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Sent: Wednesday, November 12, 2014 8:45 AM
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Subject: FW: USE THIS VERSION, I forgot something ... RE: WIPP Information - For Call Today

NMED notes from the 1300 WIPP call on Tuesday, November 4, 2014, are in blue below.
Thank you Susan LK for your help on this.

From: Russ Patterson [<mailto:russ.patterson@cbfo.doe.gov>]
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Subject: RE: WIPP Information - For Call Today

ALL: NOTE NEW NUMBER

The new call in number is: 1-866-757-5307
Participant Code: 5794706

Happy November 4, 2014:

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Below is a summary of activities for today's call. (Please note that activities and dates are subject to change. Please verify the most current dates of any information provided.)

- 1300 Call continuation

Russ suggested that the 1300 call be discontinued. All the information in the call is operational. In some ways the call is a duplicate of the 1500 WIPP Nitrate Salt Bearing Waste Container Isolation Plan Implementation Update. Any information can always be requested from DOE/CBFO through Russ.

EPA requested a copy of the full detailed 400-page recovery plan. Without the full recovery plan, EPA is unwilling to stop the 1300 calls. EPA also requested that they receive meaningful recovery information.

- Nick Stone, EPA, requested if he could sit in on the 1500 NMED/WIPP conference call.
- Underground entries for this week are underway.
- Work is continuing to progress to initiate roof bolting. Maintenance on required support equipment is nearing completion. PMs on the forklift and lube truck have been completed. This equipment is operational. The bolting machine has been cleaned and the fire protection engineer cleanliness inspection performed. Preventive maintenance on the bolting machine is in progress. Bolting machine operational as of 13:30 on Tuesday, November 3.
- Inspections and PMs on the Waist Hoist are underway. The Waste Hoist will be brought into service first for conveyance of equipment. It has been used for equipment conveyance. Once all inspections and PMs are complete it will be brought into full service. The Waste Shaft sump at the bottom of the shaft is the lowest point of the mine and therefore collects water from areas of the mine such as the Exhaust Shaft. Accumulated water is being removed to uncover the Waste Hoist counter weights which are attached to the hoisting ropes. Once this activity is complete then final inspections can be performed.
- Electrical distribution panels were cleaned and power restored for lights and some receptacles in the north maintenance shop. Power is now back to Underground Services Offices at S-550 and to the Conex at the Salt Shaft Station.
- Radiological contamination assessments of the underground are ongoing (see map). Most of the mine has been radiologically characterized and more than 60% of the mine has been rolled back to a radiological buffer area or a controlled area requiring no radiological personnel protective equipment (PPE) for entry. Eyewash stations, fire extinguishers and other safety systems are being checked, refurbished/replaced if needed and put back into service in accessible areas. Several fire extinguishers in the underground have been inspected and/or replaced.
- The REACH equipment at the WIPP facility awaiting relocation to the underground. It is currently being staged for transport to the underground. The first installment of REACH equipment was delivered to the underground on Saturday. Following assembly, additional items of REACH will be delivered to the underground. Final Underground emplacement of the system is expected to occur in late November, with photography planned to start in December.

- Questions/Action items.
 - WIPP drafting a document of training necessary for NMED and EPA staff to perform annual inspections.

 - WIPP air data from 860A fan swap out
Station B, detectable alpha at 72dpm (approx. 0.08 DAC)
Low volumes, detection above background at the Salt Shaft alpha 8.24×10^{-2} dpm
For comparison, the ambient detection at the salt shaft is <0.2% of the Feb 14 release

 - EPA requested a LANL representative be on the November 18 call to discuss the LANL cause analysis.

 - Is the AIB report dependent upon the REACH photos and LANL cause analysis?
Russell Hardy (CEMRC) responded that, based on the Mayor's Nuclear Task Force meeting this week, the AIB report is expected in late November / early December. The report will be amended after the REACH project and photos are complete.

The next Town Hall Meeting is scheduled for November 6th.

If you have any questions for this week's call please contact me or George Basabilvazo,

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