

**MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE
ROCKY MOUNTAIN LOW-LEVEL RADIOACTIVE WASTE BOARD**

Denver Airport Marriot at Gateway Park
16455 E. 40th Circle
Aurora, Colorado 80011

June 8, 2005

ATTENDANTS

Board Members:

Larry Boschult, Nevada, Chair
Ron Curry, New Mexico
Howard Roitman, Colorado

Barbara Green, Legal Counsel
Leonard Slosky, Executive Director
Vicki Green, Recording Secretary

ANNUAL MEETING

The Annual Meeting was convened at 11:25 a.m. upon the recess of the Regular Meeting.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Mr. Curry moved to extend the term of Mr. Boschult as Chair through fiscal year (FY) 2005-2006. Mr. Boschult moved to extend the term of Mr. Curry as Vice Chair/Secretary/Treasurer through FY 2005-2006. Mr. Roitman seconded and both of the motions passed unanimously.

CONSIDERATION OF FISCAL YEAR 2005-2006 PROPOSED BOARD BUDGET

Mr. Slosky referred the Board to Tab B, the FY 2005-2006 Proposed Budget. He explained that a number of categories have been proposed to be increased to cover the additional resources needed to oversee the Regional Facility. He also explained if the Board expends less than the budgeted amount, the money remains in the Board's accounts.

Operating Expenses were proposed to increase by \$4,000 over current \$16,700.

Rent is proposed to remain the same. The Board's lease is due within the next few months and Mr. Slosky expects a reduction in rent.

Legal services were proposed to remain the same, however, he noted that with LES, the task force concerning naturally occurring radioactive material (NORM)/technologically enhanced naturally occurring radioactive material (TENORM), and the situation with the U.S. Air Force, he may need to come to the Board for additional funds for this budget category.

Contract Services was proposed to increase by \$3,600 as the Board is increasingly using the web page to disseminate information. In addition, Mr. Slosky proposed to buy two hours per week of services from Slosky & Company, Inc.'s receptionist in order to assist staff. There was some discussion with regard to the web site.

Furniture, Equipment, and Computer (FEC) were proposed to remain the same with the balance of this year's FEC to be carried forward into next year. Mr. Slosky noted that he was anticipating a new fax machine, and computer, as well as a scanner. He explained that the Board had a practice of carrying over the unexpended balance (in this case \$4,092) of the current FY to the new FY.

Travel is proposed to remain the same.

The Audit/Accounting category has been proposed to increase, due to increased reviews associated with the Regional Facility. The audit will cost \$7,500, the monthly reviews \$2,100 and \$1,000 as an additional cushion due to the compact surcharge receipts and accounting questions that may arise.

With regard to Salaries, Mr. Slosky checked the most recent twelve months (March 2004 through April 2005) Consumer Price Index (CPI) available. The CPI increased approximately 3%. Mr. Slosky proposed that the Board provide a 3% cost of living increase, plus a 2% merit increase to the staff. In addition, he proposes to increase Vicki from 20 hours per week to 32 hours per week. He is also recommending a \$2,000 bonus for Vicki as partial compensation for the additional hours she has worked over the past year to keep up with the workload. He noted that the Board has never given a bonus in the 20 year history of the Board.

Taxes were proposed to increase, based on the increase in salaries, to \$2,175.

Insurance was proposed to increase \$100 to reflect a potential increase within the industry. The final two items, the Forum Membership Fee and the Contingency, were proposed to remain the same. The proposed budget, not including the contingency, totaled \$256,474.

There was some discussion regarding how salaries and overall budgets compare with other Compacts.

The Board then discussed the issue of NORM/TENORM, and convening a working group with

the three states. Among some of the discussion was the explanation that the primary reason the Board took an expansive view of its authority to regulate NORM/TENORM was to preserve the exclusionary authority, thus preventing the states from becoming dumping grounds for the nation's waste. The Board has taken this view from its inception. Mr. Roitman proposed preparing a white paper on the problem that Colorado generators are facing with respect to the disposal of NORM/TENORM. Mr. Slosky requested that Board budget \$20,000 for a technical support contractor to assist in analysis, etc regarding the working group.

After some discussion, it was decided that Mr. Roitman develop a white paper and distribute it to the Board and staff. Mr. Curry made a motion to add \$40,000 to contract services to provide for the services of a technical support contract regarding NORM/TENORM. Mr. Boschult seconded; the motion carried unanimously.

There was then discussion regarding Colorado's permitting process of the Clean Harbors facility.

Mr. Boschult asked if there were any further questions. As there were none, Mr. Curry made a motion to approve the budget as amended. Mr. Boschult seconded; the motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Boschult asked for a motion to adjourn. Mr. Curry moved to adjourn the Annual Meeting. Mr. Roitman seconded the motion; the motion carried unanimously.

The Annual Meeting adjourned at 12:54 p.m.