had injected some lactose
16 into the groundwater at ranges J
17 and K on Pelham Range for some
18 groundwater contamination that
19 is occurred from two sides,
20 so -- (inaudible.)

21 COURT REPORTER: Karen, I need
22 you to speak up for me, if you
23 will.

1 MS. KAREN PINSON: Ranges J
2 and K, and so, those two plumes
3 are located entirely within the
4 boundary of Pelham Range.

5 But -- and since the lactose
6 injection in September, we've
7 collected a couple rounds of
8 groundwater sampling in
9 February, May. We got another
10 one coming up in August and
11 another one in November.

12 Then a contractor will prepare
13 a report for us on all those
14 groundwater samples just so we
15 can see what the contaminants
16 are doing in the groundwater.
17 They appear to be diminishing
18 some, so that's a good thing.

19 The other site we have is the
20 former toxic gas area and
21 decontamination training area
22 south of the toxic gas area.

23 There is -- and we have

1 submitted a draft remedial
2 investigation report and a draft
3 focus feasibility study to ADEM.

4 So, that's kind of where we
5 are in that process.

6 MR. GENE HOWARD: Okay. MDA?

7 MR. ROGER HALL: We also
8 submitted a page -- summary page
9 that's in your handout. And I
10 guess the highlights would be
11 that we're continuing to operate
12 the one on-site remedial action
13 at T-6, where we're taking VOCs
14 out of the groundwater. We
15 expect to try and operate that
16 for about a year and then submit
17 an effectiveness report to ADEM
18 so we can keep them busy and
19 engaged in Montgomery.

20 The good news that we like is
21 that we've got a number of final
22 after action reports, either
23 have been submitted, one

1 back -- submitted on April 2032
2 -- I believe that must be a
3 typo -- April the 23rd of this
4 year, for MRS-1.

5 But we've also got an after
6 action report for MRS-2 underway
7 and parts of MRS-8 underway, a
8 northern Alpha UXO after action
9 report underway. And those are
10 kind of the next step before
11 hopefully ADEM will give us a no
12 further action on those
13 particular areas, if they
14 concur.

15 The big thing that's keeping
16 us busy and up at night is that
17 we're trying to get our
18 budgeting for fiscal year '11
19 worked out with the Army.
20 There's budget issues that I
21 know Mr. Bolton perhaps will
22 talk to later.

23 But we're -- our meeting is

1 Wednesday of this week, with the
2 program management committee.
3 And invite all you folks to come
4 out and visit with us while they
5 still have lights on over at the
6 MDA.

7 MR. GENE HOWARD: U. S. Army?

8 MR. SCOTT BOLTON: I guess
9 we'll do a couple things here
10 quick. We'll do our update on
11 our areas.

12 The Charlie EE/CA area, which
13 you all may recall is about 75
14 percent of the Fish & Wildlife
15 Refuge, plus a chunk of what we
16 used to call the Choccolocco
17 Corridor, the areas formerly
18 leased to state property and so
19 on, that's where our
20 responsibility lies, as far as
21 work there.

22 We have got -- we have just
23 finished up, really, our

1 supplemental sampling.

2 We had begun the EE/CA many
3 years ago, at this point. And
4 EE/CA stands for engineering
5 evaluation cost analysis. It's
6 very much related to remedial
7 investigation.

8 The fact is the extent of our
9 EE/CA probably should have been
10 called an RI on the front end,
11 but that's hindsight.

12 So, we had met with ADEM about
13 a year and a half, two years
14 ago, and we had identified data
15 gaps and concerns. And we
16 resolved those and agreed to do
17 additional sampling.

18 We've just completed the
19 fieldwork on that. And so,
20 that's the status here.

21 That went fairly quickly.
22 ADEM was fairly quick on
23 approval of the work plan in

1 June. And literally, we were
2 able to hit the field and have
3 completed that supplemental
4 sampling.

5 On the haz -- and that's all
6 MEC. That's all munitions work
7 there.

8 On the installation
9 restoration side, which would be
10 the more conventional haz waste
11 side of things, we've still got
12 six RIs, remedial investigations
13 ongoing.

14 And in addition, what we did
15 was we pulled two of the
16 sites -- we had feasibility
17 studies scheduled to start in
18 2011, and we pulled them into
19 this fiscal year. And so those
20 are underway, as well.

21 The feasibility study piece of
22 it is kind of, the RI sort of
23 gives you nature and extent and

1 so forth of your contamination,
2 your feasibility study is okay,
3 what are you going to do now.
4 You know, what can you do and
5 what will you do that, is that
6 -- so, that's what we're looking
7 at there.

8 Property transfers. Really
9 nothing has changed. We still
10 hold approximately forty-five
11 acres. Twenty-three acres of
12 which Jim has been waiting for
13 now for, I guess, three, four,
14 five years, thereabouts.

15 MR. JIM MILLER: No rush.

16 MR. SCOTT BOLTON: And the
17 reason for that was that we
18 decided that -- everybody
19 decided several years ago that
20 it would be a lot quicker to
21 just do a no cost economic
22 development conveyance to the
23 then JPA, who would then just

1 pass it right on through to the
2 Anniston Water Works and Sewer
3 Board.

4 Well, we all know what has
5 occurred there and the hang up
6 on those. We actually had the
7 deeds written. I mean, we
8 actually had the darn deeds
9 written. We were that close and
10 when the -- all of the court
11 rulings and so forth came out.

12 So, where our property
13 transfers lie right now is still
14 waiting on the -- the DOD is
15 very conservative. They're
16 ready to roll just about, but
17 they're waiting for all of the
18 final dust to settle before they
19 officially approve the MDA as an
20 LRA.

21 Once that happens, they then
22 become legally an entity that
23 can receive property in a DOD's

1 mind. So, that's where that is
2 at.

3 The branch chief -- my boss,
4 branch chief for the site, has
5 been kind of the personal
6 liaison at this point with the
7 Department of Defense Office of
8 Economic Adjustment.

9 Yeah, John?

10 DR. JOHN SPAIN: Do you know
11 what would -- would their
12 decision be impacted, at all, by
13 an appeal of the judge's
14 decision?

15 MR. SCOTT BOLTON: I don't
16 know, to be honest with you.
17 Okay.

18 DR. JOHN SPAIN: Okay.

19 MR. SCOTT BOLTON: I mean, in
20 theory, they may be able to even
21 do it, but they're very
22 conservative and they're trying
23 to make sure, you know.

1 DR. JOHN SPAIN: Right.

2 MR. SCOTT BOLTON: I mean,
3 their interest is the
4 Department's and the Army's,
5 so --

6 MR. GENE HOWARD: They're
7 watching --

8 MR. SCOTT BOLTON: -- they're
9 watching --

10 MR. GENE HOWARD: -- whatever
11 the judge says.

12 MR. SCOTT BOLTON: They're
13 watching it very closely, yeah.
14 So, I guess there is -- I think
15 on the appeal of the most recent
16 thing, isn't there a clock
17 running on that?

18 DR. JOHN SPAIN: Yeah,
19 forty-two days.

20 MR. SCOTT BOLTON: Like
21 forty-five days, forty-two days,
22 whatever it is.

23 DR. JOHN SPAIN: Yeah.

1 MR. SCOTT BOLTON: So, I
2 wouldn't look -- you know,
3 wouldn't really look to see
4 action before that.

5 But that's just kind of
6 conjecture on my part. I've
7 certainly not talked to
8 Joan Sigler or anybody up at OEA
9 for a long time.

10 The Iron Mountain Road
11 addition. This is the ten acres
12 that are going to connect up,
13 basically, the bypass to the
14 MDA's industrial access road.

15 The only thing we're waiting
16 on to crank the deeds and
17 transfer that to ALDOT is EPA
18 concurrence. And hopefully, now
19 that we have an EPA --

20 MR. GENE HOWARD: Person --

21 MR. SCOTT BOLTON: -- contact
22 person, who will -- who looks
23 like they have a survival time

1 of like five years, then
2 we hopefully will get this thing
3 out. They are aware of our
4 concern and irritation that it
5 is where it is.

6 So, I think -- I'm hoping to
7 see that FOST come out maybe by
8 the end of this month.

9 I think Harold may be at a
10 meeting with me in Tennessee
11 tomorrow, and I will certainly
12 make a point of bringing it up,
13 if he is. But I don't know that
14 for a fact.

15 Usually calls me for bicycle
16 routes, and he hasn't done that,
17 so maybe he's not going to be
18 there.

19 So, that's the update kind of
20 both on our property transfer,
21 our ongoing work and so forth.

22 On the MEC actions that we
23 completed -- you know, we had

1 just completed about two hundred
2 and thirty some odd acres at the
3 81mm mortar range along
4 Bains Gap and so on. And final
5 report is underway on that.

6 And we also did an interim
7 removal action for lead on range
8 twenty. And the same status
9 there.

10 All of that work has been
11 completed, fieldwork. And so
12 now it's a function of the
13 reports getting, you know, all
14 the concurrences that are
15 necessary and so forth to put a
16 bow on it.

17 MR. GENE HOWARD: A question.

18 MR. SCOTT BOLTON: Yes, sir.

19 MR. GENE HOWARD: Is it
20 necessary -- is there anything
21 to be gained by walking a
22 reporter through this process
23 and tell them what's happening?

1 I mean, it's -- the public side
2 of -- the public knowledge, this
3 is what's happened, this is an
4 ongoing -- these are ongoing
5 projects and issues that have
6 been addressed and we are here
7 on the scale --

8 MR. SCOTT BOLTON: It probably
9 doesn't hurt. I mean, education
10 typically doesn't hurt.

11 You know, the reporters have
12 the same kind of issue that
13 we've seen with a lot of other
14 folks is turnover, you know,
15 they do, because we've had some
16 reporters that very much had an
17 interest, and about the time
18 they kind of got familiar with
19 the processes and got their hand
20 locked, they moved on to bigger
21 and better things.

22 MR. GENE HOWARD: Well, it
23 would be -- you know, a lot of

1 things going on, it would be to
2 the advantage of this process if
3 there was some public knowledge
4 of it.

5 Not saying do it, I'm saying
6 consider that, if there is some
7 big ticket items that can be
8 pointed to or blown up or a
9 collection of small ones then,
10 you know, it would certainly
11 help the process.

12 MR. SCOTT BOLTON: Right. And
13 we --

14 MR. GENE HOWARD: Anyhow, just
15 discussing.

16 MR. SCOTT BOLTON: I
17 understand. In fact, that's a
18 discussion we actually had with
19 Robin Scott and Roger Hall and
20 so forth over at MDA not too
21 long ago. That was some of the
22 conversation that one of the
23 board members, I think -- I

1 think it was James, made the
2 comment that, you know, he said,
3 really, he said, all the work
4 going on at Fort McClellan is
5 one of the best kept secrets
6 around.

7 MR. GENE HOWARD: It is.

8 MR. SCOTT BOLTON: And it was
9 a valid point, that there's, you
10 know -- but part of that is --
11 the good news is, I think
12 everybody is doing a pretty good
13 job, and we haven't had any
14 major screw-ups. And, of
15 course, that then becomes no
16 news.

17 MR. GENE HOWARD: It would be
18 good not maybe touching on this
19 organization, but specifically
20 from the MDA --

21 MR. SCOTT BOLTON: Uh-huh.

22 MR. GENE HOWARD: -- since
23 it's a high profile

1 organization --

2 MR. SCOTT BOLTON: Right.

3 MR. GENE HOWARD: -- and
4 representative of the future of
5 McClellan. But anyhow, just
6 talking.

7 MR. SCOTT BOLTON: Yeah. The
8 next item is one some of you may
9 have seen in the paper. It's
10 kind of ironic on what becomes a
11 news item and what doesn't.

12 It's probably the first of
13 your handouts. And I guess
14 you've all got this lovely
15 colored picture here, dated
16 7-12-2010.

17 So, the Monday, the 12th of
18 July, when I came back from
19 leave -- literally, I'm on the
20 phone with my boss at DA, on a
21 personnel matter, I look outside
22 my door -- I had actually shoved
23 the door shut a little bit -- I

1 don't know why, I typically
2 don't, but I had -- and I
3 noticed there is -- I guess
4 Roger, were you with the crowd
5 or just Richard?

6 MR. ROGER HALL: Not the first
7 crowd, no.

8 MR. SCOTT BOLTON: Okay.
9 That's right.

10 MR. ROGER HALL: I was here at
11 lunch.

12 MR. SCOTT BOLTON: Right.
13 Okay. So, there was a crowd.
14 There was Lisa and Bill and a
15 bunch of people from Matrix.
16 And I saw them all standing out,
17 sticking their heads in the
18 doorway.

19 I said, well, this is -- as I
20 told John on the phone, I said,
21 this is probably not good, let
22 me go. This is not good news.

23 He said, why?

1 I said, I got Matrix standing
2 out there with pictures and
3 stuff in their hands.

4 And this was one of the first
5 of the pictures, the one that
6 you will see. And what you are
7 looking at is what we refer to
8 as a Pig, a shipping container,
9 if you will. Okay.

10 And this was uncovered by
11 Matrix, or actually, I guess
12 they're Matrix's contractor, if
13 you will. Folks working under
14 contracts for Matrix.

15 The second page, if you
16 will -- we got that little laser
17 pointer somewhere. See if I can
18 make this sucker work. I'll
19 push laser instead of power, is
20 that what you're worried about?

21 MS. BRENDA CUNNINGHAM: That
22 will be good.

23 MR. SCOTT BOLTON: Okay. That

1 will be good.

2 Where this baby is was right
3 there, that little grid there
4 that is -- I want to say it's
5 N-265, east 147. And if you can
6 read that, you're doing a fine
7 job, folks. It's right there.

8 That's about halfway in
9 Walt Phillips Drive. It used to
10 be called United Road.

11 Roger, get on to Richard, man.
12 Tell him to update that GIS.
13 That was renamed Walter Phillips
14 Drive. I didn't know it until I
15 went out there.

16 And that's approximately, I
17 would say, about five hundred
18 meters in. Out where it impacts
19 good road, where the main gate
20 to the COBRA facility is. This
21 would be about halfway in.

22 What a lot of people don't
23 realize is the COBRA facility

1 really only owns, I can't
2 remember how many feet from the
3 center line of their road, and
4 the area immediately around
5 their facility, itself.

6 The rest is owned, in this
7 case, by MDA. And then, of
8 course, over here is the
9 wildlife refuge.

10 So, we got into this crazy
11 situation where the access
12 routes or the high speed access
13 route is controlled by FEMA.

14 But what happened was it was
15 on property literally that's MDA
16 property. They were doing an
17 initial surface sweep to get
18 ready to stake out grids, survey
19 and brush clear and do all that
20 kind of stuff.

21 And needless to say, when you
22 picked up a gem the size of this
23 Pig, you know, that was not real

1 hard -- it was either a
2 submarine or, you know, or
3 something else.

4 What these are -- so, what
5 this precipitated was --
6 basically, the initial response
7 on something like this is almost
8 like we did with this Livens
9 projectile back in February that
10 caused us to close
11 Bains Gap Road.

12 In this case, this item is not
13 a munition, so there's no
14 explosive constituent or
15 component to it. So, unlike
16 everything else we found prior
17 to this -- since I've been back
18 here in, what was it, October of
19 '06, to my knowledge, this is
20 the first of these type items we
21 have found. Yeah. Everything
22 else we've found has been some
23 type of ordnance item.

1 Now, one of the team members
2 that came down said, oh, no, no,
3 we found some others here. But
4 I don't know if -- I don't
5 recall when I was here. Could
6 have happened, you know, in that
7 three year interval while I was
8 gone.

9 What these things were used
10 for -- believe it or
11 not -- these are -- they were
12 shipping containers. And this
13 was what they would use to ship
14 the agent -- the training agents
15 and stuff like that down here
16 with. And fact is, to this day,
17 there's is a variant on the
18 thing, which is what brings in
19 the live agent into COBRA that
20 they use in their facility, in
21 the FEMA facility there.

22 And the reason why we, A,
23 wanted to show you what was

1 found and B, so, the response
2 action is pretty much the same,
3 the first thing we have to do
4 then is we call in -- we have to
5 call in military EOD. None of
6 or contractors nor Matrix's
7 contractors are authorized to
8 move or fool with these things.

9 So, the first thing you do is
10 you bring in the military EOD
11 people. And they came in and
12 they X-rayed it and it appeared
13 that their X-rays were able to
14 penetrate, and that it appeared
15 to be empty.

16 But when they were moving it
17 to set it somewhere to get a
18 good, clear shot with the X-ray,
19 one of the guys opined that he
20 thought he felt something shift,
21 move, whatever, rattle inside.
22 Okay. So now that requires the
23 next step.

1 So, we got on the phone with
2 the -- what is now known as
3 CARA, used to be called
4 technical escort unit. These
5 are the specialists in chemical
6 weapons and materials and so
7 forth.

8 So, the next thing we have to
9 do is we call them and they have
10 to send a team down. In this
11 case, we got very lucky. They
12 actually had an aircraft
13 available to them on Tuesday.
14 So, literally, this thing moved
15 real fast.

16 We had been on the phone,
17 obviously, on Monday with ADEM.
18 The EOD folks had to come out of
19 Fort Campbell, because those
20 resources are stretched very
21 thin. So, they're now the
22 responding. You've got about a
23 three, three and a half hour lag

1 time just in that, just driving
2 time to get here.

3 But they're real good. They
4 show up, you know, whenever you
5 call them, they come right away.
6 And so, at least it was daylight
7 this time, or almost, you know,
8 as opposed to midnight and cold,
9 like last time.

10 So, the next -- the following
11 day, on Tuesday the 13th, there
12 was -- a CARA team was able to
13 come out of Aberdeen Proving
14 Grounds. And we met them at the
15 airport and so forth.

16 And this requires a whole lot
17 of logistics here. I mean, the
18 good thing is everybody works
19 well together. I guess the bad
20 news is we've done it enough
21 times now that everybody sort of
22 knows what to do. But the good
23 news is that this went about as

1 smoothly as I've ever seen
2 anything go. It really has.

3 I mean, we are involved
4 clearly with MDA. We're clearly
5 involved with FEMA. Okay.
6 We've got multiple Army
7 elements. Okay.

8 We have a very small staff
9 here. Our concern was, can we
10 get enough drivers to pick up
11 the people and the equipment
12 that they had, because we
13 absolutely filled my Jeep, our
14 pickup truck and the whole back
15 of a fifteen passenger van full
16 of nothing but equipment and
17 stuffed the folks in there, as
18 well.

19 So, they responded. They came
20 in with all of their equipment,
21 far more powerful X-rays and so
22 on, and they determined in fact
23 that the item was empty, which

1 is good news.

2 So, at that point it becomes,
3 you know, a great big chunk of
4 hazardous waste. So, I called
5 Roger and congratulated him and
6 Cecil Taylor on their ownership
7 of seventy or eighty pounds of
8 scrap metal, said, you know,
9 have a nice day.

10 MR. GENE HOWARD: Antique
11 scrap metal.

12 MR. SCOTT BOLTON: Right. So,
13 if you look at the next
14 one -- what I wanted you -- what
15 I want everybody to understand,
16 though, is if you look at the
17 one following the map -- I think
18 it says page 23 -- I just
19 obviously zapped it right out of
20 some manuals. Okay -- this is
21 essentially what one of these
22 suckers looks like, without all
23 of the fifty years worth of

1 accretion on it.

2 All of these items were -- we
3 had determined -- this is what's
4 called, as you look at the
5 legend on your handout, a K951
6 or 952 set.

7 In fact, the -- one of the
8 technicians opined that he
9 really thought we had a K941
10 set. They look almost
11 identical, with the slight
12 exception of the 941 -- this
13 one, you can't see it
14 particularly well here, but
15 there's a little difference in
16 how it goes to the flange,
17 whereas the 941 is a little
18 tapered all the way, it's a big
19 -- you know, if he could see
20 that through the rust and the
21 crud, more power to him.

22 But, like I say, what these
23 things were used for -- and

1 that's what the next page -- you
2 look at the next handout that we
3 gave you -- it's not the best
4 quality -- but this is the K941
5 set.

6 And what those had in them
7 were twenty-four bottles. These
8 are from about World War II into
9 the mid to late '50's is when
10 these things were used.

11 And in this case, they had
12 twenty-four, three and a half
13 ounce bottles typically of
14 mustard. That was all that was
15 used for the 941 sets. Okay.

16 And what they did was four of
17 the little two and a half -- or
18 three and a half ounce bottles
19 were put in a sealed, metal
20 container. Okay. And then six
21 metal containers were shoved
22 into this larger metal
23 container, which on the end has,

1 you know, a big seal, and it's
2 bolted and torqued into place.

3 And so that's the use of these
4 things. So, that the -- you
5 know, they're making sure that
6 obviously nothing can get loose,
7 even if you have an accident or
8 whatever.

9 The modern variance on the
10 things can even withstand
11 explosive charges and stuff like
12 that, the ones, for example,
13 that we used, the Livens. We
14 turned that fifty-eight pound
15 Livens pack -- projectile into
16 about a six hundred pound
17 package by the time we were
18 done. Took six of us to flip it
19 into a truck to ship it. It was
20 unbelievable, so -- but with all
21 of the overpack on these things.

22 The next page shows the 951
23 and 952 sets. Those were

1 actually a little older. They
2 came out in the '30's, went all
3 the way through the Korean War
4 and into -- and on into the late
5 '50's.

6 Those had forty-eight flame
7 sealed ampules. The ampules are
8 about seven and a half inches
9 long. They in turn were parked
10 in these little tubes, kind of
11 like cigar tubes. Not much
12 difference in size there.

13 And then they packed -- now,
14 these were -- these all had
15 dilute -- they came as a big set
16 with forty-eight. They came
17 with twelve each of dilute
18 mustard, 5 percent mustard, 5
19 percent leucite, 50 percent
20 chloropicrin, or a hundred
21 percent phosgene.

22 Those were the four agents
23 that came in these things. And

1 there were twelve of each,
2 obviously. So, twelve times
3 four is your forty-eight.

4 They packed those, basically,
5 a dozen of the tubes into cans,
6 once again, that were sealed
7 metal cans. And then again, you
8 had four metal cans inside the
9 Pig, which was set up the same
10 way as the other one.

11 So, that was what the usage of
12 these things were. However,
13 like I say, the one we
14 found -- so it's not -- you
15 know, everyone thought people
16 would get concerned -- my agenda
17 in showing everybody this is so
18 that you have some understanding
19 that these things are about as
20 packed as we can make it. You
21 know, you've got a
22 layer -- layers of safety on the
23 thing.

1 Furthermore, the -- because --
2 we also -- when -- right after
3 the item was found after those
4 photographs were taken, the item
5 was subsequently covered in
6 plastic and so on and so forth.
7 So, even if there had been a
8 release, if you will, there, it
9 would be contained by the
10 plastic.

11 We actually went to
12 the -- what's called the Army's
13 chemical biological radiological
14 nuclear and high yield
15 explosives organization --
16 that's the first C in CARA
17 -- CARA is their analysis --
18 analysis and remediation
19 activity. There's got to be a
20 law against having the first
21 letter of your acronym being an
22 acronym, but anyway, it really
23 screws you up, trying to figure

1 out to how to explain what that
2 is.

3 But anyway, the -- in dealing
4 with all of the -- but anyway,
5 back to the issue here. So,
6 that was the issue that I wanted
7 to present to everybody, was to
8 make sure everybody had some
9 understanding that these things
10 were -- you know, it wasn't like
11 somebody opened up one of these
12 tubes and poured a bunch of
13 stuff in it. It would just be
14 almost impossible to -- so I've
15 been asked to -- Roger, I've
16 been asked to make sure that you
17 guys crush it, cut it or do
18 something in that respect --

19 MR. ROGER HALL: At this point
20 we're doing a little training
21 with it because --

22 MR. SCOTT BOLTON: Okay.

23 MR. ROGER HALL: -- a lot of

1 our guys had never --

2 MR. SCOTT BOLTON: Seen one.

3 MR. ROGER HALL: -- seen one
4 of those. We thought it was one
5 of Jim Miller's old lines we'd
6 dug up out there.

7 MR. JIM MILLER: Well, that
8 was the point I was about to
9 make, because the first thing
10 I -- this looked like to me is
11 an old piece of (inaudible),
12 cast iron pipe.

13 MR. SCOTT BOLTON: That was
14 the first question I had, yeah,
15 uh-huh.

16 MR. JIM MILLER: So, I think
17 it might be a good thing if our
18 guys saw that, so that, you
19 know, if they stumble across
20 another one, hopefully, it would
21 be empty, too, but we could
22 differentiate between that and a
23 piece of pipe.

1 MR. SCOTT BOLTON: Yeah.

2 MR. JIM MILLER: That they'd
3 just likely make a tap into it
4 or cut it with a pipe saw to see
5 what's in there.

6 MR. ROGER HALL: Right. Well,
7 it's at the ASP, and we'd buddy
8 locked with you guys, I think,
9 to let you in. So, if you want
10 to have somebody look at it, if
11 you'll let me know what day you
12 could send a few people out
13 there, we'll show it to them.

14 MR. SCOTT BOLTON: Of course,
15 unlike your pipe, the other end
16 of it is sealed.

17 MR. JIM MILLER: Yeah.

18 MR. SCOTT BOLTON: Yeah.
19 You've only got one end that you
20 can -- that's bolts and
21 flanged --

22 MR. JIM MILLER: Well, if you
23 can see the other end.

1 MR. SCOTT BOLTON: Yeah,
2 that's true.

3 MR. JIM MILLER: What I would
4 be concerned about if you just
5 saw the flange --

6 MR. SCOTT BOLTON: Right.

7 MR. JIM MILLER: -- sticking
8 out.

9 MR. SCOTT BOLTON: I agree.

10 DR. JOHN SPAIN: Is there any
11 kind of unique tools required to
12 take that off or any just --

13 MR. SCOTT BOLTON: I don't
14 know.

15 DR. JOHN SPAIN: -- any
16 wrench --

17 MR. SCOTT BOLTON: I just -- I
18 don't know. I suspect not, but
19 I don't know. I don't know that
20 for a fact.

21 I know some of the modern
22 variance that we use for
23 different things, like the CANS,

1 as they call it, the case ampule
2 neutralization system and so on,
3 you know, it's -- there's all
4 kind of specs to the bolts, and
5 you have a torquing pattern, and
6 you know, the --

7 DR. JOHN SPAIN: Yeah.

8 MR. SCOTT BOLTON: -- whole
9 bit. And literally, use a
10 torque wrench, because you're
11 going to make sure your seals
12 are appropriate and all that
13 kind of good stuff. But I have
14 no idea on these.

15 DR. JOHN SPAIN: We could
16 probably sell this to the same
17 folks that have been stealing
18 the covers.

19 MR. JIM MILLER: May not be
20 able to, because they may be in
21 jail pretty soon.

22 MR. SCOTT BOLTON: I mean,
23 this is probably -- I would

1 assume this one is probably
2 carbon steel since it rusted and
3 so forth. And, you know, our
4 modern ones are stainless or
5 some other type of material,
6 material science that -- I know
7 the new ones are real, real
8 expensive, because the one lever
9 we have on them is that --

10 MR. JIM MILLER: Is this just
11 a mild steel material, because I
12 notice it's really --

13 MR. SCOTT BOLTON: Well, it's
14 pretty thick, I mean, it's --
15 you know, and that. But it's --

16 MR. JIM MILLER: (Inaudible.)

17 MR. SCOTT BOLTON: I have no
18 idea what its weight is. Maybe
19 you guys have a better -- that
20 was one of the first things we
21 always try to look at, too. But
22 actually, we couldn't find any
23 data what one of these empty

1 Pigs weigh and what would a full
2 one weigh, so it's --

3 MR. JIM MILLER: I just
4 noticed the wall thickness
5 wasn't all that thick.

6 MR. SCOTT BOLTON: Right.

7 MR. JIM MILLER: .145
8 inches --

9 MR. SCOTT BOLTON: Uh-huh.

10 MR. JIM MILLER: -- that's
11 pretty thin.

12 MR. SCOTT BOLTON: Well, yeah,
13 particularly, compared to
14 munitions or say cast stuff,
15 but, yeah.

16 MR. JIM MILLER: Interesting.
17 I appreciate you sharing that
18 with us.

19 MR. SCOTT BOLTON: Well,
20 anyway, that was -- so, that was
21 our -- it wasn't really much
22 excitement. It was just -- that
23 was last week's, Monday, Tuesday

1 and Wednesday, if you will.

2 MR. JIM MILLER: Gee, we're
3 sorry nothing blew up.

4 MR. SCOTT BOLTON: No. I
5 mean, you know, we did the usual
6 things, sent the releases and so
7 on and so forth. You know, I
8 mean, it's always interesting,
9 you know, the kind of responses,
10 you know -- I mean, Brandi and
11 Tracy and Steve down at ADEM,
12 they don't even hardly react
13 anymore. It's like kind of,
14 yeah, okay, whatever. Nice
15 picture. Thanks. Whatever.
16 That kind of stuff. And, you
17 know, there will be a couple of
18 questions here and there.

19 But it's -- I mean, the good
20 news, I guess, is that
21 everybody's, you know, pretty
22 well ready and everybody
23 cooperated real, real well. I

1 mean, it was great. I mean,
2 because we -- like I say, we had
3 to get vehicles from FEMA, okay.
4 And I thought our contracting
5 process could be hide bound. My
6 oh my, I felt sorry for some old
7 friends over there. But they --
8 they got it worked out for us.

9 And their -- fact is, their
10 safety people and risk
11 management people came over
12 right away, because we had to
13 have some discussions and make
14 some risk management decisions
15 right away.

16 The CARA people, we had had
17 them, as I started to say
18 before -- they were real good.
19 They jumped -- while we were
20 literally on a conference call
21 with them -- we were asking them
22 about downwind hazards. So, if
23 you -- if something ruptured and

1 there was a leak, okay, what
2 have you got to do. You know,
3 what's what.

4 And ironically, you know, we
5 were all focused in on mustard,
6 right, because by far, would be
7 the worst agent. And they go,
8 oh, no, no, no. Downwind hazard
9 would be phosgene, because it
10 will volatilize and you got a
11 little more -- they said, the
12 mustard would never even make it
13 to the road.

14 So, that was sort of
15 interesting. You know, they're
16 smart guys. Right there, when
17 we're on the phone, by the time
18 we got off the conference call,
19 they already had all that
20 calculated and we were able to
21 make the appropriate risk
22 management decisions and so
23 forth. So, it worked out very,

1 very well.

2 But that's a good point of
3 maybe we need to get you guys
4 ready or not. Because that was
5 my first reaction, are we sure
6 it's not a -- you know, it's not
7 a --

8 MR. GENE HOWARD: Sure what it
9 was and stuff.

10 MR. SCOTT BOLTON: So, that's
11 all I have.

12 MR. GENE HOWARD: Any
13 questions from this gentleman
14 who talked so well?

15 All right. TAPP contractor
16 report.

17 MR. RON GRANT: Haven't had
18 any assignments, so really have
19 nothing to report.

20 MR. GENE HOWARD: Okay. You
21 got -- you phase out before the
22 next meeting, don't you?

23 MR. RON GRANT: Yeah.

1 MR. GENE HOWARD: Okay. New
2 program ideas. Upcoming
3 programs requested by RAB
4 members. Anything you want to
5 discuss?

6 I think Mike Kimberly last
7 time discussed or suggested that
8 we get a periodic look at the
9 development of the road, right,
10 Doctor?

11 DR. MICHAEL KIMBERLY: I would
12 like to. I think it would be
13 informative.

14 MR. GENE HOWARD: Well, I
15 mean, you know, let's -- can
16 we --

17 DR. MICHAEL KIMBERLY: The
18 timeframe has changed, has it
19 not, on when they're going to
20 open or not open?

21 MR. GENE HOWARD: What we need
22 to know, you know, we're looking
23 at fall 2013.

1 MR. SCOTT BOLTON: Well,
2 somewhat -- like I say, that's a
3 little bit -- and this kind of
4 goes to some of what Dr. Cox had
5 asked about earlier or
6 previously -- some of this goes
7 to kind of how much it's an
8 element issue with the RAB.

9 Obviously, we could draw some
10 linkage because that
11 Iron Mountain Road addition that
12 connects the two up and so on
13 and so forth.

14 I don't know what the exact
15 timelines are, but I thought
16 they were talking about opening
17 a portion of it --

18 MR. GENE HOWARD: Yeah.

19 MR. SCOTT BOLTON: -- before
20 2013, wasn't it?

21 DR. JOHN SPAIN: This year.

22 MR. SCOTT BOLTON: Of this
23 year, 2011, right?

1 MR. JIM MILLER: It was pushed
2 back a little bit, I think.

3 MR. SCOTT BOLTON: Yeah, that
4 would actually go to -- well,
5 literally, where our little ten
6 acre patch there that you can
7 see the dark spot on the map
8 over there is.

9 MR. ROGER HALL: I think there
10 is some effort to try and
11 coordinate the opening of that
12 southern portion --

13 MR. SCOTT BOLTON: Right.

14 MR. ROGER HALL: -- that first
15 phase, if you will, or may be
16 some middle phase. But anyway,
17 from down on -- down near
18 Donoho, up to the top of the
19 mountain --

20 MR. SCOTT BOLTON: Right.

21 MR. ROGER HALL: -- at the
22 same time that the industrial
23 access, Bains Gap -- I'm sorry,

1 Iron Mountain --

2 MR. SCOTT BOLTON:

3 Iron Mountain Road.

4 MR. ROGER HALL: -- Road is
5 opened. And that way, all at
6 one time, you have traffic all
7 of a sudden being able to come
8 around that way rather than
9 coming up Quintard.

10 MR. SCOTT BOLTON: I can't
11 wait. It will save me a lot of
12 time going to Atlanta Airport.

13 MR. ROGER HALL: I keep
14 hearing late fall for that to
15 happen. The same contractor, I
16 believe, has got the paving
17 contract for both --

18 MR. SCOTT BOLTON: Right.

19 MR. ROGER HALL: -- parts of
20 the road.

21 MR. SCOTT BOLTON: I had heard
22 that, yeah.

23 MR. ROGER HALL: But the final

1 base -- final wearing surface on
2 the bypass, as well as the
3 wearing surface on
4 Iron Mountain.

5 MR. GENE HOWARD: Could we go
6 ahead and make a formal request
7 from the ALDOT to come back in
8 October and kind of bring us up
9 to date? Would this be all
10 right with the board?

11 MS. BRENDA CUNNINGHAM: Well,
12 I think we already have
13 something in the works for
14 October, your Fish & Wildlife
15 Refuge update that you've been
16 asking for.

17 MR. GENE HOWARD: Okay.

18 MS. BRENDA CUNNINGHAM: We
19 think we can -- Steve has agreed
20 to --

21 MR. GENE HOWARD: We can't do
22 two things at once, huh?

23 MS. BRENDA CUNNINGHAM: Well,

1 you could, if you want, but you
2 know --

3 MR. GENE HOWARD: What's the
4 wishes of the board, as far as
5 this issue right now? Talk to
6 us. Is it imperative that we
7 have an update by the next
8 meeting of where we are on the
9 development of that road through
10 there?

11 DR. JOHN SPAIN: Well, if we
12 wait 'till after, the road might
13 already be open, and then we'd
14 all know what's going on.

15 MR. GENE HOWARD: That is real
16 profound, you know. I wouldn't
17 have thought of that.

18 MR. SCOTT BOLTON: Sort of
19 makes you glad he's running the
20 city.

21 MR. GENE HOWARD: That's the
22 reason he's sitting so close to
23 me and you, Scott. Some of this

1 stuff seeps out.

2 DR. MICHAEL KIMBERLY: I want
3 my shirt back.

4 MR. GENE HOWARD: Anyhow, that
5 was the process. We want to
6 pass on that? Since John's got
7 us messed up.

8 DR. JOHN SPAIN: I think we
9 can have both of them.

10 MR. GENE HOWARD: I
11 understand. But now really, if
12 we could have -- I mean, it
13 doesn't have to be a
14 thirty-minute presentation. If
15 it's a handout, if it's, we're
16 here, there, this is what we've
17 done, this is the next phase we
18 could do, I think that would
19 be -- I think it would be
20 beneficial to everybody.

21 MS. BRENDA CUNNINGHAM: We can
22 ask him.

23 MR. SCOTT BOLTON: Yeah, I

1 mean, I --

2 MR. GENE HOWARD: Let's try.

3 MS. BRENDA CUNNINGHAM: If he
4 can't come, maybe he can send us
5 something.

6 MR. GENE HOWARD: Just send us
7 something. Send us something.
8 And because -- I mean, this is
9 obviously impacting the
10 community, because what's going
11 over on 21 over there, all of
12 this stuff and the discussion.

13 Well, we can talk about 2013,
14 because that's the finish date
15 on that, but now, what's coming
16 up to that so --

17 DR. BARRY COX: A question, is
18 that appropriate for a
19 restoration advisory board? In
20 other words, our -- you know,
21 our charge for this is strictly
22 environmental restoration.

23 MR. GENE HOWARD: Yeah.

1 MR. SCOTT BOLTON: Right. And
2 specifically, really for the
3 Army and the National Guard,
4 because the National Guard uses
5 this as their RAB, as well. So,
6 those would be kind of the two,
7 you know, the cleanup areas.
8 And, of course, ours are in the
9 least exciting areas in the
10 sense of, you know, our
11 responsibility is Fish &
12 Wildlife, and their -- the big
13 chunk of theirs is -- or I guess
14 all of it now just about is
15 Pelham Range, right?

16 MS. KAREN PINSON: Yes.

17 MR. SCOTT BOLTON: Plus your
18 broken gas station. Sorry,
19 couldn't help that.

20 MR. GENE HOWARD: Okay.

21 MS. KAREN PINSON: We got a
22 site or two on our main part
23 that's just some restricted use,

1 military training.

2 MR. SCOTT BOLTON: Right.

3 MS. KAREN PINSON: That's what
4 we do, anyway.

5 MR. SCOTT BOLTON: But, yeah,
6 I mean, that's a very valid
7 point. And that's why we try to
8 -- once in awhile, if we get a
9 little bit off, but it's
10 related, since it's all sort of
11 related, integrated, yeah.

12 MR. GENE HOWARD: Yeah.

13 MR. SCOTT BOLTON: But
14 technically, anything in the
15 cantonment, which is the area of
16 most interest, because that's
17 what's going to be developed --

18 MR. GENE HOWARD: Okay.

19 MR. SCOTT BOLTON: -- it's MDA
20 responsibility.

21 MR. GENE HOWARD: And it's
22 critical to the community, too.

23 MR. SCOTT BOLTON: Yeah. The

1 funding now, I guess -- since
2 Roger brought it up, I guess we
3 should not ignore it.

4 The ESCA here, the
5 environmental services
6 cooperative agreement, for lack
7 of a better term -- I mean, I
8 don't know that we're operating
9 under an official ESCA right
10 now.

11 There had been one with JPA.
12 When JPA was dissolved, the Army
13 went into an interim agreement
14 of some sort with the county
15 that said basically, we'll keep
16 doing like we did under the
17 ESCA.

18 We all refer to it as the
19 ESCA, the environmental services
20 cooperative agreement.

21 The ESCA at Fort McClellan,
22 unlike some other ESCAs, partly
23 because of just the totality of

1 the cost, was not bought out up
2 front. Okay. And there are
3 other mechanisms or other ESCAs
4 in the country where they -- in
5 fact, that's what they did, they
6 bought them out up front.

7 Typically, they cost less than
8 Fort McClellan's quite frankly.

9 You know, the initial ESCA
10 here was in the ballpark of -- I
11 think it started at -- I can't
12 remember now -- thirty-four
13 million dollars. And in various
14 modifications, it hit close to
15 sixty.

16 There was about twenty-nine of
17 that left over. It got rolled
18 over into the current ESCA and
19 all became one big ESCA. And
20 the total value on that was
21 probably around a hundred and
22 eighty-one million dollars,
23 spread over, up to thirty years.

1 The pace that MDA has been
2 able to move at has been quite
3 fast. I mean, literally, a
4 couple million dollars a month.

5 And so the current FY11
6 funding was more of a
7 placeholder than anything. And
8 it was only a couple of million
9 dollars. Apparently, there's
10 supposed to be supplemental
11 funding that was going to come
12 from Congress, earmarked for
13 these kind of projects.

14 And depend -- and so, as yet,
15 the only thing the Army has been
16 able to commit to is a couple
17 million dollars for FY11.

18 Now, it doesn't mean the
19 lights go out at the end of
20 September, because MDA is smart
21 about how they manage. There
22 was money left over, previously,
23 too.

1 So, we're talking about FY11
2 dollars. There have been FY10
3 dollars added to -- was the
4 first time we filled up the
5 tank, so to speak.

6 So, right now we don't know
7 what the total funding is going
8 to be for this year, for that
9 level of effort. And, of
10 course, that makes it difficult,
11 obviously, for them to plan.

12 And we understand that and
13 everybody is kind of on top of
14 it, but until we hear from
15 Congress, we just don't know the
16 actual numbers. But they'll
17 be -- they're definitely a high
18 priority on the BRAC side of the
19 funding.

20 And so I think, you know,
21 those who actually accomplish
22 stuff get funded, typically,
23 too. So, that's the other good

1 news is they are able to execute
2 and have been doing so --

3 But that's the biggest issue,
4 I think, is, I guess, building
5 contingencies and so on. We can
6 do this at this level, we can do
7 this at this level and so forth.

8 And as yet, as of today,
9 that's still uncertain. We
10 don't know what the supplemental
11 funding is going to look like.

12 MR. GENE HOWARD: Good.
13 Anymore ideas you want to toss
14 out for future interest,
15 programs? I think we got
16 probably filled up for October.
17 Any comments?

18 MR. SCOTT BOLTON: October
19 18th is the RAB date, I believe.

20 MR. GENE HOWARD: Yeah. Let's
21 go around the table. Down the
22 road there, Monty, you all
23 right?

1 MR. MONTY CLENDENIN: (Nods
2 head.)

3 MS. BRENDA CUNNINGHAM: I
4 would like to ask that the RAB
5 remove the program on the
6 updated status of McClellan
7 property. We've been carrying
8 that for a long time. And
9 honestly, I don't think that
10 that's going to happen.

11 MR. GENE HOWARD: Okay.

12 MR. SCOTT BOLTON: Nor is it
13 really our lane.

14 MS. BRENDA CUNNINGHAM: Right.
15 And that's why we can't make it
16 happen.

17 MR. SCOTT BOLTON: But if
18 Roger were to throw that out one
19 time, that would be okay, too.
20 But that's really not -- that's
21 not our real focus.

22 MR. ROGER HALL: Well,
23 sometimes I feel like we're here

1 in lieu of the MDA, as sort of
2 their project manager. Every
3 time I have brought this up to
4 those at the MDA, they just
5 professionally and politely
6 remind me that they do have
7 meetings every month --

8 MR. SCOTT BOLTON: Right.

9 MR. ROGER HALL: -- and these
10 kinds of things are and can be
11 discussed.

12 And we've got maps on the wall
13 over there, pretty extensive,
14 showing the status of our MEC
15 sites and our HTRW sites. And
16 so, I don't get anywhere when I
17 ask the MDA to come or authorize
18 us to come and talk much about
19 that particular subject, so --

20 MR. SCOTT BOLTON: Yeah. They
21 had set up one of their
22 meetings -- I don't remember
23 what kind -- they are required

1 to have, as part of the terms of
2 the ESCA and so on, they were
3 required to have a public
4 participation plan and so on
5 and, you know, these type
6 meetings the RAB --

7 MS. BRENDA CUNNINGHAM: If you
8 would like, I can get that --

9 MR. SCOTT BOLTON: -- but --

10 MS. BRENDA CUNNINGHAM: --
11 information from them and
12 forward it to you all, if you
13 would be interested in going to
14 one of their meetings to hear
15 that.

16 MR. SCOTT BOLTON: Yeah. They
17 have theirs, I want to say it's
18 during the week, during the
19 business day, isn't it?

20 MR. JIM MILLER: It's
21 Wednesday.

22 MR. SCOTT BOLTON: Roger, I
23 don't remember.

1 MR. ROGER HALL: It's on
2 Wednesday, yes.

3 MR. SCOTT BOLTON: Is it the
4 Wednesday meeting? Okay. So --

5 MR. ROGER HALL: Our next
6 meeting is this Wednesday. And
7 the major thing on this agenda
8 is the budget for fiscal year
9 '11.

10 But if anybody wanted to ask
11 questions, they all -- you know,
12 the committee meeting -- now,
13 this is the program management
14 committee.

15 The board meeting has finally
16 -- has -- they moved those to
17 quarterly.

18 MR. SCOTT BOLTON: Uh-huh.

19 MR. ROGER HALL: The actual
20 MDA board now --

21 MR. SCOTT BOLTON: Right.

22 MR. ROGER HALL: -- are only
23 meeting quarterly.

1 MR. SCOTT BOLTON: Makes
2 sense.

3 MR. ROGER HALL: So, the
4 committee meeting is where the
5 nuts and bolts of what I think
6 you folks would be -- have been
7 asking about.

8 DR. BARRY COX: Do they have a
9 transcript?

10 MR. ROGER HALL: Yes.

11 DR. BARRY COX: For the --

12 MR. ROGER HALL: Well, no, no.
13 They don't have a reporter to do
14 a transcript, no, sir.

15 DR. BARRY COX: So they could
16 edit their transcript at their
17 own discretion then?

18 MR. SCOTT BOLTON: Yes, I
19 guess. Actually, we're
20 relatively rare in having -- in
21 actually creating a verbatim
22 transcript. Most of the
23 meetings I've seen are --

1 DR. BARRY COX: Don't all RABs
2 do that?

3 MR. SCOTT BOLTON: Have a
4 verbatim transcript?

5 DR. BARRY COX: Yes.

6 MR. SCOTT BOLTON: No, sir.
7 It's not a requirement.

8 DR. BARRY COX: I knew that
9 the ANAD RAB did.

10 MR. SCOTT BOLTON: Well, some
11 of the guys that invented that
12 one invented this one, so that's
13 probably where the -- there is
14 some crossover in personality.

15 MR. GENE HOWARD: All right,
16 coming down the wall. Nothing
17 else said, we adjourn the
18 meeting until October the 18th,
19 5:00 o'clock.

20 (Whereupon, the meeting was
21 adjourned at 5:51 p.m.)
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