

2006 Current Fiscal Year Report: Citizens Advisory Committee on Public Health Service Activities and Research at the Department of Energy Sites

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1. Department or Agency

Department of Health and Human Services

2. Fiscal Year

2006

3. Committee or Subcommittee

Citizens Advisory Committee on Public Health Service Activities and Research at the Department of Energy Sites

3b. GSA Committee No.

1909

4. Is this New During Fiscal Year?

No

5. Current Charter

07/07/2004

6. Expected Renewal Date

07/07/2006

7. Expected Term Date

07/07/2006

8a. Was Terminated During Fiscal Year?

Yes

8b. Specific Termination Authority

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

8c. Actual Term Date

07/21/2006

9. Agency Recommendation for Next Fiscal Year

Terminate

10a. Legislation Req to Terminate?

No

10b. Legislation Pending?

Enacted

11. Establishment Authority

Authorized by Law

12. Specific Establishment Authority

42 U.S.C. 217a

13. Effective Date

11/17/1962

14. Committee Type

Continuing

14c. Presidential?

No

15. Description of Committee

Scientific Technical Program Advisory Board

16a. Total Number of Reports

No Reports for this Fiscal Year

17a. Open Meetings and Dates

No Meetings

	Current FY	Next FY
18a(1). Personnel Pmts to Non-Federal Members	\$0.00	\$0.00
18a(2). Personnel Pmts to Federal Members	\$0.00	\$0.00
18a(3). Personnel Pmts to Federal Staff	\$72,596.00	\$0.00
18a(4). Personnel Pmts to Non-Member Consultants	\$0.00	\$0.00
18b(1). Travel and Per Diem to Non-Federal Members	\$0.00	\$0.00

18b(2). Travel and Per Diem to Federal Members	\$0.00	\$0.00
18b(3). Travel and Per Diem to Federal Staff	\$0.00	\$0.00
18b(4). Travel and Per Diem to Non-member Consultants	\$0.00	\$0.00
18c. Other(rents,user charges, graphics, printing, mail, etc.)	\$15,400.00	\$0.00
18d. Total	\$87,996.00	\$0.00
19. Federal Staff Support Years (FTE)	0.85	0.00

20a. How does the Committee accomplish its purpose?

The Citizens Advisory Committee on Public Health Service (PHS) Activities and Research at Department of Energy (DOE) Sites provides advice and recommendations to the Director of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and Administrator of the Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry (ATSDR), pertaining to CDC's and ATSDR's public health activities and research at respective DOE sites. Activities focus on providing the public and sovereign nations with a vehicle to express concerns and provide advice and recommendations to CDC and ATSDR. The Oak Ridge Reservation Health Effects Subcommittee (ORRHES) which sunsetted in January 2006 provided consensus programmatic advice and made recommendations to ATSDR and CDC about health-related issues and concerns that include: (1) helping prioritize public health issues and community concerns to be evaluated; (2) providing input in developing ATSDR's Public Health Assessment (PHA) and community needs assessment for the Oak Ridge Reservation site; (3) providing an opportunity for citizens to collaborate with agency staff members and learn more about the PHA process and other public health activities; and (4) providing input into follow-up public health activities. ATSDR maintains a tracking system for ORRHES recommendations and agency responses to the recommendations. ORRHES provided a forum to facilitate discussions of other community health concerns (i.e. clinical services) in order to involve the appropriate agencies and to inform the community of the actions being taken to address outstanding issues. For the Savannah River Site Health Effects Subcommittee, the draft final report: Risk-Based Screening of Radionuclide Releases from the Savannah River Site has been submitted by the CDC contractor, Advanced Technologies and Laboratories, Inc. This report has been posted to the CDC website for public comment. CD-ROM copies have been sent to the current members of the subcommittee, the state liaisons, and longstanding stakeholders. Comments from the public were discussed during the last meeting. The subcommittee received a presentation by an independent reviewer and the subcommittee submitted a letter of comments and recommendations to CDC.

20b. How does the Committee balance its membership?

There is an authorized core of approximately 180 members, based on up to 30 members at six DOE sites. Members are selected by the Director, CDC and Administrator, ATSDR.

Members include individuals (to include technical experts) knowledgeable of site-specific research concerns, and from diverse community viewpoints and interests. Members are representative of the concerned and affected populations. Consultants and nonvoting liaison representatives are invited as needed. Most of the members either live or have lived near a nuclear waste site and some have actually worked at a site. Membership is balanced between community representatives and health professionals. As required under FACA, membership is appointed by ATSDR and CDC such that there is balance in terms of their affiliations and the functions to be performed by the subcommittee, as well as equitable geographic, ethnic, and gender representation.

20c. How frequent and relevant are the Committee Meetings?

In FY 2006, the Savannah River Site Health Effects Subcommittee did not hold a meeting. This subcommittee was terminated on June 26, 2006. A public meeting was held on September 19, 2006, in Aiken, South Carolina, to present the final report of the Savannah River Site to the public. In FY 2006, the Oak Ridge Reservation Health Effects Subcommittee did not hold a meeting. The subcommittee was terminated in January 2006.

20d. Why can't the advice or information this committee provides be obtained elsewhere?

The public health activities and research being conducted at DOE sites and in the surrounding communities by CDC and ATSDR are of great interest to communities living in that area. The integrity of the review process, the ability to proceed with studies in a timely manner, and the responsiveness of CDC and ATSDR regarding specific sites are facilitated by this committee. Members possess the knowledge and expertise vital for close interaction between the citizens of the communities and agency staff. The Health Effects Subcommittees of this committee continue to meet to discuss issues involving the effects--past, current, and future--of the release of radioactive and hazardous materials into the environment, and proposed actions based on the findings of health research and public health activities at the DOE sites around which these subcommittees have been established.

20e. Why is it necessary to close and/or partially closed committee meetings?

All meetings have been open to the public.

21. Remarks

Committee was terminated on July 26, 2006. No formal reports were required this fiscal year. No meetings were held this fiscal year.

Designated Federal Officer

Elaine Baker Committee Management Officer

Committee Members	Start	End	Occupation	Member Designation
Box, Willard	08/14/2002	12/31/2005	Oak Ridge, Tennessee	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Cember, Herman	08/14/2002	12/31/2005	Lafayette, Indiana	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Christensen, David	02/10/2004	06/30/2006	Augusta, GA	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Craig, Robert	10/13/2000	12/31/2005	Oak Ridge, Tennessee	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Crawford, Deborah	02/09/2004	06/30/2006	Morris College	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Crawford, Todd	03/25/2002	12/31/2005	Consultant, New Ellenton, South Carolina	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Creasia, Donald	10/12/2000	12/31/2005	Knoxville, Tennessee	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
French, P.	02/09/2004	06/30/2006	Aiken, SC	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Galloway, Karen	10/13/2000	12/31/2005	Oak Ridge National Laboratory	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Gartseff, George	08/16/2002	12/31/2005	Oak Ridge, Tennessee	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Hill, Jeffrey	10/12/2000	12/31/2005	Lockheed Martin Energy Research, Inc.	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Hills, Sr., Warren	03/25/2002	12/31/2005	Laborer's International Union of North America	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Johnson, David	10/12/2000	12/31/2005	Knoxville, Tennessee	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Kaplan, Susan	10/13/2000	12/31/2005	Knoxville, Tennessee	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Lee, Patricia	03/27/2002	12/31/2005	Health Physics, North Augusta, South Carolina	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Lewis, James	10/13/2000	12/31/2005	Oak Ridge, Tennessee	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Malinauskas, Tony	08/14/2002	12/31/2005	Kingston, Tennessee	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Malmquist, Pete	10/12/2000	12/31/2005	Kingston, Tennessee	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Manley, L	10/25/2000	12/31/2005	Oak Ridge, Tennessee	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Mosby, Donna	10/13/2000	12/31/2005	Scarboro Day Care Center - Oak Ridge, Tennessee	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Ortaldo, Joseph	02/11/2004	06/30/2007	Westinghouse Savannah River Company	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Sonnenburg, Barbara	10/12/2000	12/31/2005	Ten Mile, Tennessee	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Stringer, Martin	02/09/2004	06/30/2007	Richland School District One, Columbia, SC	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Washington, Charles	10/12/2000	12/31/2005	Oak Ridge, Tennessee	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Adkins, Peggy [Oak Ridge Reservation Health Effects Subcommittee]	08/16/2002	12/31/2005	activist	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
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Number of Committee Members Listed: 26

Narrative Description

Committee was terminated on July 26, 2006.

What are the most significant program outcomes associated with this committee?

Checked if Applies

- Improvements to health or safety
- Trust in government
- Major policy changes
- Advance in scientific research
- Effective grant making
- Improved service delivery
- Increased customer satisfaction
- Implementation of laws or regulatory requirements
- Other

Outcome Comments

N/A

What are the cost savings associated with this committee?

Checked if Applies

- None
- Unable to Determine
- Under \$100,000
- \$100,000 - \$500,000
- \$500,001 - \$1,000,000
- \$1,000,001 - \$5,000,000
- \$5,000,001 - \$10,000,000
- Over \$10,000,000
- Cost Savings Other

Cost Savings Comments

N/A

What is the approximate Number of recommendations produced by this committee for the life of the committee?

10

Number of Recommendations Comments

N/A

What is the approximate Percentage of these recommendations that have been or will be Fully implemented by the agency?

90%

% of Recommendations Fully Implemented Comments

Projects are complete.

What is the approximate Percentage of these recommendations that have been or will be Partially implemented by the agency?

10%

% of Recommendations Partially Implemented Comments

Not all recommendations passed by 2/3 majority vote. The Agency is still considering their merit for implementation.

Does the agency provide the committee with feedback regarding actions taken to implement recommendations or advice offered?

Yes No Not Applicable

Agency Feedback Comments

NA

What other actions has the agency taken as a result of the committee's advice or recommendation?

Checked if Applies

- Reorganized Priorities
- Reallocated resources
- Issued new regulation
- Proposed legislation
- Approved grants or other payments
- Other

Action Comments

NA

Is the Committee engaged in the review of applications for grants?

No

Grant Review Comments

NA

How is access provided to the information for the Committee's documentation?

Checked if Applies

Contact DFO



Online Agency Web Site



Online Committee Web Site



Online GSA FACA Web Site



Publications



Other



Access Comments

N/A