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MEMORANDUM FOR MEMBERS, BERNALILLO COUNTY/KIRTLAND AIR
FORCE BASE ENVIRONMENTAL WORKING GROUP

FROM: 377 ABW/EMR
2000 Wyoming Blvd SE
Kirtland AFB, NM 87117-5659

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SUBJECT: Minutes of the Bernalillo County/Kirtland Air Force Base (AFB)
Environmental Working Group (EWG)

1. PLACE: Wyndham/Best Western Albuquerque Hotel, 2910 Yale SE, Albuquerque

2. TIME/DATE: 1830, 20 February 1997

3. CHAIRPERSON: John Rogers, NMED/GWQB

4. ATTENDANCE: See Attachment 1

5. INTRODUCTION: Mr. Rogers called the meeting to order and asked attendees to introduce themselves. Prior to continuing on with the agenda, Mr. Rogers introduced Mr. Chris DeWitt, 377 ABW/EMR, who asked to present a motion to the group.

6. PROPOSITION REGARDING EWG: Mr. DeWitt began by asking the attendees how many public stakeholders were actually in attendance, excluding contractors or regulators. Two adults and one child were present as private citizens. Mr. DeWitt then made the proposition to the group that the EWG be canceled for that night and in the future combined with the DOE Citizens' Advisory Board (CAB) as a single meeting. Mr. DeWitt pointed out that Sandia National Laboratories and Kirtland AFB share lands, often share environmental efforts, and thus share agendas and stakeholders for public meetings. Since the EWG has had little public involvement for more than a year, Mr. DeWitt proposed that both the DOE and the DoD would receive stronger input from a single public meeting and minimize the amount of taxpayer funding for meetings of this type. Public meetings are held to solicit true stakeholder participation in the activities of Kirtland AFB, and as long as the DOE and DoD are holding two separate meetings, public response is diffused and taxpayer funds are not most efficiently spent. Mr. John Gould, from the DOE, voiced his agreement with Mr. DeWitt. Mr. DeWitt's motion, to temporarily suspend holding separate EWG and CAB meetings and work to create one public meeting program under two funding mechanisms with the DOE, was approved by the group. As it now

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stands, both agencies are setting most of the meeting agendas, not the stakeholders. Both agencies are expending funds for meeting placements, advertisements, newsletters, etc. Mr. DeWitt stated that members of the CAB could sign the EWG Charter and become members of the EWG as well.

7. NOTIFICATION OF FUTURE MEETING STATUS: Chris DeWitt will contact members of the CAB regarding the combination of efforts for public meetings. The progress of this effort will be distributed by mail notification as details become available.

CHRISTOPHER B. DeWITT, R.P.G.
Chief, Restoration Branch
Environmental Management Division

Attachments:

1. Attendance List

TRACK: KAFB 2/27/97, 3/6/97, Public, KAFB, RE: HSWA

ATTENDANCE LIST

BERNALILLO COUNTY/KIRTLAND AIR FORCE BASE
ENVIRONMENTAL WORKING GROUP MEETING,
LOMA LINDA COMMUNITY CENTER, ALBUQUERQUE, NEW MEXICO
20 February 1997

<u>NAME</u>	<u>ORGANIZATION</u>
George Allen	Sandia National Laboratories
Richard Catanach	377 AMDS/SGPB
Harry Davidson	377 ABW/EMR
Chris DeWitt	377 ABW/EMR
Lila Edwards	377 ABW/PA
Lt Col Jim Fraser	377 ABW/EM
John Gould	DOE
Shawn Gould	Public Stakeholder
Amy Halloran	CH2M HILL
Mark Holmes	377 ABW/EMR
Devon Jercinovic	International Technology Corp.
Jeff Johnston	Brown and Root Environmental
Arif M. Khan	EEIC
Mushtaq Khan	Self
William McDonald	NMED DOE OB
Walt Migdal	Jacobs Engineering
Sharon Minchak	CH2M Hill
Williams P. Moats	NMED DOE OB
María Montalvo	International Technology Corp.
Ann Newsted	TEMA
John Rogers	NMED/GWQB
Steve Rowe	U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
Victor Tesillo	NM Laborers Training Fund
William Uncapher	Geo-Centers Inc.
Cay Webb	CH2M Hill
Steve Weber	Foster Wheeler Environmental Corp.
Ruby Williams	Environmental Protection Agency/Dallas