

**FINAL  
Meeting Minutes**

<p><b>Meeting Subject:</b> Norwalk Tank Farm Restoration Advisory Board (RAB) Regular Meeting</p>	<p><b>Meeting Date:</b> <u>25 April 1996</u> <b>Meeting Time:</b> 6:30 p.m. <b>Meeting Place:</b> City of Norwalk Social Services Center</p>
<b>RAB, PROJECT TEAM, AND OTHER ATTENDEES</b>	
<p><b><u>RAB Community Members</u></b> D. Caughey B. Hoskins (Alt. for D. Fogle) E. Garcia M. McIntosh W. Miller L. Smith W. Sterner M. Young</p> <p><b><u>Other Attendees</u></b> T. Danaher (SFPP) H. Dogrul (DFSC) N. Irish (GTI) B. Middleton (DFSC) C. Tice (WCFS) J. Trani (DFR-W) T. Whyte (WCFS)</p> <p><b><u>Absentees</u></b> Lt. Col. Gross (DFR-W)</p>	<p><b><u>Other Members</u></b> J. Anderson (City of Norwalk) P. Avery (SFPP) R. Babel (City of Cerritos) C. Best (DTSC) J. Leserman (WRD) H. Marley (RWQCB) J. Rifilato (Tenco Services)</p> <p>DFR-W = Defense Fuel Region-West DFSC = Defense Fuel Supply Center DTSC = Dept. of Toxic Substances Control GTI = Groundwater Technology, Inc. RWQCB = Regional Water Quality Control Board SFPP = Santa Fe Pacific Pipelines WCFS = Woodward-Clyde Federal Services WRD = Water Replenishment District of Southern California</p>
<b><u>BACKGROUND</u></b>	
<p>DFR-W and SFPP are conducting environmental cleanup activities at the area in and around the Defense Fuel Support Point Norwalk, also known as the Tank Farm, located at 15306 Norwalk Boulevard, Norwalk, CA. The RAB is an advisory committee of local citizens and project members that reviews and comments on documents relating to the environmental cleanup. All RAB meetings are open to the public and are scheduled quarterly on the last Thursday of the month at 7:00 p.m. unless otherwise voted on by the RAB community membership.</p>	

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1.	<p><u>Opening</u> Tom Danaher, SFPP, Meeting Chair</p> <p>Mr. Danaher called the meeting to order at 6:40 p.m. and called for introductions. Bob Hoskins attended as an alternate for David Fogle. Lt. Col. Gross did not attend the meeting, as he was in Washington D.C. to receive an award from the Secretary of Defense.</p> <p>The minutes from the March 14, 1996 meeting were approved with the following two additions:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Ron Babel asked that the minutes reflect his statements about MTBE showing up in other local drinking water wells.</li> <li>2. Laurie Smith asked a question about transformers on site; who owns them, what is in them (possibly PCBs)?</li> </ol> <p>Jeannette Pellam, the new RAB applicant, could not attend the meeting. With RAB approval, Mr. Danaher read her application aloud. Mr. Hoskins moved to accept the application; Ms. Smith seconded. The group voted unanimously to accept the application.</p> <p>Mr. Hoskins next asked for a point of personal privilege. He read a letter (attached) regarding his role as alternate and gave copies to each member. Ms. Smith also commented about rudeness at previous meeting.</p>	Joe Trani	Next mtg.
2.	<p><u>Old Business</u> Tom Danaher</p> <p>Mr. Danaher discussed Robert's Rules of Order. He said he had called each member and asked them personally how they felt on the issue. He recommended a relaxed version, like the one in the League of Women Voter's pamphlet. Mr. Hoskins made a motion to accept adopting the abbreviated version of Robert's Rules as presented in the pamphlet. Wanda Sterner seconded. The motion passed with Ms. Smith voting no.</p>	N/A	
3.	<p><u>Santa Fe Pacific Pipeline Partners Presentation</u> Tom Danaher</p> <p>Mr. Danaher gave an overview of SFPP's south-central plume cleanup, west side barrier plan and cleanup, the 24"</p>		

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	<p>valve leak cleanup, MTBE, and a new SFPP leak detection program. Copies of the overheads outlining the discussion were handed out prior to the meeting.</p> <p>Jim Leserman asked about the percentage of plume left off site. Ms. Smith asked which is more soluble -1,2-DCA or MTBE? Response -MTBE. She also asked if MTBE was found in some wells. Response - Yes. A MTBE map is in the new Groundwater Monitoring Report, which Joe Trani said he just received today and placed in the information repository. Two additional copies were distributed to interested RAB members. Jill Anderson mentioned that Park Water Company is testing for MTBE, but none has been found to date.</p> <p>Mr. Danaher showed a device from the proposed new leak detection system. Mary Jane McIntosh asked if they would be installed under pipeline. The devices will be installed only under valves and flanges because they are the most likely to leak. Hugh Marley asked if it detects vapors. Testing is going on now, since this is a new technology. Ms. McIntosh commented that the 24" valve leak went undetected for a long time; much money spent to cleanup could have been spent on a vault. Ms. Smith asked how long TPH leaked? Mr. Danaher said he did not know, since there is a lot of piping underground, so it is hard to tell. Mr. Marley suggested a string of soil gas probes. Response: they are looking at other options as well as testing this one. Ms. Smith then pointed out that SFPP is donating money to the library to help with shelving for the information repository.</p>		
4.	<p><u>Follow-up on RAB Member Questionnaire</u> Tim Whyte</p> <p>Mr. Whyte said DFR-W reviewed the responses from the RAB questionnaire and proposed some action items, most important being a standing agenda item of Progress Updates for both DFSC and SFPP. This will help with distributing timely information and updating timelines.</p> <p>Mr. Hoskins said Mr. Fogle expressed concern over 18-wheelers leaving the facility, what they are carrying, and if they are within Norwalk weight limits. Ms. Smith noted she was worried by the tone of some of the responses. Gene Garcia asked about proposed timelines. Mr. Danaher</p>		

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	responded that DFSC and SFPP will put timelines on what is reasonable to put timelines on and update them during the progress reports. Mr. Garcia asked about “speakers.” Ms. McIntosh responded that good information can come from equipment experts and suggested a better idea might be a field trip to see them in action.		
5.	<p><u>Overview of Community Interviews</u> Tim Whyte</p> <p>Mr. Whyte described regulatory background on Public Participation Plans and how the Norwalk community interviews were conducted. He presented a quote from the draft Plan showing complaints and concerns heard during the interviews. He said the internal review has been completed and they will distributed the draft Plan for RAB review in approximately four weeks. It will then be discussed at the next regular meeting for finalization. Mr. Garcia expressed concern regarding commenting on a document that may be final. Claire Best said that all RAB comments will be addressed. Catherine Tice noted that the Plan is a “living document” and will be updated as needed in the future.</p> <p>Mr. Hoskins raised a new issue about the high planter areas. They are being watered at 2:00 or 3:00 a.m., presenting new noise and free-flowing water down the street. John Rifilato pledged to correct the problem, change the watering time to 8:00 p.m., and report back at the next meeting.</p> <p>Copies of Mr. Whyte’s presentations will be mailed along with the minutes.</p>	<p>Tim Whyte</p> <p>John Rifilato</p>	<p>Approx. four weeks</p> <p>Next mtg.</p>
6.	<p><u>New Business</u> Tom Danaher</p> <p>Copies of the Co-chair nomination form were distributed. They are to be returned in one month. The election will take place at the July meeting.</p> <p>Mr. Trani said DFSC pulled the permit for the thermal oxidizer on Tuesday and started vapor extraction on Wednesday in the central area.</p> <p>Mr. Danaher discussed the idea of regular agenda items. Ms. McIntosh suggested information could be mailed ahead of time with the agenda for review. Ms. Anderson requested</p>	Community members	May 25

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	<p>copies of presentations and Mr. Garcia information on costs of monitoring.</p> <p>Mr. Danaher and Neil Irish distributed a table showing rationale for choosing wells to monitor. They asked for RAB review and feedback within two weeks.</p> <p>Mr. Irish announced his new phone number - (609) 587-0300. Local contacts in GTI's Torrance office are Daniel Swensson, geologist, and Chris Trees, project engineer.</p> <p>Mr. Danaher said the cost of each sampling/monitoring event is \$50,000 to \$60,000 for SFPP and U.S. Government each.</p> <p>Regarding the off-site 1,2-DCA, Mr. Danaher said this is the biggest challenge yet. SFPP &amp; DFSC have come up with a conceptual plan and would like to schedule a special meeting to present it and get RAB input before they finalize it. <b>The RAB voted to hold this meeting June 6, 1996 at 6:30 p.m. at the Lower Level City Hall Conference Hall (if available).</b> Ms. Anderson will check room availability and members will be notified prior to the meeting.</p> <p>Mr. Babel asked about possible MTBE offsite and asked that cleanup should include other chemicals, not to just presume only 1,2-DCA is present. Wells have been shut down in Orange County and Santa Monica recently due to MTBE. MTBE moves fast, so he would like them to look at it. Mr. Danaher said they would do it.</p> <p>Ming Young requested a site tour. Mr. Danaher invited RAB members to attend the drilling scheduled for May 13. He will notify the RAB members with more information.</p>	RAB members	May 9
7.	<p><u>Administrative</u> Tom Danaher</p> <p><b>The RAB voted to hold the next regular meeting July 25, 1996 at 6:30 p.m. at City Hall conference room (if available).</b></p>		
8.	<p><u>Public Question and Answer Period</u></p> <p>Mr. Hoskins said Mr. Danaher is honest and forthright and if</p>		

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	<p>others maintain this attitude, all meetings can run smoothly like this one. He said he will not put up with patronization.</p> <p>Ms. McIntosh said community members also have a responsibility for smooth meetings and should not make disparaging remarks about others who are not present.</p> <p>Mr. Babel handout out copies of newspaper articles about MTBE and underground storage tanks. The meeting was adjourned at 9:17 p.m.</p>		