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KELLY RAB MEETINGS, 2004

FEBRUARY 10, 2004

1 (February 10, 2004 RAB meeting.)

2 CHAIRMAN: This is Tuesday night. We
3 promise we won't take up too much of your time this
4 evening.

5 The first item on the agenda is to call
6 the meeting to order and then ask your members and the
7 audience to join us in the Pledge of Allegiance.

8 Mr. Muskeez, would you lead us in the
9 pledge, please?

10 (Pledge of Allegiance.)

11 CHAIRMAN: Mr. Smith, we do have a
12 quorum, is that right?

13 MR. SMITH: You do have a quorum.

14 CHAIRMAN: Thank you very much. The next
15 item on our agenda is a moment of silence.

16 (Moment of silence.)

17 CHAIRMAN: Amen. Thank you.

18 And now I'll turn us over to Mr. Smith
19 for our welcome and introductions of tonight meeting.

20 MR. SMITH: Thank you. My name is David
21 Smith. I'm the facilitator for RAB meetings. The
22 meeting tonight has a single purpose and that purpose is
23 to appoint new members to fill vacant positions in the
24 RAB.

25 Because we have enough new RAB members

1 that were elected at the last meeting, I'm going to take
2 a moment and ask those RAB members who are at the able
3 to introduce themselves.

4 Gary, I'm going to ask you to start. If
5 you would, be kind enough to just speak into that mic
6 and we'll go right around the table.

7 MR. MILLER: I'm Gary Miller with EPA
8 Region 6 out of Dallas, Texas.

9 MS. POWER: I'm Abbie Power. I'm with
10 the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality. I'm the
11 San Antonio Field Office Federal Facility Coordinator.

12 MR. RODRIGUEZ: Hello. I'm Ciro
13 Rodriguez and I'm a community member.

14 MR. GONZALEZ: My name is Dan Gonzalez
15 and I'm also a community member.

16 MR. MURRA: Sam Murra, community member.

17 MR. MUSKEZ: Pete Muskez, community
18 member.

19 MR. GARCIA: Rodrigo Garcia, community
20 member.

21 MR. PENA: Rubin Pena, community member
22 and co-chair.

23 MR. ANTOINE: Adam Antoine. I'm the Air
24 Force co-chair on the RAB with the Air Force Real
25 Property Agency.

1 MR. DENITIO: Mike Denitio, community
2 member.

3 MS. CONVERSE: Sandra Converse, community
4 member.

5 MS. CUNNINGHAM: Paula Cunningham, San
6 Antonio Metropolitan Health District.

7 CHAIRMAN: Thank you very much. Let me
8 take a moment to explain to you the election process we
9 have this evening.

10 Our effort tonight is to appoint four
11 members to the RAB. Three of those members will be for
12 two -- I'm sorry, three of those members will be for two
13 year terms which are to be filled. One person will be
14 elected to a one year term to fill the seat vacated by
15 Gene Lenay in his resignation, so we'll have two
16 election processes.

17 When we do hold that election process, we
18 will ask those candidates who are here and available to
19 speak to step up to the microphone. We're going to
20 limit you to three minutes just to have an opportunity
21 for folks to get a quick minute to take a look at who
22 you are and hear what your thoughts are about your
23 involvement in the RAB.

24 All RAB members have received a packet
25 that has a copy of the application therein.

1 When we move from that stage to the
2 voting process, our first vote will be an effort to fill
3 those three blank slots.

4 Community members, we'll ask you to be
5 voting. Those of you who are community members, please
6 make certain that you have a packet that has a yellow
7 dot on it. Those that have yellow dots have ballots in
8 them. If they don't have a yellow dot, you don't have a
9 ballot, and I think, Dan, you may be the only one.

10 UNIDENTIFIED MALE: I need a yellow dot.

11 CHAIRMAN: Okay, we'll pick you one up
12 here in just a second.

13 The requirement is that in order to be
14 appointed to the RAB, you have to receive one more than
15 half of the votes of the community members who are
16 present, and I believe we have seven community members
17 voting tonight. I'll check that count, check that to be
18 sure. We'll have to run those numbers.

19 Robin, could you give me a count on
20 community members who are here so I know what it's going
21 to take in order to get that majority?

22 There are eight. So you'll have to have
23 one more than half, which -- you're counting nine.

24 UNIDENTIFIED MALE: Still need five.

25 CHAIRMAN: Nine. We still need five,

1 yes, we will. The number stays the same, does it not?
2 Thank you guys. That parliamentarian has come in so
3 handy in this process. So you will still need five
4 votes, and I appreciate that.

5 The first step in the process will be to
6 ask those persons who are here to make those
7 presentations, and community members, in your envelope,
8 you will find the first election ballots that lists the
9 names of all the applicants and ask you to select three
10 names by completing filling in the box next to that
11 person's name, so that's the ballots that we're working
12 with first. That's to fill those first three slots that
13 are, in fact, available.

14 The names on that list are Paul Person,
15 Adolpho Hernandez, Henry Galindo, Carol Vacara,
16 Frederick McGee and Ezmerelda Galvan. I'm not certain
17 all of those persons are here. I believe Mr. Person and
18 Carol Vacara have notified us that they're not going to
19 be available to -- I'm sorry, is that you, Carol? I
20 didn't realize you're here and we didn't know it.
21 Okay. Very good.

22 Well, let us begin to work our way
23 through the process then.

24 We're going to go in the order of names
25 as they're listed on your ballots. The first name on

1 the ballots is Paul Person, and I believe, my
2 understanding from Brittany is that Paul notified that
3 he would not be with us this evening. He's on the
4 railroad somewhere in Utah or somewhere at this point,
5 so he's not going to be able to be with us. His
6 application is full and complete and in your packet.

7 He's previously been a RAB member so some
8 of you have some connection to him.

9 The second name on the list is Adolpho
10 Hernandez. Mr. Hernandez. Apparently not here. All
11 right.

12 The next name on the list is Henry
13 Galindo.

14 Henry, would you like to speak there or
15 would you rather come over here where you would have a
16 little podium to work with?

17 MR. GALINDO: Good evening. My name is
18 Henry Galindo and I would like to be appointed to the
19 Kelly Restoration Advisory Board. I'm currently the
20 Director of Transportation and Maintenance Support for
21 the Harlindale Independent School District. I reside
22 near the former Kelly Air Force Base and my father was a
23 30 year civil servant and supported our family through
24 his work at Kelly Air Force Base.

25 My interest in being appointed to the

1 Restoration Advisory Board is two fold. I believe in
2 communication and I believe in partnerships that work
3 for the betterment of our community.

4 I think that a solid partnership with the
5 Air Force Real Property Agency will ensure that the
6 Kelly clean-up will be successful and productive for our
7 community.

8 I also understand that being appointed to
9 the Board means being available to communicate with
10 community members and interest groups. It means
11 reviewing documents and providing input and it means
12 that I'll be expecting to attend quarterly meetings and
13 called meetings as needed. I understand these
14 requirements and, if appointed, I will meet them.

15 The plume that shows that it extends also
16 in the Harlindale Independent School District, and this
17 is an area that's slated for remediation that's along
18 Commerce and adjacent to Flanders Elementary School.
19 The perception of the public is that our children could
20 be subject to contamination from this ground water as
21 they play in our school yards.

22 We want to gather as much factual
23 information as is available to keep our community
24 informed.

25 Please consider appointing me to the

1 Kelly Restoration Advisory Board. I'll meet all
2 expectations and be a productive member of the Board.
3 Thank you.

4 CHAIRMAN: Thank you.

5 Thank you, sir. The next name on the
6 list is Carol Vacara.

7 MS. VACARA: My name is Carl Vacara and
8 I've been in the community over 30 years. I live right
9 down the street on Kirk. I'm a retired data clerk
10 registrar. I worked at Rhodes Middle School for a 20
11 year stretch, from which I retired. I was the
12 representative of the sick leave committee for the para-
13 professionals for five years and I'd like to be the link
14 between the community and the RAB representation, so I'd
15 appreciate your vote. I'll make it to all the meetings
16 and thank you for your time.

17 CHAIRMAN: Thank you, Ms. Vacara.

18 "Yea mom," I heard that.

19 All right, the next name on the list is
20 Frederick McGee.

21 MR. MCGEE: My name is Frederick McGee.
22 I'm currently retired except for community service.
23 I've been the President of my neighborhood association
24 for five years, Vice-President for two years and served
25 in some capacity as an officer the rest of the time in

1 the eight years it's been in existence. I live in the
2 area of Marbach and 410.

3 There are a lot of people that live in
4 that area back over on that side to the north of Kelly
5 that worked here at Kelly for many years and the word
6 needs to be put out to the people over there that know a
7 lot of the neighborhood association leaders in that area
8 and have dealt with a lot of them many times.

9 When I worked at Fort Sam Houston
10 National Cemetery, I was the gardener. I was required
11 to have a pest control license for the State of Texas,
12 which I did have. I've also attended the Army's pest
13 control school, conducted at Fort Sam Houston itself by
14 the Army.

15 I went to SAC with the primary reason to
16 get an A.A. in horticulture. I didn't finish it because
17 I needed more science than I had but I've been very
18 active in my neighborhood and I feel that I can lend to
19 the Board, and I have a lot of questions that deal with
20 Bexar Metropolitan Water Company, who I drink their
21 water also, like a lot of the people on the south side
22 of town do. Thank you.

23 CHAIRMAN: Thank you, sir. You guys are
24 doing a great job staying with that three minutes. I
25 really appreciate that so I don't have to enforce that

1 one.

2 The final name on the our list is
3 Ms. Ezmerelda Galvan.

4 MS. GALVAN: Hi. Good evening. As you
5 all know, I was a member of RAB for two years. I lived
6 at 1018 Division for over 40 years. It's east Kelly
7 area. It's like three miles from the base.

8 I worked at Building 360 at Kelly during
9 1970. I saw a lot of things that I was not quite sure
10 of what they were. I'm here because I'm concerned for
11 the residents, for the children and for the elderly of
12 this area.

13 I want to see he the epidemiologists,
14 toxicologists. I want studies made in this area to
15 assure that our neighborhood is safe.

16 I spoke to the engineer of the reactive
17 wall barrier that is going to be placed on 34th Street
18 and asked him about emergency plans in case of the
19 slurry wall leaking fumes into the neighborhoods. I'm
20 concerned during the summer droughts about those soil
21 vapor fumes that come up from the ground, when we're
22 breathing and inhaling contaminants.

23 I'm concerned that there's not enough
24 clean up being done, that it cannot possibly clean all
25 the contaminants running under the neighborhoods.

1 I know that the base is doing the best
2 that it can but at the time that I knew about it, and as
3 long as these contaminants are running under the base,
4 there's no real assurance because these reactive wall
5 barriers are fairly new, and that's on record and on the
6 Internet, so the last one that was built was about ten
7 years ago, and so we're looking at -- That's why you all
8 are looking at natural attenuation taking care of it,
9 because there's nothing out there that can really assure
10 that the water will be safe, that the ground water will
11 be gone, that the air that they're breathing from the
12 ground up is going to be safe, the soil that was bought
13 is topsoil from Kelly many years ago that many of these
14 neighborhoods have is safe.

15 The trees, the nuts, the fruits, I'm
16 sorry, Ms. Cunningham, but I'm going to mention it
17 again, that they're safe to eat, because only certain
18 contaminants were tested for, so until we have more
19 studies made that can reassure all of us that it's safe
20 to live on the south side near Kelly will we be, I'll
21 rest in piece one day hopefully.

22 And that's my speech. That's why I'm
23 here, and I'm not here for compensation, I'm here for
24 our health and safety.

25 CHAIRMAN: Thank you, ma'am. Appreciate

1 that.

2 Okay, community members, we've heard from
3 the candidates who are here. You've taken some time to
4 review their applications. What we're going to ask you
5 to do is to use the first election ballots and to select
6 three names by completely filling in the box next to
7 that person's name.

8 Brittany will come around and pick those
9 ballots up. They'll take them over there, have two
10 people count them and then post the results as we've
11 done in the past so that you can see who has been
12 elected, who has how many votes and if indeed we need to
13 make another pass in order to get three people
14 nominated.

15 Are you ready to vote?

16 Hernandez had not indeed arrived. The
17 statement was that he called earlier and said he was
18 going to be here. He has not arrived and we wanted to
19 make sure we just hadn't missed him in the late process.

20 As I read this list, Mr. Person is not
21 here but has notified us. Mr. Hernandez, we don't know
22 about. Henry Galindo is here. Carol Vacara is here,
23 Mr. McGee is here and Ezmerelda Galvan is here. Am I
24 correct on all that?

25 It still leaves you the name of Paul

1 Person, Frederick McGee and Ezmerelda Galvan in an
2 effort to fill this third slot that would be available.

3 We're now asking you to vote for one,
4 yes, please.

5 Mr. Hernandez is a RAB member, which
6 brings our number to ten. In order to gain one more
7 than half, we're going to need six votes in order to be
8 successful in this vote, okay.

9 We'll post for you the list as it exists
10 at the moment and we will, of course, have to ask you to
11 think your way through this and to make one more round
12 on the voting. Brittany.

13 The votes, and I don't think that anyone
14 is going to be changing their votes and I'm not going to
15 ask them to do that, so I'm going to turn to our
16 parliamentarian and ask him, at this point, if it would
17 be within our purview to be able to not necessarily
18 caucus but make a motion that the person with the most
19 votes, and then we still have another round to vote for
20 one person for the one year term.

21 Am I out of order, Mr. Parliamentarian,
22 or am I okay?

23 UNIDENTIFIED MALE: I'm not the
24 parliamentarian.

25 CHAIRMAN: Yes, you are

1 UNIDENTIFIED MALE: Okay, Mr. Chairman,
2 thank you.

3 According to the by-laws and charter,
4 whichever we're calling it, we don't have to do blind
5 balloting. All the requirement is that a majority of
6 those community members present select the individual.
7 That leaves open to the Board's decision whether it be
8 caucus or motion is made for one of the individuals with
9 a vote taken by the full Board.

10 CHAIRMAN: Okay.

11 UNIDENTIFIED MALE: Chairman?

12 CHAIRMAN: Yes.

13 UNIDENTIFIED MALE: Can I make the motion
14 then or second that motion?

15 CHAIRMAN: Okay. The parliamentarian was
16 clarifying the process and Mr. Rodriguez is going to
17 make a motion in reference to the process.

18 Did you all understand what that process
19 was? Is that a "Yes?"

20 Okay. So we have a motion. Is there a
21 second to the motion?

22 UNIDENTIFIED MALE: Well, there are two
23 options that I gave.

24 CHAIRMAN: Okay. Well, I think
25 Mr. Rodriguez is saying that your motion would be to

1 vote for the person with the highest votes, which would
2 be Ms. Galvan, is that right?

3 UNIDENTIFIED MALE: That's correct.

4 CHAIRMAN: Okay, so we have a motion to
5 accept Ms. Ezmerelda Galvan. Is there a second to the
6 motion?

7 UNIDENTIFIED MALE: I'll second that.

8 CHAIRMAN: Okay, there's a motion and a
9 second.

10 Is there any discussion on the motion?

11 Seeing none and hearing none, the Chair
12 will ask for a vote. All in favor of the motion as has
13 been stated, please say "I."

14 (Response of "I.")

15 UNIDENTIFIED MALE: Any opposed, please
16 say "No."

17 The "I's" have it. Congratulations and
18 now we have one more round to do. That's for the one
19 year term for the members to vote for one person, and
20 that would leave us with Mr. Person and Mr. Frederick
21 McGee, is that right?

22 UNIDENTIFIED MALE: That's correct.

23 CHAIRMAN: Okay. Thank you. You have a
24 ballot, second ballot in there.

25 Could I ask you to select one person from

1 the list and the persons who should be remaining on that
2 list are Mr. Person and Mr. McGee.

3 For the one year, Mr. Person has been
4 elected to fulfill that one year term. We obviously
5 have some folks who were still interested in running for
6 slots. I would remind you that one of the things that
7 we're looking for is a pool of alternates. Some of the
8 RAB members have asked us for a pool of alternates who
9 might be available to fill in for them should they not
10 be here.

11 We would ask you if you would be willing
12 to be apart of that pool, and Brittany will follow up
13 with you on that piece of it.

14 Mr. Pena, would you like to welcome the
15 new members?

16 MR. PENA: Yes. Thank you very much. At
17 this time, it gives me great pleasure to welcome and
18 introduce the newest members of our Kelly Restoration
19 Advisory Board. That would be Mr. Paul Person,
20 Mr. Henry Galindo.

21 Would you come forward, Mr. Galindo, and
22 have a seat anywhere there's a vacant seat? It won't be
23 for a long time though because our meeting is almost
24 over, so don't get too comfortable.

25 Ms. Carol Vacara, and you're welcome to

1 bring your grandson with you.

2 "Bye grandma." You can bring him with
3 you. That's fine.

4 And Ms. Ezmerelda Galvan.

5 Did I get everybody? Paul, Henry, Carol
6 Vacara and Ezmerelda Galvan.

7 Mr. McGee, I'll tell you thank you very
8 much for your time and your opportunity here this
9 evening.

10 We do ask that all our RAB members
11 appoint an alternate. We'll give your name to the RAB
12 and someone may, by chance, call you and ask you to be
13 an alternate, which means if they can't come to the
14 meeting, you can sit in on the meeting for them if you
15 still want to do that but your name will then be put in
16 there, and also if we have any vacancies throughout that
17 time, your name will be put in a pool so we can draw
18 from and we can then appoint people to fulfill that
19 vacancy. Again, I thank you, sir, for being here
20 tonight. Thank you.

21 Okay, Dave.

22 UNIDENTIFIED MALE: Welcome to all of you
23 knew RAB members. Congratulations and get ready for the
24 ride because it's going to start pretty soon. Okay.

25 Dave, thank you.

1 UNIDENTIFIED MALE: Thank you. We're at
2 item number seven on the agenda, which is titled,
3 "Meeting Wrap-up." It boils down to basically
4 announcements.

5 Number one is that action items will be
6 addressed during the next regular RAB meeting. Item
7 number two is that there's a RAB member orientation to
8 be held February 23rd. You will be receiving
9 announcements on that. Brittany, time of day on that?
10 8:00? That's in the folder. Sorry. My fault.
11 Brittany is always ahead of the name here.

12 A RAB member workshop will be held on
13 March 9, 2004 at 6:30 at the Greater Kelly Development
14 Authority offices in place of the previously scheduled
15 TRS.

16 The next official RAB meeting is
17 scheduled for Tuesday, April 20, 2004 at 6:30 a.m. here
18 at Kennedy, and the next TRS meeting is scheduled for
19 June 8, 2004 at 6:30 at the Environmental Health and
20 Wellness Center.

21 UNIDENTIFIED MALE: What about that May
22 meeting, was that cancelled?

23 UNIDENTIFIED MALE: Use your microphone,
24 Sam.

25 UNIDENTIFIED MALE: The May meeting.

1 CHAIRMAN: He's asking about the May
2 meeting.

3 UNIDENTIFIED MALE: The 11th of May.

4 CHAIRMAN: There should be a meeting May
5 11th, yes. It's scheduled in the packet. That meeting
6 is going to occur, Sam. I'm sorry, I didn't have it on
7 my list here. It's on there, Sam. Thank you.

8 Dave, if I may, just as a word of
9 encouragement, for the RAB orientation, that's for new
10 RAB members and we're going to encourage that you come.
11 Anybody that's already a present member that would like
12 to come that day also is welcome but this is for new RAB
13 members. We're not going to turn anybody away.
14 However, the RAB member workshop is for everybody, new
15 and not so new. I hate to say old.

16 UNIDENTIFIED MALE: Continuing.

17 CHAIRMAN: Yes, continuing members. And
18 I encourage all of you to please be here. The last time
19 we had a workshop, we had a good turn out but a lot of
20 things got done and it's going to be a lot easier if
21 everybody is there. That way everybody agrees on what
22 is happening and we can work as a team and move forward
23 with the issues that will be dealt with. So again, I
24 encourage you as new RAB members to come to the
25 orientation February 23rd. The information is in your

1 packet, and then on March the 9th for the workshop for
2 everybody to be there.

3 Thank you. We have a request from one of
4 our -- Well, before we do that, there's an item that
5 needs to be taken care of and our by-laws say that the
6 two co-chairs can appoint a parliamentarian. Last year,
7 Mr. Mike Denitio did such a wonderful job as a
8 parliamentarian, that I would like to recommend that we
9 allow him to continue to be a parliamentarian.

10 Are you okay with that, Adam?

11 MR. DENITIO: Yes.

12 CHAIRMAN: Okay, so it's done. You're a
13 parliamentarian.

14 MR. DENITIO: Thank you.

15 CHAIRMAN: Thank you. The other question
16 is the same parliamentarian happens to be a very avid
17 Fiesta-goer and he says that our April meeting is on the
18 first night of Fiesta and he's requesting that would we
19 consider moving the meeting, otherwise he won't be
20 here.

21 MR. DENITIO: I'm just worried that the
22 crowd that will be attending this meeting will be
23 shutting down NIOSA and we won't be able to make much
24 headway when it comes to --

25 CHAIRMAN: You think so. Thank you. We

1 have fifteen thousand people out of work and we get a
2 retired a comedian.

3 Okay, so there's a request that that
4 April meeting be moved, and I'm not sure that we can
5 just deal with that this evening. However, why don't we
6 do this, Mike. Let me get Brittany to make phone calls
7 to all the RAB members and see if we can move it to
8 another date, and if so, then we'll do that by virtue of
9 a telephone call and then we'll just ratify that when we
10 come back to the meeting. Is that okay?

11 MR. DENITIO: Sure.

12 CHAIRMAN: All right. Thank you very
13 much.

14 Yes, Adam?

15 UNIDENTIFIED MALE: I just wanted to talk
16 a moment to thank all of you for coming out. Also, a
17 special thanks to those of you that have shown interest
18 in what we're doing here at Kelly. I want you to know
19 that we really appreciate you coming out and taking out
20 of your valuable time to come and be with us during
21 these meetings and to provide your input, to take your
22 feedback to your communities and your constituents, so I
23 just want to thank all of you and let you know on behalf
24 of the Air Force Real Property Agency, we really look
25 forward to working with you in the future.

1 UNIDENTIFIED MALE: Thanks.

2 CHAIRMAN: At this time -- Yes?

3 UNIDENTIFIED MALE: Mr. Chairman?

4 CHAIRMAN: Yes.

5 UNIDENTIFIED MALE: You mentioned
6 something about action items. A group of people have
7 come in with a list of questions that they wanted to
8 ask. They were going to be asked at the TRS meeting.
9 The TRS meeting has been cancelled until possibly July
10 or August.

11 I would like an opportunity for these
12 people to come forward and present those questions that
13 they were going to ask.

14 CHAIRMAN: Well, let me say this. We
15 didn't have a Citizens To Be Heard this evening because
16 the only item that was scheduled for today was the
17 elections.

18 UNIDENTIFIED MALE: Yes.

19 CHAIRMAN: And I understand that there
20 are people here. I don't have a copy of the questions
21 as you do.

22 UNIDENTIFIED MALE: I have a copy of
23 them.

24 CHAIRMAN: That's okay.

25 (End of Tape 1, Side 1.)

1 (Beginning of Tape 1, Side 2.)

2 CHAIRMAN: -- objection to that. Okay,
3 hearing none and seeing none, then we'll open up this
4 part, which is not scheduled as a public hearing, but we
5 will allow those people who are here tonight to address
6 the RAB.

7 You have three minutes. Please give us
8 your name and your address and you can use the
9 microphone in the front, and if you have extra copies of
10 your comments, I'd ask that you give them to the
11 secretary so she can pass them out, and if you don't, I
12 would like to have a copy from one of your members
13 there.

14 Dave, will you facilitate this three
15 minutes, please? Thank you.

16 MS. CISNEROS: Good evening. I'd like to
17 thank you all four this opportunity. My name is Grace
18 Cisneros. I live at 13734 Turtle Cross, San Antonio,
19 Texas, 78253.

20 Question number one: What is the status
21 of the current permeable reactive barriers at Kelly Air
22 Force Base? Specifically, I'd like to see the data,
23 including the raw data of the testing before the PRB's
24 were installed and for each sampling since the
25 installation, including all sampling dates and the dates

1 the PRB's were installed. I would like a record of all
2 chemicals tested for, particularly PCE, TCE, DCE and its
3 breakdown products and vinyl chloride.

4 I would like to know when the first
5 sampling after installation was conducted for each PRB,
6 how long after the installation date. Please provide
7 information on how this sampling scheduled was
8 determined.

9 I would like the name of the contractor
10 that did the testing and determined the testing
11 schedule.

12 Please do not send me to the information
13 repository at the public library. I've already been
14 there and the information, if it's there, cannot readily
15 be found.

16 Question number two: Since PCB's and
17 chlorinated solvents are found in the skin of fish in
18 greater quantities than in other parts of the fish, this
19 has been verified with Michael Tenant, Environmental
20 Specialist, Texas Department of Health, Safety Division,
21 phone number (512) 719-0215, extension 434.

22 I would like to know if a record was kept
23 of the total level of PCB's and chlorinated solvents in
24 the fish skin in the most current Leon Creek study,
25 since this appears to give a more accurate view of the

1 total level of contamination present in Leon Creek.

2 And my final question, number three:

3 Regarding the PRB that is to be installed on 34th
4 Street, the community bulletin states that when the
5 water and solvents come into contact with the iron, they
6 begin to break down into dot, dot, dot. It's a number
7 of products are listed but you don't mention that the
8 DCE and vinyl chloride may be formed and build up as the
9 water and solvents come into contact with the iron. My
10 question is, why not?

11 Also, there are articles on the Internet
12 that indicate that both DCE and vinyl chloride may form
13 and build up when PRB's are installed. I would like to
14 have information on the before and after levels of PCE,
15 TCE, DCE and vinyl chloride from other Air Force bases
16 where this technology is in place.

17 I appreciate your time this evening.

18 CHAIRMAN: Thank you, Ms. Cisneros.

19 Thank you.

20 Is there anyone else?

21 Yes, ma'am?

22 UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE: Yes, good evening.

23 My name is Reverend Beatrice DuBlay and I would like to
24 address the committee and the new members, please, and I
25 just want to say thank you ahead of time for you taking

1 the time to listen to the questions.

2 I have a question, number four, and since
3 the PRB's are now going to be installed in residential
4 neighborhoods, isn't it important to have air quality
5 emissions testing made public? Since these new PRB's
6 which are being installed involve an injection
7 technique, is it possible that the injection method may
8 volatilize some of the solvents?

9 Question number five: The information
10 repository at the San Antonio Public Library appears to
11 be very incomplete and not well organized. Information
12 on the PRB's that have been installed does not appear to
13 be available. I've seen, on the Internet, that several
14 of the other air bases have their information
15 repositories available in an electronic searchable
16 format. Why isn't the San Antonio information
17 repository available in an electronic searchable
18 format? When can we expect that? It could be placed in
19 an electronic, searchable format.

20 And question number six: In the report
21 presented by Mr. Patrick Lynch at the October, 2003 RAB
22 meeting, Mr. Lynch indicated that TCE was found two to
23 four feet below the surface and that shallow ground
24 water in all of Zone 3 is contaminated.

25 Mr. Lynch also recommended using a more

1 sensitive test to detect contamination than the one
2 presently being used by the Air Force.

3 What measures have been taken by the Air
4 Force to address this issue, as well as other issues
5 raised in Mr. Lynch's report, such as the incorrect use
6 of units, the PPM versus the PPB?

7 And my question also, number seven, is,
8 is anything being done yet for the residents in the
9 community where the contaminants have been made? Thank
10 you again.

11 CHAIRMAN: Thank you, Reverend. Is there
12 anyone else?

13 Okay, if there's no one else, then I'll
14 go ahead and close this portion of the unscheduled
15 Citizens To Be Heard. I thank you both for being here
16 this evening. I will also, Mrs. Cisneros and Reverend,
17 just letting you know that we're not sitting here and
18 not listening, I don't want you to think that. We
19 cannot respond to your comments or questions at this
20 time. We'll take it into consideration. We have a
21 committee that we'll take it back to and look at it and
22 hopefully we'll be able to come back with some other
23 dialogue to be able to share with you.

24 So again, I thank you all for coming this
25 evening, and just make sure that Brittany has a copy of

1 your requests so that we've got that and then we can
2 distribute copies later on to the rest of our members,
3 okay. Thank you very much.

4 Thank you, Armando, for bringing that to
5 our attention. Where are you, Armando?

6 Go ahead, Adam.

7 UNIDENTIFIED MALE: I just had one
8 additional comment I'd like to make. Rubin has
9 mentioned that we're going to have an orientation on
10 February 23rd. I'd also like to extend to the new RAB
11 members an opportunity to come and see us at Kelly Air
12 Force Base. We're located at 143 Billy Mitchell
13 Boulevard, Suite 1. That's in the same building that
14 the Greater Kelly Development Authority is located in.

15 We would be happy to provide you with
16 briefings, tours. If you have neighborhood groups that
17 would like to hear about the Kelly issues and what we're
18 doing to clean up Kelly and the surrounding area, we'll
19 be glad to come out and speak with those groups. The
20 one thing we do ask though is if you do come and visit
21 us, please call beforehand. We're in a secured facility
22 and we've had occasions where we can't accommodate
23 people if we don't know ahead of time that you're
24 coming, so I would just ask that you call us at that
25 facility before you come out to visit us, but we would

1 be happy to accommodate you. Thank you.

2 CHAIRMAN: Thank you. Yes, Armando.

3 UNIDENTIFIED MALE: I have one more
4 action item since the agenda does call for action items
5 that will be addressed at the next regular RAB meeting
6 here on the agenda, and that action item relates to an
7 article or an ad that appeared in the Express-News last
8 weekend. It dealt with a significant spill by Boeing
9 Aircraft of zinc, and from my understanding, it was 2.2
10 parts per billion, which was significant. I would like
11 to get a report at the next RAB meeting on that
12 particular item.

13 CHAIRMAN: You need to make that in the
14 form of a motion, please.

15 UNIDENTIFIED MALE: So moved. The TRS,
16 the purpose of the TRS is to receive those types of
17 reports. There's no TRS meeting so I'm making it now.

18 CHAIRMAN: Armando, let me get a second
19 to your motion.

20 Is there a second to the motion?

21 UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE: I second it.

22 CHAIRMAN: Okay, there's a motion and a
23 second. Is there any discussion on the motion?

24 Hearing none -- I'm sorry?

25 UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE: I'm unaware of any

1 spill. Could you say again, it occurred last week and
2 it was zinc?

3 UNIDENTIFIED MALE: It appeared in an ad
4 in the Express-News. The ad was put in there by SAWS.
5 It's their requirement by EPA to monitor all of these
6 industrial spills into the wastewater or water systems
7 and they do it once a year, so sometime in 2003, in one
8 or two quarters, there was a significant spill by Boeing
9 Aircraft into the wastewater system or into Leon Creek,
10 I do not know which. I do know that it was 2.2 parts
11 per billion, it was considered significant and they
12 reported it in that ad.

13 CHAIRMAN: Armando, do you have a copy of
14 that, by chance?

15 UNIDENTIFIED MALE: I reported it, I
16 believe, to Mr. Karas.

17 CHAIRMAN: Okay. Was it an advertisement
18 for a public hearing or was it a --

19 UNIDENTIFIED MALE: No, it was just a
20 notice of a. --

21 CHAIRMAN: A notice requirement?

22 UNIDENTIFIED MALE: -- of a significant
23 spill into the wastewater system.

24 CHAIRMAN: Okay. That's fine. We had
25 the motion. It's been seconded. Not seeing and hearing

1 any other discussion, let's vote on the motion.

2 All in favor of the motion to have this
3 item put on the next RAB meeting, please say "I."

4 (Response of "I.")

5 UNIDENTIFIED MALE: Any opposed, say
6 "No."

7 "I's" have it. It will be an action item
8 for discussion at the next meeting. Thank you, Armando.

9 UNIDENTIFIED MALE: One more point, and
10 this is my last one. It concerns ATSDR.

11 In 1994 or 1995, we requested Congressman
12 (Inaudible) to go to ATSDR and get us a report on the
13 health of the people that were effected by the
14 contamination from Kelly Air Force Base.

15 We have received one or two reports from
16 him. Those one or two reports were incomplete. As a
17 result, there are about four or five more reports
18 coming. None of this is going to be brought into
19 closure.

20 For instance, the first report that is
21 coming is the air emission report. They still owe us a
22 report on east Kelly. They owe us one on the drinking
23 water. The workers at Kelly drank water that was
24 contaminated at one time.

25 They also are supposed to have a final

1 assessment for all of these studies that they have made
2 since 1994, '95 and come to this RAB Board and have
3 closure on these things with recommendations. If it's
4 not the contamination that is making the people sick,
5 something is, and we want the City Health Department,
6 the Department of Health and possibly the University of
7 Texas Health System to do something about what's wrong.

8 What's causing the birth defects, what's
9 causing the lower birth weight babies and the cancers
10 and ALS and all of that sort of thing, to look into it
11 and come up with a solution to make the people well.

12 What I'm suggesting, Mr. Chairman, is
13 that perhaps you should call ATSDR sometime this week
14 and ask them for, you know, the dates, specific dates
15 when this can be. We can't wait ten more years. We've
16 waited fifteen years or more for a clean up of our
17 neighborhoods.

18 The golf course apparently was going to
19 be cleaned up first before our neighborhoods are and
20 this is wrong. This is not just.

21 CHAIRMAN: Okay. I hear you.

22 UNIDENTIFIED MALE: And this is the
23 purpose of this RAB and that's the purpose of the TRS
24 and I think it behooves you and on your shoulders to
25 look into it and find out when can this be done.

1 CHAIRMAN: Okay. Thank you, Armando.

2 UNIDENTIFIED MALE: In addition to that,
3 I think you should talk to Congressman Rodriguez's
4 office and use your influence to see what can be done.

5 CHAIRMAN: Okay.

6 UNIDENTIFIED MALE: Hector is here and I
7 think you should discuss it with him and find out how
8 soon we can get this done.

9 Perhaps a letter also from that RAB to
10 ATSDR is in order, and that's the last action item.

11 CHAIRMAN: Thank you, Armando. Any other
12 comments from anybody? Rodrigo?

13 UNIDENTIFIED MALE: One more. This is
14 the EIS, the draft Environmental Impact Statement that I
15 got from the federal people in Austin and Mr. Salvador
16 DeCampo.

17 I would like to make a motion that every
18 community member on this RAB get a copy of this and
19 instruct Mr. Antoine to call TXDOT and ask them that the
20 community members receive copies of this.

21 If they refuse to give you copies of
22 this, Mr. Antoine, I would like to know the name of the
23 person or persons at TXDOT that will not give us a copy
24 for the communities use and I'll personally take this up
25 with the Governor Perry, because we need to have these

1 and since it effects our work, it was a total disrespect
2 from TXDOT not to give us copies, and I would like to
3 make a motion that you instruct them to provide us with
4 copies. If not, I'll take care of the issue myself but
5 I would like to support and get TXDOT to give all
6 community members copies of the Environmental Impact
7 Statement so we can see how this proposed freeway will
8 effect our work.

9 CHAIRMAN: Mr. Garcia, the motion is not
10 required. I've already instructed Mr. Antoine to get us
11 all copies. He's agreed to make sure that we get them
12 done, so it will get taken care of, but thank you for
13 your input.

14 UNIDENTIFIED MALE: Thank you.

15 CHAIRMAN: Okay, no other comments or
16 questions, the Chair will entertain a motion for
17 adjournment.

18 Thank you, Sam. I have a motion for
19 adjournment. Is there a second?

20 UNIDENTIFIED MALE: I second it.

21 CHAIRMAN: I have a second. Thank you.
22 All in favor, say "I" and get up and leave. Thank you
23 all very much. Be safe.

24 (End of tape.)

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