

Subject: Re: SEAB Web Site

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Ms. McCann -

I'm following up to this response from Mr. Burrow earlier this week. I have spoken with staff of the Idaho Department of Environmental Quality (IDEQ) regarding the Panel on Emerging Alternative Technologies for the Treatment of Mixed Waste. IDEQ's concern is that the Panel not be led to believe that high VOC concentrations in INEEL mixed waste is only a transportation issue. The WIPP hazardous waste facility permit establishes conditions limiting the average measured concentration of VOCs in the headspace gas of all containers in any single room within an underground disposal panel (see Module IV, Permit Condition IV.D, available online from the NMED WIPP web site at <http://www.nmenv.state.nm.us/wipp/#online_files>). Note that there are no permit conditions limiting the VOC headspace gas concentrations on an individual container basis. While this room-average limitation may be viewed by some as strictly a load management concern for the WIPP facility, I believe it deserves consideration by the Panel in weighing the alternative technologies for treating waste at INEEL prior to disposal at WIPP.

I would be happy to discuss this further with you or any members of the Panel. I may be reached by phone in Santa Fe at (505) 827-1560, x1013. My schedule next week (August 28) is open on Monday and Friday, as I will be out of the office from Tuesday noon through Thursday evening attending public meetings in Carlsbad and Santa Fe regarding proposed modifications to the WIPP permit. Let me know if I can be of further assistance to you or the Panel.

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"Burrow, Richard" wrote:

> Mr. Zappe,

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> As soon as my Staff Director for the Panel returns from the open meetings in Idaho Falls, Idaho and Jackson, Wyoming, we will "fix" our web site and add the missing information. Ms. Francesca McCann is Staff Director for this Panel and will contact you separately upon her return and provide you with the relevant information you seek on the Panel.

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> I've included her e-mail address in the header above. In addition, Ms. McCann may be reached through our main office number 202 586-7092.

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> Sincerely,

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> Richard Burrow

> Deputy Director

> Secretary of Energy Advisory Board

