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MR. KIMBROUGH: Let me have roll
call. Scott Bolton?

MR. BOLTON: I'm here.

MR. KIMBROUGH: I'm here. James
Buford?

(No response.)

MR. KIMBROUGH: Jerome Elser?

(No response.)

MR. KIMBROUGH: Dr. Harrington?

DR. HARRINGTON: She's here.

MR. KIMBROUGH: Gene Howard?

(No response.)

MR. KIMBROUGH: Dr. Michael
Kimberly?

DR. KIMBERLY: He's here.

MR. KIMBROUGH: Jim Miller?

(No response.)

MR. KIMBROUGH: Tony Thompson?

(No response.)

MR. KIMBROUGH: Karen Pinson?

(No response.)

1 MR. KIMBROUGH: I'm putting
2 excused by all these people.

3 MR. BOLTON: We got it.

4 MR. KIMBROUGH: Put an "A" by the
5 last one. Okay. Do we have any guests?

6 MR. JAMES HALL: Did you call
7 James Hall?

8 MR. BOLTON: No, he didn't call
9 you but he knew you were here.

10 MR. KIMBROUGH: I checked you off,
11 I knew you were here. I didn't call you.
12 I'm sorry, Mr. Hall, I had a check by you. I
13 already checked all of them.

14 DR. KIMBERLY: You notice he
15 didn't say here for himself.

16 MR. KIMBROUGH: Do we have any
17 guests?

18 MR. BOLTON: We do. We've got a
19 couple. So, Roger, you want to do the
20 introduction?

21 MR. ROGER HALL: I was either now
22 or later when the time came to be. This may
23 be our last agency report for the MDA here

14 Mike James, the chairman of the PM
15 Committee told me that he hoped that at least
16 I was kind enough to them to get somebody
17 that was smarter than I am to replace me and
18 I told him I had done just that. But Gerald
19 has been on board for what, now, Gerald,
20 three or four weeks?

21 MR. HARDY: Since September the
22 10th.

23 MR. ROGER HALL: Happy to have him.

1 and I think the program will benefit from him
2 being here. We're certainly glad to have him
3 with our team at Matrix. He brings a side of
4 the program, the regulatory side, to the
5 table that we don't match, to be perfectly
6 honest with you. He's a RCRA specialist.

7 And, Gerald, we're certainly glad to
8 have you and thanks for listening to me all
9 those months. That's all I have, Mr.
10 Chairman.

11 MR. KIMBROUGH: Welcome.

12 MR. HARDY: Thank you.

13 MR. KIMBROUGH: I've already met
14 you two or three times. Welcome to the -- to
15 the RAB. Any other guests?

16 Approval of Minutes, we don't have --

17 MR. BOLTON: No, we don't have a
18 quorum.

19 MR. KIMBROUGH: -- a quorum so we
20 can't approve the Minutes.

21 MR. BOLTON: Can't do any
22 business, really.

23 MR. KIMBROUGH: Old business, we

1 can't amend the bylaws. Program, we have
2 none. This is going to be fast, looks like.
3 New business. Okay. We've had the
4 resignation of Buddy Nelson, so have we got
5 any applications on file?

6 MS. CUNNINGHAM: No, sir, we do
7 not. You do not have any on file.

8 MR. KIMBROUGH: Do we advertise
9 or --

10 MS. CUNNINGHAM: It's kind of been
11 word-of-mouth. I had canvassed all the
12 people, all the businesses that were on post,
13 all the companies, and that's how we got some
14 interest but we've already used those
15 applications.

16 So if you all know anyone -- or I'll
17 be glad to send it to -- you know, send an
18 application somewhere.

19 MR. KIMBROUGH: We've got -- what
20 do the bylaws say? Do we -- do we have to
21 have a -- is that what we're amending, that
22 we change the number?

23 MR. BOLTON: We did.

1 MS. CUNNINGHAM: Right. You did
2 change it to 14, but now you have 13 members
3 and one vacancy.

4 MR. KIMBROUGH: So we've just got
5 one vacancy with that resignation?

6 MS. CUNNINGHAM: Yes, sir. Yes,
7 sir.

8 MR. BOLTON: Right. That was
9 one -- there's a whole --

10 MS. CUNNINGHAM: You can either
11 change the bylaws again before you -- well,
12 we can't do it, though.

13 MS. HOLSTEIN: -- not anyone --

14 MS. CUNNINGHAM: No. Or we could
15 find -- you know, try to ask around and find
16 someone, that just happened the other day.

17 MR. KIMBROUGH: So, if y'all know
18 of anybody that might be interested -- have
19 you talked to -- you said you talked to
20 visitors, have you talked to Mr. Foster --
21 have you talked to Bobby Foster?

22 MS. CUNNINGHAM: No.

23 MR. KIMBROUGH: At McClellan

1 Medical Center?

2 MS. CUNNINGHAM: I can.

3 DR. KIMBERLY: I can.

4 MR. BOLTON: Remember we're doing
5 it semiannual now instead of -- sometimes --

6 DR. KIMBERLY: Semiannual, yeah.
7 He might be interested -- or at least try to
8 get involved a little more around town.

9 MR. BOLTON: Might minimize some
10 schedule conflicts.

11 DR. KIMBERLY: He got on the
12 nursing board with me at Jacksonville.

13 MR. KIMBROUGH: Okay. But if
14 any -- anybody else has anybody that they
15 might -- we have an application, You can get
16 the application and get their name.

17 DR. KIMBERLY: Let me talk to --
18 I'll talk to Duke Cannell.

19 MS. CUNNINGHAM: The application
20 is on the website. I can give it to you
21 later or whatever you want.

22 DR. KIMBERLY: Let me talk to them
23 first.

1 MS. CUNNINGHAM: Okay.

2 DR. KIMBERLY: I'll give you the
3 names and addresses, and you can shoot it to
4 them?

5 MS. CUNNINGHAM: Okay. Sure will.

6 MR. KIMBROUGH: Agency reports,
7 ADEM?

8 MS. BRANDI LITTLE: I'm up first?
9 We normally have about three sheets, this
10 time we have about seven. Should be -- I'm
11 assuming it's in the packet -- yes.

12 I think the major accomplishments this
13 time were the four covenants that we got for
14 MDA, which included, I guess, two landfills
15 and some other -- I'm trying to think of what
16 the others were. One of them was -- gosh,
17 I've gone blank -- the Cobra sites.

18 MR. ROGER HALL: One --

19 MS. BRANDI LITTLE: And the three
20 new ones haven't been signed yet. We've got
21 four out of the five original ones that were
22 submitted signed. And I think MDA is working
23 on the number four one; and the other one is

1 the filing of the Remedial Investigation for
2 Baby Bains Gap Ranges for the Army.

3 MR. KIMBROUGH: That's been signed
4 off on?

5 MS. BRANDI LITTLE: Yes. We
6 concurred on it.

7 MR. KIMBROUGH: That's turned over
8 to y'all now?

9 MR. ROGER HALL: Yes, that is
10 right. There's -- we got -- so we can get
11 moving.

12 MR. KIMBROUGH: The military -- or
13 the DOD did -- did their work and now it's
14 being transferred to the -- transferred over
15 to -- to the Matrix or the MDA.

16 MR. ROGER HALL: Right.

17 MR. KIMBROUGH: And then they're
18 going to -- they're going to do the cleanup.

19 MR. ROGER HALL: The remedial --

20 MR. BOLTON: Well, they're going
21 to -- yeah. They'll do -- they'll do a
22 feasibility study and the cleanup. Yeah.
23 Yes. So.

1 MR. KIMBROUGH: Okay.

2 MR. BOLTON: Yeah. We did the
3 characterization.

4 MS. BRANDI LITTLE: That's all I
5 have.

6 MR. KIMBROUGH: What is the
7 characterization, what did it call for?

8 MR. ROGER HALL: It called for
9 lead cleanup and a couple hundred thousand
10 pounds of -- or yards of soil.

11 MR. KIMBROUGH: Have you ever --
12 has ADEM ever decided about the lead cleanup?
13 I mean, my last meeting -- maybe it's been
14 cleared up, but the last meeting I went to,
15 there were some things about what we could --
16 how we would clean up, and the water, and
17 there were some questions there.

18 MR. ROGER HALL: That's
19 essentially what was finalized from that RI
20 which was done that they've just approved.

21 MR. BOLTON: Nature and extent was
22 there. The driver, the same with those, like
23 most everything here, is pretty much for the

1 fill lead is the -- the eco-driver risk
2 really is the biggest driver, the ecological
3 risk drivers for the lead. It's kind of
4 common here that, you know, it's going to be
5 lead, copper, zinc, antimony, those kind of
6 bullet-type, you know, components.

7 MR. KIMBROUGH: But y'all
8 characterized it now to plan --

9 MR. BOLTON: Right. And they'll
10 decide what's the most feasible way of going
11 at it. Here's what the options are, and then
12 here's what we consider to be the most
13 feasible and so on, and they'll do it.
14 That's why we made the dividing line.

15 If you all recall, there was -- there
16 was some confusion initially about -- when
17 the ESCA was originally negotiated as to who
18 was doing what, because there were some
19 things that we were to complete
20 characterization and hand off on, and this
21 was one -- the Baby Bains Gap Road Ranges
22 were -- there was a glitch in the way they
23 kept the records on the ESCA, and each one

1 thought the other -- and said, one of y'all
2 needs to do the characterization. Oops, yep,
3 needs to be us.

4 So, that's kind of -- yeah, we
5 completed the characterization. But the
6 feasibility study is going to be -- which
7 will tell you kind of what they -- what
8 they're going to do; and then the actual
9 remediation will be done by MDA/Matrix.

10 MR. KIMBROUGH: How many acres
11 would that clear up?

12 MR. ROGER HALL: Oh, gosh, I guess
13 I'm -- is it -- what does that cover in
14 acreage? I think about it in terms of tons
15 and -- or cubic yards more so than acres,
16 because it's spread out over a couple of
17 ranges. If I had to take a wild guess, I'd
18 tell you it's probably going to encompass
19 some 30 to -- 30 or so acres in the MRS-4.

20 MR. KIMBROUGH: Okay.

21 MR. BOLTON: A lot of times your
22 actual contamination will be a little more
23 concentrated.

1 MR. ROGER HALL: It's mostly
2 concentrated.

3 MR. KIMBROUGH: I contributed to
4 some of the contamination.

5 MR. ROGER HALL: You throw a
6 little bit out there? Did you hit your
7 target? Is there a question --

8 MR. KIMBROUGH: Well, there was a
9 deer that ran across --

10 DR. KIMBERLY: -- cleared this
11 building in the parking lot.

12 MR. KIMBROUGH: There was. That's
13 the truth. There was a deer that ran across,
14 all of a sudden all the concentration went --
15 nobody hit -- bad thing, nobody hit it.

16 DR. KIMBERLY: Missed it to --

17 MR. KIMBROUGH: Firing line was
18 full and nobody hit it.

19 MR. BOLTON: The volumes are -- we
20 all tend to concentrate on volumes, because
21 that's really what -- that's what drives the
22 costs, plain and simple, you know.

23 MR. HARDY: The plan would be to

1 stabilize it to render it non-hazardous so it
2 can be brought to a municipal solid waste
3 landfill.

4 MR. KIMBROUGH: I understood at
5 one time there was some discussion about what
6 you would have to do -- they looked into kind
7 of sifting through -- sifting, getting the --
8 getting the lead out.

9 MR. ROGER HALL: Well, there was
10 some discussion there earlier on about trying
11 to do a reclaim of the project, out the
12 reclamation project. We actually went as far
13 as to engage the services of a company, local
14 company, to see if they could show us that
15 they knew how to take reusable lead out of
16 the dirt; and at the end of the day, they can
17 take some of the lead out, but the cost
18 wasn't reduced any. We still had to go
19 through the same shenanigans to clean up the
20 small part per million soil of lead
21 particles.

22 MR. HARDY: Same regulatory
23 requirements.

1 MR. ROGER HALL: Right. So we --
2 we sort of put that to bed, because there
3 just didn't seem to be any savings in doing
4 it that way.

5 MR. KIMBROUGH: Okay. Any
6 questions on the report? You got anything
7 else?

8 MS. BRANDI LITTLE: No, sir.

9 MR. KIMBROUGH: Anybody got any
10 questions?

11 (No response.)

12 MR. KIMBROUGH: Okay. Then next
13 we have National Guard.

14 MS. PINSON: Thank you. For
15 Ranges J and K, those are where we inject
16 some lactose into the groundwater, because we
17 have contamination in groundwater at those --
18 in those areas of Pelham Range. And the
19 post-lactose sampling has showed that
20 everything seems to be working.

21 We've had to add a little more lactose
22 carbon source to some of the wells at Range
23 K, but the results so far have been

1 promising. The bacteria are breaking down
2 the chlorinated organic compounds and so
3 we're continuing to proceed with that -- in
4 that direction.

5 And on our former -- all these areas
6 are out on Pelham Range, by the way. But the
7 former toxic gas area and decon training
8 area -- and all these areas had -- were where
9 chemical agent training was conducted by the
10 Army -- we are working on -- still working on
11 the Remedial Investigation/Feasibility Study
12 for the toxic gas area. And we -- we're
13 about solved in all of our issues and
14 comments with ADEM, and we will resubmit a
15 revised Remedial Investigation/Feasibility
16 Study for those sites.

17 We do have some groundwater
18 contamination there and some soil
19 contamination. But it's all, you know,
20 within -- well within the boundaries of
21 Pelham Range.

22 MR. KIMBROUGH: Anybody have any
23 questions on the -- from National Guard?

1 Where did y'all get your funding for that?

2 Is it separate, total separate?

3 MR. BOLTON: Yes.

4 MS. PINSON: Environmental
5 restoration --

6 MR. BOLTON: Right. Their funding
7 comes from -- ultimately, it all comes from
8 the same pot of money, obviously.

9 MR. KIMBROUGH: Right. Okay.

10 MR. BOLTON: But there's what's
11 called ERA dollars, Environmental Restoration
12 Account dollars; and there's BRAC account,
13 which is -- we get ours from BRAC and BRAC
14 dollars actually fund the ESCA that MDA and
15 Matrix do.

16 The flip side of the coin is the --
17 what we call IRP, Installation Restoration
18 Program, whereas ERA dollars comes out of
19 Army Environmental Command. You get -- you
20 get yours --

21 MS. PINSON: -- through there.
22 Yeah.

23 MR. BOLTON: -- from there. Yeah.

1 So, active installations and other -- and
2 some other types of installations get funded
3 -- the environmental work gets funded through
4 that other pathway, that comes -- basically,
5 comes through Army Environmental Command.

6 Some of that is changing now because
7 Army Environmental Command now belongs to
8 another organization, the IMCOM, Installation
9 Management Command. So that's, you know,
10 shifting some things.

11 My operation in Tennessee, because it
12 was not a BRAC site, is funded through IRP,
13 the same as the National Guard is. It's not
14 funded by BRAC dollars. But eventually, it
15 all ends up in Environmental Restoration
16 Account dollars.

17 DR. KIMBERLY: When is the revised
18 report -- the RI and the FS going to go to
19 ADEM? The revised report, the RI and FS,
20 when is the final report going to ADEM?

21 It says here they reported in June of
22 2011, but the Army will submit a revised
23 following the finalization of the documents.

1 What's the expectation of finalization?

2 MS. PINSON: Oh, right. We're --
3 we are still reviewing the revised report,
4 but we will hope to have it out within the
5 next month or two, we hope. Yeah.

6 MR. KIMBROUGH: Any other
7 questions? Okay. Then MDA?

8 MR. ROGER HALL: I too, like
9 Brandi, usually our report is about a page
10 long and I apologize for three -- or two and
11 a half pages this time. But, I'll try to go
12 through them fairly quickly and summarize
13 them.

14 The first three, which is Landfill 3,
15 Fill Area, Small Weapons and T-6; one's a
16 landfill, the other two are groundwater or
17 soil contaminant sites. Essentially, what we
18 did for the last quarter was to inspect and
19 provide a lot of paperwork. When you see
20 CMERs and other acronyms such as that, that's
21 a lot of paperwork that goes back and forth
22 between us and ADEM.

23 The T-5 is a pretty large groundwater

1 contaminant site just near our office,
2 actually, in the Auburn area. We are in the
3 midst of an RFI. We installed some new
4 groundwater wells to help us define nature
5 and extent of the -- of the plume there. So
6 that's underway.

7 Both -- T-38, very little was -- was
8 done in the field, actually. There was some
9 environmental covenant put together.

10 Chem Laundry, Washrack, on down
11 through Impact Area North Central Main Post,
12 a lot of paperwork describing the
13 effectiveness of what has been -- of the
14 remedy that's in place.

15 At Impact Area North Central Main Post
16 and Range 31, we have some -- we collected a
17 large cache of bullets and we're in the
18 process of trying to dispose of them, some of
19 which -- some of which are being treated as a
20 hazardous waste. So they will be properly
21 boxed and sent off-site.

22 Motor Pool 3100 is more -- pretty much
23 a finished site.

1 When you get down to the environmental
2 covenant part of the project, you're getting
3 down into what we always call the short rows
4 in the cotton field. Just about to the end
5 of the day.

6 Post Garbage Dump, same thing, it's
7 paperwork. The cap repair was put on north
8 -- fill area north of Landfill 2.

9 Landfill 4, we keep -- we have
10 groundwater monitoring and surface water
11 monitoring events. That's part of an active
12 landfill that we have, or the active landfill
13 is part of Landfill 4.

14 A draft RFI was submitted in August
15 for the Range 30 Impact Area, and we've been
16 doing inspections on Iron Mountain Road
17 Ranges. And y'all heard a little earlier
18 Baby Bains Gap Road Ranges are now kind of --
19 the path is clear for us to go in and clear.

20 MR. KIMBROUGH: Roger, she asked a
21 question --

22 DR. HARRINGTON: Exactly where is
23 Baby Bains?

1 MR. HALL: Baby Bains -- if you
2 know where Bains Gap is, it's just south --
3 it's a little road south, it loops around and
4 connects Bains Gap into the new Iron Mountain
5 road, two lane.

6 DR. HARRINGTON: I got you.

7 MR. BOLTON: Do you know where the
8 refuge sign is? If you're heading east, do
9 you know where the refuge sign is?

10 DR. HARRINGTON: Yes.

11 MR. BOLTON: Imagine if you turned
12 right.

13 DR. HARRINGTON: Yes.

14 MR. BOLTON: You go up the hill
15 and then kind of cut back.

16 DR. HARRINGTON: Right.

17 MR. BOLTON: That was -- actually,
18 the old original Bains Gap Road went up on
19 that curve, and then they cut that one
20 straight segment through and later on it all
21 got renamed.

22 DR. HARRINGTON: Okay. That's
23 what I was wondering.

1 MR. BOLTON: Yeah.

2 DR. HARRINGTON: I know where
3 you're talking about.

4 MR. BOLTON: Yeah. Yeah, if you
5 were to hook a right at that refuge sign,
6 aside from running into our gate, you would
7 be -- that's the road.

8 DR. HARRINGTON: That's Baby
9 Bains.

10 MR. BOLTON: Yes.

11 MR. KIMBROUGH: If y'all have any
12 questions on -- I know Roger and them work
13 with this all the time, but when they start
14 talking about some of these things -- even
15 though I've been in this ever since it began,
16 I still don't know MRS-2 and MRS-3, you know.
17 So if y'all have questions, please ask.

18 MR. ROGER HALL: Yeah. If you
19 want to know locations, I can bring a map at
20 some point in time to kind of show you where
21 they are. And they may be marked in here,
22 but --

23 MR. BOLTON: No. We don't have

1 them on here.

2 MR. ROGER HALL: They're
3 designations that we made when we started the
4 remediation out there.

5 MR. KIMBROUGH: Go ahead. I'm
6 sorry. Go ahead.

7 MR. ROGER HALL: That's all right.
8 I'm kind of down now to the -- to mostly from
9 the -- where I've been, been talking about
10 soil and groundwater contamination.

11 Now, the next few projects are all MEC
12 related, or Munitions and Explosives of
13 Concern, or UXO, or whatever the current
14 phrase is that describes it. But MRS-2, 3
15 and 6, field work's been completed for a
16 while. We are working on the paper, After
17 Action Report for that, MRS-8 and Northern
18 Alpha UXO area; and this last quarter we
19 completed the field work in another MRS,
20 MRS-4. And we've done part of the work in
21 MRS-9, but MRS-9 is the most contaminated --
22 it's the most contaminated range on the
23 entire part of the project that we're working

1 on. It's Range 16 and it's so heavy that
2 we'll probably use machinery to clean it up;
3 sift it, if you will, kind of filter it.

4 MR. KIMBROUGH: Roger, let me
5 interrupt for a minute --

6 MR. ROGER HALL: Okay.

7 MR. KIMBROUGH: -- For our
8 benefit. On these After Action Reports, is
9 this the final step?

10 MR. ROGER HALL: Well, sort of.

11 MR. KIMBROUGH: Okay.

12 MR. ROGER HALL: Sort of the final
13 step, yes. Once the After Action Report is
14 completed and ADEM agrees and we get a --
15 we'll request a No Further Action; and if
16 they agree with that, then the only real
17 thing that remains is a CERCLA warranty to be
18 obtained from the Army.

19 MR. KIMBROUGH: And then that'll
20 free the land?

21 MR. ROGER HALL: Bolton says he'll
22 take care of that for us.

23 MR. KIMBROUGH: Right. And that's

1 a -- that's a pretty large amount of
2 property.

3 MR. ROGER HALL: It is a large --

4 MR. KIMBROUGH: -- a thousand
5 acres or --

6 MR. ROGER HALL: Well, I think, if
7 I remember Richard's calculation, it's at
8 least about 1900 acres, I believe.

9 MR. KIMBROUGH: So, reasonably
10 probably the largest piece of property at
11 that -- I mean, we've gotten some that have
12 been cleared, but this will probably be about
13 the first largest amount?

14 MR. ROGER HALL: Well, you know,
15 it's a combination of a number of these.

16 MR. KIMBROUGH: Right.

17 MR. ROGER HALL: You've got MRS-2,
18 3, 6 and --

19 MR. KIMBROUGH: Right.

20 MR. ROGER HALL: -- part of 8 and
21 Northern Alpha. So, yes, it'll be a large
22 parcel of land all together.

23 MR. KIMBROUGH: All of that's kind

1 of located above the parade field -- where
2 they got soccer fields and all that area back
3 up in there, isn't it?

4 MR. BOLTON: All kind of wraps
5 around, around what used to be called the
6 Bravo Area. A good bit of it. If I remember
7 right, Bravo was somewhere around 3300 acres
8 in total, about 1900 of which had
9 contamination.

10 MR. KIMBROUGH: It goes from like
11 the new -- where the new road is back toward
12 Iron Mountain Road.

13 MR. BOLTON: You got it.

14 MR. KIMBROUGH: Yes.

15 DR. KIMBERLY: Pretty area when
16 you drive through.

17 MR. ROGER HALL: And the same can
18 be said for, you know, MRS-12 and 13, those
19 are kind of the remnants of the -- of the
20 Alpha Area.

21 MRS-11, the very last one we
22 mentioned, it may have been something you had
23 in mind. That's a very large tract of land

1 that we are trying to get a final -- a
2 supplemental characterization completed and
3 into ADEM so that we can hopefully put that
4 one to bed rather soon. That's the one Mike
5 James is particularly interested in. And --
6 and perhaps in doing so, we might -- we might
7 find some savings to the ESCA, if that is
8 allowed -- if we can do it that way, the way
9 we presented it to the department.

10 DR. HARRINGTON: James, the
11 builder?

12 MR. KIMBROUGH: He's over the -- I
13 mean, he's over the MDA, program management.
14 So what they're trying to do, this is
15 marketable property and they're trying to put
16 a priority on -- because of the funding, the
17 way the funding has come -- and that's
18 another thing, Roger, what about the funding?
19 I noticed since I didn't make the meeting --

20 MR. ROGER HALL: Well, we have a
21 pretty good budget, actually, for this year.
22 Partly due to the fact that last year we
23 spent a lot of the time with what Mike James

1 called process or -- you noticed I talk a lot
2 of about paperwork here -- we -- we've
3 exchanged with these guys a lot of paper last
4 year.

5 DR. KIMBERLY: Killed a lot of
6 trees.

7 MR. ROGER HALL: Killed a lot of
8 trees.

9 MS. BRANDI LITTLE: Yes. We're
10 good at that.

11 MR. ROGER HALL: But
12 unfortunately, I mean -- or fortunately,
13 that's the way that cookie crumbles. I mean,
14 it's just what you have to do. We had some
15 carryover money that we're taking into fiscal
16 year '13. We got a little end-of-year sweep
17 money this year.

18 MR. KIMBROUGH: That's -- that's
19 monies that's not been used by other --

20 MR. ROGER HALL: By other bases
21 and other places. And they were kind enough
22 to give us some money to -- to be used here
23 at McClellan. And then I heard from a little

1 bird earlier today that we're going to have a
2 little bit of money for FY 13, but about the
3 same order as the sweep money that came in
4 for FY 13. So that'll be a little additional
5 chunk of change that will come, who knows --
6 sometimes it's as late as March when we get
7 that money. But, it's -- nonetheless, it'll
8 go into this --

9 MR. BOLTON: They were told
10 January or February is when we were going to
11 push the button, because we told them the
12 world comes to a screeching halt if they
13 don't. So we got to give them about six days
14 lead time just in case.

15 MR. KIMBROUGH: So, we're still
16 looking at -- at what date of completion,
17 Roger?

18 MR. ROGER HALL: Oh, my goodness.
19 Just for a moment --

20 MR. KIMBROUGH: That's one of my
21 favorite questions.

22 MR. ROGER HALL: Just for a moment
23 -- yeah, we hear that one a lot. Just for a

1 moment, forget things like very long-term
2 monitoring for the groundwater, which would
3 suggest that -- I don't know the answer to
4 that, I'll tell you right off.

5 MR. KIMBROUGH: Right.

6 MR. ROGER HALL: But, ballpark
7 estimate, we could probably finish -- if all
8 the money was in the bank, we could probably
9 finish the unexploded ordnance portion in
10 about two years if we just went full scale to
11 work on that. Some of the -- some of the
12 other sites are finishing RFIs, and getting
13 remedies in place and operating groundwater
14 cleanup programs for like Landfill 3
15 groundwater, you know; add three to five
16 years for the operation of those things, and
17 then some period into the future of
18 monitoring to be sure they don't rebound. I
19 don't know. Put an early date of five years
20 from now and a late date or way beyond that.

21 DR. KIMBERLY: When he asked you
22 that question, you should know to say: When
23 we finish.

1 MR. KIMBROUGH: No. The reason I
2 asked the question is because a lot of people
3 don't have conception of how long it's going
4 to take to do this. So that's -- that was --
5 that's the point, is that, you know,
6 everybody wants to know: Well, why haven't
7 they done this? Why isn't this property
8 available?

9 This is what I hear from citizens out
10 there, you know. We got all that property
11 and they're not doing anything with it. What
12 about that? Until you get into -- like we
13 are, you have this opportunity -- you don't
14 understand the hoops you have to jump
15 through, first, before you ever get to the
16 cleanup.

17 And then after the cleanup, it's --
18 after you do the physical work, then you've
19 still got documentation and stuff that has to
20 be exchanged back and forth.

21 DR. KIMBERLY: Monitoring to do on
22 the scene --

23 MR. ROGER HALL: Yeah. And it's

1 a -- you know, if you've ever tried to figure
2 out how to clean up a groundwater plume in a
3 broken-up rock environment like we have out
4 here at McClellan, I mean, it's -- this is --
5 this is all out of sight and it's tough.
6 It's tough to do. Takes quite awhile. It
7 took it a long time to get into them little
8 crooks and crannies and nooks and places
9 where it is, and it takes a long time to get
10 it out of there.

11 MR. KIMBROUGH: Okay. I've asked
12 all the questions. Any questions? If there
13 are no questions, then the Army.

14 MR. BOLTON: That's us. Yep.
15 We've got a couple of things that are -- that
16 are going on at this point. We're continuing
17 on as we always do, on our interim removal
18 actions.

19 If y'all recall, the Army and the U.S.
20 Fish & Wildlife Service have an agreement
21 that says while we continue to study and do
22 all these other kind of things and get final
23 delineation and so forth, we will still

1 continue to chip away at it. So, we have a
2 contractor on-site, UXB-KEMRON. The work
3 plan is in at ADEM. We anticipate mobilizing
4 and hitting the field on some more interim
5 removal of 88 acres, which is an MEC cleanup,
6 munitions cleanup. We figured on them
7 hitting the field probably next November; and
8 so, who knows, depending on weather and some
9 other factors, when they might be done with
10 that particular -- probably March, April time
11 frame, in that ballpark with that.

12 And depending on when we get
13 additional -- our FY 13 allotment of money,
14 we will probably just add that to the ongoing
15 MEC cleanup, and so we'll pick up some more
16 acres there.

17 One of the more significant things
18 that we're doing right now, you can see that
19 on our first page there we talk about the
20 RI/FS, Remedial Investigation/Feasibility
21 Study. You guys are lucky, you get to speak
22 two languages. You get to speak RCRA and
23 CERCLA. If you remember, the Army, we do our

1 cleanup under CERCLA; whereas, MDA/Matrix do
2 theirs under RCRA, under state oversights.
3 So, that's why you see a shift in these dern
4 acronyms. I apologize for that. If you have
5 any questions, let us know. We'll kind of
6 give you the translation or decoder ring.

7 But one of the things that we've done
8 is we had -- many years ago they started an
9 EE/CA, an Engineering Evaluation and Cost
10 Analysis is what that stands for -- to
11 characterize the munitions response and the
12 Army remaining area which, as you know, is
13 Fish & Wildlife Refuge, and the total area is
14 what, 23, 2500 acres, something like that,
15 what we refer to as the Charlie Area. And
16 then there's elements out in Choccolocco
17 Corridor.

18 As time has progressed with this
19 additional sampling and everything else,
20 we've decided that the best way to finally
21 delineate the area is to convert that ESCA
22 and do -- go into a little more detailed
23 Remedial Investigation with a feasibility

1 study to follow. Feasibility study will be,
2 quite frankly, kind of a no brainer on a
3 munitions response. Fairly limited, you
4 know, you go out and dig it up.

5 And so we've awarded a contract for
6 that. Fact is, we have a kick-off meeting in
7 the morning with our -- with our new
8 contractor. They just got the contract in
9 August, I guess is when we had the -- the
10 source selection panel contract award was in
11 September, just before the end of the fiscal
12 year; and they're literally showing up in the
13 morning.

14 It's an outfit called AECOM that got
15 the contract, and they're going to do a
16 Remedial Investigation and Feasibility Study
17 for the remainder of the Charlie Area to more
18 tightly delineate it.

19 One of the things that's happened is
20 the MMRP program, Military Munitions Response
21 Program, has kind of evolved over time and
22 there have been changes in terminology and so
23 on, that affects the way you collect your

1 data, you know. So, sometimes you look back
2 at some of the other effort -- older efforts
3 and you go, hum, well, is this -- is this
4 munitions debris with an explosive hazard or
5 is this just, you know, ordnance and
6 explosive scrap?

7 So, we feel like to further tighten --
8 at least this is what I told my boss -- to
9 further tighten up the delineation and
10 hopefully pay for itself and save us some
11 money in the long run, we decided to go with
12 the Remedial Investigation, and they agreed
13 with us. So that's -- I think it's the
14 better way to go.

15 So, that's where we're heading. And
16 like I say, we're meeting with them and it'll
17 probably be about a two-year effort. And
18 that's only a guess.

19 DR. KIMBERLY: Where from?

20 MR. BOLTON: Sir?

21 DR. KIMBERLY: Where from?

22 MR. BOLTON: Where does AECOM come
23 from?

1 DR. KIMBERLY: Yeah.

2 MR. BOLTON: I do not recall, to
3 be honest with you.

4 MR. ROGER HALL: We're one of the
5 MDAs.

6 MR. BOLTON: They're one of our
7 MDA contract guys. I don't know where
8 their -- where their mother ship is, you
9 know. A lot of these companies have kind of
10 regional offices and local area offices, and
11 I just -- I'm familiar with some of their
12 personnel I've met before, but I really don't
13 know where their headquarters is or where
14 their -- what local office is coming out of.

15 I want to say -- is it Atlanta? Is
16 Greg in Atlanta?

17 MR. ROGER HALL: I don't know.

18 DR. KIMBERLY: We worked with them
19 some in Tennessee.

20 MR. BOLTON: Well, they do --
21 they've done work in Tennessee. I mean,
22 these folks do work -- yeah, it's a
23 relatively small world, and on these

1 environmental companies, the ones that are
2 really capable of doing a lot of -- yeah.
3 And so -- anyway, that's the -- like I say,
4 we're having our kick-off meeting with them
5 in the morning, and be the first time we meet
6 some of the players. We're already familiar
7 with the project manager and some of the
8 other project management team. They had a
9 real good -- very strong proposal, so we're
10 kind of -- they were part of the large
11 business pool, so they -- they've got
12 resources. They have a technical bench,
13 these kinds of things. Every once in awhile
14 we run into that with some of the smaller
15 businesses, they can execute a cleanup pretty
16 well, but when you're in the study phase of
17 things, sometimes they can get over their
18 head pretty quickly if something gets real
19 nuanced. So we decided to go with a large
20 business pool on this, and so that's who we
21 got all the proposals and bids from; and
22 AECOM is the company that won it.

23 So that's our -- that'll be probably

1 one of the more significant things. Like I
2 say, that'll be ongoing for a couple of --
3 couple of years.

4 We've also got the same company that
5 is doing -- that's moving up to do the
6 interim removal action as soon as their plan
7 is approved, is also going to do the next
8 five-year review under CERCLA. If you
9 recall, there are -- when you have remedies
10 in place, there are -- there's a requirement
11 to do a five-year -- every five years to do a
12 review to make sure that the remedies are
13 still functioning properly and so forth. And
14 so we're on our second iteration of that. So
15 the same company, UXB-KEMRON, is the company
16 that will be doing 5-year review on that.

17 RCRA is a little different. They can
18 do periodic reviews, but they don't have a
19 specific five-year review as a requirement.
20 That's kind of our big stuff.

21 Property transfers, the never-ending
22 story. The 22.94 acres for the Water Tank
23 Sites, I believe that's -- there was some

1 glitches in Army Corps of Engineers'
2 channels. Those have been resolved. The
3 e-mail traffic I saw recently, I think those
4 are pretty much a done deal. It's a -- it's
5 a function of signing the forms and so forth
6 now. So that should happen pretty soon.

7 The Iron Mountain Road Addition, which
8 everybody drives over a lot, is still --
9 we're still working that. They have some --
10 there's some concern that -- I don't know if
11 U.S. Code, if something has changed in the
12 interim or not. So there's a question as to
13 how we go about transferring the property to
14 ALDOT. It's a non-issue.

15 But when we did the ROE for ALDOT to
16 build the road, they were given permission to
17 build, operate and maintain the road. And so
18 it won't affect the operation of the road.
19 And so -- but again, we anticipate -- I think
20 that -- it's a fairly high level and it's got
21 a lot of visibility, and I suspect it'll be
22 resolved in relatively short order. At which
23 point, that'll leave us with a grand total of

1 about 12 acres. All of that acreage, that
2 remaining 12 Army acres is sort of held
3 hostage by some of MDA work. Part of it is
4 Highway 21 out here; and as soon as they get
5 remedy in place on Landfill 3, then we can
6 cost and transfer that property. And similar
7 situation, not a groundwater one, adjacent to
8 Range 29 there's a little .95 acre Water
9 Tank -- future Water Tank Site. And it'll be
10 handled like it, hopefully, more efficiently
11 than the 23 acres that we have currently in
12 the mix. So, that's what we're doing.

13 MR. KIMBROUGH: Anybody got any
14 questions? No questions?

15 (No response.)

16 MR. KIMBROUGH: Okay. Anybody
17 have any ideas for the next program? You
18 know what you said awhile ago, said you won't
19 be there, but I wonder if you could bring a
20 map and kind of show where we can kind of
21 look at it and see where the properties are.

22 MR. HARDY: Sure.

23 MR. KIMBROUGH: And hopefully, in

1 six months, may not be -- have some so that,
2 you know, we're at the point or maybe have
3 cleared so that we can -- everybody can kind
4 of understand what we're -- what we're
5 talking about.

6 MR. HARDY: We're working on that
7 right now to show all that.

8 MR. KIMBROUGH: Okay. Anybody
9 else? Any ideas of future programs?

10 MR. JAMES HALL: Let me ask you a
11 question: The last time I was leaving 21
12 going to I-20 on the new road, it's still
13 kind of dark over there at night. Is any
14 lights being put up in there? It's real dark
15 on I-20.

16 MR. BOLTON: You're talking about
17 on Iron Mountain Road, where the new
18 connection is?

19 MR. JAMES HALL: Yeah.

20 DR. KIMBERLY: The bypass?

21 MR. BOLTON: I'll tell you what,
22 I'm not even sure -- I don't think there's
23 any power out there even.

1 MR. KIMBROUGH: Yeah. I know
2 where he's talking about, and it is. And
3 with that stop sign there --

4 MR. BOLTON: Right. Yeah, that's
5 been boondocks for a long time. I don't
6 think there's power out there. I don't even
7 know if there was ever power out to the lake
8 area even, which would be --

9 MR. Roger HALL: Seeing that the
10 traffic has --

11 MR. BOLTON: -- he's talking about
12 the stop sign going into the bypass.

13 MR. ROGER HALL: Followup question
14 or comment to that is: There was an attempt
15 -- the MDA made a grant application to the
16 DOT for the remaining -- paving and building
17 the remaining portion of Iron Mountain Road
18 from the flashing light all the way around to
19 21.

20 MR. KIMBROUGH: That's -- that's
21 the industrial access road.

22 MR. ROGER HALL: But that grant
23 apparently did not get awarded.

1 MR. KIMBROUGH: We got a grant one
2 time. Was that just for the surveying and
3 the laying out of it?

4 MR. ROGER HALL: Well, I don't
5 know if that grant -- seems as though that
6 grant is coming straight out of the MDA funds
7 that they've raised from selling property for
8 doing the engineering.

9 MR. KIMBROUGH: Well now, we got
10 industrial -- we got something from
11 Industrial Relations out of Montgomery for
12 about three -- it's been years and years ago.

13 DR. KIMBERLY: Three or four years
14 ago.

15 MR. KIMBROUGH: It's been a long
16 time ago.

17 MR. BOLTON: Probably longer than
18 that.

19 MR. ROGER HALL: Was that for the
20 -- was that for the first -- was that for the
21 first phase of it?

22 MR. KIMBROUGH: I thought it
23 was to -- I thought it was to complete it out

1 to 21.

2 DR. KIMBERLY: Complete out 21.

3 MR. KIMBROUGH: The right-of-way,
4 I thought -- maybe obtaining the surveying or
5 whatever of the road.

6 MR. ROGER HALL: I think it's been
7 surveyed, and I'm kind of getting over my
8 head, This is an issue for Robin to answer.
9 But I know he had applied for about a \$5.2
10 million grant from ALDOT to actually go ahead
11 and construct the road. And he had put in
12 this year's budget for the MDA the finishing
13 of the engineering plans for that road, but
14 the grant did not get awarded.

15 MR. KIMBROUGH: The plans were
16 where that Iron Mountain Road comes out and
17 goes is to continue that all the way and come
18 out about where Anniston Beach Road, right in
19 that area, from -- where the lake is. And so
20 there'd be a circle all the way, and then
21 develop that industrial where you could have
22 -- I think that -- if I remember when we
23 talked about it, that was where some of the

1 larger pieces of property were that we could
2 get a large -- maybe possibly of a larger --
3 most of the stuff as far as industry-wise is
4 small industry. We don't have any big --

5 MR. BOLTON: At least large plats
6 --

7 MR. KIMBROUGH: Well, maybe -- I
8 know ALDOT, we've asked them -- here's
9 another question -- do we have a completion
10 date, since they've had to move everything
11 back on the bypass?

12 MR. BOLTON: We haven't -- I
13 don't --

14 DR. HARRINGTON: -- summertime.

15 MR. BOLTON: I know they keep on
16 moving along, but I don't know what the date
17 is.

18 MR. KIMBROUGH: Yeah. They're
19 working pretty good. I can see --

20 MR. BOLTON: Yeah. They're
21 actually moving a lot of dirt in there.

22 MR. KIMBROUGH: -- from my house I
23 can see them and hear them. But it doesn't

1 look like they've done anything to connect
2 them. Doesn't look like they've done
3 anything on the base or anything. Of course,
4 after they do all that, then they have to get
5 the concrete work and guttering in; and then
6 they have to do deal with that contract, then
7 they'll have to do a paving contract.

8 So, you're probably looking -- one
9 time I'd heard a year, you know. I'd heard
10 --

11 MR. BOLTON: That's what they were
12 saying. But I don't know if that's been
13 pushed back or not. We just need Shannon
14 Jones or somebody --

15 MR. JAMES HALL: When the deer
16 start coming out, you can't see them. Kind
17 of dangerous.

18 MR. BOLTON: Well, they'll fence
19 the big bypass.

20 MR. KIMBROUGH: You can see them
21 in my back yard -- and turkey.

22 Do we have any other audience
23 comments?

1 MS. PINSON: Would you just please
2 let the Minutes reflect that I'm here?

3 MR. BOLTON: Got you.

4 MS. CUNNINGHAM: Talking about an
5 update from Shannon Jones, he provided an
6 e-mail update. It was -- it was at the -- it
7 was like two meetings ago, and he said that
8 there's been a delay in the grade and drain
9 project, there's ongoing new contract issues.

10 Do you want me to e-mail him and ask
11 him if there's another update for the next
12 meeting, since you were talking about that?

13 MR. KIMBROUGH: If you could,
14 because that was -- they've already let the
15 contract now and started that work.

16 MS. CUNNINGHAM: Okay.

17 MR. KIMBROUGH: If you could, and
18 just -- that would be information.

19 MR. BOLTON: But given that we're
20 not going to meet again for six months, you
21 want to just hold off?

22 MS. CUNNINGHAM: Yeah, I'll wait
23 until --

1 MR. BOLTON: There may be other
2 e-mails --

3 MS. CUNNINGHAM: -- I'll wait
4 until right before.

5 DR. KIMBERLY: It won't be
6 finished.

7 MR. BOLTON: It'll be a different
8 world in April.

9 MS. CUNNINGHAM: Yeah.

10 MR. BOLTON: There may or may not
11 be another delay.

12 MR. KIMBROUGH: Might fire this
13 bunch.

14 DR. KIMBERLY: There'll be another
15 contract for another company.

16 MR. KIMBROUGH: Do we have any
17 other audience comments?

18 If not, and I guess since it's not an
19 official meeting we don't, so we stand
20 adjourned. Next meeting will be April the
21 15th.

22 MR. BOLTON: Tax day. Should be
23 able to remember that.

(Whereupon, the proceedings
concluded at 5:47 p.m.)

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