MINUTES CLARK COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE PLANNING, NUCLEAR WASTE DIVISION YUCCA MOUNTAIN NUCLEAR WASTE ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING MARCH 6, 2006

Irene Navis, chairwoman, called the meeting to order at 9:26 a.m.

- Welcome and Introductions: Irene Navis welcomed the attendees (Exhibit A), who introduced themselves. Members present: Curtis Brown, Cleveland Dudley, Calvin Meyers, Irene Navis, Frank Perna, Maggie Plaster, Daryl Thomé, Holly Woodward, and Eric Young. Members excused: Caren Levenson, Peggy Maze Johnson, and Dr. William Wells. Members absent: Brok Armantrout, Michael Cyphers, Clete Kus, Carolyn Goolsby Manuel, and Maria Rodriguez.
- 2. Consideration of Meeting Minutes: The members unanimously approved the February 7, 2006, minutes.

3. DOE Progress and Member Updates:

- Irene Navis reported on the Waste Management Symposium '06, she recently attended in Tucson, AZ. Yucca Mountain (YM) was discussed and referenced as international interest, since some foreign countries consider YM an example of geological storage.
- Irene provided handouts: U.S.Senate Committee on Environment & Public Works; Statement of Paul M. Golan; Statement of Robert Loux; Health Physics Society, Testimony of Dade W. Moeller; Applied Analysis' Technical Memorandum; and the Nuclear Waste Division's 2006 calendar for public outreach (Exhibit B).
- The EPA may have their final ruling out on radiation standards by the end of the year.
- Frank Perna commented on reprocessing and how it can increase the volume of high-level nuclear waste storage at YM, if vitrified wastes are stored at YM, too. Under the GNEP (Global Nuclear Energy Partnership) America would build nuclear plants worldwide and transport the nuclear waste to the U.S. for reprocessing. We should be concerned with impacts.
- Daryl Thomé commented that reprocessing shortens the life span of the isotopes.
- Frank Perna provided handouts on nuclear accidents (Exhibit C). Frank also provided the name, address, and phone number to obtain a copy of the phone book for U.S. Congress. Call 1-800-VOTENET to get a copy of the book, or write to U.S. Congress Handbook, Vote Net Solutions, Inc., 11th & G St., N.W., 11th floor, Washington, D.C., 20001. Their e-mail address is <u>www.votenet.com</u>. The book costs \$6.95 each.
- 4. Legal parameters for public outreach—DA's Office representative: Held to next meeting.

5. Methods to increase public participation at formal, scheduled meetings:

- Potential way to increase attendance is to raise the committee profile through Advertising:
 - Post meeting notices in the *Rebel Yell*, ethnic and community papers, i.e., *Summerlin News* vs. *The Las Vegas Review-Journal*
 - Issue press releases
 - Place announcements on City of Las Vegas' Channel 2 and Clark County's Channel 4
 - Place Public Outreach calendar of events in various publications
 - Develop public service announcements
 - Feature celebrities for public service announcements
 - Place calendar for public events on the County's web site

- Potential ideas for the committee on how to be proactive:
 - Hold a joint meeting with the Comprehensive Planning Steering Committee
 - Sponsor public workshops
 - Sponsor public debates
 - Sponsor Town Hall type panels
 - Write letters to the editor
 - Invite experts on expressway to make a presentation
- 6. Next meeting date; select agenda items: The next meeting is tentatively scheduled for Monday, April 3, 2006, 9:00 a.m., Pueblo Room, Clark County Government Center.