

EFCOG ISM WG, Environmental Subgroup

Conference Call Minutes

April 13, 2006

Participants:

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Sonja Salzman (LANL)

Orin Haworth (NTS)

Steve Woodbury (ES-41)

Judy McLemore (WIPP)

Gary Shamber (SNL/CA)

Alice Ikenberry (PNL)

Megan Proctor (WCH-RR)

Robert Fox (LBNL)

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Safety Topic:

Gary Shamber: Caution should be used in heating food in the microwave that are contained in plastic or Styrofoam containers. Lots of web information on how these materials release chemical/toxics into the food causing all sorts of mean and nasty results.

Discussion on the Environmental Subgroup agenda at the April EFCOG meeting.

1. EFCOG ISM: Visit by Joe Yanek is scheduled at 8:30 but dependent on his schedule. We'll get him in when we can and adjust our schedule accordingly.
2. Best Practices/Lessons Learned: Presentations to be provided by:
 - Alice or Eric will provide input from PNL.
 - Bob Roulston from Pantex.
 - Others encouraged to contribute – we all have something.
3. Lunch: Most use the facilities at the training facility.
4. EMS Certification – Bill Bozo will not make the meeting. Maybe we can substitute with Bet Zimmerman to discuss: 1) changes to ISO standard, 2) what it means to self declare, etc. Alice will call Bet to see if she can attend and present.
5. Now That We Have EMS's, What do we do? Presentations to be conducted by:
 - John Irving from INL
 - David Crosby from Strategic Petroleum Reserve
 - Sonja Salzman (presenting for Denny Hjeresen) from LLNL
 - Steve Woodbury indicated that he will be attending the ISM Champions meeting the day before and should be able to provide current status of the EMS – ISM integration.
6. Group Dinner arrangements for the evening for those who want to attend.

7. UMC Management: Alice indicated that this is a big deal at PNNL and will be discussing the requirements and PNNL actions. Alice will send the link to the DOE directive to subgroup members.
8. Topic to Be Determined: Steve Woodbury suggested that we address Compliance, Regulatory Issues and Enforcement Actions that sites are dealing with. As an example Steve informed of the heightened concern over tritium releases, specifically those that have recently occurred at Fermi and Argonne that have caused considerable public outrage.
9. Other Discussion:
 - We need part of the agenda to cover any new business (new tasks, etc.)
 - Steve encouraged everyone to go to the 2004-1 Implementation Team Knowledge Portal <http://www.2004-1.org/>, click on Commitments and select item #5 “Safety Oversight Manual.” There are several documents there that are in review.
 - Alice informed that she knows of 3 new attendees for upcoming meeting.
 - John Irving reminded the group that he would like to get comments AND content and links to begin to populate the EMS Guidebook that his task team is developing. Steve Woodbury informed that Andy Lawrence has indicated interest in this activity.