

Rocky Flats Citizens Advisory Board Recommendation 98-8

to the U.S. Department of Energy

Regarding CAB's Role in Development of an Environmental Monitoring Data and Information Sharing System

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Dear Jessie:

At last evening's meeting, the Rocky Flats Citizens Advisory Board discussed how it would like to be involved in the development of improved communications for environmental monitoring data and information. This discussion parallels the Board's earlier recommendation 98-2, Recommendation to Develop Process for Improving Communication of Environmental Monitoring Information and Data at Rocky Flats. In a presentation to the Board last month, a DOE representative stated that the site has implemented a Data Presentation Working Subgroup as part of the Integrated Monitoring Plan Working Group. RFCAB believes the formation of such a subgroup to be a positive development and would like to recommend the following path forward for our participation with that group.

1. RFCAB will send representatives to participate in the discussions of the Data Presentation Working Subgroup. RFCAB understands that the IMP Working Group is willing to hold meetings of the subgroup in the evenings to allow greater participation by members of the community whose daytime commitments do not allow for normal working hour participation. RFCAB encourages the site to follow through with the proposed schedule for these meetings to allow greater participation with the subgroup. We ask that you notify us as soon as possible when a schedule for these meetings is known.
2. Periodically during the development of the improved data and information sharing system, RFCAB requests to receive updates from the Department at our monthly Board meetings.

3. RFCAB requests that, just before a final system is put in place, RFCAB and other members of the community be allowed to "pilot" the new system to test it for ease of use, completeness and comprehensibility.

In closing, we wish to thank the site for its work in developing this new data and information system and look forward to participating as it is brought on line.

Sincerely,

Tom Marshall
Chair

cc:

Bob Nininger, Kaiser-Hill
Russ McCallister, DOE-RFFO

The Rocky Flats Citizens Advisory Board is a community advisory group that reviews and provides recommendations on cleanup plans for Rocky Flats, a former nuclear weapons plant outside of Denver, Colorado.

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