



EPWOG Semi-Annual Telecon
August 4, 2009

The call was held at 10:30 AM EDT, and the meeting proceeded roughly as noted on the attached agenda.

Charlie Kronvall gave a status of his effort with an intern to update the online member roster (now a matter of days or weeks).

Charlie Kronvall related highpoints of the EFCOG Strategic Planning Meeting (5/5-6) and EFCOG Annual Meeting (6/23-25), which included ARRA and Human Capital WG efforts (including university collaborations and recruiting for fire protection engineers).

Charlie Kronvall noted that interfacing with the QA Subgroup and SAWG continued. Efforts to revise the 1020-series of DOE STDs due to issuance of ASCE 43, ANS 2.26/27/29 may be underway and EPWOG can help.

Ken Keith briefed on the System Engineering group joint DOE meeting in May in Las Vegas, said EPWOG contributed to its value with several topics including walkdowns, health monitoring, T&Q, and aging management (Paul Wu, retired). The charter should get finalized and sent through corporate sponsor Al Konetzni for EPWOG approval. Fran Lemieux, who will co-chair with Diane Cato, discussed the possibility of the next physical meeting in conjunction with the fall 2009 Idaho EPWOG meeting, and will work with leadership and Jack Lance (INL) to progress the idea.

Cherri DeFigh-Price and Gibert Kennedy discussed the DOE-STD-3024 SDD Standard Revision effort including the member survey by Cherri July 7-21. With a couple more sites' input, plus Rick Kendall's, this will be ready to share with DOE-HQ (Ashley Ruocco, also on the call). Cherri's target was for the week of 8/10.

Ken Keith and Howard Wong related latest on Active Confinement Ventilation and Soot Loading issue being led by Sharon Steele; DOE is now working a DOE G 420.1-1 revision (e.g., App A) on this to reach REVCOM by Sept 1. [Issue was further captured by a post-telecon email sent to members by Oruch. A telecon led by Sharon Steele was held 8/5/09. The telecon discussed the status of updates to 420.1-1, progress made since the 4/9/09 CVS-FP telecon, testing being conducted at Mississippi State University, and plans for a meeting in conjunction with the Waste Management '10 conference in Phoenix in March 2010.] Somewhat related, a 2004-2 Confinement Ventilation Plan update was recently sent to DNFSB by DOE.

Subgroup/Team Reports

Charlie Kronvall related Fire Protection Subgroup happenings for Perry D'Antonio (see Human Capital above).

Cherri DeFigh-Price and Scott Spencer discussed the ongoing turnover of chair to Scott.

Charlie Kronvall discussed the Value Management Subgroup for Richard Harrington – recent SAVE meeting, WG chair discussion on whether to keep under EPWOG (possibly), PMWG (probably not), or downgrade subgroup to SME status (possibly). Follow-on note: Richard was in Washington D.C. at the time of the teleconference facilitating a complex-wide ARRA project management/planning Value Management session.

Tom Etheridge discussed the Pressure Safety Task Team's plans for a meeting at ORNL September 21-22.

Recent formation of the Testing (and startup and commissioning) Subgroup was mentioned. Doug Messerli reported through Charlie Kronvall prior to the teleconference that he had no updates for the call, but expected to be able to report progress on several topics by the fall meeting.

General Business

DOE sponsors (several joined the call, thank you) were given an opportunity to speak, and some did so.

Tobin Oruch reviewed outstanding Action Log items not yet discussed. This included 10 CFR 851 issues (editions, variances, AHJs); others noted the Savannah River DOE requirement for thoroughly analyzing new editions is extremely time consuming and non-value-added, and their requirement to review AHJ decisions likewise quite burdensome. Several actions on the list are now closed and will be statused as such on the list.

Another action item is the Safety Related Power Standard. This has lacked a task team leader for a couple of years. [Oruch secured LANL volunteer Eugene Wagner after the call, next steps pending].

The non-nuclear engineering study remains unfinished, and Fran Lemieux will encourage Bob Knudson to complete/issue or perhaps someone else can do the task.

The Safety Equipment List CM Best Practice draft, last transmitted 4/26, needs only a final review against new EM expectations. Ken, Charlie, and Scott Spencer to review by Oct 2009.

Another effort discussed (and later added to Log) was the Safety Instrumented Systems DOE STD assistance to Pranab Guha, DOE. Larry Suttinger discussed the status of that document and the issues around chemical hazards Brad McClung suggested that a source of data might be the chemical destruction depots located throughout the country. It was noted that some of the operators of these facilities (e.g Washington Group) also are DOE contractors, so that contacts should be able to be made. [somewhat related, on 8/6, Oruch forwarded to members new NNSA guidance on chemical hazards and 1189].

The fall meeting of the EPWOG is tentatively scheduled for October 27 and 28 at Idaho Falls. More details will be provided in the next month.

Participants

Batt, Doyle	INL (for Lance)
Bottenus, Jay	CHPRC
Brown, Erik	LLNL
Cullum, Bob	WIPP
Defigh-Price, Cherri	Parsons-SWPF
Etheridge, Tom	ORNL
Fargo, Sean	CHPRC
Fewell, Tom	ICP (for Kerley)
Heineken, Bill	Y-12
Keith, Ken D. Jr	Y-12
Kennedy, Gibert	SRR
Kronvall, Charlie	CHPRC
Lapointe, Todd	DOE-EM
Lemieux, Fran	NSTec
Lowe, David	CH2MHILL
McClung, Bradley	NSTec
Mouser, Wes	SRNS
Olson, Marv	PNNL
Oruch, Tobin	LANL
Pierce, Michael J.	ORNL
Ruocco, Ashley	DOE-NA
Serafinas, Caroline	DOE-EM
Spencer, Scott	CHPRC
Suttinger, Larry	SRNS
Tarbet, Gary	INL
Watts, Phil	ORNL
Winters, John	WCH
Wong, Howard	LLNL

Respectfully submitted,
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**Agenda for EPWOG Telecon Meeting
 Tuesday, August 4, 2008, 10:30 AM EDT
 Participants dial 877-786-9080
 Access Code: 2202597**

Time (EDT)	Activity	Responsibility
10:30 - 10:35	Assemble/Welcome/Introductions	Charlie Kronvall
10:35 - 10:40	Roll Call/Telecon Logistics	Tobin Oruch
10:40-10:45	Member Survey	Charlie Kronvall
10:45 - 10:55	EFCOG Strategic Planning Meeting (5/5-6) and EFCOG Annual Meeting (6/23-25) summary	Charlie Kronvall
10:55 – 11:05	QA Subgroup Interface/SAWG Interface	Charlie Kronvall
11:05 – 11:10	DOE Safety System Oversight/CSE: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Joint meeting in LV 5/12-14 • Plans for SubGroup 	Ken Keith/Diane Cato/Fran Lemieux Charlie Kronvall
11:10– 11:20	DOE-STD-3024: SDD Standard Revision	Gibert Kennedy/ Cherri Defigh-Price
11:20 –11:25	Active Confinement Ventilation and Soot Loading	Ken Keith/ Howard Wong
Subgroup Chairperson Reports		
11:25 - 11:30	Fire Protection	Perry D'Antonio
11:30 - 11:35	Configuration Management	Scott Spencer/ Cherri DeFigh-Price
11:35 – 11:40	Value Management	Richard Harrington
11:40 – 11:45	Pressure Safety	Tom Etheridge
No Update for this call	Testing	Doug Messerli
General Business/Information Sharing		
11:45 – 11:50	Comments from Sponsors (optional)	Sponsors
11:50 - 12:00	Wrap-up <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Review of Action Items • Preliminary Information for Fall Meeting at Idaho Falls (10/27-28) 	Charlie Kronvall/ Tobin Oruch