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**Meeting Notes from Dr. Triay's
Comments at the DOE-EM Intergovernmental Meeting
New Orleans, 10/23/09**

DOE-EM PRIORITIES

1. Footprint reduction by 50% by 2011 with ARRA (American Recovery and Reinvestment Act) funding.
 - a. This includes disposition of the soil and stabilization of groundwater (removal of contamination or long term remediation).
 - b. Footprint reduction needs to be more clearly defined.
 - c. Characterization of each site necessary to understand size of current "footprint".
 - d. Goal: 90% footprint reduction by 2015
2. Strategy for spent nuclear fuel: the Blue Ribbon Commission effort is about to start in earnest.
3. Remove DOE-EM program from GAO's high-risk list: project performance must improve so that performance measures meet compliance milestones.
 - a. Restructure EM portfolio (DOE order 413) for clear performance metrics
 - b. Improve contractor performance

ACTION ITEMS

Resulting from DOE-EM Intergovernmental Meeting

1. Evaluate DOE-EM sites on how well they are engaging regulators, tribes, and stakeholders.
2. Create clear milestones for formal, routine, and structured engagement of stakeholders on the strategic plan/5-year plan/budget & compliance/prioritization. This will help ensure meaningful consultation with stakeholders.
3. Evaluate engagement of stakeholders on ARRA program work and base program.
4. Initiate discussion interdependencies of waste:
 - a. Revisit waste disposition maps: what is missing, what needs to change?
 - b. Identify what would allow intergovernmental groups to assist DOE on waste disposition

5. Create a site-by-site NRDA progress matrix. DOE-EM can provide more resources to Matt Duchesne, if necessary.
6. Facilitate intergovernmental group interaction with the Blue Ribbon Commission.
7. Develop a written policy on Energy Parks. Consider an office dedicated to energy parks. Also a clear evaluation of the land transfer process should be conducted.
8. Include DOE-EM site representatives at intergovernmental meetings in the future.