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7 Community Member;

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12 PROF. GENE W. LENE
13 Academic Community;

14 MR. SAMUEL SANCHEZ
15 San Metropolitan Health District;

16 MR. ED WEINSTEIN
17 San Antonio Water System;

18 MR. DAVID JOHNSON
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22 MR. PAUL ROBERSON
23 Greater Kelly Development
24 Corporation;

25 MR. JOHN A. JACOBI, P.E.
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MR. ALAN POSNICK
TNRCC;

MR. MARK PUFFER
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MR. CARL MIXON
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MR. DAMIAN SANDOVAL
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MR. SAMUEL MURRAH
Community Member;

MR. WILLIE JONES, JR.
Community Member;

MS. DOMINGA ADAMES
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1 On the 28th day of January, A.D.
 2 1998, between the hours of 6:05 o'clock p.m.
 3 and 9:00 o'clock p.m., the above entitled
 4 meeting came on for discussion before said
 5 BGEN. LEROY BARNIDGE, and the following
 6 proceedings were had:

7 BGEN. BARNIDGE: This is real new to
 8 me. And it may be not so new to y'all, but I'm
 9 new to y'all, and we'll talk about that, too.
 17:58 10 I understand the routine has been to, first of
 11 all, go around the room and everybody introduce
 12 themselves; is that right? So y'all don't know
 13 each other? Okay.

14 MS. PEACE: My name is Annalisa
 17:58 15 Peace. I'm the Community co-Chair.

16 MR. MIXON: Carl Mixon. I'm the
 17 County Fire Marshal, and also the Chairman of
 18 the Bexar County Local Emergency Clinic.

19 MS. ADAMES: Dominga Adames. I live
 17:58 20 in the community; I'm a member of CEJA.

21 MR. POSNICK: Alan Posnick with the
 22 Texas Natural Research & Conversation
 23 Commission. I'm here in place of Gary Beyer.

24 MR. QUINTANILLA: My name is Armando
 17:59 25 Quintanilla. I live here in the South San

17:59 1 community, the area impacted by toxic spills
2 from Kelly Air Force Base.

3 MR. ROBERSON: Paul Roberson.
4 Greater Kelly Development Corporation.

17:59 5 MR. JACOBI: John Jacobi. Texas
6 Department of Health.

7 MR. RODRIGUEZ: My name is Nick
8 Rodriguez. And I'm with the Bexar Metropolitan
9 Water District.

17:59 10 MR. MURRAH: I'm Sam Murrah. And I'm
11 range conservationist, and also with the Clean
12 Air & Water here in San Antonio.

13 MS. HUENI: And I'm Camille Hueni.
14 I'm with the Environmental Protection Agency.

17:59 15 MR. RICE: George Rice. I'm a
16 community member.

17 MR. WEINSTEIN: I'm Ed Weinstein with
18 the San Antonio Water System.

19 MR. PUFFER: I am Mark Puffer. I'm
17:59 20 the alternate for Grady Floyd.

21 MR. SANDOVAL: My name is Damian
22 Sandoval. I'm a community member.

23 DR. LENE: I am Gene Lene. Community
24 member.

17:59 25 BGEN. BARNIDGE: Okay. And the --

18:00 1 as -- I got to introduce myself, but also
2 the -- I was reminded you've got to use the
3 microphone, except for me, because my mouth is
4 so loud anyhow I don't need one.

18:00 5 The -- I want to tell you, I am Leroy
6 Barnidge. I'm the newest kid on the block
7 here, and I've been at Kelly for a number of
8 months now, but -- but also learning my way
9 around that business. I was up -- in a base up

18:00 10 north. I want to take just a couple of minutes
11 here to -- to not only introduce myself and --
12 and tell you a little bit about what I've been
13 doing, but also to -- to give you, at least, a
14 feel for my experience with these sorts of

18:00 15 forums. Because I think these are wonderful
16 things, I believe in them, that's the reason
17 I'm here. I -- I was asked whether I wanted to
18 join this -- this RAB business here, and -- and
19 I absolutely do, because I believe in what

18:00 20 we're about.

21 As I said, I have worked with RAB sessions
22 at different bases in the past. I've learned a
23 little bit about what -- how people described
24 how this one has gone. I will tell you that
18:01 25 there are those that go worse than this one,

18:01 1 and there are those that go better than this
2 one. And the -- the biggest -- Clearly, the
3 ones that are most effective are the ones where
4 communication takes place, and -- and not just
18:01 5 two polar sides in which people sit and throw
6 hand grenades at each other.

7 The -- The ones that I have seen have had
8 very substantive, corporate people involved in
9 them. And -- and all great people can agree to
18:01 10 disagree, but at the end of the day we all walk
11 away shaking hands and saying "Well, we'll come
12 at it another day and -- and figure out a
13 better way to -- to accommodate everybody's
14 needs."

18:01 15 I'm very much a what you see is what you
16 get kind of guy. I do represent the Air Force,
17 but I -- as I said, I also believe in what
18 we're about. I'm going to work to give you
19 what you -- what you, the collective RAB, say
18:02 20 you need. I think, I can get my way on a lot
21 of things; I seem to have been able to in past
22 forums like this one. I think it's important,
23 because your attendance here tells me you're
24 interested in this business. If you're
18:02 25 interested in this business for the sake of

18:02 1 environmental cleanup and environmental
2 improvement, then we've all got a common
3 cause. If you have a different agenda, then
4 you shouldn't be here.

18:02 5 The purpose of the RAB -- Which by the
6 way, I -- I thought it was interesting that it
7 is read at every forum. I'm going to ask you
8 at the end of this if you still want to do
9 that. Because as with every new guy, you know,
10 you get a chance to change those things you
11 don't like, so I'll bring that up for a vote
12 here in just a minute.

13 But -- But my business is to serve and
14 answer your questions to -- to the extent
18:03 15 that -- that I can. In the same breath, I'm
16 going to make sure that this -- that your
17 questions are what the entirety of the RAB
18 wants. As I said, this is a team, this is not
19 a collection of individuals; it has to be that
18:03 20 way if we're going to make any progress in any
21 direction. So it'll be of interest to me that
22 everybody is in sinc at what we're -- what
23 we're after, and then we're going to go after
24 it all together. And it's amazing what we can
18:03 25 get done together.

18:03 1 I hope you also see that as we go along
2 here that -- that we're going to follow the
3 purpose of the RAB. I'm going to cling to that
4 very much. I'm not necessarily for reading it
18:03 5 every time, but it should never leave -- never
6 leave our minds. And the reason is, is because
7 this forum is about cleanup. It's not about
8 City issues and it's not about flying
9 operations, and it's -- as much as I love to
18:04 10 fly, it's not about that. It's not about
11 anything but cleanup issues associated with
12 this base and this community. And our business
13 is about making that information, that we can
14 make available, available. Let me see, I --
18:04 15 Forgive me. I don't -- I often don't use
16 notes. In fact, most of the time I don't, but
17 I want to make sure I didn't skip anything.
18 Oh, as far as business conduct goes, it's
19 very important to me, for efficiency, as well
18:04 20 as just professional courtesy, that when
21 there's -- we're all engaged in the same
22 conversation. So when we see people and it's
23 very easy to -- to hear something that one
24 speaker has given, and then I turn to Annalisa
18:04 25 and say "you know what, I think that's crazy,"

18:04 1 you know, and we have a little dialogue here.
2 That doesn't do anything but serve as a
3 distraction, so I'm going to -- I'm going to
4 resist -- I'll resist -- I'll call on you and
18:04 5 say "hey, have you got something you want to
6 share with all of us or you want to listen to
7 the briefer." So we'll try to keep the side
8 discussions for efficiency as well as for
9 professional courtesy. And after all
18:05 10 professionals is what I assume we're all here
11 as. And that's about it.

12 The -- I've been operating, flying
13 airplanes, breaking them, and then fixing them,
14 and serving on various staffs throughout my
18:05 15 career. I now am absolutely delighted to be in
16 the south and in San Antonio, because I can't
17 imagine a better place.

18 Forty-eight hours before I came down here
19 last summer I was waist deep in snow. And I
18:05 20 tell you what, there's nothing like going from
21 waist deep in snow and then 48 hours later in
22 cut-offs and a T-shirt in the streets of San
23 Antonio. It's a wonderful thing, and we're
24 absolutely delighted we're here.

18:05 25 With that, I'll ask, has anybody got any

18:05 1 questions for me, about me, or anything that
2 you would want to ask, and then we'll just move
3 on with our agenda? By the way, I will make
4 the comment, Annalisa -- actually, somebody
18:06 5 else brought it to me, and I checked with
6 Annalisa, the agenda that she and I agreed on,
7 that I didn't realize, was different than what
8 was mailed out. So what we've got is we've got
9 some items that wasn't included in the -- a few
18:06 10 items that wasn't included in the mailed out
11 list, and I'm just going to follow the old
12 agenda. I'm not going to ask for a vote on it;
13 I'm just going to do it, okay, because it's
14 important that what we agree on is what we do.

18:06 15 Has anybody got any questions for me or
16 about me or anything? Anything is fair game;
17 just don't run over me with a bus. Other than
18 that, life is great. Okay.

19 I propose -- Let me see, maybe I shouldn't
18:06 20 be the proposer. Does anybody see a need for
21 us to read the purpose of the RAB at every
22 meeting?

23 MR. QUINTANILLA: I -- I don't see a
24 need, and I don't agree with it.

18:06 25 MS. PEACE: Can you make a motion to

18:07 1 that effect?

2 BGEN. BARNIDGE: Then I -- Is there a
3 motion that we discontinue that practice?

4 MR. JACOBI: I so move.

18:07 5 MR. ROBERSON: I second.

6 BGEN. BARNIDGE: And I third.

7 Anybody disagree?

8 (Vote taken by RAB members.)

9 BGEN. BARNIDGE: All right. Done.

18:07 10 Okay. Next item. Here, let me make sure what
11 I've got here. RAB member packets, okay. In
12 there, there are a number of things that you
13 should have gotten a packet in the mail out. I
14 don't even know our ability -- if we've got any
18:07 15 spares, but did anybody not get the packet that
16 was supposed to be mailed out? You had the
17 minutes, you had the -- you had the first of
18 the items that was omitted in the agenda, and
19 that was the -- the cleanup program budget, and
18:07 20 it -- and it had a sheet in there talking about
21 groundwater sampling budget. I assume that's
22 for information -- someone requested the
23 information, and those who put these together
24 mailed that out. And also, a comparison of
18:08 25 remediation versus study. Those -- I know

18:08 1 those were in the packets that were mailed
2 out. It was an agenda item; I regret that it
3 was deleted off the agenda. Does anybody have
4 any questions about -- about the packets that
18:08 5 were mailed out?

6 Okay. The next thing then is -- is -- I
7 hope you've had time to look through the
8 minutes that were also included there. There
9 were two months or two sessions worth of
18:08 10 minutes: September, I believe, and December.
11 Do we have any point to make about the
12 September minutes?

13 MS. PEACE: Yeah, I do. On Item 5,
14 it's on Page 4 of the September 9th minutes,
18:08 15 Number 15 -- And I'm not sure about this,
16 because this was so long ago, but I do believe
17 that that Item 15, though, was a motion that
18 was passed, and that the minutes should say
19 that. If I'm wrong -- Does anybody remember
18:09 20 specifically? We could go back to the
21 transcripts, but I believe, that that was
22 passed, as well as suggested.

23 MR. RICE: My recollection is, that
24 that's right. The RAB actually voted to -- to
18:09 25 take some action.

18:09 1 MS. PEACE: Okay. So I think that we
2 need to amend the minutes to say that there was
3 a motion made to this effect, and that it was
4 passed by the members.

18:09 5 And then also, this is -- this is just
6 a -- kind of a goofy thing, but on Page 10
7 under Motions and Resolutions, 2a, it says
8 "Approved by show of hands -- almost
9 unanimous." I think, "almost unanimous" is an
18:09 10 oxymoron. Could we have a number put in there,
11 if there is a count of the vote? So I move
12 that it be amended to strike "almost unanimous"
13 and substitute a number for that.

14 MR. MURRAH: Where?

18:09 15 BGEN. BARNIDGE: Is that even
16 possible? Does anybody know the number?

17 MS. PEACE: There should be a --

18 MR. JACOBI: I don't think there was
19 a roll call vote on that.

18:10 20 MR. ROBERSON: I recall that it was
21 unanimous.

22 MS. PEACE: Then put "unanimous"
23 instead of "almost unanimous." That just
24 sounds really stupid.

18:10 25 BGEN. BARNIDGE: Okay. Is that it?

18:10 1 Any other thoughts or comments about the
2 September minutes? Yes, sir?

3 MR. RICE: Yes. The comments I have
4 are on -- in the September minutes, you know,
18:10 5 on Page 8 under Item 8, "Old Business."

6 The first comment is the last sentence of
7 Item 1, where it says "will agree to turn over
8 all releasable data, he will be satisfied."
9 The word "releasable" should be deleted. My
10 request was that "all data" be forwarded.

11 BGEN. BARNIDGE: Okay. I don't
12 know. Obviously, I wasn't there for that, but
13 I -- I do know I -- as I was looking through
14 old stuff for this -- this meeting, past
18:11 15 documentation, that -- and you -- I don't
16 quibble over the word "releasable," but I know
17 that there is draft data in existence that
18 won't be publicized until the time it has been
19 validated, finalized, and therefore, put out.
18:11 20 Now, does that --

21 MS. PEACE: No. This is just
22 correcting his statement. He says he didn't
23 say "releasable."

24 BGEN. BARNIDGE: Oh, okay.

18:11 25 MR. RICE: I think that's a topic

18:11 1 that we can discuss later, but that was my
2 statement.

3 BGEN. BARNIDGE: Oh, okay. I'm
4 sorry. Like I said, I'm catching up with what
18:11 5 we got here. All right.

6 MR. RICE: Then I have another change
7 on the item directly below that, Item 2.
8 That's line one, two, three -- four. On the
9 fourth line it says, quote, "that the Air Force
18:12 10 is only responsible for the plume for about 300
11 feet." Actually, I was referring to the PCE
12 plume. It's the PCE plume.

13 And then on the last line of that same
14 paragraph, where it says "responsible for
18:12 15 groundwater contamination beyond 300 feet."
16 It's once again, PCE contamination beyond 300
17 feet.

18 BGEN. BARNIDGE: Okay. Anything
19 else?

18:12 20 MR. RICE: Yes. One more. Although,
21 perhaps this belongs on the New Business. If
22 it does belong there, just tell me. In these
23 minutes Ms. Hueni, Item 3a on the same page,
24 asked that the Air Force go on record with
18:12 25 their position. And my question is: Has the

18:12 1 Air Force gone on record with their position
2 per Ms. Hueni's request?

3 BGEN. BARNIDGE: Well, let's -- let's
4 straighten out the minutes. I mean, I agree
18:13 5 with you that it may --

6 MR. RICE: Okay. That's fine.

7 BGEN. BARNIDGE: Is the record
8 written right as written?

9 MR. RICE: Yeah. The record is
18:13 10 right.

11 BGEN. BARNIDGE: Okay. Any other
12 questions or comments about September?

13 Okay. Let's move to the December
14 minutes. Any questions or comments?

18:13 15 Okay. Can I have a motion that, as
16 amended by the comments we've heard, the
17 minutes -- I don't know what the right words
18 are -- are accepted?

19 MR. QUINTANILLA: Stand approved.

18:13 20 BGEN. BARNIDGE: Stand approved?

21 MR. ROBERSON: So moved.

22 MR. JACOBI: Second.

23 BGEN. BARNIDGE: All in favor.

24 (Vote taken by RAB members.)

18:13 25 BGEN. BARNIDGE: Anyone opposed?

1 (Vote taken by RAB members.)

2 BGEN. BARNIDGE: Guess not. Okay.

3 Let's see -- Okay. Community statements.

4 Folks, this is -- I believe, this is where we

18:14 5 open it up for the folks in the -- who have

6 come out and joined us tonight.

7 The point of this -- If you don't know,

8 and if I sound, like, a little different

9 than -- than perhaps you are used to in the

18:14 10 past it's because I ain't the same guy. But

11 that's okay. The point is, to allow this time

12 for -- up to four minutes per person for anyone

13 to voice a concern, to make a statement of --

14 of something that is -- that is on their mind

18:14 15 that's related directly to the cleanup

16 program. So I'll invite anyone who wishes to

17 make any comments, please hold your hand up and

18 be recognized, and we'll get you up here.

19 Yes, sir?

18:14 20 AUDIENCE MEMBER: Good afternoon.

21 Good evening to everybody here. My name is

22 Raul Villar (phonetic), and I live -- I reside

23 at 3903 Beach, and we're on the road across

24 from where the fuel tanks are.

18:15 25 Now, we've been having a lot of, you know,

18:15 1 health problems, and the 26th of January, you
2 know, our grandson spent -- Pass this around so
3 you can see. Look at the -- the future of that
4 baby right there, my grandson. He -- He has
18:15 5 been developing bronchitis for about three or
6 four, five times, and that -- the 26th of
7 January they -- the doctor determined that he
8 had asthma. Now, that's -- that's pretty
9 strange because he was born there -- born
18:15 10 there. And all the community there has been
11 having health problems.

12 So, you know, that's my statement right
13 there. Pass it around so they can look at it,
14 Mr. Rice. Pass it around so they can look at
18:16 15 it. And I mean, you know, he's been sick.
16 He's been sick all the time we've lived there,
17 ever since we moved in there. And now he's
18 developed asthma, and that's -- that -- for a
19 baby like that, that's too much.

18:16 20 BGEN. BARNIDGE: Okay, sir. Thank
21 you. Any other comments or statements by
22 anyone who is with us tonight? Okay. Thank
23 you very much. I'm sorry, ma'am, I didn't see
24 you. I'm sorry.

18:16 25 AUDIENCE MEMBER: My name is

18:16 1 Valentina Trinidad. I don't live in this
2 neighborhood, but I was born here. And I went
3 to church a couple of weeks ago and read about
4 the problem -- I've seen it in the paper. And
18:17 5 it dawned on me that I've never asked my mother
6 had she inquired about the surveys that I had
7 read about in the paper.

8 And my question tonight is: What areas
9 have you surveyed? We live -- She lives on the
18:17 10 (inaudible) and she has eight children. And
11 out of those eight children six have asthma.
12 My 53-year-old brother died of lung cancer, my
13 46-year-old sister died of pancreatic cancer,
14 and my sister and I have been diagnosed with
18:17 15 Lupus light syndrome. And we're curious to
16 find out what part of this Kelly Air Force has
17 been surveyed.

18 MS. PEACE: The surveys for the
19 community health benefit were done by the North
18:17 20 Kelly Gardens area, and that was the only area
21 that was surveyed for community health survey.
22 Now, I think -- I'm not sure -- Does anybody
23 know who the ATSTR surveys?

24 MR. QUINTANILLA: They surveyed no
18:18 25 one. They only reviewed the past studies.

18:18 1 However, ATSTR will be here February 9th
2 through the 11th, and -- Get in touch with me,
3 and we'll put you in touch with those people.
4 AUDIENCE MEMBER: Okay. My question
18:18 5 was: --
6 MR. QUINTANILLA: They want to hear
7 those kind of things.
8 AUDIENCE MEMBER: -- Did they intend
9 to survey those other areas?
18:18 10 MR. SANCHEZ: My name is Sam
11 Sanchez. And I apologize for being here a
12 little bit late. The ATSTR will be here during
13 that week. I'm with the Health Department and
14 they're looking at everything. The -- The
18:18 15 North Kelly Gardens area was a community survey
16 done by the people that lived in that area.
17 They did a good job with that. They're looking
18 at other -- other kinds of health data
19 information. They'll be working with the --
18:18 20 They really would like to work with the
21 residents in other areas, and they need to
22 identify some of those people, so they'll be
23 here during the week of February the 8th. And
24 again, I invite you to -- you know, if you
18:18 25 leave your number -- your name and phone number

18:18 1 with me, and we'll see that somebody does get
2 in contact with you.

3 AUDIENCE MEMBER: Okay. Thank you.

4 BGEN. BARNIDGE: And, Sam, did you
18:19 5 say where -- where you're from? He's from the
6 City Health Department.

7 MR. QUINTANILLA: I'm from the
8 barrio, and I can help you also.

9 MR. SANDOVAL: I have a question
10 here -- I don't know if this is the appropriate
11 time -- referencing the health survey that was
12 done. I know we had a very large effort to go
13 out and to survey the public who had individual
14 monitoring on those private wells, and I have
18:19 15 not heard a report back on that issue, and
16 then, second of all, is there a follow-up
17 program planned?

18 MR. SANCHEZ: You're referring to the
19 water well surveys that were done in reference
18:19 20 to the -- the Air Force released any
21 information that the underground plume was
22 further -- further -- more extensive than what
23 was previously described. What we've done is
24 we've identified the -- we've sampled 62
18:20 25 different individual households in those areas,

18:20 1 that area is primarily served by the Bexar
2 Metropolitan Water Company, all of the water
3 samples came up negative for those four
4 chemicals of concern.

18:20 5 We have kind of brought together the --
6 some representatives from Bexar Metropolitan
7 along with some representatives from the City
8 Public Service Board. We tried to do kind of
9 an electronic search to see if there are any
10 households that could be on water wells that we
11 have not -- that we have not been made aware of
12 or that the Air Force has, you know, not
13 gotten. And the methodology, Damian, that
14 we're trying to do is, we're trying to

18:20 15 eliminate -- we're asking ourselves a question,
16 people that are living in that area they are --
17 if they are -- if they have electrical
18 connections and they're not being served by the
19 Bexar Metropolitan Water System then what other

18:21 20 alternate water systems do they have, what is
21 their other source of water. We hoped that
22 that would kind of bring some closure to the
23 issue in terms of what other water wells may be
24 out there. So we -- that's part of the ongoing
18:21 25 thing that the local health department is

18:21 1 trying to arrive at (inaudible) the Air Force.

2 MS. PEACE: If I might add, in the
3 minutes from December 2nd, it was said that --

4 under Resolutions that we would address the

18:21 5 issue of one (inaudible) was talking about he
6 lived in the location where he didn't think the

7 wells had been tested, then we also had said

8 that we would have a meeting in that area in

9 the future. So we need to put that on "New

18:21 10 Business" for the next meeting.

11 MR. SANDOVAL: Then just a last

12 question, and that is: Is the Air Force going

13 to send another survey? And I just bring it up

14 for some -- some of these other folks may have

18:21 15 had the survey form and forgot to fill that

16 out, and does anybody plan to go out to the

17 community or was that just a one-time effort?

18 BGEN. BARNIDGE: Why don't you hang

19 on to that. That sounds like we're getting

18:22 20 into New Business here. That's a fine

21 question, but let's just put it in its right

22 place.

23 Any other questions out of the -- out of

24 the community members at all? All right.

18:22 25 Okay. One more.

18:22 1 AUDIENCE MEMBER: Hello. This is my
2 first time here. My name is Guillermo Morey
3 (phonetic) and I live on 2909 Quintana. My
4 question is -- I'm not too up to date on what's
18:22 5 going on, you know, as far as producing and
6 contamination that's been going on for several
7 years. I believe, they've been going on now
8 for 23 years, maybe 24 years. The problem I
9 have is drainage in front of my house. I know
18:22 10 this is probably nothing to do with it. My
11 concern is the contamination, and trying to
12 control this is an issue. How are we going
13 about it in controlling the -- the drainage and
14 contamination that stinks there -- or stays
18:23 15 there and doesn't run off anywhere?

16 MS. PEACE: Okay. We do have
17 Mr. John German from the City of San Antonio
18 Public Works. He's on the agenda for this --
19 for this last item before the break. If you
18:23 20 could ask that question again when he's up
21 here, he'll be up there on the microphone, so I
22 think he could better answer that.

23 BGEN. BARNIDGE: Thank you. Okay.
24 Very good. Well, thank you very much for the
18:23 25 statements that we did get.

18:23 1 Now, we'll close out that section, and
2 we'll move to the next portion of the meeting,
3 which is kind of a bittersweet sort of deal, at
4 least it seems like that to me from the
18:23 5 interface I've had with Annalisa, but you
6 may -- everyone may not know, but Annalisa has
7 been in office for -- for the full term, and is
8 about ready to graduate, as we say. And that
9 means that we need to think about a new
18:24 10 co-Chair -- a new community co-Chair for this.

11 The new community co-Chair -- Annalisa's
12 term is actually up in the month of February,
13 and the new person should take over in March
14 and -- which means they'll be in the saddle for
18:24 15 the next forum. Why don't -- What I would like
16 to do is to suggest or -- I'm sorry, sir,
17 you've got something -- Mr. Quintanilla, you've
18 got something for all of us?

19 MR. QUINTANILLA: Yes, sir. I've got
18:24 20 something for -- for all of us, but I want to
21 wait for the time.

22 BGEN. BARNIDGE: Oh, okay. I'm
23 sorry. Okay. The -- For this new community
24 co-Chair a way to work it -- And we will work
18:24 25 it anyway you want to. A way to work it is,

18:24 1 first of all, we need to know who the people
2 are who would like to throw their hat in the
3 ring. And you can hold your hand up and say
4 "pick me" or you can do anything you would
18:25 5 like, and we will -- we will certainly consider
6 you a candidate.

7 What I would then like to do is get a list
8 of the candidates, those few who would like to
9 be considered, allow them each three minutes a
18:25 10 piece or up to three minutes a piece to explain
11 why they feel like they would be the right
12 person for that job. And then we can either do
13 an open vote or we have, I believe, in our
14 handout packets here a ballot, so to speak,
18:25 15 that you can mark it, and do it either open or
16 closed. Your choice.

17 But at this point, let me open the floor
18 for people who would like to throw their name
19 in the ring for consideration for the community
18:25 20 co-Chair.

21 MR. RICE: May I ask a question
22 before we do that. The community co-Chair is
23 to be elected by the community members of the
24 RAB, so --

18:25 25 BGEN. BARNIDGE: Is that right?

18:25 1 MS. PEACE: Yes.

2 MR. RICE: That's in our Charter.

3 What I would like to do is just ask -- is just
4 see the -- the hands of the RAB members that
18:26 5 consider themselves to be community members and
6 eligible to vote on this.

7 BGEN. BARNIDGE: Well, wait a minute,
8 wait a minute -- Wait. Hold on -- Hold on a
9 second. I've never seen a RAB operate that
18:26 10 way.

11 MR. RICE: This is in the Charter
12 that our community provided.

13 BGEN. BARNIDGE: Do we have the
14 Charter here?

18:26 15 MS. KELLY: Yes, sir, that's
16 correct. It is in the Charter.

17 BGEN. BARNIDGE: Well, I -- I'll drop
18 my new guy card and say I'm sorry. I needed to
19 make sure on that.

18:26 20 MR. ROBERSON: I think, when we voted
21 for Annalisa everybody on the RAB voted.

22 MR. RICE: Yeah. And we were in
23 error. All I'd like to do is just find out
24 which members of the RAB consider themselves
18:26 25 community members and eligible to vote.

18:26 1 BGEN. BARNIDGE: Well, let's key on
2 what Mr. Roberson said. As a first point, I'd
3 like to know if the RAB would like for the
4 whole RAB to -- to vote on the new community
18:27 5 co-Chair or the -- the community members?

6 MR. RICE: Well, that would require a
7 revision of the Charter.

8 BGEN. BARNIDGE: The whole RAB is
9 here.

18:27 10 MR. PERSON: I believe, the Charter
11 said you had to be a member of the community --
12 the San Antonio community or was it Bexar
13 County -- a requirement of Bexar County. I
14 believe, that's what the Charter says, that you
18:27 15 had to be a Bexar County resident.

16 MS. PEACE: Anybody here on the
17 Charter Committee?

18 MR. HAGELTHORN: Yeah, I am. I'm the
19 chairman of the Charter Committee. It
18:27 20 doesn't -- We don't have a specific geographic
21 restriction for a member of the -- the -- the
22 Board. It is anybody who is affected, either
23 economically or environmentally, so it could be
24 anybody all the way down to the Gulf of Mexico
18:27 25 if they were so affected.

18:27 1 BGEN. BARNIDGE: Well, in the past at
2 other places, that has been interpreted to be
3 simply a non-DOD related counterpart to
4 co-Chair with the DOD representative. And
18:28 5 obviously, I'm the DOD rep, so -- so I think
6 the geographical, I think -- I have never seen
7 it played before. We'll play it anyway y'all
8 want, but geographical has never entered into
9 it before.

18:28 10 MR. RICE: Yeah. Maybe if we could
11 just see hands of those members that consider
12 themselves community members, that might just
13 answer the question, sir.

14 BGEN. BARNIDGE: Sir -- Sir, wait
18:28 15 just a minute. Wait. Just wait. The question
16 is: Is -- Does the RAB want to vote with all
17 members voting for the RAB for the community
18 co-Chair or do we want to keep it community,
19 i.e., non-DOD related voting?

18:28 20 MS. PEACE: Actually, it wouldn't be
21 non-DOD related, it would be --

22 BGEN. BARNIDGE: I'm sorry. You're
23 right. Non-regulatory and non-DOD, yeah, that
24 would make sense. The only way I know to do it
18:29 25 is all in favor of -- of all members voting for

18:29 1 community co-Chair, hold your hand up.
2 (Vote taken by RAB members.)
3 BGEN. BARNIDGE: Everybody voted for
4 you, so let's -- I didn't count. One, two,
18:29 5 three, four, five, six, seven, eight, nine,
6 ten.
7 (Vote taken by RAB members.)
8 BGEN. BARNIDGE: And then opposed?
9 MR. QUINTANILLA: We're going against
18:29 10 the Charter, but that's all right. You enforce
11 it.
12 BGEN. BARNIDGE: We can amend the
13 Charter.
14 MR. RICE: You have to realize we've
18:29 15 actually revised the Charter by what we're
16 doing here.
17 BGEN. BARNIDGE: Doesn't it take
18 two --
19 MS. PEACE: Okay. It takes
18:29 20 two-thirds of a majority vote to revise the
21 Charter. So we have how many votes?
22 BGEN. BARNIDGE: I had three against,
23 and ten for is what I counted.
24 MR. PUFFER: I have the definition of
18:30 25 the membership right here.

18:30 1 MR. RICE: General Barnidge, so this
2 vote will still exclude DOD and regulatories as
3 voting members of the -- is that correct?

4 BGEN. BARNIDGE: I'm asking, does the
18:30 5 RAB membership -- if they want to amend the
6 Charter to allow all members to vote for
7 community co-Chair.

8 MR. RICE: Including DOD?

9 BGEN. BARNIDGE: All members of the
18:30 10 RAB that want -- a formal listing. There's 21
11 members, I believe, and we've got to -- we've
12 got to -- I think, some people didn't vote. It
13 added up to 13.

14 MS. HUENI: I'd like to make a
18:30 15 comment. The regulators here are in sort of a
16 unique position, I think. In the past here, as
17 well as at other RABs, we have abstained from
18 electing the community co-Chair, and -- and I
19 think, we, as EPA, would like to continue to do
18:31 20 that.

21 BGEN. BARNIDGE: Okay.

22 MR. POSNICK: TNRCC has the same
23 position.

24 MS. PEACE: According to the Charter
18:31 25 it takes two-thirds to amend the Charter and

18:31 1 that vote did not --

2 BGEN. BARNIDGE: Then we reduce it by
3 the number of at least these two -- the number
4 that it takes --

18:31 5 MR. MIXON: May I address that?

6 That's not right. If we're going to amend the
7 Charter, in all fairness to those folks that
8 are voting, you need to know that you -- you're
9 going to amend the Charter before you come

18:31 10 here. You need to have some kind of notice
11 that we're going to actually undertake such a
12 major thing. Having said that, I don't know
13 that the vote that we took is legal.

14 MS. PEACE: I gotcha.

18:31 15 MR. MIXON: Now, having said that, I
16 don't know that what I'm being told is, that as
17 a RAB Board member I now can't vote as a RAB
18 Board member because I'm not either -- or
19 someone else may or may not be a community or a
18:32 20 non-community member. So that disturbs me
21 quite a bit, that now we're being told "you've
22 served here, you're a Restoration Advisory
23 Board member, but now you can't vote."

24 MS. PEACE: Frankly, Mr. Mixon, I
18:32 25 would assume that you would be representing the

18:32 1 community --

2 MR. MIXON: I am representing the
3 community, and some of those folks that can't
4 vote is on the -- is in the community. That's
18:32 5 exactly my point, the regulatory community or
6 any other part of the community.

7 MS. PEACE: I think, that the
8 regulators that we're all talking about, TNRCC
9 and EPA, are not local.

18:32 10 MR. MIXON: I understand that. But I
11 am voicing my concern for those positions that
12 are now being told you can't vote. I'm not
13 speaking specifically for myself.

14 MS. PEACE: Okay.

18:32 15 MR. MIXON: I know my position.

16 BGEN. BARNIDGE: Well, we have a
17 dilemma.

18 DR. LENE: My position is: That all
19 members of the RAB Board are members of the
18:33 20 community and represent the community. And if
21 we want to exclude the DOD as not being part of
22 that, then that's okay. But I'm saying that
23 all -- But all the rest of us are members of
24 the community and represent the community.

18:33 25 MR. MIXON: When -- When we started

18:33 1 out there were several DOD members on the RAB.
2 Do we still have DOD members other than the
3 co-Chair -- chairman?

4 MR. RICE: Besides the General, we
18:33 5 currently have three people who are either in
6 the Air Force or work for the Air Force.

7 MR. PUFFER: The Charter states that
8 government agencies, community groups,
9 citizens, and special interest groups may be
10 nominated to the Restoration Advisory Board.
11 The definition of a "member" is also in here,
12 so I think that answers our question on that.

13 MR. HAGELTHORN: Go ahead and read
14 the definition.

15 MR. PUFFER: The definition of -- The
16 individual community member must reside in
17 Bexar County or currently work or live on Kelly
18 Air Force Base. So that -- combined with what
19 I just read, that describes what we are as a
18:34 20 RAB, and "government agency" is in the Charter,
21 as well, so that includes DOD.

22 MS. PEACE: So technically all
23 members should be eligible to vote as members
24 of the RAB.

18:34 25 MR. PUFFER: Everyone as a voting

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member.

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MR. RICE: I -- I disagree with that

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interpretation, because the Charter

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specifically refers to Air Force, other things,

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and community members.

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MS. PEACE: Can I please make a

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suggestion here. Can we take nominations

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first, because if we only have one person

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nominated this is kind of a moot point. Is

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that --

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MR. QUINTANILLA: I agree with that,

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and I would like to enter a nomination.

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MS. PEACE: Okay.

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MR. QUINTANILLA: I would like to

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enter Mr. Damian Sandoval for the community

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co-Chair. Mr. Damian Sandoval for the

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community co-Chair.

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BGEN. BARNIDGE: Well, we'll do --

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we'll collect the nominations, but we have to

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come to closure before we do any voting on --

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on -- on this other.

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MR. RICE: May I make a suggestion.

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My opinion on who a community member is, is all

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members of the RAB who are not members of

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regulatory agencies and who are not DOD

18:35 1 employees.

2 MR. HAGELTHORN: That goes against
3 the Charter then, and we can't change the
4 Charter.

18:35 5 MR. PUFFER: That goes against the
6 Charter.

7 MR. RICE: You gave me the definition
8 of a RAB member not of a community member.

9 MR. PUFFER: A community member is
10 anyone who resides inside Bexar County. I live
11 and reside within Bexar County.

12 BGEN. BARNIDGE: Okay. I'll tell you
13 what do, hold the mic close to you and read it
14 out -- read the words out of the Charter one
18:35 15 more time, and then we're going to press on.

16 MR. PUFFER: I'm going to read
17 "government agencies, community groups,
18 citizens, and special interest groups may be
19 nominated to the Restoration Advisory Board.
18:36 20 Those are the members who can be elected to the
21 Restoration Advisory Board as a member."

22 The definition of a member as per your
23 Charter -- let me find it here -- is "an
24 individual community member must reside in
18:36 25 Bexar County or currently work or live on Kelly

18:36 1 Air Force Base." So that includes everybody.

2 BGEN. BARNIDGE: That includes
3 everybody here.

4 MR. PUFFER: We are a government
18:36 5 agency, we do work and live on Kelly Air Force
6 Base, and we are part of the community, and
7 otherwise, this would contradict itself.

8 MR. MIXON: Thank you. We were told,
9 and I think the attorney behind me said that
18:36 10 apparently this Board voted some time back that
11 the community co-Chair could only be elected by
12 community members. Now, could we find that in
13 the Charter where that explains that.

14 MS. KELLY: That isn't in the
18:36 15 Charter. Let's see, we're flipping around
16 here. 5B in the Charter, "community co-Chair
17 will be selected by a majority vote of the RAB
18 community members."

19 MS. PEACE: But does it say who those
18:37 20 members are?

21 MS. KELLY: It does not specify. And
22 I think, as it has been pointed out, there is a
23 little bit of inconsistency. It isn't real
24 clear who the community members are. I would
18:37 25 suggest that a reasonable interpretation would

18:37 1 be all the RAB members except the ex-officio
2 DOD members, which would be General Barnidge,
3 and the agency members who are themselves kind
4 of ex-officio. Other DOD employees who are
18:37 5 here, because they live on base, would be
6 included in the sphere of the definition of --
7 MS. PEACE: You mean all agencies --
8 state and local?
9 MS. KELLY: No. No. Only regulatory
18:38 10 agencies. That would be TNRCC and EPA. And
11 that is, I think, consistent with what has been
12 followed up to this point.
13 MS. PEACE: So can somebody make a
14 motion on that?
18:38 15 BGEN. BARNIDGE: Okay. We need a
16 motion that we agree with her.
17 MR. MIXON: So moved.
18 MR. ROBERSON: I second.
19 BGEN. BARNIDGE: All in favor,
18:38 20 right?
21 (Vote taken by RAB members.)
22 BGEN. BARNIDGE: Very good. Okay.
23 Now, let's get back to the -- Opposed?
24 (Vote taken by RAB members.)
18:38 25 BGEN. BARNIDGE: One opposed. The

18:38 1 motion carries. Okay. Let's get back to the
2 business at hand, and that is nominations for
3 community co-Chair. The floor is open.
4 Mr. Quintanilla?

18:38 5 MR. QUINTANILLA: I nominate
6 Mr. Sandoval.

7 BGEN. BARNIDGE: Mr. Sandoval, do you
8 accept his nomination?

9 MR. SANDOVAL: I accept the
10 nomination.

11 BGEN. BARNIDGE: Okay. That's one.

12 MR. MIXON: General, do I understand
13 you have to be nominated or could you just
14 throw your hat in the ring and --

15 BGEN. BARNIDGE: You can throw your
16 hat in the ring.

17 MR. MIXON: Then I would like to be
18 considered as a community co-Chair.

19 BGEN. BARNIDGE: Mr. Carl Mixon as a
18:38 20 nomination too.

21 MR. HAGELTHORN: That was my
22 nomination.

23 BGEN. BARNIDGE: And that's been
24 seconded. Okay.

18:39 25 MR. PERSON: I second.

1 MR. HAGELTHORN: You third.

2 BGEN. BARNIDGE: Any others, please?

3 No others. Okay. We have Mr. Sandoval
4 and Mr. Mixon as nominees for the community
18:39 5 co-Chair.

6 Now, I would like the RAB membership to
7 decide whether they want to do it in open vote
8 or with a closed ballot. All in favor of open
9 vote, raise your hand.

10 (Vote taken by RAB members.)

11 BGEN. BARNIDGE: Okay. All in favor
12 of a closed ballot, raise your hand.

13 (Vote taken by RAB members.)

14 BGEN. BARNIDGE: Okay. The motion
18:39 15 carries. It will be a closed ballot. You got
16 to find your own ballot, Folks. It's somewhere
17 in your stuff.

18 MR. CRIST: If you'll look in your
19 packages, there's a roster that just has a name
18:39 20 and address of all the members.

21 MS. PEACE: That's the ballot?

22 MR. CRIST: That's the ballot. No.
23 Not that one, that has the phone numbers.

24 There's another one in the back of the
18:40 25 right-hand side. It's this one right here; it

18:40 1 has one column. And you can circle the person
2 you're voting for.

3 MS. PEACE: Here it is. Here it is.

4 BGEN. BARNIDGE: Circle the --
18:40 5 Everybody look at this guy if you don't know
6 what you're looking for. This is what you're
7 looking for. Circle the one you like. There's
8 only two choices. Very good.

9 Oh, I -- I forgot the three minutes. Hey,
18:40 10 y'all want to make speeches, three minutes.
11 Anybody want to make a speech? I forgot all
12 about it. You were first nominee, Damian, do
13 you want to say something?

14 MR. QUINTANILLA: Usually, it's in
18:40 15 reverse order, but that's --

16 BGEN. BARNIDGE: Yeah. But I'm a new
17 guy; I don't know that. Go ahead.

18 MR. SANDOVAL: I'd first like to
19 thank y'all for allowing me to participate in
18:41 20 the Restoration Advisory Board at Kelly Air
21 Force Base. I've been a member since October
22 of '97, and I think we've done a lot of good
23 things in the last three or four months.

24 Presently, I'm the chairperson of the
18:41 25 Technical Review Subcommittee for Kelly Air

18:41 1 Force Base. We have established protocols, and
2 we've actually made progress on making comments
3 on documents that are remitted not only
4 affecting base cleanup but also affecting local
18:41 5 community members.

6 Just a quick background on myself. I got
7 back to San Antonio from California. In
8 California I was working as a consultant to
9 base restoration -- to the Base Restoration &
18:41 10 Closure Commission, and I actually participated
11 in closures of a couple of bases. One was
12 Presidio of San Francisco, the second one was
13 in Nevada, California. So I have been on both
14 sides. I've been both on the regulatory side
18:42 15 and also on the community side.

16 I live about a mile and a half from Kelly
17 Air Force Base. I have grown up here, so I've
18 seen Kelly in its good times and involved in
19 its bad times. I think, with the new
18:42 20 leadership and the participation of the entire
21 Board, as it stands, it will lead us in a good
22 direction and to good positive community
23 relations, and a very good successful cleanup
24 program here at Kelly. Thank you.

18:42 25 BGEN. BARNIDGE: Good. Thank you

18:42 1 very much. And that only took two minutes.
2 Very good. Mr. Mixon, over to you.

3 MR. MIXON: Well, if I'm going to
4 lose at -- the -- Damian is an excellent guy to
18:42 5 lose to. So win, lose, or draw, you're a nice
6 gentleman to be in competition with.

7 BGEN. BARNIDGE: I'm going to give
8 you my Teddy Roosevelt speech here if you keep
9 talking like that.

18:42 10 MR. MIXON: I have served on the RAB
11 Board since its inception, and I've seen a lot
12 of faces come and go. I've enjoyed a lot of
13 the meetings and also the consternation in some
14 of the meetings. I think I could add to the --
18:43 15 to the meetings and also the -- the community
16 link that the Restoration Advisory Board really
17 needs to explore more. And really that's the
18 purpose of the community co-Chair is to bring
19 the message of the Restoration Advisory Board,
18:43 20 and the restoration work that's being done, to
21 the community. And I would like an opportunity
22 to -- to explore several ways of doing that.

23 The other thing is, I have served my
24 community for a number of years as Chairman of
18:43 25 the Local Emergency Planning Committee. The

18:43 1 Local Emergency Planning Committee is a
2 committee that deals specifically with
3 hazardous materials. The Local Emergency
4 Planning Committee for Bexar County includes
18:43 5 all the Bexar County -- not incorporated Bexar
6 County and all the 24 cities within Bexar
7 County. So by being the chairman of this
8 committee, for these number of years, I've had
9 the opportunity to work with a number of
18:44 10 professionals, and also community groups and
11 community members, in dealing with hazardous
12 materials for an extended period of time. In
13 fact, I've been the chairman of that Committee
14 since 1988.

18:44 15 I also have had experience with the
16 military. I've served in the Navy, worked at
17 Lackland Air Force Base when I was a young fire
18 fighter and fire inspector, and worked at
19 Ft. Sam Houston. I've seen a lot of things
18:44 20 come and go as far as how we handle hazardous
21 materials; I can speak to how we used to do it
22 and how we should be doing it. And so I had
23 that experience, and I think that I can add to
24 that also.

18:44 25 And also as -- as -- my official job as

18:44 1 County Fire Marshal and County Emergency
2 Management Coordinator how my community goes is
3 very important and critical to me.

4 And having said that, I would finish and
18:44 5 say that if you vote for me or you vote for
6 Damian you're voting for two good folks one way
7 or the other. Good luck to you, Damian.

8 BGEN. BARNIDGE: Very good. And two
9 minutes forty-three seconds. Not bad. Okay.
18:45 10 Now, we'll get to the ballot. If you will,
11 Ms. Johnson -- We have no Ms. Johnson.

12 MR. JOHNSON: I'm her alternate.

13 BGEN. BARNIDGE: You're her
14 alternate? Okay. I was told Ms. Johnson would
18:45 15 help collect the ballots and count them. We
16 need somebody to help count the ballots along
17 with one of the staff here.

18 MS. PEACE: David will.

19 BGEN. BARNIDGE: David. Okay.
18:45 20 Michael, you going to go around and collect the
21 ballots. Everybody ready? Just go collect the
22 ballots, and then y'all go count them.

23 Let's see, did we get all ballots?

24 Everybody who was voting got their ballot in?

18:46 25 Okay. Real fine. What I'm going to do

18:46 1 then is while they're counting that -- because
2 that won't impact the conduct of this meeting,
3 because Annalisa and I will be teamed up for --
4 for the rest of this one, for sure. Let's --

18:46 5 The next agenda item was the Cleanup
6 Program Budget. Again, this was omitted off
7 the last -- or off the agenda that was mailed
8 out. I will tell you that two information
9 sheets was included in there: Groundwater
18:46 10 Sampling Budget, Remediation versus Study
11 Projects. I will invite any comments about
12 those -- those documents. That was -- As I was
13 told, that was the effort that was -- was
14 brought forth to answer the question. So in
18:46 15 a -- the floor is open for any comments about
16 those two documents that were presented.

17 MR. QUINTANILLA: On the percentages
18 for the cleanup cost is that the 65 percent for
19 cleanup and the balance, 35 percent, for
18:47 20 management studies; is this in line with the
21 other bases?

22 BGEN. BARNIDGE: I'd like to ask our
23 regulators based on what they've seen. Any
24 thought on that?

18:47 25 MS. HUENI: I'm sorry. Would you

18:47 1 repeat the question.

2 BGEN. BARNIDGE: The studies show 65
3 percent for actual cleanup versus 35 percent
4 for studies and management combined. And
18:47 5 before, I think, I -- I've noticed that too.
6 Comments?

7 MR. POSNICK: Yes. Alan Posnick for
8 TNRCC. I know in the past most of the funding
9 that I have seen from the Department of Defense
18:47 10 was heavily weighted towards the study phase.
11 And several years ago I know Congress mandated
12 that DOD spend 80 percent towards cleanup, I
13 believe, and only 20 percent towards study. So
14 there's been a big push by Congress to shift
18:48 15 from study to cleanup.

16 And I know there's been a lot of internal
17 dialogue that that may not be the smart way to
18 go, but I would say, that the ratio there is --
19 is -- I don't know what the curve training is
18:48 20 right now, but it is quite different from what
21 I have seen in the past where most of it was
22 towards investigation.

23 MS. HUENI: And I think I would like
24 to make a comment also. Particularly, BRAC
18:48 25 closing bases is an expedited process, so there

18:48 1 is an emphasis on cleaning up as opposed to
2 studying, you know. We have a certain time
3 frame that we have to address also for -- you
4 know, for transfer property. And I think that
18:48 5 we -- I think, in particular, too, that Kelly
6 has -- has really made a lot of progress with,
7 you know, getting interim systems in for
8 groundwater remediations. A lot of those will
9 be optimized and going into final remedy. A
18:49 10 lot of those are already in place for -- as I
11 understand, too, for soil cleanup. The Air
12 Force is obligated to do a lot of soil removals
13 as opposed to on-site treatment. So again,
14 that is a -- you know, a positive that will
18:49 15 expedite the process.

16 BGEN. BARNIDGE: Yeah. The only
17 other --

18 MR. QUINTANILLA: My concern for
19 asking this question is: Will there be enough
18:49 20 money to clean it up since the BRAC cleanup
21 funds end in 2001, unless --

22 BGEN. BARNIDGE: No, sir.

23 MR. QUINTANILLA: -- the Congress
24 comes up with additional? Right now, from what
18:49 25 I'm reading, there's a 3.3 billion dollar short

18:49 1 fall. Where do we fit in this short fall?
2 BGEN. BARNIDGE: There's two issues
3 that I can say confidently, both from past
4 experience as well as what I know to be the
18:49 5 history and statutory requirements here. But
6 Number One, the Air Force has to maintain
7 responsibilities for cleanup actions for all of
8 those things that are deemed Air Force
9 responsibility. The -- That certainly invites
18:50 10 a lot of debate or will make people think that
11 it'll invite a lot of debate, but regardless,
12 statutorily, the Air Force is responsible for
13 those things that is -- that is its
14 responsibility. Number Two, is this -- this
18:50 15 always catches my eye, too, quick to note, the
16 thought of how much are we studying versus how
17 much we're actually doing. And at -- in this
18 phase as -- And the regulators can confirm or
19 deny this. But as I have studied programs that
18:50 20 have progressed along, early on you always get
21 more study than you do toward the tail end of
22 the thing. And we -- it's my sense and -- And
23 y'all know better than I do, it's my sense,
24 though, that we're kind of in the mid -- in the
18:50 25 mid phase with this one. We're -- We're

18:50 1 getting past the study -- the intense study
2 phase and we're approaching that heavy
3 remediation phase. But that's the reason why,
4 at least in my mind, I see the numbers as they
18:51 5 are. I would like to invite the environmental
6 staff at Kelly to make any comments about that,
7 if they want.

8 MR. JACOBI: If I could make a quick
9 comment. These -- These numbers, I think, are
18:51 10 in thousands of dollars, so that --

11 MR. QUINTANILLA: They're in
12 millions.

13 MR. JACOBI: Well, the total is in
14 millions, but if you look at the numbers it
18:51 15 says the cleanup for 1995 was \$6,440,000, and
16 then you add three zeros to any of those
17 numbers.

18 BGEN. BARNIDGE: Any other comments?
19 Any other comments from the Kelly staff?

18:51 20 MR. BAILEY: If I could make a
21 statement. My name is Larry Bailey, and I
22 would like to make this comment. Specifically,
23 we had a program that's put together so that
24 very quickly over the next two to three years
18:51 25 we hope to be in a position to where we have

18:51 1 installed all the final remedial actions where
2 needed. So that's why, as you look at those
3 figures, we are progressively moving to that
4 point. There are some additional studies
18:52 5 should something be found, so there's money
6 that has to be spent there. But as you'll
7 notice, the vast majority of the funds are
8 going to the cleanup phase.

9 MR. ROBERSON: Larry, before you
18:52 10 leave, I think, Armando was concerned that the
11 BRAC -- the money for cleanup for BRAC will end
12 in 2001, could you comment on that?

13 MR. BAILEY: Well, there is a --
14 there is some information out right now stating
18:52 15 that the -- there is a potential for the Air
16 Force Base Conversion Agency not to be around
17 to actually work with a BRAC budget. We have
18 been informed that because we plan on getting
19 our remediation action in place by the end of
18:52 20 the year 2,000 we will be in very good shape
21 for the remainder of that time, so -- I can't
22 speak for the United States Congress, but I can
23 say that the information that we have put
24 together as a plan, and the plan goes all the
18:53 25 way through the year 2030, and that plan has

18:53 1 been forwarded up to the people in Washington,
2 and they know what we're asking for. So,
3 specifically, I can't answer for the United
4 States Congress. I can say that we've planned,
18:53 5 and that we're in a very good position to spend
6 that money as we have shown already in the
7 overall execution plan.

8 MR. SANDOVAL: Larry, I have a
9 question. Do we have interim remedial action
18:53 10 for the long term? Remedial action for the
11 long-term phase monitoring is associated with
12 that. Have -- Have those issues been addressed
13 and been funded as yet?

14 MR. BAILEY: Well, there are -- we
18:53 15 have some of the interim systems that are in
16 place. We have twelve interim systems in place
17 on the base. For those people who are not
18 aware of -- "Interim" means that we have
19 already put in a cleanup system somewhere on
18:53 20 the base -- on the base boundaries or further
21 into the base to -- to contain the overall
22 types of contamination.

23 What we've also done is to plan a -- Well,
24 we've already received money to monitor those
18:54 25 particular -- and to maintain those interim

18:54 1 systems which are in place. That goes out for
2 the most part to the year 2,000 right now, so
3 we've received funding through that. We've
4 already planned and programed from the year
18:54 5 about 2014 through the year 2030, which is our
6 long-term monitoring time. So we believe the
7 systems should reach their goals before that.
8 So we have planned for a time period when we
9 have to monitor the system's efficiency.

18:54 10 MR. SANDOVAL: Just a quick follow-up
11 to that. Is there any documents or source of
12 documents where we have identified the interim
13 actions already?

14 MR. BAILEY: Yes, sir. We have
18:54 15 handed that out at the RAB meetings. If you
16 have not gotten yours because you have been on
17 board a short time we can provide -- we have
18 the handout, and we can get that to you.

19 MR. SANDOVAL: Thank you.

18:54 20 MR. RICE: Larry, I know from my
21 experience at these meetings and the operations
22 with the Air Force, but the Air Force requires
23 now that all installations come up with a
24 cost-of-complete number. How much will it cost
18:55 25 to have it fundamentally completed, and -- but

18:55 1 I think there are two reasons. One question
2 is, with the budget number whether or not
3 you've been given the funding -- guarantee on
4 funding, is -- is the first question. And I --
18:55 5 I know that I was speaking to someone from the
6 Air Force headquarters who informed me that it
7 was important that these cleanup areas get in
8 place by 2,000, because the Air Force has the
9 money in place for Kelly to get them in. If --
18:55 10 If those milestones are not met, then the money
11 may not be there. So I -- I know he was
12 stressing to me how important it is that this
13 cleanup progress accurately because that money
14 could get taken away.

18:55 15 MR. QUINTANILLA: One final
16 question. Those moneys that are available for
17 on-site and off-site; is that correct? Enough
18 funds are available to clean up our
19 neighborhoods?

18:55 20 MR. BAILEY: The moneys that we
21 planned for are to take care of the final
22 cleanup actions, yes, all the cleanup.

23 MR. QUINTANILLA: Now, these cleanups
24 that are going to happen are going to be for
18:56 25 the highest most practical levels, this is what

18:56 1 we were promised way back in 1990.

2 MR. BAILEY: The standards
3 established by the regulators. That's the way
4 it's always been. And the regulators will
18:56 5 define the standards for us.

6 MR. QUINTANILLA: But let -- let me
7 go ahead and just say, in 1993 the objective
8 developed for cleanup was consistent with the
9 plan reuse, and currently because of the
18:56 10 allocations of the dollars -- the cleanup
11 dollars we're favoring reuse plans that are
12 consistent with lower cleanup costs. It's not
13 the same as it was for the --

14 BGEN. BARNIDGE: Okay, sir. I'm
18:56 15 going to -- I'm going to cut him off for a
16 second here and say that -- that it's -- it's
17 very clear and very well known that we're going
18 to clear it up to the degree that we're -- that
19 we -- that the government is going to clean it
18:56 20 up to the degree that the -- that is required
21 of the Air Force. And that -- that degree
22 comes from the regulators who judge the -- the
23 level that -- that we have to clean this thing
24 up to. We can't answer that question here, is
18:57 25 the point.

18:57 1 MR. QUINTANILLA: In other words, you
2 don't foresee any dirty land transfers; the
3 property will be cleaned when we turn it over
4 to Mr. Roberson?

18:57 5 BGEN. BARNIDGE: I -- I have been
6 told more -- more times than -- than any of us
7 wish to know that -- that no transfer can
8 happen until, and the phrase was used "clean
9 closed." And -- And the definition of "clean"
18:57 10 is, of course, what you're getting at, and
11 that's determined by regulators that -- that we
12 don't -- We're not setting the standards. But
13 I can guarantee that we -- they're not going to
14 let us turn it loose till -- till they're
18:57 15 satisfied.

16 MR. QUINTANILLA: That's great.
17 That's great. Right now I'm looking at the
18 little pamphlet of cleanup systems from closed
19 sites, were these sites closed based on risk
18:57 20 assessments or how -- what was the criteria
21 used?

22 BGEN. BARNIDGE: I don't know the
23 answer to that.

24 MR. BAILEY: We have three criteria
18:58 25 that we've outlined. And those out -- and that

18:58 1 is -- The first and foremost is, is there
2 contamination leaving the base? We want to go
3 after those particular areas first -- our
4 priority was after those.

18:58 5 MR. QUINTANILLA: No. But these
6 sites that are already closed, what was the
7 criteria used to close them? Risk assessment
8 or -- or what --

9 MR. BAILEY: Well, there was
18:58 10 assessments done for all sites on the base,
11 yes, sir.

12 MR. QUINTANILLA: And these that were
13 closed, what was it based on?

14 MR. BAILEY: Well, some of that --

18:58 15 MR. QUINTANILLA: Did they clean it
16 up or --

17 MR. BAILEY: Some of that is because
18 of the state standard that allows us to close
19 it without doing any formal cleanup that is the
18:58 20 documentations all needed to be done. It was
21 not a matter of going out and doing extensive
22 cleanup like we're currently doing in some of
23 these zoned areas.

24 MR. QUINTANILLA: In other words,
18:58 25 they weren't dirty and you could close them up.

1 MR. BAILEY: Some were not dirty,
2 some were. But most of them were not dirty as
3 we see regarding the other off-base
4 contamination and on those other contaminated
18:59 5 areas.

6 MR. POSNICK: Yes. These
7 installations they choose -- from our risk
8 reduction, you know, they choose the cleanup
9 they want to attain and -- and they notify us
18:59 10 of what standard they want to attain, and then
11 they're required to -- to fulfill the
12 requirement for that standard and re-evaluate.

13 Under Standards One and Two do not require
14 to do -- for the base on risk assessment to
18:59 15 (inaudible) determine you have a small amount
16 of contamination you're going to remove it,
17 dispose of it off site, and take verification
18 samples. We review it so something like that
19 wouldn't be a risk assessment. If they want to
18:59 20 leave a land fill in place, that would
21 definitely require a risk assessment.

22 BGEN. BARNIDGE: Okay. Good. Thank
23 y'all very much. Good discussion. Good
24 discussion. Okay. With that, I think, we're
18:59 25 ready to move to the Storm Water Project

19:00 1 report. We have a gentleman in the audience,
2 he's standing up, I bet it's Mr. German.

3 MR. GERMAN: Yes. Can I speak over
4 here?

19:00 5 BGEN. BARNIDGE: How are you?

6 MR. GERMAN: I'm John German,
7 Director of Public Works for the City. Can you
8 hear me? I'll be assisted in this presentation
9 with -- by Gabriel Perez, who is the Capital
10 Programs Manager for the City, and by David
11 Newman who is Environmental Services Manager
12 for the City.

13 We -- We primarily want to talk about,
14 what we call, the Quintana Road Project, and
15 you have labeled here as the Storm Water
16 Project. It's a project that started out in --
17 in the late 1980s. It was originally funded in
18 an '85 bond election held by the City, that
19 began work in the late 1980s. And in the
20 process of doing the construction, mainly
21 laying a new storm drain, they found petroleum
22 products in the excavated areas. After
23 considerable study they -- they realized that
24 they needed to stop the project, they did that,
19:01 25 kind of filled back the hole, and began to

19:01 1 think about how we deal with the -- with the
2 problems. There was a lot of discussions
3 between the City and Kelly Air Force Base
4 officials and DOD officials, over quite a
19:01 5 period of time actually, coming up with ideas
6 and ways to resolve the problem.

7 We began in -- I think, in '93, maybe it
8 was '94, I lose track of time, but the process
9 beginning the design of new -- really designed
19:01 10 the same project, but in a new location. And
11 we decided not to follow the Quintana Road
12 alignment, but instead to follow Bynum from
13 Quintana Road down to McLoughlin, and then to
14 take McLoughlin across back to Quintana Road.
19:02 15 So that's been the design that we've been
16 working on for a while.

17 In that process the Air Force DOD agreed
18 to join in with us in that pro -- in that
19 project, provide funding that would certainly
19:02 20 recognize the additional length and the
21 additional efforts that we would have to go to
22 to -- to build the project, and also to deal
23 with the environmental situation as we build
24 the project. And so we have support -- we have
19:02 25 evidence of financial support from the DOD in

19:02 1 that regard.

2 I'd like -- We're about ready now to begin
3 the process of taking bids and beginning
4 construction on that project. And I'd like
19:02 5 first for Gabriel Perez to give you a little
6 overview about that project, and then for David
7 Newman to talk a little bit about the
8 environmental aspects of the project, and then
9 all three of us will be available to answer
19:03 10 questions after that occurs. Gabriel.

11 MR. PEREZ: Thanks, John. As
12 Mr. German said my name is Gabriel Perez, I'm
13 the Capital Programs Manager for the City of
14 San Antonio. I hope by now, it's definitely a
19:03 15 little bit late, we've passed out kind of a
16 three-page handout. The first page basically
17 gives you kind of a synopsis, what we call, the
18 status for this project relates to being our
19 Capital Improvement Project. Page 2 actually
19:03 20 gives a map of the scope of general areas
21 that's going to be constructed, and then Page 3
22 basically gives, what I would call, a cross
23 section of actual construction, excavation,
24 which will probably be useful for David
19:03 25 Newman's conversation or presentation.

19:03 1 I'll go briefly into my status report on
2 Page 1, and kind of talk about the project
3 itself and what our time lines are. And as you
4 probably -- you can assess, the limits of the
19:03 5 project are on the attached map, which is
6 Page 2.

7 Our current estimate for this overall
8 project is approximately 9.3 million dollars
9 which includes all the construction of the
19:04 10 streets on the map, as well as all the
11 environmental controls that are being put in as
12 part of the underground drainage system, which
13 we've been working with the Department of
14 Defense, slash, Kelly Air Force Base.

19:04 15 There are engineering fees associated with
16 this project in the process of \$700,000. Our
17 funding source currently, as Mr. German said a
18 minute ago, is our City of San Antonio bond, I
19 believe, in both '85 and '94 Geo bonds, as well
19:04 20 as commitments from the Air Force and
21 Department of Defense.

22 Currently, our plan is to advertise for
23 bids for the project. Let's just say we'll do
24 advertising in the normal publications that we
19:04 25 do advertise for bids beginning sometime in

19:04 1 February of 1998. We are mandated to run our
2 advertisement for bids for about thirty days,
3 which says that we will open our bids in March
4 of '98. And following -- Part of our agreement
19:04 5 with the Air Force, the -- the folks over at
6 Kelly, is basically provide them an opportunity
7 to review all bids that do come in. We'll sit
8 down together and meet with them, but barring
9 any delays we anticipate going to City Council
19:05 10 to award the contract sometime in April of
11 1998, and hopefully begin construction in June
12 of 1998, summer of 1998.

13 Let me mention right now, as I said, you
14 know, we're going to have Code review on this
19:05 15 effort, and we don't foresee any problems. I
16 will share with you that we have in the past
17 come across projects of this magnitude where
18 we've received good bids. In the event all the
19 bids are over, obviously, we'll have to sit
19:05 20 down with the Department of Defense and
21 ourselves and kind of discuss where we're
22 headed to. But at this time we don't see that
23 sort of problem.

24 One of the things I will say for those
19:05 25 folks that are here, that are from the

19:05 1 neighborhood, part of our process is that the
2 City of San Antonio Public Works has had
3 meetings out in the area with the neighbors. I
4 know for a fact that Patricia Moelter, Capital
19:05 5 Projects Officer assigned to this project, a
6 lot of you here know her -- She will actually
7 come out to the neighborhood again and set up
8 maybe one or two more meetings before this
9 entire construction process begins.

19:05 10 Now, at those meetings she will have
11 actual sets of plans, she will address the
12 citizen in the area, the different safety
13 precautions that we're taking, along with the
14 front of houses, how we will continue delivery
19:06 15 services, including trash pickup, mail, things
16 of that nature. So unless you want to hear
17 more details tonight I know Patricia Moelter
18 will address those with the citizens that are
19 being directly impacted by that project at a
19:06 20 later meeting.

21 As it says on the sheet our estimated
22 construction duration can run anywhere from 18
23 to 24 months. It's a very large project.
24 Estimated completion of the project would run
19:06 25 from October of '99 up to June of the year

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Some of the issues that I mentioned a minute ago on construction deal with schedule, basically phasing of the work, and we've worked quite diligently with the engineers and also citizen representation to determine the best phasing of this project.

If anything, one of the benefits of this project is that all the utility companies have joint bids with us, and basically what we'll be doing is we'll be constructing along this project, and we'll be also addressing -- Bexar Met has the water in this area, and this is one of the first times that CPS will allow someone to bid their gas relocations, so we won't have construction -- you know, come in and do this first, and then come back again with some other company and -- kind of a three-fold approach. We'll basically be doing it under one contract, and we'll take care of the entire process.

That basically benefits the citizens of the area, that expedites the process. It also benefits the actual project from any issues of environmental contamination or any other environmental issues that exist out there.

19:07 1 And with that, that's kind of my
2 introduction to David Newman who will basically
3 address any environmental issues and kind of
4 describe the different aspects.

19:07 5 MR. NEWMAN: Thanks, Gabriel. For
6 the City, basically we have two environmental
7 issues. One is the contaminated groundwater,
8 which for that what is proposed in this thing
9 is -- what's going to happen is we're going to
19:07 10 install -- we're going to have the contractor
11 install a temporary above ground line that will
12 be placed at the project over -- it will run
13 over Kelly Air Force Base. It will be -- It
14 will take contaminated groundwater to the water
19:08 15 treatment plant there. This line is basically
16 a two edge PVC line, it will be an above ground
17 temporary -- except at road crosses it will be
18 above ground for obvious reasons.

19 The other issue is that the soils below
19:08 20 the water bearing status, below the water table
21 which -- which could potentially be
22 contaminated from the groundwater, those will
23 be characterized and disposed of properly.
24 We're looking at about 30,000 cubic yards.
19:08 25 This soil will be excavated as the project

19:08 1 progresses. That soil will be hauled to Kelly
2 Air Force Base, I believe, it's Building 545,
3 in very small trucks actually, 5 cubic yard
4 trucks. They will be covered, they will be
19:08 5 lined, they will -- you know, this is in an
6 effort to keep them from leaking or spilling
7 anything along the route.

8 Once it gets to -- to Kelly Air Force Base
9 it will be characterized for disposal. We
19:08 10 estimate that this is -- this more than likely
11 is going to be Class II Nonhazardous Waste, so
12 it will be able to go to a Type I Municipal
13 Solid Waste Landfill.

14 From our environmental assessments the
19:09 15 surface soils, the soils above the water table,
16 are not contaminated. If they -- if -- if they
17 become -- If we find out later that they are
18 contaminated we'll deal with that at that
19 time.

19:09 20 Health and safety issues, we will have an
21 environmental consultant for this project.
22 We'll also have a building construction
23 inspector overseeing this project, overseeing
24 the whole thing. We understand that Kelly Air
19:09 25 Force Base will have one as well. The

19:09 1 specifications require a health and safety plan
 2 and a quality assurance plan. The contractor
 3 will have to prepare this, submit that to the
 4 City and to Kelly Air Force Base for approval.

19:09 5 These plans will have to address air monitoring
 6 for safety engineering controls, things of that
 7 nature.

8 Additionally, the specs also have quite a
 9 bit of language about -- about the contaminated
 19:10 10 soils and things like that. So there are spill
 11 prevention plans, soil management plans, and
 12 things of that nature that the contractor will
 13 have to take into consideration during this
 14 project.

19:10 15 And with that, if you have any questions,
 16 please feel free to ask them.

17 MR. GERMAN: On the third page of
 18 your handout there is just kind of a cross
 19 section of the road with the storm -- storm
 19:10 20 drain characterized as the big box down in the
 21 middle of the picture. You'll notice that the
 22 bottom of that is often times as much as 30
 23 feet below ground, so there will be quite a bit
 24 of digging as we do the project. Once the
 19:10 25 storm water is -- the storm drain is finished,

19:10 1 then certainly other utilities will be
2 finished. The street will ultimately be
3 rebuilt with sidewalks and curbs added and all
4 the -- all the appropriate driveway

19:11 5 connections, etcetera, so that when it's done
6 it will be an asset to the neighbors who live
7 along these streets where the project will go.

8 So at this point, I think, that's a good
9 overview, and we'll attempt to answer any
10 questions that you may have.

11 MR. QUINTANILLA: Mr. German, going
12 down McLoughlin, you finished about 8 years
13 ago, you did a complete drainage program, put
14 in sidewalks, drainage, curbing, and the whole
15 thing. Is there an option to that, so that you
16 won't have to redo what you've already done
17 with the CDBT grant moneys?

18 MR. GERMAN: Well, it's unfortunate
19 but we do have to undo that. But we looked at
20 several options, that's the best option for us,
21 the best alignment, and the best grade
22 opportunity to keep the storm water moving.
23 And that's what we want to do is eventually
24 get -- get it out of this area. We have
19:11 25 selected that street, and we understand that we

19:12 1 are tearing up some improvements that have been
2 there maybe just a few years, but when we get
3 done it will look better even than it does
4 today, so we'll certainly be treating those
19:12 5 property owners fair.

6 MR. QUINTANILLA: We hope so. We've
7 been waiting a long time for the drainage
8 project in this particular area; however, we
9 have one other concern. You are also putting
19:12 10 in a containment in there that will contain the
11 contaminated groundwater from going further; is
12 that correct, for the Air Force, and the seven
13 and a half million out of that total nine
14 million?

15 MR. GERMAN: We originally designed
16 it thinking that most of the contamination was
17 close to the base from the project, and -- and
18 then have realized in recent times that that
19 contamination may be further even beyond our
19:12 20 project. Perhaps David can address the exact
21 design feature of the environmental aspects.

22 MR. NEWMAN: You're right. There is
23 going to be a synthetic liner, I believe it's
24 constructed of HTPE, that will be in front of
19:13 25 this culvert. The culvert itself is made out

19:13 1 of concrete so it will act as a barrier as
2 well. The back fill on top of this culvert --
3 Let me back up just a bit. This culvert is
4 going to be keyed into Navarro Clay which is a
19:13 5 confining layer. So on top of this -- this
6 culvert will be impacted clay. I believe, the
7 specification is -- is to a permeability of
8 less than ten to minus seven centimeters per
9 second, which is pretty low. So there should
19:13 10 be very little, if any, groundwater that gets
11 past this thing.

12 MR. QUINTANILLA: Very good. My next
13 question is, since this is -- involves cleanup
14 and cleanup dollars from Kelly Air Force Base
19:13 15 why hasn't Kelly Air Force Base applied for a
16 permit or the City of San Antonio applied for a
17 permit for this from TNRCC?

18 MR. NEWMAN: We -- We've spoken about
19 the -- the permit before, and I'm -- I'm -- you
19:13 20 know, I think, that Parker has talked about it,
21 Mr. Beyer has, and at this point in time, there
22 is no permit that's required for, you know, the
23 project that we're doing --

24 MR. QUINTANILLA: Why? Isn't this
19:14 25 cleanup?

19:14 1 MR. NEWMAN: -- from the TNRCC.

2 MR. QUINTANILLA: And I'm asking the
3 question of Kelly Air Force Base, isn't this
4 cleanup funds that are being used for this, why
19:14 5 isn't there a permit required?

6 MR. GERMAN: Well, it's really not
7 characterized as cleanup. And certainly Larry
8 and others can speak to that, but what we're
9 going to do is dig a hole and put in a storm
19:14 10 drain and rebuild a street. Any contaminated
11 materials that's in that excavation we'll have
12 to deal with in an appropriate manner. If
13 there's any kind of contamination in any of
14 those soils we'll have to have them tested,
19:14 15 evaluated, and ultimately disposed of
16 properly. But we're not going beyond the
17 limits of our construction in doing other
18 cleanup, so I don't really think we can
19 characterize it as a cleanup that way.

19:14 20 MR. QUINTANILLA: If it's not cleanup
21 then we cannot use federal funds for that from
22 Kelly.

23 BGEN. BARNIDGE: I think, the --

24 MR. GERMAN: I think we are because
19:15 25 of wherever we dig there are -- there will be

19:15 1 some contamination that we have to deal with.
2 We're going to clean up that space where we
3 dig, but we're not going beyond the limits of
4 our project.

19:15 5 BGEN. BARNIDGE: TNRCC?

6 MR. POSNICK: Yeah. We review what
7 (inaudible) the excavating contaminated soils
8 that's -- they're generating soils. It's
9 not -- that's very distinct from -- A permit is
10 required when you're doing treatment, storage
11 or disposal. In this case, generation of waste
12 is not -- does not necessarily require a
13 permit. And the -- the soils -- It's my
14 understanding the soils are going to be
15 considered Kelly's waste, and they will take
16 responsibility for waste characterization, and
17 disposal to a landfill or whatever, depending
18 on what the waste classification is.

19 MR. QUINTANILLA: I still have a
19:16 20 question on the permit, you know, since
21 contaminated soil is going to be taken to
22 Kelly.

23 MR. BAILEY: Yeah. If the soil is
24 taken to Kelly, and if it's stored -- it
19:16 25 depends on the waste determination by Kelly

19:16 1 conclusions. If it's nonhazardous then a
2 permit is not required. If it's hazardous it
3 still may not be required if it's disposed of
4 within 90 days. If it's stored over 90, and
19:16 5 it's hazardous, then -- then a permit would be
6 the most likely -- would be required. So it
7 really depends on (1) how -- if that waste is
8 hazardous or not, and (2) how long it's
9 stored. The volume of the waste is also a
19:16 10 factor.

11 MR. QUINTANILLA: Also --

12 MR. NEWMAN: Let me add one more
13 thing. We already have a -- a special waste
14 authorization from the TNRCC to dispose of
19:17 15 these soils. That's not a permit, but it is a
16 special waste authorization based on the
17 information that we have today.

18 MR. QUINTANILLA: But this is not
19 cleanup, so how can we be using Air Force funds
19:17 20 for something that is not cleanup? General?

21 BGEN. BARNIDGE: I don't know the
22 answer to that.

23 MR. QUINTANILLA: Could you find out,
24 please?

19:17 25 BGEN. BARNIDGE: Sure. I -- Sir,

19:17 1 hang on just a minute. We had one hand over
2 here, and then one lady back over here.

3 MR. RICE: Yeah. I -- I have a
4 question about your keying into the Navarro
19:17 5 clay. You know, the -- the Navarro surface
6 underlings, and I'm sure you know -- and in
7 this area in some places you may -- you may
8 cross a portion where the Navarro clay is down
9 maybe as much as 50 feet. Do you then intend
10 to excavate all the way down to the Navarro and
11 back fill?

12 MR. NEWMAN: I believe so, yes.

13 MR. RICE: Okay. And another
14 question is: How will this -- will this thing
19:18 15 be laid on a gravel layer or gravel bed? And
16 if so, what will prevent ground water from
17 passing underneath it?

18 MR. NEWMAN: There is a bedding
19 material that the -- the culvert is placed on.
19:18 20 The -- The liner which is in front of it will
21 also extend below that -- that bedding
22 material.

23 MR. RICE: It will sort of have like
24 a curtain on the upgrade side --

19:18 25 MR. NEWMAN: That's correct.

19:18 1 MR. RICE: -- that is keyed into the
2 Navarro, would that be a way to look at it?

3 MR. NEWMAN: Yes, sir. I believe,
4 it's on both sides.

19:18 5 BGEN. BARNIDGE: Okay. We have a
6 lady back over here.

7 AUDIENCE MEMBER: Yes.

8 BGEN. BARNIDGE: Ma'am, you're either
9 going to have to talk loud or get near a
10 microphone.

11 AUDIENCE MEMBER: I'm not a committee
12 member or anything like that, but these guys
13 are confusing me with the -- with the word
14 "cleanup." I understand what y'all are
19:18 15 talking about, but I don't know what he's
16 referring to when he says "cleanup." Can you
17 please explain?

18 BGEN. BARNIDGE: Yeah. I think
19 the -- the short answer to the question is --
19:19 20 is Mr. Quintanilla is saying that this --
21 because there may be contaminated soils or --
22 or material removed in the course of this
23 project, it -- shouldn't that fall under the
24 heading of a cleanup project as well, and also,
19:19 25 as he points out, and I assume he's correct,

19:19 1 cleanup funds are being used in this deal.

2 So he questioned was a permit needed for
3 this item, but it's -- but the term "cleanup"
4 just meant, because there is possible
19:19 5 contaminated soils in this deal shouldn't that
6 be called cleanup. Did I do you fair, sir?

7 MR. QUINTANILLA: You did me fair.
8 The area here has been contaminated by jet fuel
9 leaks at Kelly Air Force Base, okay. And I'm
19:19 10 just asking the question, is this a cleanup
11 project for that particular area?

12 BGEN. BARNIDGE: And I took, for the
13 record -- For the record, I took the question,
14 we need to answer whether we're going to get a
19:20 15 permit or is a permit required.

16 MR. QUINTANILLA: Is this cleanup or
17 is this not cleanup, and can we use cleanup
18 funds for non-cleanup work?

19 BGEN. BARNIDGE: Well, I don't know
19:20 20 whether the -- I'll answer the latter, I don't
21 know about the former and -- is it cleanup or
22 is it not cleanup, because it's apparent to me
23 that this is -- that's a fuzzy answer. But
24 I'll tell you whether we're using cleanup funds
19:20 25 or not, and I'll certainly tell you whether we

19:20 1 think a permit is required or not. Okay.
2 Mr. Nixon?

3 MR. MIXON: Yes. The question I
4 have, it was mentioned that the contractor is
19:20 5 going to be required to submit a plan, and then
6 that plan will be reviewed by the City and also
7 be submitted to Kelly Air Force Base. When
8 Kelly gets that plan will it also be submitted
9 to the RAB also?

19:20 10 BGEN. BARNIDGE: For what purpose,
11 sir?

12 MR. MIXON: They were referring to
13 the transportation and the method of insuring
14 safety and -- and control of hazardous
19:21 15 materials that are going to be removed from the
16 dig site.

17 MR. SANDOVAL: And really
18 specifically the air monitoring plant for that
19 area.

19:21 20 BGEN. BARNIDGE: You got me.

21 MR. GERMAN: It has to be submitted
22 to TNRCC and have their approval, so, you know,
23 if -- it becomes a public document. Whether it
24 comes to this Board or not, I guess, is up to
19:21 25 the Air Force really to decide.

19:21 1 BGEN. BARNIDGE: Again, once it's a
2 public document we don't -- we don't have a
3 problem with sharing -- I mean, you shouldn't
4 have a problem; I certainly don't have a
19:21 5 problem with sharing public information. I
6 want to guard against -- Let's make sure we
7 stay true to our Charter, though. Our purpose
8 here is to address the cleanup actions that
9 relate to Kelly.

19:21 10 This is related, and I -- you know, I
11 certainly -- I certainly agree with that. So
12 once we have something to present, let's --
13 let's then get together and we'll talk about
14 the time then to do that, I mean.

19:21 15 MR. QUINTANILLA: That's fair.

16 MR. PEREZ: Let me mention one thing
17 in regards to the cleanup plan. The document
18 that the contractor will submit to us, keep in
19 mind, that's being submitted for review.

19:22 20 There's no problem turning it out. Keep in
21 mind, that there are three entities reviewing
22 that, there's probably going to be some
23 modifications and corrections there.

24 BGEN. BARNIDGE: Well, we're not --
19:22 25 No. I'm not in the business of giving work in

19:22 1 progress. When we've got a plan laid out, then
2 by all means, certainly the citizens should see
3 that.

4 MR. PEREZ: Okay. Fair enough.

19:22 5 BGEN. BARNIDGE: Okay. Very good.
6 I'm going to start controlling time here.
7 Let's go to the gentleman I haven't heard from
8 yet.

9 MR. JOHNSON: My name is name David
10 Johnson.

11 MR. POSNICK: I'd like to make one
12 quick point in the way of this project here
13 that's putting in the liner and then collects
14 the ground water, it is all part of the cleanup
19:22 15 of the off site -- the cleanup of the off-site
16 contamination, and that is something that is
17 being covered under the Post Closure Care
18 Permit that is pending for Kelly right now. So
19 in a way this is part of Kelly's cleanup,
19:23 20 and -- and it is something that is being -- the
21 public has a chance to comment on the --
22 through the permit process.

23 MR. QUINTANILLA: And I most
24 certainly will do that, because the permit
19:23 25 process for the Quintana Road Project is not

19:23 1 mentioned at all.

2 BGEN. BARNIDGE: Okay. Well, we --
3 I'm not sure whether we've got a permit or not,
4 so -- but we'll find out. We owe you that
19:23 5 answer. Okay. Over here.

6 MR. JOHNSON: My name is David
7 Johnson. I'm Yolanda Johnson's alternate.
8 There were a couple of questions here that I'm
9 concerned with, especially since it deals with
19:23 10 cleanup issues and whether or not information
11 will be exchanged during the construction
12 phase.

13 If we're digging up to the depth of
14 Navarro clays I don't know if there has been a
19:23 15 plan to actually take samples of the Navarro
16 and to see whether or not -- to calculate what
17 has been calculated into the Navarro clay soils
18 can actually be -- actually be looked at and
19 help in the remediation process.

19:23 20 The other area that concerns us, if you
21 break into the Navarro clay and getting into
22 these particular types of inorganics or
23 volatiles in -- at what range and what is the
24 monitoring supposed to be for that particular
19:24 25 area so that we can see whether or not there is

19:24 1 chronic exposure at that particular time?

2 And I know that that's dealing with the
3 regulatories as well, but I'd be interested to
4 find out with the City of San Antonio what that
19:24 5 actual contract is going to be and how it's
6 going to be implemented.

7 So there's a couple things here. One is
8 whether or not soil samples would actually
9 be -- would Kelly actually go out there, since
19:24 10 they have opportunity, of actually getting into
11 the Navarro and actually taking a true picture
12 there versus the -- the wells and sampling? I
13 mean, it allows you the chance to get some
14 actual soil samples other than what has been
19:24 15 done --

16 BGEN. BARNIDGE: Okay. We'll take
17 that, for the record --

18 MR. JOHNSON: -- in relation to the
19 cleanup (inaudible) drainage as well.

19:24 20 BGEN. BARNIDGE: We'll take that, for
21 the record, as well. That's fair. Okay. Last
22 question. Damian?

23 MR. SANDOVAL: I have a couple of
24 quick questions about the (inaudible)
19:25 25 environmental issues. You've identified a

19:25 1 ground -- a copy route for the dewatering
2 excavations and a 2-inch PVC pipe across the
3 community -- across Quintana Road into Kelly.
4 Has that route been identified?

19:25 5 MR. NEWMAN: That will actually be
6 addressed in the contractor's plan to us. And
7 I would suspect that this -- this thing would
8 actually move as the work progresses. It's a
9 temporary thing.

19:25 10 MR. SANDOVAL: The second question I
11 had, you identified that the soil above the
12 existing groundwater table is considered
13 clean. With groundwater fluctuating, how are
14 you going to do that on-site assessment based
19:25 15 on the technical reading (inaudible) how are
16 you going to make that call?

17 MR. NEWMAN: There's actually a -- a
18 couple of things. One, I believe, Kelly Air
19 Force Base will be doing some studies on some
19:25 20 of the monitoring wells before we actually get
21 to it. Additionally, the -- the consultant
22 will be doing some field training with a pit of
23 ionization detector or flame ionization
24 detector.

19:26 25 MR. SANDOVAL: The last quick

19:26 1 question I had was, you had identified possible
2 new water lines being installed in that area.

3 MR. NEWMAN: I'm sorry. What?

4 MR. SANDOVAL: New water lines. Have
19:26 5 you identified the profiled elevation
6 (inaudible) that area of contaminated material,
7 and if so --

8 MR. NEWMAN: No.

9 MR. GERMAN: It's reflected on your
19:26 10 graphic. It's only generally four feet deep,
11 and in an area that we think is not
12 contaminated at this point.

13 MR. SANDOVAL: Okay.

14 EGEN. BARNIDGE: Okay. Very good.

19:26 15 MR. WILSON: Parker Wilson here,
16 TNRCC. Perhaps at the risk of adding confusion
17 to other confusion maybe I can clear things up
18 a little bit. This is sort of difficult to
19 understand, but Kelly is required to get a
19:26 20 permit not to do the cleanup, and that
21 sounds -- well, wait a minute, they're supposed
22 to get a permit for cleanup, they are.

23 They are four different regulated units on
24 this facility which require the application of
19:27 25 Kelly Air Force Base to get a permit. As a

19:27 1 part of that application, as part of the
2 permit, they're required to investigate
3 releases elsewhere hazardous waste on the
4 facility and emanate funding for it. This is
19:27 5 how they get into the job of cleaning up under
6 the permit.

7 What the City of San Antonio is doing is
8 sort of a dual-purpose project. They're
9 putting in a culvert, but also in order not to
10 waste money, and maximize the use of money and
11 efforts they are doing something that will
12 assist in the remediation of waste that has
13 gone off base. This does not require a permit,
14 even though it's part and is going to assist
19:27 15 Kelly Air Force Base in their cleanup. If
16 Kelly Air Force Base -- all they were doing was
17 just cleaning up, they had a spill they were
18 cleaning up they would not be required to get a
19 permit. You have to keep, store or dispose of
19:28 20 hazardous waste in order to have to get a
21 permit -- or to be required to get a permit.
22 Now, I don't know if that was clear to anybody,
23 if not please ask your question.

24 Mr. Quintanilla?

19:28 25 MR. QUINTANILLA: I'm just going to

19:28 1 wait to see if this is cleanup or not cleanup
2 based on what the Air Force does.

3 MR. WILSON: Well, even if it is
4 cleanup it would not require a permit. If you
19:28 5 spill something in your yard and you want to go
6 clean it up you're not required to get a permit
7 to do that. You're required as a generator and
8 you had a spill.

9 MR. QUINTANILLA: They did have a
19:28 10 spill. They spilled thousands of jet fuel in
11 that area.

12 MR. WILSON: Absolutely. Listen to
13 me. If there is a spill, and you go out and
14 you put a shovel in and you start digging it
19:28 15 out, and you're using things that cause it to
16 be generated you become a generator, you then
17 must manifest that and ship it off for proper
18 treatment, storage or disposal.

19 MR. QUINTANILLA: Now, this happened
19:28 20 when they started the project in 1988 when --
21 when the Public Works Department tried to put a
22 drainage for the community there and they ran
23 into the jet fuel and they had to cover it back
24 up.

19:29 25 MR. WILSON: They did not require a

19:29 1 permit.

2 MR. QUINTANILLA: They didn't require

3 a permit. The contamination is still there.

4 MR. WILSON: The contamination is

19:29 5 still there and is being cleaned up, and you're

6 trying to distinguish -- I know it's very

7 confusing -- is when you need a permit versus

8 when you do not require a permit.

9 Now, the fact that you do not require a

19:29 10 permit does not mean that it goes unregulated.

11 It doesn't mean that you don't have to comply

12 with the law. When you generate hazardous

13 waste you must dispose of it properly. You

14 must haul it off, if you manifest it -- you

19:29 15 generate a trail of paperwork, it is tracked by

16 the state.

17 MR. QUINTANILLA: Try to look at it

18 from my point of view. That community has been

19 dirty. Is it cleanup and what is cleanup?

19:29 20 That's all that I want to know.

21 MR. WILSON: That's two different

22 questions.

23 MR. QUINTANILLA: Who's going to

24 clean it?

19:29 25 MR. WILSON: One is, do they require

19:29 1 a permit to do the cleanup? And I think
2 clearly they're digging up the soil, and you're
3 gauging them, and you test them, you say, hey,
4 guess what, it's hazardous waste, then you send
19:30 5 it off. That sounds to me like cleanup.

6 BGEN. BARNIDGE: Well, my question
7 for Mr. Quintanilla is to -- to confirm whether
8 we require a permit or not. I will reaffirm or
9 not reaffirm what he said. He said one is not
19:30 10 required. I'm going to go find out, from our
11 perspective, and I will report that back.

12 The other item is, is I will promise you
13 whether we're going to use cleanup funds for it
14 or not and I'll give that answer to you.
19:30 15 Okay. Appreciate it. All right. I said he
16 was the last one. Short?

17 MR. RICE: Yeah. Thank you. This
18 was a question to Parker, but perhaps you can
19 answer it. Does the fact that the Air Force is
19:30 20 taking these wastes from the trench and
21 treating them on Kelly and paying money to
22 treat them, does that mean that the Air Force
23 acknowledges responsibility for the
24 contamination that comes out of that trench?

19:30 25 BGEN. BARNIDGE: I have no idea, but

19:30 1 I can guarantee you that the bureaucracy will
2 not give you an answer to that. How is that?

3 MR. RICE: That's a fair answer.

4 BGEN. BARNIDGE: The -- the -- Well I
19:31 5 mean, that -- that -- that would generate a
6 debate that would lead to no -- in my humble
7 opinion, to no answer to your question, sir.
8 So I can't answer it. Okay, ma'am, real short.

9 MS. ADAMES: It requires just a yes
19:31 10 or no answer. Now, that the City --

11 BGEN. BARNIDGE: That's what he said.

12 MS. ADAMES: Yes. Now, that the City
13 knows there is contamination there, they're
14 doing a simple cleanup -- a simple project,
19:31 15 does that mean that the City takes
16 responsibility or part of the responsibility
17 for the work that they're going to do for that
18 contamination that is there? At first they
19 used to deny all this knowledge, but now
19:31 20 they've been coming out especially on this big
21 project. Does the City acknowledge part of the
22 responsibility of the Air Force?

23 MR. GERMAN: The City does not
24 acknowledge any responsibility for what's out
19:32 25 there in the ground that might have been

19:32 1 contributed there by some other party.

2 The City, though, does, as they build this

3 project, have a responsibility, as has been

4 identified here, to -- if we find contaminated

19:32 5 materials, to properly handle, manifest,

6 examine, study, and dispose of that material.

7 So we do have a responsibility for anything

8 that we might dig up, and for the disposal of

9 that, and we certainly will recognize that

19:32 10 responsibility. We're actually joining in that

11 regard with the Air Force. It's a joint

12 project between the City and DOD, slash, Kelly

13 Air Force Base. So we'll be sharing in that

14 responsibility as we dig the project, and build

19:32 15 the project, and we recognize that.

16 BGEN. BARNIDGE: Okay. Very good.

17 Thank you, Mr. German and all your folks.

18 Thanks to the TNRCC lawyer. I love lawyers.

19 And the -- What we have to do is we have to

19:33 20 take a ten-minute break ten minutes ago. So

21 what that means is everybody out and back in in

22 five okay? Five minutes.

23 (Short recess taken.)

24 BGEN. BARNIDGE: Okay. The next item

19:41 25 of business. Are y'all jogging to your

19:41 1 chairs? Okay. Okay. The next item of
2 business is the sub -- Okay. Folks. Let's --
3 Let's go. This is a military -- military run
4 outfit.

5 MR. QUINTANILLA: No.

6 BGEN. BARNIDGE: Okay. This is not a
7 military run outfit. This is a citizen run
8 outfit.

9 MR. QUINTANILLA: You can do that
10 inside the base. Got it. But we can get the
11 meeting going, though.

12 BGEN. BARNIDGE: Okay. Subcommittee
13 reports. The thing that we want to be sure of
14 is, is we've allotted -- I can't read that --
15 it looks like 15 or 20 minutes to -- to the
16 time line. Abide by the time line, and make
17 sure that we end up in the reports with
18 recommendations or some -- some substantive
19 input to the group. And, Damian, I believe,
19:42 20 you're first here, Bud.

21 MR. SANDOVAL: Thank you. Again, my
22 is Damian Sandoval. And we've formed a
23 Technical Review Subcommittee back in October
24 as a result of many discussions with the
19:42 25 Restoration Advisory Board.

19:42 1 What we want to do tonight is basically
2 present two components of the TRS and what
3 we've been up to in the last couple of months.
4 The first part of the presentation is -- is the
19:43 5 accomplishments that we've been able to achieve
6 through a lot of participation from a lot of
7 different people. And the second portion of
8 the presentation is we actually want to make
9 recommendations from the Technical Review
19:43 10 Subcommittee to the Restoration Advisory Board
11 for acceptance and adoptance.

12 With this -- There should be a packet on
13 your desk, and I apologize for not starting
14 without reiterating that. There should be a
19:43 15 packet of information that was handed out. The
16 information that we're going to talk to tonight
17 is included in that packet. This is just a
18 copy of our typical meeting agenda. Every time
19 we have a Technical Review Subcommittee we do
19:43 20 have an agenda with a list of topics with
21 individuals scheduled for presentation. And
22 again, this is just basically information in
23 your packet.

24 One of the main things we wanted to
19:44 25 establish way back in October was to establish

19:44 1 a Charter, kind of a mission statement. And as
2 you can see, we started with a couple of
3 mission items and it has grown to what this
4 list is now. And I won't go over every single
19:44 5 item, just kind of hit the highlights.

6 The first issue, of course, is Zone 4, the
7 monitoring of private wells. You know, we're
8 really trying to tract that -- the information
9 that's out there working with Health
19:44 10 Department.

11 The second issue, again, we heard
12 presentation from the City of San Antonio
13 tonight for the Quintana Road Project.

14 The third issue is the North Kelly
19:44 15 Gardens, the health risk assessment. We'll
16 talk a little bit about that later.

17 We want to monitor the interim and final
18 remedy selections for all sites on Kelly Air
19 Force Base.

19:44 20 Review the development and modification of
21 the community relations plan.

22 And provide technical review and guidance
23 on the documents. This we feel is one of the
24 major portions and elements of the TRS.

19:44 25 Initially, we all met together and established

19:45 1 which documents we thought were priority, and
2 as you see listed, the Zone 5 Remedial
3 Investigation, Building 1592, the Risk
4 Assessment report, the Building 1592 Air
19:45 5 Monitoring Results, and the Focus Feasibility
6 Study that we're going to be reviewing in
7 February for sites SSO 51 and 40. Now, what
8 we're going to do just real quick on the status
9 is bring everybody up to date on what was done
19:45 10 with those documents.

11 On the Zone 5 RI, what you'll see next is
12 comments to the RAB established, formalized
13 last night. We had a presentation on Building
14 1519 Risk Assessment yesterday; we have a
19:45 15 presentation scheduled for 1592 on the 24th of
16 February; and we should be reviewing the
17 documents for the SSO 51 and 40 in February of
18 '98. And the last one, I don't want to touch
19 too much about that right now, but this is a --
19:46 20 an idea that we established last night with
21 great participation and approval on developing
22 a Kelly Air Force Base summary contamination
23 map.

24 BGEN. BARNIDGE: Slide the thing up a
19:46 25 little bit, please. Thank you.

19:46 1 MR. SANDOVAL: This is a lot of
2 information. And I'm not going to take the
3 time to go through it, but what -- what this
4 process was, is the documents came out to all
19:46 5 the TRS members at least a month in advance of
6 the meeting. All the individuals are required
7 to go home and read the document, and bring
8 comments to the meeting. We then had a
9 presenter from -- from Kelly Air Force Base
19:46 10 present the details on, not only, the Zone 5 RI
11 investigation, but also some information of
12 what the risk assessment was. These documents
13 were then discussed and questions addressed and
14 compiled at the meeting, and yesterday at the
19:46 15 meeting these questions were distributed and
16 approved for formal submission later on this
17 evening.

18 As -- As all the TRS members and
19 Restoration Advisory Board members know most of
19:47 20 us donate our time to get involved in these
21 committee meetings. And we met and sat down
22 and said let's come up with some dates out
23 there in the future and project what we want --
24 when we want to meet, and hopefully they don't
19:47 25 coincide or don't conflict with the Restoration

19:47 1 Advisory Board meetings. So for the record, we
2 identified the 24th of February, March 10th,
3 April 21st, May 19th, June 23rd, and July
4 21st.

19:47 5 Another issue was -- was discussed. We
6 had several different locations proposed. We
7 feel that the St. Mary's University, Garni
8 Science Hall has been a great host for us, and
9 it's also accessible to a lot of individuals,
19:48 10 so the objective last night was to select that
11 as the host location. If -- If appropriate, we
12 can move those locations, but we'll decide
13 those at the individual meetings.

14 Another responsibility that we first
19:48 15 decided upon way back in October was, it's not
16 just a name on a list to become a part of the
17 TRS member, but you actually have to show up,
18 you actually have to participate to get the
19 information out. So what I did -- And I may be
19:48 20 off one or two, I apologize, I had to do this
21 real quickly this morning. But basically we
22 listed all the individuals, TRS members, and
23 the public participation -- which David Johnson
24 has been at almost every single meeting. At
19:48 25 the creation of this system we initially

19:48 1 started off with five community members and one
2 representative from the EPA and the TNRCC. As
3 we grew and established our goals and criteria
4 we decided that we needed a full
19:49 5 representation, so we invited a member of the
6 installation, which you see is Captain Tom
7 deVenoge, and then we decided to give us more
8 validity that we should probably escalate from
9 the Local Reuse Authority, which is the GKDC,
19:49 10 so we invited Mr. Dean Pound to participate in
11 our meetings. And I think our purpose is to
12 present this information so that all the RAB
13 members know who is showing up and who is not.
14 Another -- Another high topic was, we
19:49 15 don't have enough funds -- we don't have -- We
16 don't have the funding source basically to have
17 a dedicated secretary or Court Reporter. So
18 what we decided to do, reluctantly of course,
19 is share the responsibility of being the minute
19:49 20 taker. So the individuals -- As they come in
21 each individual is responsible to have -- to
22 take meeting minute summaries. We delegate
23 that person at each individual meeting. There
24 was a little confusion within our organization
19:50 25 on how those meetings get summarized and

19:50 1 distributed, so as you see we developed a
2 little flow chart. And this is the first month
3 we tried to implement this, and I think it's
4 going to work. Of course, like anything new,
19:50 5 we will modify to make the adjustments. And
6 I'm not going to go through all the details.

7 Okay. That -- That basically concludes
8 the first part of the presentation of the
9 information sharing with the Restoration
19:50 10 Advisory Board. I guess, we open it to a brief
11 set of questions.

12 BGEN. BARNIDGE: Well, let me -- let
13 me make an a point here, Damian. The -- I
14 don't know. Had everybody seen all of this
19:50 15 before tonight? I haven't, so the -- Have we
16 seen it before or not? Yes or no?

17 MS. PEACE: No.

18 BGEN. BARNIDGE: I think, that --
19 that we ought to -- we ought to schedule our
19:51 20 meetings in the future to where this stuff can
21 get mailed out, you know, and then the people
22 get it, and then we can have this -- an
23 intelligent conversation rather than seeing
24 stuff cold on the front end. Can we take your
19:51 25 report from tonight and -- and propose --

19:51 1 because a lot of it really looks good to me,
2 but at a quick glance -- and you offer that or
3 recommend that we take this home with us, and
4 then come back at the next RAB and -- and deal
19:51 5 with it; is that -- is that a fair statement?
6 And the only reason is, is I think the TRS or
7 the -- this Committee ought to be the pillar of
8 a RAB in terms of -- of technical interphase,
9 if you will, and -- and I -- I think that every
19:51 10 RAB is structured that way to where this is the
11 key -- If there was ever a keystone this is it,
12 but in the same breath we need time to think
13 through what you've got. I'm sorry. Ma'am?

14 AUDIENCE MEMBER: Could I have a copy
19:52 15 of that report? And also it was talking about
16 having the meetings at St. Mary's University, I
17 believe, the meetings should be held out here
18 at the south side.

19 BGEN. BARNIDGE: They should be
19:52 20 what?

21 AUDIENCE MEMBER: Held out here on
22 the south side for community involvement.

23 MS. PEACE: She wants the meetings to
24 be held on the south side. And the reason
19:52 25 they've been held at St. Mary's is because

19:52 1 Dr. Lene, who is a member of that subcommittee,
2 teaches there and was able to establish that
3 location for free. If -- If anybody can come
4 up with a south side location they should
19:52 5 let --

6 AUDIENCE MEMBER: The recreation
7 center down the street.

8 MS. PEACE: Okay. So that's
9 something that y'all should take into account
19:52 10 then.

11 BGEN. BARNIDGE: Let's leave that in
12 with them. But how -- Sir, go ahead.

13 MR. RICE: Regarding your idea of not
14 approving this cold, I think that's a good
19:53 15 idea. But there was one rather hot topic that
16 we might want to ask the RAB's approval for
17 tonight, and that's the development of a map.

18 MR. SANDOVAL: To follow up on that,
19 General, I -- I agree. I don't have a problem
19:53 20 with that, especially since the technical memos
21 are so complicated, to leave on the table for
22 the next agenda. That's fine.

23 But I think there's two issues, one of
24 them is the groundwater contamination summary
19:53 25 map, that if we talk about the general

19:53 1 contract, that's something that's within the
2 TRS we're going to get developed that will help
3 the installation. The second point is
4 accepting and nominating a couple of
19:53 5 individuals who have been attending the
6 meetings but are not formally part of the TRS.
7 I think, those two issues can be easily
8 discussed and understood at this point.

9 BGEN. BARNIDGE: I don't fully
19:53 10 understand the first one. The second one I
11 certainly would throw open for discussion,
12 yeah.

13 MR. SANDOVAL: Then if I could just
14 at least attempt to present that, and we'll
19:54 15 leave it at the discretion of the RAB if we
16 need to table it for the next meeting.

17 BGEN. BARNIDGE: Sure. Sure.
18 Comments on these two items that Damian has
19 brought up? Discussion?

20 (No audible response.)

21 BGEN. BARNIDGE: Okay. So what --
22 what is -- what is your proposal on the first
23 item, Damian?

24 MR. SANDOVAL: Let me see if can say
19:54 25 this. Mary, I might need you to help with

19:54 1 this. As chairperson I would like to move to
2 put the -- the formal comments on the Zone 5 RI
3 report to the RAB for the next Restoration
4 Advisory Board meeting.

19:54 5 MS. KELLY: What you would do is ask
6 the Chair to put that on agenda next time. It
7 isn't proper to table that, because then it
8 takes a motion to take it off the table. You
9 really want to postpone consideration, and the
10 Chair can do that without a motion.

11 BGEN. BARNIDGE: Yeah. And we're
12 sitting in the chair, so we can do that.
13 Okay. So we'll take it up next time on the
14 first one. What's the deal with the second one
15 now?

16 MR. SANDOVAL: There was a lot of
17 ideas yesterday. There's a lot of information
18 out there that's very valuable and very useful
19 if you have a little bit of technical
20 knowledge. There's been a lot of good maps in
21 the local paper recently out there that shows
22 large boundaries for different types of general
23 contamination, specifically fuels or solvents,
24 and lists about the boundaries of the
25 contamination. So what we wanted to do is --

19:55 1 is -- as we discussed last night, is talk about
2 some of the general criteria to develop a Kelly
3 Air Force Base general site map. And again
4 this is my summation of the purpose, and I
19:55 5 apologize if it's not true TRS representation,
6 but my attempt was to define a purpose to
7 provide a general groundwater contamination map
8 as well as community -- showing activity to
9 promote information shared with the local
19:56 10 community. It's a lot of verbiage. Basically,
11 what that would allow is -- and -- and these
12 are the map criteria below.

13 We would like to have a map that's easily
14 read and understandable, that identifies the
19:56 15 major types of contamination, specifically
16 fuels, metals or solvents, using major streets
17 and arteries as recognizable boundaries and
18 limits, and up -- insure that it's a snapshot
19 in time, which means it's going to have to be
19:56 20 redone at every quarter or semiannual basis.
21 That the map is multilingual, specifically
22 English and Spanish, and that the map is
23 designed so it's a fold-out map that's easily
24 distributed to the public. That also, this map
19:56 25 or this information has the appropriate

19:56 1 telephone number and contact phone numbers for
2 who to call, and any location of the additional
3 information of the repositories specifically.

4 BGEN. BARNIDGE: Okay. It's open for
19:56 5 comments or questions.

6 MR. JACOBI: I think it's a great
7 idea, and we ought to go ahead and undertake it
8 immediately. Although, it may take some time
9 to develop such a map to be agreed upon by the
19:57 10 full RAB.

11 BGEN. BARNIDGE: Other comments or
12 questions? How would it be funded?

13 MR. SANDOVAL: Those are some of the
14 issues that we discussed. And luckily we had a
19:57 15 participant from the installation there, and we
16 discussed those issues, and I think that the
17 objective or the tentative schedule that we
18 proposed was present this at the -- at the RAB
19 tonight, get approval from the RAB, the TRS --
19:57 20 the committee members would actually start to
21 develop that in-house with local resources as
22 possible, develop a draft map for the next TRS
23 meeting scheduled in February. As far as
24 actual funding, that was not discussed.

19:57 25 BGEN. BARNIDGE: Well, that's -- I

19:57 1 mean, I agree with -- with at least the one
2 comment. I think that having a good map is a
3 wonderful idea. As all things in life nothing
4 is free, and so we've got to figure out how
19:58 5 to -- how to be able to fund the thing. So you
6 think from -- Am I understanding, from your --
7 from your comments, you're developing the draft
8 with -- with what resources? You said
9 "local" --

19:58 10 MR. SANDOVAL: Maybe -- Tom, can you
11 add to that or is that too premature, Tom?

12 MR. DEVENOGE: We certainly have --
13 actually have a map such as this, and all we'd
14 do is take an aerial picture (inaudible) thing
19:58 15 needs of what the folks are looking for, and we
16 have a couple of options. We can do that
17 in-house or we can travel to contract support
18 staff and do that. Basically, it's taking one
19 of the existing maps that we have from the
19:58 20 Basewide Remedial Assessment Project and
21 putting it in more generic, broad categories,
22 kind of classifications, something like PCE,
23 solvents, fuels, metals.

24 BGEN. BARNIDGE: Sure. That would
19:58 25 make sense to me. Any comments based on what

19:59 1 we've heard?

2 MR. ROBERSON: It seems to me like a
3 really good idea. One of the problems I think
4 we have is people just understanding what this
19:59 5 all really means, and this could be a very
6 useful aide in that process.

7 BGEN. BARNIDGE: Okay. Then I -- Can
8 I make a motion? I move that you -- that you
9 do that.

10 MS. KELLY: You can't do that.

11 BGEN. BARNIDGE: Oh, I can't do
12 that. Never mind, I can't do that.

13 MR. JACOBI: I so move.

14 MR. PUFFER: I move.

19:59 15 BGEN. BARNIDGE: You guys and your
16 rules. We're going to do this, Damian, all
17 right?

18 MR. ROBERSON: I make a motion that
19 the RAB approve the TRS to press on with
19:59 20 developing the map.

21 MR. JACOBI: Second.

22 BGEN. BARNIDGE: Okay. Good.

23 Excellent. Everybody's in favor of it.

24 MR. MURRAH: Sir, I'd like to make a
19:59 25 comment there.

1 BGEN. BARNIDGE: I'm sorry?

2 MR. MURRAH: I say I would like to
3 make a comment there. That -- That sounds like
4 a real good idea, but why not put the technical
20:00 5 name or whatever name of the metal or
6 whatever --

7 BGEN. BARNIDGE: In parenthesis.

8 MR. MURRAH: -- in parenthesis right
9 there with that name to make it to where it
20:00 10 would -- maybe it'll help each other -- some of
11 us get educated.

12 MR. HAGELTHORN: Can I address that,
13 please? The reason we decided to break it down
14 into four basic categories, there is a number
20:00 15 of reasons. One, we're looking at an eight and
16 a half by eleven tri-fold map that will be
17 limited in space and limited in readability, so
18 to clutter it up with additional information
19 that really, for the purpose of it, is just to
20:00 20 show the community what areas are involved, it
21 would serve no purpose to put all the specific
22 chemicals and the -- the hazardous materials or
23 whatever it may be onto that map. We just want
24 to have an overview so that the community can
20:01 25 see, okay, I live right around here so I'm

20:01 1 affected by metals, or I live around here so
2 I'm affected by fuels. We didn't want to get
3 in -- There's information in the repositories,
4 there's information at Kelly, we can get more
20:01 5 information if somebody wants it. We just want
6 to show them, because that's where the question
7 is, how am I affected by this, that's the
8 purpose.

9 BGEN. BARNIDGE: May I offer or
20:01 10 recommend a compromise, can we do this in
11 draft, take a look at it, and see if you've got
12 room to put the things on there as the man
13 suggested --

14 MR. HAGELTHORN: Yes, sir.

20:01 15 BGEN. BARNIDGE: -- and -- and we can
16 produce a couple of drafts, in fact, I suppose.

17 MR. HAGELTHORN: Yeah.

18 BGEN. BARNIDGE: And then you can
19 pick the one you like.

20:01 20 MR. HAGELTHORN: Those were all
21 brought up last night, sir.

22 MS. PEACE: I'd just like to state,
23 for the record, that the motion did carry, so
24 that we agree on it.

20:01 25 BGEN. BARNIDGE: Thank you very

20:01 1 much.

2 MR. SANDOVAL: The second issue is a
3 lot easier. The -- Since the -- the inception
4 of the TRS Mr. Larry Hoffman has been
20:01 5 invaluable as far as the parliamentarian
6 portion of the TRS; however, due to his many
7 conflicts and being pulled in different
8 directions he has asked to resign from the
9 Technical Review Subcommittee, so I'd like to
20:02 10 deal with that situation first.

11 I think, as a Technical Subcommittee we
12 feel that we would like to accept his
13 resignation, and would like to pose that to the
14 Restoration Advisory Board as well.

20:02 15 BGEN. BARNIDGE: Okay. Discussion?
16 Okay. A motion?

17 MR. JACOBI: I move we accept
18 Mr. Hoffman's resignation from the Technical
19 Subcommittee.

20:02 20 BGEN. BARNIDGE: Second?

21 MR. RICE: Second.

22 BGEN. BARNIDGE: All in favor?

23 (Vote taken by RAB members.)

24 BGEN. BARNIDGE: All opposed?

20:02 25 (Vote taken by RAB members.)

20:02 1 MR. ROBERSON: What would happen if
2 we weren't in favor?

3 (Laughter.)

4 MR. SANDOVAL: So in every -- every
20:02 5 rainfall there's always a sunny day. So the
6 next three things we want to do is add two
7 individuals, and then once specific individual
8 for his participation as a public member.

9 Again, Captain Tom deVenoge, who
20:02 10 represents the installation and gives us a lot
11 of validity and credibility, and also takes
12 back a lot of information directly to the
13 installation, that you can get firsthand. The
14 other addition is Mr. Dean Pound from the GKDC,
20:03 15 and again, he knows the future of the Local
16 Reuse Authority's plans and projects that would
17 be able to help us in our assessing sites. And
18 then thirdly, again, Mr. David Johnson to
19 incorporate him as a replacement for
20:03 20 Mr. Hoffman.

21 MR. ROBERSON: I move that we accept
22 all three individuals and get on with the
23 meeting.

24 BGEN. BARNIDGE: Second? Anybody?

20:03 25 MR. WEINSTEIN: Second.

20:03 1 BGEN. BARNIDGE: All in favor?
2 (Vote taken by RAB members.)
3 BGEN. BARNIDGE: Anybody opposed?
4 (Vote taken by RAB members.)
20:03 5 BGEN. BARNIDGE: It carries. You got
6 one minute left, Big Guy.
7 MR. SANDOVAL: That's all I need.
8 Story of my life. The last thing we would like
9 to do is summarize that, you know, the
20:03 10 meetings, as you know, are open to the public.
11 Depending on the amount of people, sometimes we
12 have to limit participation. However, if
13 anyone has any comments or questions, please
14 submit those to us if you can't attend the
20:03 15 meeting. Our phone numbers are listed in the
16 Restoration Advisory Board listings, so please
17 feel free to give us a call. Thank you.
18 BGEN. BARNIDGE: Good. Good, good,
19 good. Well done. And we have one item of --
20:04 20 that will be carried over to the next. That
21 means that everybody's got to study before they
22 come to the next one, okay, so we can talk
23 intelligently about it. Okay. Rules
24 Administration Subcommittee Report.
20:04 25 MS. PEACE: That's me. Okay. We met

20:04 1 this afternoon at 3:30 before the meeting, and
2 we have an agenda -- Now, the -- the reason we
3 were supposed to be meeting was to schedule six
4 months worth of particular RAB meetings. We
20:04 5 decided to postpone that in light of the fact
6 that we have -- we will be having a new
7 community co-Chair, and then also that
8 General Barnidge had not been consulted about
9 the dates of those, so we decided in reference
10 to the (inaudible) we would get their input
11 before we set those dates. And it turns out
12 it's good we did in light of the suggestion
13 that we have the -- these subcommittee meetings
14 come a week before the -- the regular
20:05 15 meetings. That will give us some help in
16 scheduling too. So that will be postponed for
17 New Business at the next meeting.

18 Now, we had a discussion on participation
19 of both community and both co-Chair in
20:05 20 developing the RAB agenda, and -- I believe,
21 that was postponed also, wasn't it?

22 MR. RICE: No. We were going to vote
23 on it.

24 MS. PEACE: Okay. So we need -- What
20:05 25 the problem has been, and I'll summarize

20:05 1 briefly, is that the draft agenda typically has
2 been sent out -- I will have an opportunity,
3 and I'll send it out to the community members
4 to make sure that they have an opportunity
20:05 5 to -- to make sure all items they wanted are on
6 there, and then I'll come back -- you know,
7 whether I approve or disapprove -- but we get
8 something set, okay -- As with tonight,
9 General Barnidge and myself both approved the
20:05 10 draft, but what was mailed out to the members
11 was totally different, and this has happened a
12 number of times. So what we wanted to vote on
13 was that the agenda would require -- the agenda
14 that's put in the people's packets would
20:06 15 require the approval of both co-Chairs, and any
16 agenda that did not have that approval would
17 not be legitimate. So do we have a motion?
18 MR. MIXON: Could I ask a question on
19 that? That's not required, is it? I mean,
20:06 20 it's already required that the agenda be
21 approved by both co-Chairs.
22 MS. PEACE: That's right. That's
23 right. But I have not gone -- Well, because I
24 have not had one single agenda that has worked
20:06 25 that way.

20:06 1 BGEN. BARNIDGE: Let me make a
2 comment, okay.
3 MR. MIXON: Then let's --
4 BGEN. BARNIDGE: I -- If y'all will
20:06 5 trust me and your new co-Chair we'll take care
6 of it; is that fair?
7 MR. RICE: So what you're saying,
8 General, is that every agenda that we see here
9 will be approved by you and the community
20:06 10 co-Chair?
11 BGEN. BARNIDGE: Absolutely. We will
12 agree on that agenda -- that Charter that's
13 going out.
14 MS. PEACE: That sounds good to me,
20:06 15 actually.
16 MR. MIXON: Could I ask a question on
17 that? Do y'all both review the minutes before
18 they go out?
19 BGEN. BARNIDGE: I don't know the
20:07 20 answer to that.
21 MS. PEACE: No. I've never gotten a
22 copy of the minutes before they go out.
23 MR. MIXON: You should be getting
24 both the agenda and a copy of the minutes
25 before they go out.

20:07 1 MS. PEACE: I never have.

2 MR. MIXON: So then the General could

3 make that promise also?

4 BGEN. BARNIDGE: Sure. I'll read as

20:07 5 fast as I can along with the rest of the stuff.

6 MS. PEACE: Okay. Now, we -- Also,

7 the minutes and the transcripts were -- As

8 y'all know, that's been a problem that's been

9 ongoing, so we came up with the recommendation

20:07 10 that the minutes will be sent to the members --

11 wait -- 20 business days after the meeting --

12 no later than 20 business days after the

13 meeting, and that the transcript will be made

14 available to the public in the designated

20:07 15 repositories no later than 20 days after the

16 meeting. So that's -- We'll go ahead and, I

17 guess, take a vote on this now, if that's

18 okay? All in favor?

19 BGEN. BARNIDGE: Well, let me tell

20:07 20 you if you vote, and you say "Yes," I've still

21 got to find out contractually what the -- what

22 the -- what's possible. I don't know whether

23 that's possible.

24 MS. PEACE: But if it's not

20:08 25 contractually possible I would say or my

20:08 1 recommendation would be to do another contract.
2 BGEN. BARNIDGE: Yeah. But that
3 takes time. So you can -- you can put that in
4 and I'll --
5 MS. PEACE: It's just a
6 recommendation. I understand.
7 MR. MIXON: Can I address that,
8 again? It's required that it be made available
9 to the members and the public within two weeks
20:08 10 after the meeting.
11 MS. PEACE: Well, we voted at the
12 last meeting, one reason we were going to --
13 MR. MIXON: That's a standard
14 requirement.
20:08 15 MS. PEACE: -- amend that to 20 days
16 is --
17 MR. MIXON: It's a standard
18 requirement.
19 MR. QUINTANILLA: Three months is too
20:08 20 long.
21 BGEN. BARNIDGE: Oh, yes. I agree.
22 MS. PEACE: Well, at the last meeting
23 in the minutes we have that we had asked that
24 it be mailed out one week after the meeting.
20:08 25 We had decided to change that to 20 business

20:08 1 days so -- That was decided on because we
2 thought that even if it's not in their
3 contract, I think, that it's a reasonable
4 request.

20:09 5 BGEN. BARNIDGE: Can I offer to
6 report back next time with how soon we feel
7 that we can get the stuff out, and then let
8 y'all hear that?

9 MR. QUINTANILLA: That's fine. A
20:09 10 General can do that for a Two Star General on
11 your base.

12 BGEN. BARNIDGE: Yeah, I know. I
13 think things have slowed down since you left.

14 MS. PEACE: Do y'all want to postpone
20:09 15 that item as well then?

16 MR. RICE: May I ask for
17 clarification? What we're talking about here
18 is the meeting minutes and the transcript of
19 the meeting?

20:09 20 BGEN. BARNIDGE: Well, I will report
21 back. That's the best I can do for you right
22 now.

23 MR. RICE: Sure. But I just want to
24 make sure both items are included.

25 BGEN. BARNIDGE: Now, I think that's

20:09 1 the next item on the -- I have to tell you how
2 soon can we have these things out, and I assume
3 that we put the transcripts out. I don't even
4 know that, to be honest with you.

20:09 5 MS. PEACE: I can tell you you'll
6 have the report on this as the administrators
7 of the --

8 BGEN. BARNIDGE: I'm going to bring
9 it back to the next RAB, that's what I'm going
20:10 10 to do.

11 MR. RICE: Yeah. This is --

12 MR. MIXON: Excuse me. I just want
13 to say, why don't we just stick to the
14 standard? We've got a book that tells us what
20:10 15 the standards are, why don't we stick to the
16 standards, and let it make the --

17 MS. PEACE: Well, it's not the
18 problem of -- we have -- We have been sticking
19 to it, it's the contractor that hasn't.

20:10 20 BGEN. BARNIDGE: Well, I don't
21 know -- I don't know that that's true. I will
22 give you your answer in terms of the standard,
23 and -- and again, I -- I suggest, if you'll
24 just let me do that, we'll soon figure out what
20:10 25 the standard is. I'll tell you whether we can

20:10 1 make it or not. If I tell you we can make it,
2 we're going to make it.

3 MS. PEACE: Okay. Now, we have --
4 also --

20:10 5 BGEN. BARNIDGE: It's just that
6 simple.

7 MS. PEACE: -- we had a
8 recommendation here that both co-Chairs,
9 that -- that will be Damian and General
20:10 10 Barnidge, attend the next Administrative
11 Subcommittee meeting. The suggested date was
12 to be February 24th at 3:30 at the conference
13 room -- PA conference room, if that's
14 acceptable to y'all, if not let us know, that
20:11 15 will be discussed issues regarding, but not
16 limited to (1) how much money has been spent on
17 the RAB; (2) the sources of funds for RAB
18 activities; (3) types of activities funded, for
19 example, RAB meetings, technical support
20:11 20 training and outreach to the community; and (4)
21 availability of funds for activities in
22 furtherance of the RAB.

23 So that was our -- the other
24 recommendation. And that doesn't require a
20:11 25 vote, but we are hoping that y'all will agree

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to that.

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BGEN. BARNIDGE: I can't speak for

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my -- for my new buddy here, but I'll tell you

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that I will come as a guest -- as an interested

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person. I'm not going to engage in a lot of --

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a lot of debate about money. The -- Because

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I'm just not going to do that. But the -- But

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I would love to hear what it is we have.

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let me stress, that I want the ideas -- the

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good ideas that generate here and -- and at the

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Technical Review Committee to bubble up to the

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RAB for the RAB's consideration.

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MS. PEACE: Okay. I'm sorry. I left

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off a part of that. The Administrative

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Committee will develop a list of RAB support

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items to present to y'all, also, that we would

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like to see at the --

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BGEN. BARNIDGE: That's what I want

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to see, stuff bubble up to the RAB. That's the

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way it should work. But I intend to come to a

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meeting when I can as an interested party, and

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I would invite Damian and I to go together

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permitting schedules.

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MS. PEACE: And that way it would be

20:12 1 easier to schedule, also, to make sure that it
2 would be in -- in terms of your schedules when
3 you schedule the six months of the RAB
4 meetings, since you all have to be here.

20:12 5 MR. RICE: Just a comment on that.
6 An idea was broached by Damian, I think, rather
7 than having the meeting at the PA office, and
8 then a lot of us have to go to St. Mary's to
9 meet for the Technical Committee meeting, that
20:13 10 we have this Administrative Committee meeting
11 at St. Mary's also so we won't be going back
12 and forth.

13 MS. PEACE: Okay. So the members of
14 the Administrative Committee will be notified
20:13 15 before that meeting, right?

16 MR. RICE: I had -- guess they will.

17 MS. PEACE: Okay. That's my report
18 for the Administrative Subcommittee.

19 BGEN. BARNIDGE: Oh -- Are you going
20:13 20 to stay on as the administrative person?

21 MS. PEACE: I'm on that committee.

22 BGEN. BARNIDGE: In the past. Make
23 sure that Damian and I know when these meetings
24 are, so -- I can't say -- We've got to talk
20:13 25 after this meeting.

20:13 1 MS. PEACE: Well, we'll make sure
2 it's a date that you both can attend. We will
3 not set a date that y'all can't attend.

4 MR. SANDOVAL: I think, also, there's
20:13 5 a lot of different committees that -- I don't
6 know many (inaudible) what -- just like we did
7 with TRS establish a system and we stick with
8 the system, that way everybody knows, whether
9 it's 20 days, 14 days. This way there's no
20:13 10 question.

11 MS. PEACE: Well, the Administrative
12 group has been scheduling them as needed. I'm
13 hoping that these issues will be ironed out, so
14 that it won't have to be a regular subcommittee
20:14 15 meeting.

16 BGEN. BARNIDGE: Okay. Very good.
17 Now, that's the reports.

18 MR. JACOBI: Could I make a comment?
19 By the nature of this conversation -- the
20:14 20 election results have not been released, but I
21 assume that --

22 BGEN. BARNIDGE: I was going to save
23 that to the last and --

24 MS. PEACE: Oh, I'm sorry.

20:14 25 BGEN. BARNIDGE: -- I guess, I blew

20:14 1 it, didn't I? That's your fault. And the
2 results is Damian. And I got to tell you, it
3 was a very, very close, close vote. And this
4 is one where just raw votes and majority
20:14 5 counts, but it was very, very close. And so I
6 look forward to working with Damian, and I
7 would have looked forward to working with Carl
8 as well.

9 MS. PEACE: Frankly, I have to say
20:14 10 that y'all are both great choices.

11 (Applause.)

12 BGEN. BARNIDGE: Okay. Very good.
13 Keen observation. He's awake and listening.
14 Okay. New Business. Where are we at here?
20:15 15 New Business. New Business. Sir?

16 MR. RICE: Yeah. I'd just like to
17 make an announcement having to do with
18 Armando's lawsuit with the Air Force. Armando
19 has claimed that contaminants in the ground
20:15 20 from Kelly have entered his property, and Kelly
21 Air Force Base has claimed, among other things,
22 that that's not possible because there is no
23 water under Mr. Quintanilla's property. And
24 tomorrow we -- and I'm acting as a technical
20:15 25 advisor to Armando and the Air Force -- are

20:15 1 going to drill a well --

2 BGEN. BARNIDGE: Make sure, now, this

3 is RAB business, okay. I mean, we're -- we're

4 there. Make sure you're talking about RAB

20:15 5 business.

6 MR. RICE: This is certainly closely

7 related if not RAB business. Tomorrow we're

8 going to drill a well, and one thing we will

9 find out is who's right about whether or not

20:16 10 there's water under Mr. Quintanilla's property,

11 and we'll let y'all know the answer at the next

12 RAB meeting.

13 BGEN. BARNIDGE: Okay. Fair. Okay.

14 Other New Business?

20:16 15 MS. PEACE: I don't -- I'm not sure

16 if this appropriate or not, but I guess, it's

17 okay.

18 BGEN. BARNIDGE: Yeah. I was going

19 to say that.

20:16 20 MS. PEACE: Okay. Good. There's

21 going to be a forum, it says Bexar County

22 Commissioners Court -- This is a draft. But

23 Bexar County Commissioners Court, the City of

24 San Antonio City Council will hold the first of

20:16 25 two public forums to provide an opportunity to

20:16 1 respond to citizens' concerns regarding an
2 environmental cleanup plan for the areas
3 surrounding Kelly Air Force Base.

4 The forum is open to the public and will
20:16 5 be held 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, February 11th, at
6 McCollum High School Auditorium, 500 West
7 Formosa. And the forum format includes invited
8 briefings from Kelly Air Force Base, San
9 Antonio Metropolitan Health District, TNRCC,
20:17 10 and then the community, I believe. Like I had
11 said, this is a draft, but there's been -- it's
12 subject to debate right now whether there --
13 there will be other -- But they did say the
14 community would also have an equal opportunity
20:17 15 to -- an opportunity for citizens to interact
16 with elected officials and technical
17 (inaudible) the environmental action plan.

18 And then one of the things, I think this
19 will be really good, because it's the first of
20:17 20 these kind of forums where there's -- actually
21 accountability will be built into the program,
22 because what they're going to do is after the
23 briefings they'll be breaking out into small
24 groups. Group numbers, I guess, will depend on
20:17 25 how many. There's going to be one Council or

20:17 1 Commissioner person in each group.

2 BGEN. BARNIDGE: Elected.

3 MS. PEACE: Yeah. Local elected

4 official, so -- Then those groups will

20:17 5 prioritize what their concerns are, and then

6 the City and the County will have to take those

7 listed priorities -- There will be a report

8 from each group, and then, you know, that will

9 be prioritized also. Then the City and County

20:18 10 will have to address that, and then they have

11 promised to mail that back to everybody who

12 attends and participates in this forum.

13 So I think this is really good because,

14 like I said, it's the first one where I've seen

20:18 15 any accountability actually built into the

16 program. So I urge y'all all to attend, and

17 any community members here, not just say RAB

18 members, community members as it is such an

19 important issue to the community.

20:18 20 BGEN. BARNIDGE: Okay. This is going

21 to be a good one. The first one is going to be

22 the 11th -- the 11th --

23 MS. PEACE: Yeah. It's a Wednesday.

24 BGEN. BARNIDGE: -- 6:30, McCollum

25 High School.

20:18 1 MS. PEACE: And then there's another
2 one, if I could, this is just because we've
3 discussed this in the RAB, at Las Palmas
4 Shopping Center -- is that "Shopping Center"?

20:18 5 MR. QUINTANILLA: Yeah. Shopping
6 Center.

7 MS. PEACE: Okay. At 10:00 o'clock
8 in the morning on the 10th. It's -- Sam
9 Sanchez, I think, this is your party, right?
20:19 10 That's -- It's going to be ATSTR, and then the
11 UT medical branch.

12 MR. SANCHEZ: It's going to be at
13 8:00 o'clock with the ATSTR. It's going to be
14 (inaudible).

20:19 15 I think, that the -- the item that
16 Annalisa Peace is talking about is the meeting
17 between the ATSTR and the community -- people
18 that did the Community Health Survey to try to
19 get together with their information and how
20:19 20 they can make that information better. But I
21 don't believe that that is open to the public.
22 I think it's just between those two
23 participants to try to --

24 MS. PEACE: Oh, I'm sorry. I was
20:19 25 misinformed then (inaudible) the community

20:19 1 forum at 10:00 in the morning.

2 MR. SANCHEZ: I think that was going
3 to be a working meeting between those two
4 parties.

20:19 5 MS. PEACE: Oh, okay.

6 MR. SANCHEZ: That's all I can say to
7 you about that.

8 BGEN. BARNIDGE: Okay. Other New
9 Business?

20:19 10 MR. QUINTANILLA: General, I have one
11 item unless you want to recognize somebody
12 else.

13 BGEN. BARNIDGE: Go ahead.

14 MR. QUINTANILLA: The Defense
20:20 15 Environmental Restoration Task Force with Barry
16 Winwood has some discussion papers on the
17 disestablishment of RABs. Could your staff see
18 if we could get a hold of those -- what is in
19 that -- in that paper?

20:20 20 BGEN. BARNIDGE: We will attempt to,
21 but I -- I have know -- I've never even heard
22 of it.

23 MR. QUINTANILLA: The reason I ask is
24 I have to go through the Freedom of Information
20:20 25 and all the bureaucracy, you go straight to

20:20 1 the -- to the people there.

2 BGEN. BARNIDGE: Write it down, give
3 me the name and whatever info, and -- because,
4 yeah, I guess, that's of interest to the RAB.

20:20 5 Okay. Other New Business? Yes, sir.

6 MR. JOHNSON: If I may, I'd like to
7 backtrack in relationship to what was brought
8 up in the meeting. What CEJA, the Committee
9 for Environmental Justice Action, has been
20:21 10 trying to do is actually work with ATSTR, the
11 City Health Department, and additional
12 epidemiologists to do -- or consider a case
13 study in the surrounding areas. With -- The
14 information that we've gathered show that we
20:21 15 have illnesses that exceed national averages.
16 We know or we feel that an event or series of
17 events may have happened. I have asked that we
18 get the Regulatory's endorsement to proceed
19 with this, and I will also ask that we can get
20:21 20 the RAB's endorsement to proceed with this. It
21 is RAB and it isn't RAB. It's not in the
22 technical portion but, I think, it's something
23 that the RAB, in relationship to the community,
24 can have some positive PR with it as well by
20:21 25 endorsing this type of study.

20:22 1 We've not yet -- We have not gotten to the
2 real nitty-gritty of the funding sources and
3 things of that nature. But again from CEJA it
4 is something we definitely would like to bring
20:22 5 to the RAB. We are trying to work with all the
6 different health agencies. We feel that there
7 is a signature, so to speak, of illness out
8 here, and we would like to take that a little
9 bit farther -- the next step farther in terms
20:22 10 of a case study.

11 BGEN. BARNIDGE: I will -- I will --

12 MR. JOHNSON: We're not asking the
13 RAB to fund it, do anything, we're just asking
14 for a recommendation from the RAB to be an
20:22 15 agency as well as also the regulatory agencies
16 to endorse it.

17 BGEN. BARNIDGE: Yeah. The RAB, as
18 sponsored by the U.S. Air Force, cannot endorse
19 any specific group or groups activities. And
20:22 20 yet, I will tell you that the U.S. Air Force is
21 absolutely, as espoused by Leroy Barnidge,
22 committed to getting to the bottom of the
23 answers that we need to get to. So -- so
24 the -- it is -- while you -- I'm not sure what
20:23 25 you wanted to do with an endorsement, per se.

20:23 1 We certainly support getting to the -- the
2 answers that we need, but -- but the Air Force
3 sponsored RAB cannot be listed as an endorser
4 of some -- some activity like that.

20:23 5 MR. JOHNSON: Well, I guess, what we
6 would really want is a formal "yes," we --
7 we -- we do support the effort, not necessarily
8 in terms of -- of trying to drive it, but just
9 as opposed to not having any answer or a formal
20:23 10 decline saying "no," we do not endorse it --

11 BGEN. BARNIDGE: How about --

12 MR. JOHNSON: -- or we do not support
13 this effort.

14 BGEN. BARNIDGE: How about just --

20:23 15 Well, since you don't want that, and since
16 you -- How about withdraw the question. And
17 the only reason I say that is because, again,
18 we -- the -- the Air Force sponsored RAB cannot
19 endorse a particular activity by anyone just
20:24 20 because we don't just simply -- for the same
21 reason we don't allow politicians to come on
22 the installation to run for election.

23 MR. ROBERSON: What if the RAB
24 endorsed -- I think I know where David's coming
20:24 25 from -- the general idea of -- of a

20:24 1 comprehensive health study --

2 BGEN. BARNIDGE: Absolutely.

3 MR. ROBERSON: -- program --

4 BGEN. BARNIDGE: I wish I had said

20:24 5 that.

6 MR. ROBERSON: -- without being CEJA

7 or --

8 BGEN. BARNIDGE: Absolutely.

9 MR. JOHNSON: I was just naming the

20:24 10 agencies who have already come together.

11 And -- And thank you very much for that. I was

12 looking for that.

13 BGEN. BARNIDGE: Yeah. Thank you

14 very much.

20:24 15 MR. ROBERSON: I think -- I think --

16 I -- I don't think anybody at the RAB would not

17 totally buy into the idea. We all need to

18 understand what's going on out there at North

19 Kelly Gardens and other places. I think all of

20:25 20 us really want to do that, and I think the idea

21 of endorsing the concept of a comprehensive

22 health study is something we can legitimately

23 do.

24 BGEN. BARNIDGE: It was the CEJA

20:25 25 activity, per se, that I don't think we --

20:25 1 MS. PEACE: Is that a motion?
2 MR. ROBERSON: Yes, that's a motion.
3 MR. PUFFER: I'll second that.
4 BGEN. BARNIDGE: All in favor?
5 (Vote taken be RAB members.)
6 MR. SANCHEZ: I just wanted to say
7 that this RAB Board did make the original
8 recommendation to the Air Force for a health
9 study to be done by ATSTR. So I think, this
20:25 10 motion is very much in keeping with that same
11 spirit to provide some kind of direction to the
12 Air Force to continue that kind of cooperation
13 with the community groups to arrive at some
14 answers.
20:25 15 MR. ROBERSON: You know, I think the
16 issue here is that we have a group of people
17 who really believe -- I mean, there are some
18 people that have illnesses and really believe
19 that this problem is related to Kelly. I
20:25 20 think, that it's a very -- I think, it's just
21 great that we've come out, you know, and
22 formally endorsed the idea. We need to
23 understand what's really going on here.
24 BGEN. BARNIDGE: Without regard to
20:26 25 any specific organization. Yeah. Wonderful.

20:26 1 MR. ROBERSON: Yeah.

2 MR. JACOBI: I can -- I would ask
3 that you keep me posted on the progress, and
4 I'll see what I can dig up in terms of support
20:26 5 for the Texas Department of Health.

6 MR. JOHNSON: We'd be really
7 interested actually, and we'll get -- I'll be
8 back and forth at the Las Palmas --

9 MS. PEACE: Y'all told me it was on
20:26 10 the 10th of --

11 MR. JOHNSON: February 10th. You can
12 mark it on your calendar, and possibly have a
13 representative come in. We'd be happy to take
14 in any health agency.

20:26 15 MS. PEACE: And I apologize to Sam
16 for getting -- I thought that y'all were
17 referring to the meeting you were having. I
18 didn't realize there was a separate one.

19 MR. QUINTANILLA: The ATSTR people
20:27 20 will attend the meeting February the 11th at
21 (inaudible).

22 MR. JOHNSON: Yesterday.

23 MR. ROBERSON: That's good.

24 MR. JOHNSON: One last thing. Part
20:27 25 of the nature of this was also to help

20:27 1 disseminate some of the information, as well as
2 trying to teach the medical community,
3 currently epidemiologists go and do basically
4 the work groundwork. And as Mr. Sanchez has
20:27 5 pointed out in the other meeting, right now
6 case studies are based on lead because the
7 symptomatologies are easier to follow.
8 Unfortunately, the data gap missing with these
9 particular medical repositories for that
20:27 10 information exclude by default, certain of the
11 symptoms that we may be considering with this
12 contamination. So we're also looking to
13 educate the medical community with this study
14 as well.

20:27 15 BGEN. BARNIDGE: Good. Okay. Any
16 other New Business?

17 MR. SANDOVAL: I have two questions,
18 quick ones, initially concerning the context of
19 initial survey for the Zone 4 area for Private
20:28 20 Monitoring Wells. I know we've a very
21 extensive and expensive effort to put
22 information out to the public, and I'm sure
23 we're going to get a report on that eventually,
24 but my question is: Are there any plans to
20:28 25 send out a second survey or was it just a

20:28 1 one-time shot to at least put in paper to try
2 to get any additional information, if we can?

3 BGEN. BARNIDGE: Do we have a current
4 answer for that or do we need to take it for
20:28 5 the record?

6 MR. BAILEY: Yes. We --

7 BGEN. BARNIDGE: The chair recognizes
8 Mr. Bailey.

9 MR. BAILEY: Larry Bailey. Yes, we
20:28 10 have a plan. We have a plan put together, we
11 are in the process of coordinating it with the
12 regulators to go back out in the community to
13 take additional samples out of the ground, and
14 that is we anticipate (inaudible) like we did
20:28 15 previously, probably, to do a few other things
16 too.

17 MR. SANDOVAL: And just the other
18 question. Carl Mixon and I were discussing
19 this on the way in. There is a group, CEJA,
20:29 20 outside denouncing or announcing "No Cover Up,
21 Clean Up" or vice versa. And I don't know if
22 there's a way that we can bring in that entity
23 to kind of sit down with us and discuss the
24 issues, because we'd really like to talk about
20:29 25 those issues. I mean, we'd like to really sit

20:29 1 down and listen to those folks, and not just
2 kind of walk away or walk around them. I don't
3 think that's appropriate.

4 MS. PEACE: Well, I'll tell you one
20:29 5 thing that -- I believe, the next CEJA meeting
6 is going to be at St. John's Berchelman's
7 Church at 7:00 o'clock on February the 12th,
8 that's a Thursday night, so if -- you have an
9 opportunity right there.

20:29 10 MR. ROBERSON: But --

11 MR. SANDOVAL: Can the installation
12 attend?

13 MR. ROBERSON: -- Damian raises a
14 good question. Maybe we ought to invite them
20:29 15 in and just have a --

16 MS. PEACE: You mean right now?

17 BGEN. BARNIDGE: No.

18 MR. ROBERSON: You know, I -- I felt
19 really bad just walking in this evening
20:30 20 because, I mean, we need to have a dialogue. I
21 mean, there's a lot going on, and I think,
22 there's something wrong here that we're not
23 talking with one another and doing --
24 behaving -- well, both behaving. I mean, we're
20:30 25 not talking, they're not talking.

20:30 1 MR. PERSON: They have an opportunity
2 to come to this meeting; it's a public meeting.

3 MR. QUINTANILLA: I come to the
4 meetings and report back to --

20:30 5 MS. PEACE: I tell you what -- I
6 think part of what set that off was the fact
7 that a different agenda was mailed out from the
8 original draft that was approved.

9 MR. ROBERSON: Really?

20:30 10 MS. PEACE: Yeah. Yeah. And that's
11 why I want to get those issues cleared up, so
12 there's not the perception that the community
13 is being ignored.

14 MR. SANDOVAL: Ms. Adames, you're
20:30 15 part of CEJA; is that correct?

16 MR. QUINTANILLA: I'm part of CEJA.

17 MS. ADAMES: Yes.

18 MR. SANDOVAL: Maybe if y'all bring
19 up those issues at a RAB meeting, just help us
20:30 20 get the --

21 BGEN. BARNIDGE: Well, I tell you
22 what, I kind of side with Mr. Roberson. The --
23 I think that we ought to invite them -- I mean,
24 you know, we'll pick the time and get it
20:31 25 organized and everything else, but I think that

20:31 1 there are groups that -- that feel like -- that
2 we feel like a dialogue would be useful to
3 create with. We ought to bring them in and we,
4 as the RAB -- Because this is a community deal,
20:31 5 I mean, this is not 21 people sitting around a
6 table, you know, and -- and invite them in.

7 I would say that -- that, at least, I
8 would have no problem with -- with organizing a
9 forum to sit down for them to present their
20:31 10 concerns to this body, and -- and I guess,
11 really, you know, that -- that Mr. Quintanilla
12 can take -- can collaborate with them to help
13 make that --

14 MR. QUINTANILLA: They don't want to
20:31 15 come in, sir, unless you can offer solutions.
16 They've had problems, and they want solutions
17 to their problems. They don't want lip service
18 or --

19 BGEN. BARNIDGE: Well, I -- I
20:31 20 understand --

21 MR. QUINTANILLA: -- a phony --

22 BGEN. BARNIDGE: I understand that.
23 And the -- I'm going to tell what I can tell
24 you, and I'm going to tell what I can't tell
20:32 25 you, you know, it's kind of that deal. The --

20:32 1 I think, that as Paul brought up, dialogue is a
2 very useful thing, and I'm very happy to talk
3 with anyone at any time. And I -- I understand
4 that we don't need lip service, we need action
20:32 5 and --

6 MR. QUINTANILLA: That's what they
7 want.

8 BGEN. BARNIDGE: -- I don't debate
9 that. Yes, ma'am. I'm sorry. I talked
20:32 10 through you.

11 MS. ADAMES: Yes. I apologize for
12 our behavior, sort of, but it's just for a long
13 time before I joined the RAB we were, I could
14 say, totally ignored. I would make comments or
20:32 15 ask for help, and they would say give me your
16 name and number --

17 BGEN. BARNIDGE: Oh, you're a member
18 of that group?

19 MS. ADAMES: Yes. I'd come to see --
20:32 20 and that's the reason why you see what's going
21 on. So the reason I joined the RAB was to see
22 what input or, you know, we could get out of
23 it, but sometimes it's very hard to -- speaking
24 when you know nobody's listening.

20:32 25 BGEN. BARNIDGE: Okay. Let me --

20:33 1 MS. ADAMES: We've kind of slacked
 2 off a little bit. We're getting very good
 3 at --

4 BGEN. BARNIDGE: -- suggest, unless
 20:33 5 Damian's got a -- in other words, dealing with
 6 next week's stuff, but let me suggest that you
 7 come back to the next RAB with a proposal of --
 8 of what you would -- what you would recommend
 9 in terms that would create a dialogue for us.

20:33 10 One meeting, come in, let's have a dialogue for
 11 20 minutes or pick the time, you know, --

12 MS. ADAMES: Where?

13 BGEN. BARNIDGE: -- and you list
 14 concerns, and we'll generate dialogue.

20:33 15 MS. ADAMES: We've had community
 16 meetings where some of the people were invited,
 17 and they never did show up. So they kind of
 18 make you feel like they're not interested in
 19 knowing, you know, what's happening.

20:33 20 MS. PEACE: One thing is, I think,
 21 just to be -- Well, General Barnidge has -- is
 22 a new co-Chair and --

23 MS. ADAMES: That's why I
 24 apologized. You know, we've been going through
 25 this --

20:33 1 MS. PEACE: -- at least, give him a
2 chance for y'all to --
3 MS. ADAMES: Yes, I believe that.
4 And for the last few months we've been getting
20:34 5 very good, you know, encouraging, you know,
6 like you can talk --
7 BGEN. BARNIDGE: That's the way it
8 should be. Positive notes. I'm -- Okay. If I
9 take this question in the audience that means
20:34 10 we're going to open it up to final community
11 comments, and then we're going to be done.
12 We're running a little --
13 MR. RICE: Excuse me. I think we
14 skipped over Old Business.
20:34 15 BGEN. BARNIDGE: Okay. What is it?
16 MS. PEACE: The RAB budget.
17 BGEN. BARNIDGE: Oh, did I miss the
18 RAB budget? The answer is -- The answer is,
19 there is a line item in the contract U.S. Air
20:34 20 Force has with SAIC, Incorporated that says --
21 and I can't tell you to the penny, so I'm going
22 to round it to the nearest hundred dollars --
23 \$8400 for RAB meeting support. That's the
24 answer. What that provides you is everything
20:34 25 you see, and -- and the -- the -- that budget

20:34 1 is too high given the current fiscal
2 environment. And I have a charter and
3 environmental management has a taxing right now
4 to go renegotiate that contract to reduce that,
20:35 5 because we -- we have short falls now that we
6 can't stand and -- and -- I mean, it's just
7 kind of that simple.

8 MR. RICE: Well, --

9 MR. MIXON: Can I ask -- Let me ask
20:35 10 this question: And -- And, you know, from the
11 start we've had a Court Reporter, and from the
12 start I've been impressed that we have a Court
13 Reporter, but I'm wondering why we have a Court
14 Reporter, because there is nothing in the RAB
20:35 15 rules or regulations or anything else that
16 requires a Court Reporter. We usually have
17 somebody take the minutes. And -- And that's a
18 big expense.

19 MS. PEACE: Well, that --

20:35 20 MR. MIXON: The other thing -- Wait.
21 I'm not finished. We used to have refreshments
22 and cookies when we came to this, and we don't
23 have any. I don't know where they're at.

24 (Laughter.)

20:35 25 BGEN. BARNIDGE: What happened,

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Guys?

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MR. MIXON: And y'all are going to

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cookies back.

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MS. PEACE: Can I just address the

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think we really do need a transcript.

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MR. MIXON: The question is: That

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good, and that's a very high, high ticket item,

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so that's --

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BGEN. BARNIDGE: Well, the -- my --

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My pledge to you and my statement to you is

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if -- We're reviewing the contract, and those

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things that we can bring in-house, because it

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is our responsibility, we -- We take on the

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responsibility to host or to sponsor these get

20:36 1 together, and those things that we can bring
2 in-house we're going to have to because we
3 necessarily have to. This fiscal year, and you
4 know we run on a fiscal environment, is much
20:37 5 more frugal than in the past.

6 MS. PEACE: Can I make a suggestion?
7 I would suggest that you take the -- the cost
8 of the transcriber and deduct it from the cost
9 that you pay SAIC for the minutes.

10 BGEN. BARNIDGE: Well, see, that's --
11 that's --

12 MS. PEACE: Can we do that?

13 BGEN. BARNIDGE: I -- Y'all can make
14 all your suggestions. We're going to get this
20:37 15 thing cheaper, and I'm going to figure out how
16 to do it, and that's the answer to the
17 question.

18 MR. SANDOVAL: Is that \$8400 monthly,
19 per RAB meeting?

20:37 20 BGEN. BARNIDGE: It's per RAB. Per
21 RAB. That -- That includes a lot of things,
22 which I don't have the entire list memorized,
23 but all for -- but for -- for practical
24 purposes everything you see right here
20:37 25 happening and that went into the creation of

20:37 1 this was part of that figure.

2 MR. SANDOVAL: One thing we can take
3 look at and suggest is a percentage of
4 advertising for what we're doing is cost
20:37 5 effective as it should --

6 BGEN. BARNIDGE: We're going to --
7 the -- I have been told, and you guys know
8 better than I do, guys and ladies, know better
9 than I do what has caused microphones and Court
20:38 10 Reporters and all these things to appear. I'm
11 not going reengage in all that. I've got to
12 make it cheaper. I'm going find a way to do
13 it.

14 MS. PEACE: I bet you can too, but
20:38 15 you've got some people with expertise here that
16 might be able to help you, if you want.

17 BGEN. BARNIDGE: I understand what
18 exists, but I -- I'm just -- That's my job, and
19 I'm going to do it.

20:38 20 MS. PEACE: Good.

21 MR. QUINTANILLA: General, --

22 MR. RICE: Excuse me.

23 BGEN. BARNIDGE: You guys are
24 fighting so --

25 MR. QUINTANILLA: Well, we're not

1 fighting.

2 BGEN. BARNIDGE: Go ahead.

3 MR. QUINTANILLA: My question is, is
4 you've got \$8400 per quarter for the RAB
20:38 5 budget, how much do you have for training of
6 the RAB members? That's very important. We
7 haven't been doing this. There should be a
8 line item for that. If you want a good
9 effective RAB you should have a good effective
20:38 10 training.

11 BGEN. BARNIDGE: I don't disagree
12 with that. Let -- Let me look at that.

13 MR. SANDOVAL: We did have some good
14 health risk assessment training at the TRS
20:39 15 meeting, and we did have a couple of
16 individuals from both the EPA and contractors
17 come out and actually give us a refresher
18 course on risk assessment. So in support of
19 what's happened so far we have at least had
20:39 20 that in TRS.

21 MR. QUINTANILLA: We have had the
22 people after we've come in, we don't have
23 (inaudible) although, some bases -- there's
24 some bases that have some people come after
20:39 25 they come in.

20:39 1 BGEN. BARNIDGE: Let -- Let me just
2 look at training.

3 MR. QUINTANILLA: That's a good idea.

4 BGEN. BARNIDGE: I think, that's --
20:39 5 That's not a bad idea at all.

6 MS. PEACE: When I first joined the
7 RAB there was a training on risk assessment
8 that Kelly had for us that I found very
9 useful. Since there's several new members it
20:39 10 might be something that we could do.

11 BGEN. BARNIDGE: Yeah. I would -- I
12 would bring that one back here and let's
13 strategize and see what we can do. Yes, sir?

14 MR. RICE: Yeah. Thank you for that
20:39 15 piece of information. There's a whole lot more
16 information I'd like to see about the budget,
17 but I think, that we can try to take care of
18 that in an Administrative Committee meeting
19 like we talked about.

20:40 20 BGEN. BARNIDGE: Well, I'll tell you
21 what, sir, there ain't no more information
22 you're going to get, that's the end of it,
23 \$8400 was a single line item, Line Item Number
24 2, on a whole list of things on the contract.

20:40 25 MR. RICE: And that's -- There is no

20:40 1 other money spent on the RAB, at all, other
2 than that?

3 BGEN. BARNIDGE: Sorry?

4 MR. RICE: There is no other money
20:40 5 spent on the RAB other than that.

6 BGEN. BARNIDGE: There is -- there
7 is -- depending on situations that -- that get
8 beyond -- I don't even have the list of things
9 that \$8400 includes committed to memory, but if
20:40 10 you get outside that bounds, that laundry list,
11 then, yeah, there's other money for it.

12 I think that the -- the point really
13 doesn't matter, because I've got to reduce it
14 anyhow, and -- and, quite frankly, it's an Air
20:40 15 Force contract to -- to help host this thing,
16 so -- so whether it's \$8400 or \$6400 doesn't
17 really matter.

18 MR. RICE: I think that my point was
19 a little bit broader, because what I was hoping
20:41 20 we could talk about in this Administrative
21 Committee meeting are items, like how much
22 money has been spent on the RAB to date, what
23 are the sources of that funding, and what are
24 sort of the broad categories for which that
20:41 25 money is spent? That's the source --

20:41 1 BGEN. BARNIDGE: Yes, sir. If I can
2 ask you, toward what end -- This is my
3 close-out comment on this. What -- Towards
4 what end do you need to know all that what
20:41 5 for?

6 MR. RICE: Well, I guess, there's any
7 number of reasons. One is that I'm a taxpayer
8 and I'd like to know how much money is being
9 spent on this. But also, I'm a member of the
20:41 10 RAB, and money is being spent in the name of
11 RAB, and as a RAB member I have no idea whether
12 we're talking \$50,000 a year or \$500,000 a year
13 for RAB.

14 BGEN. BARNIDGE: I just told you,
20:41 15 \$8400 per meeting, and I'm going to reduce that
16 number.

17 MR. RICE: And that's all the money
18 that is spent on RAB?

19 BGEN. BARNIDGE: That is the -- I'm
20:41 20 not going to say that, because over the past if
21 things exceeded that list then -- then extra
22 moneys went for it. What I'm telling you is,
23 that from -- from today there's a Line Item
24 Number 2, it says, \$8400, RAB meeting support,
20:42 25 and I've got to reduce that number. And what

20:42 1 that number is going to be is the best I -- the
2 lowest I can get it, and that's -- that's the
3 end of it. I mean, I have nothing else I can
4 say.

20:42 5 MR. RICE: Well, I -- I hope we can
6 broaden it a little bit in the next meeting of
7 the Administrative Committee.

8 MR. QUINTANILLA: I would like to ask
9 this question. It's not a question, it's just
20:42 10 a comment -- comment. If you compare it with
11 the other DOD agencies they also have line
12 items -- they also have some training so much
13 for RAB that can travel to other RAB members.
14 It's not a travel (inaudible) it's only about
20:42 15 \$1,000 off of that training is so much, but I
16 think you could also look at what other DOD
17 line items are in other states.

18 BGEN. BARNIDGE: Well, I've
19 participated in only three, I admit. I've
20:42 20 never seen RAB members travel, but besides that
21 I'm for expanding the training, I think it's a
22 wonderful idea. We'll see what the doable is,
23 but I've been charged right now, because of my
24 professional job, not my RAB job, to reduce
20:43 25 that budget, and I've got to do that. So -- I

20:43 1 mean, I will let you know the outcome of that.
2 I mean, I don't have any secrets in this deal,
3 and I'll let you know the outcome of that.
4 It's just that easy.

20:43 5 MR. QUINTANILLA: The reason for
6 bringing this up is I went to a RAB conference
7 in Phoenix, Arizona, where the Defense
8 Environmental Restoration Task Force is
9 meeting, and there were some people in that
20:43 10 task force that had been funded for traveling
11 plus, you know, quotas, and all that sort of
12 thing, who attended that RAB conference
13 relaying that information too. You know, I
14 don't want to be -- you know, how come we're
20:43 15 paying for them and not for us, that's what it
16 is. If DOD allows it for others, it should
17 allow it for Kelly Air Force Base.

18 MS. PEACE: Mr. Quintanilla, would
19 you be prepared to give a report on that
20:43 20 conference that you went to at the next
21 meeting?

22 MR. QUINTANILLA: I can give one,
23 yes.

24 BGEN. BARNIDGE: A short report,
20:43 25 sure.

20:44 1 MR. QUINTANILLA: Five minutes, no
2 longer.

3 BGEN. BARNIDGE: Okay. That's on the
4 agenda for next time. Okay. Oh, Annalisa's
20:44 5 got more. All right. That's it. Community --
6 Community comments?

7 MR. RICE: I had another item of Old
8 Business.

9 BGEN. BARNIDGE: Hurry up.

20:44 10 MR. RICE: It was what I had
11 mentioned during the beginning on the minutes
12 that I was asked to defer to later, and I
13 figured that Old Business would be the best
14 place to put it.

20:44 15 BGEN. BARNIDGE: What's that?

16 MR. RICE: In the minutes of
17 September 9th, Page 8, Item 3A, the last
18 sentence of that paragraph referring to Camille
19 says, she asked the Air Force to go on record
20:44 20 with their position. So my question is: Has
21 the Air Force gone on record with their
22 position?

23 MS. PEACE: Okay. That's referring
24 to -- under item -- Does that refer to Item 2?

20:45 25 MR. RICE: Yes. That also refers to

20:45 1 items -- That refers to Item 2, that's correct.

2 MS. PEACE: Okay.

3 MS. HUENI: I would just like to make
4 a comment on that, since -- since it is my
20:45 5 statement -- a clarification. The comment that

6 I made was really to clarify a -- a statement
7 that George had made in the presentation that
8 the Air Force was only responsible -- or was
9 saying they were only responsible for

20:45 10 contamination at 300 feet from the base
11 boundary. And the point I wanted to make
12 was -- was I -- it was my impression there was
13 a different source other than the Air Force who
14 had made that comment. And I would like to

20:45 15 make the statement that really in all the
16 reports, in all the negotiations, in all the
17 news we've had with the Air Force we have never
18 heard that statement, and it would be very
19 counter to the progress that is ongoing now at
20:46 20 the base. So I just wanted to frame that
21 comment.

22 BGEN. BARNIDGE: So you were
23 responding to him; is that what you said?

24 MS. HUENI: He was raising a comment
20:46 25 regarding my comment in the minutes. So I just

20:46 1 wanted to clarify that the question I had asked
2 was very specific, not a broad question, and it
3 was regarding the 300-foot comment.

4 MR. RICE: So my I guess, my question
20:46 5 is couple -- maybe these notes don't -- don't
6 accurately reflect what you asked, but the
7 notes say that Camille asked the Air Force to
8 go on record with their position regarding
9 Item 2 above. And my question is: Has the Air
20:46 10 Force gone on position with -- gone on record
11 with regard to that?

12 BGEN. BARNIDGE: Are the minutes
13 wrong, ma'am?

14 MS. HUENI: I'm not sure that they're
20:47 15 really complete, because Number 3 --

16 BGEN. BARNIDGE: 3A?

17 MS. HUENI: Yeah. 3A really is in
18 reference to the preceding comment, so -- and I
19 was asking for clarification as to whether or
20:47 20 not the Air Force had made that statement,
21 which -- which when I heard it, and it was -- I
22 was -- I was very surprised, so -- so --

23 BGEN. BARNIDGE: Do we know -- Let me
24 ask the EM staff. Do we know the answer to the
20:47 25 question? Do y'all?

20:47 1 MR. BAILEY: The answer to the
2 question is -- and I'll pass off to our legal
3 staff in just one minute is: That there is
4 currently an ongoing lawsuit. The Department
20:47 5 of Justice is representing the United States
6 Air Force, and they have witnesses that might
7 make statements. But this is part of a
8 lawsuit, this is not part of us in pertaining
9 to this particular area, so what Mr. Rice is
20:48 10 introducing is court information, which we have
11 said the United States Air Force will not
12 debate this lawsuit in a RAB session.

13 MS. BROWN: Yes. I'm Lesley Brown
14 with the Kelly Environmental Legal Office. And
20:48 15 I believe what Mr. Rice is referring to is
16 directly related to the federal lawsuit that
17 Mr. Quintanilla has filed, and because it is a
18 direct issue in the case the Air Force cannot
19 comment on it.

20:48 20 MR. RICE: So that answers my
21 question: You have not gone on record with a
22 position?

23 BGEN. BARNIDGE: I think so. I don't
24 know.

20:48 25 MS. PEACE: I think that this --

20:48 1 BGEN. BARNIDGE: I think, the Air
2 Force just said "No Comment" is what the Air
3 Force just said. Okay. Any other New
4 Business?

20:48 5 All right. Community. Any other comments
6 out of the community? Okay. Where are we at?
7 Date and time of next RAB meeting. Damian,
8 since -- since we've now let the cat out of the
9 bag on you I'll look at - at least my schedule
20:49 10 and the 29th of April works for me.

11 MR. QUINTANILLA: Wow, that's a long
12 time off.

13 BGEN. BARNIDGE: It's quarterly,
14 right?

20:49 15 MS. PEACE: Well, it's been asked to
16 have them every two months.

17 BGEN. BARNIDGE: Okay. Can we do
18 this one then, and during that time then
19 we'll -- we'll get together and -- because you
20:49 20 and I need to get together anyhow and -- and --
21 but can we set this as the date? Because right
22 now the month of March I'm not even here.

23 MR. SANDOVAL: 26th? Is the 26th
24 Fiesta? I was mentioning Fiesta. The 29th of
20:49 25 April.

20:49 1 MR. QUINTANILLA: That's too far.
2 BGEN. BARNIDGE: That's three
3 months. That's quarterly, the end of March.
4 MR. RICE: Yeah. I think that some
20:50 5 people are hoping that we can have meetings
6 much more frequently than quarterly.
7 MS. PEACE: I think that's something
8 we'll have to take up in Administrative when we
9 set those days.
20:50 10 BGEN. BARNIDGE: Yeah. If that's an
11 agenda item for future discussions, that's fine
12 with me, but --
13 MR. RICE: May I make a comment?
14 MS. PEACE: What is here?
20:50 15 BGEN. BARNIDGE: -- next -- The 29th
16 of April; is that all right with you, Damian?
17 MR. SANDOVAL: I think that's a
18 little bit too far out. Name a date --
19 BGEN. BARNIDGE: Not March. We can't
20:50 20 do it. I'm not here.
21 MR. PUFFER: Not before the 7th, 8th
22 or 9th of April.
23 MS. PEACE: We have a subcommittee
24 meeting.
20:50 25 BGEN. BARNIDGE: When is your -- When

20:50 1 is your TRS meeting? You've got to have that
2 before the RAB.

3 MR. SANDOVAL: Oh, we'll definitely
4 have at least one before that.

20:50 5 MS. PEACE: Oh, yeah, they will. The
6 24th of March. You're April -- on the 21st,
7 and we had --

8 BGEN. BARNIDGE: Can we continue,
9 because I don't have my -- I didn't bring my
20:51 10 schedule?

11 MR. SANDOVAL: We can talk about it.

12 BGEN. BARNIDGE: Can we just announce
13 it, and it'll be in April now, I'm not going to
14 fuss with that. And we'll pick a Wednesday in
20:51 15 April, is that --

16 MR. QUINTANILLA: The first Wednesday
17 in April.

18 BGEN. BARNIDGE: Well, I don't know
19 what my schedule says, but I will communicate
20:51 20 with Damian, and it will be published a date in
21 April -- a Wednesday in April.

22 MS. PEACE: Okay.

23 BGEN. BARNIDGE: And then New Agenda
24 items. Let's roll.

20:51 25 MS. PEACE: Okay. I have three. One

20:51 1 of them is the -- the Technical Review
2 Subcommittee report, Item Number 1, that we had
3 said, and then this is kind of embarrassing,
4 but in the Administrative Committee meeting
20:51 5 there was an item that we had left off our
6 recommendations when I was going through the
7 minutes.

8 It was Item Number 2, when we had a
9 committee meeting, nobody could remember what
20:51 10 that was. We needed to have a vote on that in
11 the next meeting and find out what that is.

12 Also, we have -- We also Administrative
13 Committee about scheduling the meetings. So
14 the schedule of -- of the RAB meetings, we're
20:52 15 going to try to come up with a six-month
16 schedule so that we won't have to be doing this
17 every meeting, and then Mr. Quintanilla's
18 report on -- on the restoration in Phoenix.

19 MR. POSNICK: We got the report on
20:52 20 the (inaudible) discussing some of the
21 highlights of the forum.

22 MS. PEACE: Oh, that's a good one.

23 MR. MCGEE: Could you repeat that for
24 the Court Reporter.

20:52 25 MR. POSNICK: Alan Posnick, TNRCC, I

20:52 1 suggested that we be reviewing some of the
2 highlights of the community forums. There will
3 be one in February, and one in March, so it
4 sounds like we'll have two.

20:52 5 BGEN. BARNIDGE: Okay.

6 MR. QUINTANILLA: A report on the
7 disestablishment of -- of the RAB.

8 BGEN. BARNIDGE: Yeah. I owe you
9 that one. Okay. Very good. Anything else?

20:53 10 Let's go down the side here? Folks up this
11 side?

12 MR. SANDOVAL: The report for
13 getting -- Sam, from the Health Department on
14 the results of the survey.

20:53 15 MR. SANCHEZ: Yeah.

16 MR. SANDOVAL: And then also the
17 follow up on the distribution of additional
18 information out to the public.

19 BGEN. BARNIDGE: You lost me with
20 that one. Is that -- I didn't hear half of it.

21 MR. BAILEY: Yeah. All right.

22 BGEN. BARNIDGE: Okay. Good. Sir,
23 anything else? David? Okay.

24 MR. PERSON: I make a motion to
20:53 25 adjourn.

20:53 1 BGEN. BARNIDGE: Okay. Let me tell
2 y'all, number one, a disappointment to me in
3 the past RABs is the number of people that are
4 sitting in the wings. I hope that you will
20:53 5 invite your friends. This is -- This is a --
6 for the community. It's not for us to sit here
7 and talk to each other; it's for the
8 community.

9 And I'd love to have -- to organize a
20:54 10 session with your group, and you're going to
11 come back, that's an agenda item, and tell us
12 what your proposal would be.

13 But these are good. And all we've got to
14 do is just keep talking, and I guarantee you
20:54 15 we'll take on any -- any mountain that's in
16 front of us here, and then we'll just deal with
17 the cards as we've got them. But this is a
18 good forum, Gang, and all we've got to do is
19 just keep pressing with it. So thank you for
20:54 20 your time, and have a good life. The meeting's
21 over.

22 (Applause and meeting adjourned.)

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