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3	IN RE: SOLID AND HAZARDOUS WASTE DIVISION
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7	TRANSCRIPT OF MEETING PROCEEDINGS
9	Pursuant to notice duly given to all parties
10	in interest, this matter came on for meeting on the
11	21st day of June, 2018, at the hour of 9:09 a.m., at
12	the University of Wyoming Biodiversity Institute,
13	Berry Center Room, 10th Street and East Lewis Street,
14	Laramie, Wyoming, before the Wyoming Water and Waste
15	Advisory Board, Ms. Marjorie Bedessem, Chairwoman,
16	presiding, with Ms. Lorie Cahn, Mr. Klaus Hanson,
17	Mr. Alan Kirkbride, and Mr. Brian Deurloo in
18	attendance.
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1	ALSO IN ATTENDANCE (ALPHABETICAL ORDER):								
2	Dale Anderson Solid Waste Permitting & Corrective Action Program,								
3	District 3 Supervisor								
4	Lily Barkau Groundwater Section Manager, Water Quality Division								
5	Jerry Breed								
6	Hazardous Waste Voluntary Remediation Program Manager								
7	Bob Breuer (via videoconference) Solid and Hazardous Waste Inspection and Enforcement								
8	Program Manager								
9	Matt Buchholz (via videoconference)								
10	Hazardous Waste Senior Project Manager								
11	Suzanne English Program Manager For the Solid Waste Program								
12	Mr. Luke Esch Solid and Hazardous Waste Administrator								
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14	Kevin Frederick Water Quality Division Administrator								
15	James LaRock (via videoconference) Attorney General's Office								
16	Linday Dattangan								
17	Lindsay Patterson Supervisor For the Water Quality Standards Program								
18	John Robitaille Petroleum Association of Wyoming								
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20	Carol Stark Hazardous Waste Voluntary Remediation Project Manager								
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- 2 (Meeting proceedings commenced at 9:09 a.m.,
- 3 Thursday, June 21, 2018.)
- 4 CHAIRWOMAN BEDESSEM: We'll call to order the
- 5 second quarter Water and Waste Advisory Board meeting.
- 6 First, I'd like to introduce the Water and
- 7 Waste Advisory Board members. I'm Marj Bedessem,
- 8 representing the public at large.
- 9 BOARD MEMBER DEURLOO: I'm Brian Deurloo,
- 10 representing industry.
- 11 BOARD MEMBER KIRKBRIDE: Alan Kirkbride,
- 12 representing agriculture.
- BOARD MEMBER CAHN: Lorie Cahn, representing the
- 14 public at large.
- 15 BOARD MEMBER HANSON: Klaus Hanson, elected
- 16 official representing municipalities and communities.
- 17 CHAIRWOMAN BEDESSEM: Okay. And we have a revised
- 18 agenda for this morning, and the first item on the
- 19 agenda is the Water Quality Division Rulemaking
- 20 Briefing, Chapter 1, Wyoming Surface Water Quality
- 21 Standards, Triennial Review.
- 22 MS. PATTERSON: Thank you. Good to see everybody
- 23 this morning. I'm Lindsay Patterson. I'm the
- 24 supervisor for the Water Quality Standards Program. So
- 25 I'm responsible for developing and adopting Wyoming's

- 1 surface water quality standards.
- 2 As you remember, last year we worked on a
- 3 revision to Chapter 1 of the Water Quality Rules and
- 4 Regulations to allow discharger-specific variances. So
- 5 that rule package was approved by the council in
- 6 February and by the governor in April. We recently
- 7 submitted that to the EPA for review under the Clean
- 8 Water Act.
- 9 We wanted to give you an update on our plans
- 10 to open Chapter 1 again for a triennial review. So the
- 11 triennial review is required under the Clean Water Act,
- 12 states that a state should review from time to time but
- 13 at least every three years their water quality
- 14 standards. So we wanted to make sure that you guys
- were aware that we're planning this.
- 16 It's a slightly different process than other
- 17 rule revisions because of the review piece. So we take
- 18 that opportunity to solicit comments from the public on
- 19 pretty much anything in the rules that they think needs
- 20 to be looked at.
- It doesn't mean that we would be able to
- 22 address everything that people bring to us, but it does
- 23 give people the opportunity to bring to our attention
- 24 things that we might not be aware of and sort of adds
- 25 to our to-do list of things, other research or

1 potentially modify during this upcoming rule revision.

- 2 So since we want to gather as much feedback
- 3 as possible, we're planning to have a fairly robust
- 4 public process on the front end prior to bringing the
- 5 rule to the advisory board. So we're planning
- 6 initially to reach out to a lot of the organizations in
- 7 the state, lay out some of the things that we have on
- 8 our to-do list as part of the triennial but then also
- 9 get feedback from them.
- 10 One of the things that we're looking at is
- 11 potentially moving away from our existing
- 12 classification system to a system where -- the way the
- 13 current classification system is the uses, the
- 14 designated uses for surface waters are bundled
- 15 together. So something like drinking water is attached
- 16 to a cold water or a game fishery is attached to
- 17 recreation.
- 18 So what we would like to do is move to a
- 19 system where the designated uses are independent of one
- 20 another. So we think this will allow us to reduce
- 21 redundancies that are currently in the classification
- 22 system and then allow more flexibility for us moving
- 23 forward so that we can, in the long run, adopt
- 24 different designated uses potentially where water
- 25 quality criteria is more accurate than what it is

- 1 currently.
- 2 So it's sort of laying the groundwork for
- 3 changes in the future, but the intention with this
- 4 revision is just to sort of break apart the uses. All
- of the same designated uses would be applied to the
- 6 same water bodies, and the criteria would be the same.
- 7 So it really wouldn't result in too many
- 8 changes on the ground as the initial step, but it will
- 9 allow us more flexibility in the future.
- 10 And I think it will make the rules more clear
- 11 for permit writers and for us in the monitoring program
- 12 and, you know, when we go out and assess waters and
- 13 their uses since they won't be lumped together when
- things aren't really connected necessarily.
- 15 So in addition to the classification system,
- 16 we also have another list of things that we'd like to
- 17 address. We have a handful of things from the last
- 18 triennial review that EPA didn't act on. So we'd like
- 19 to take care of that.
- 20 There's some new recommendations for human
- 21 health criteria from EPA that we'll be looking to
- 22 adopt, and I think we'll be looking at our turbidity
- 23 criteria. We'll be looking at definitions for primary
- 24 contact recreation that came out of some of the work
- 25 that we did with modifying designated uses for

- 1 recreation.
- We have a site-specific criteria that we're
- 3 looking at for selenium on a small stream near Kaycee
- 4 and, you know, just do some cleanup.
- 5 You know, when we first started the last
- 6 revision of Chapter 1, it was predated, I think, a lot
- 7 of the governor's rule streamlining initiative. And so
- 8 we'd be cleaning up some of those things. Like the
- 9 definitions from the Environmental Quality Act are
- 10 still in Chapter 1, and so we'll do some of that
- 11 cleanup as well during this revision.
- 12 We are currently thinking that we'll have
- 13 some follow-up conversations once we do that initial
- 14 outreach to the organizations. We'll hold public
- 15 hearings is kind of what we're thinking in Casper and
- 16 in Cheyenne.
- We'll also accept written comments just
- 18 during this initial scoping period, and that will help
- 19 us define the scope of the rule revision.
- 20 And at that point, we'll put together a draft
- 21 statement of reasons, some of the things that you guys
- 22 are used to seeing. And we'll determine, I think, at
- 23 that point whether it would make sense for us to go
- 24 back out to the public prior to coming to the Advisory
- 25 Board.

But that's essentially the plan. It would be

- 2 to take everything in, figure out what we potentially
- 3 work on this time. We don't want to bog ourselves down
- 4 too much by trying to take on too much because I think
- 5 the classifications have changed.
- It's kind of a big step forward, and it might
- 7 take a little while for people to sort of digest what
- 8 we're trying to do. So we might not add too many more
- 9 things. We'll kind of see what people come up with.
- 10 And so since, you know, we'll have that
- 11 extended public process, we're probably not
- 12 anticipating bringing things to the board until
- 13 sometimes in 2019.
- 14 If you have any questions, let me know.
- 15 CHAIRWOMAN BEDESSEM: Thank you.
- Any questions from the board?
- 17 BOARD MEMBER DEURLOO: Chairwoman Bedessem, I do.
- 18 CHAIRWOMAN BEDESSEM: Uh-huh.
- BOARD MEMBER DEURLOO: Lindsay, what's your last
- 20 name again, please?
- MS. PATTERSON: Patterson.
- 22 BOARD MEMBER DEURLOO: Patterson, thank you.
- 23 So I think it's really good that you're
- 24 looking at -- one of my questions was is you're kind of
- 25 separating out like wildlife from something else and

1 drinking water from coal rules, coal bed methane maybe.

- I was happy to hear that you think that it's
- 3 going to reduce redundancy. Do you think that that can
- 4 actually happen by separating those out?
- 5 MS. PATTERSON: The way that the -- there's maybe
- 6 12 classes, just off the top of my head. I think
- 7 there's a lot of the uses are the same. Like our
- 8 Class 3 water, there's three Class 3 designations, and
- 9 they have all the same uses. So they have all the same
- 10 criteria.
- 11 BOARD MEMBER DEURLOO: Right.
- 12 MS. PATTERSON: So it doesn't really benefit us to
- 13 retain that, if that's what you mean.
- 14 BOARD MEMBER DEURLOO: Fair enough. Yeah, I think
- 15 you can do it.
- 16 Clean water for your review. So I remember
- 17 talking about this just last year. Why are we -- so
- 18 you stated that we'd just looked at it last year, and I
- 19 remember that. I just came on the board. Is this the
- 20 front end of the triennial review?
- MS. PATTERSON: Yes.
- 22 BOARD MEMBER DEURLOO: We couldn't stagger it for
- 23 another two years? No, I'm just wondering since we
- 24 just looked at it.
- MS. PATTERSON: Yeah.

1 BOARD MEMBER DEURLOO: I like Chapter 1. It's a

- 2 good chapter.
- 3 MS. PATTERSON: Yeah, so we started the previous
- 4 triennial in 2011, and then that was completed in
- 5 September of 2013. So we haven't opened the rules, you
- 6 know, for this -- it's called the review piece -- since
- 7 it closed, you know, since we --
- 8 BOARD MEMBER DEURLOO: Even though we looked at it
- 9 last year. Okay.
- 10 MS. PATTERSON: And, yeah, last year we really
- 11 wanted to just focus on the discharge of specific
- 12 variances so that we could get that through. If you
- 13 remember, there was a small community that had a really
- 14 stringent limit for ammonia --
- 15 BOARD MEMBER DEURLOO: Yes.
- 16 MS. PATTERSON: -- that was driving that rule
- 17 revision.
- 18 BOARD MEMBER DEURLOO: Right.
- 19 MS. PATTERSON: So now we're just taking, you
- 20 know, the opportunity to open the rules again and sort
- 21 of see --
- 22 BOARD MEMBER DEURLOO: Okay.
- 23 MS. PATTERSON: -- what people really think need
- 24 to be changed since it's been now --
- 25 BOARD MEMBER DEURLOO: Oh, yeah. Yeah, I remember

1 we couldn't talk about some stuff because it wasn't

- 2 part of the -- yeah --
- 3 MS. PATTERSON: Yes.
- 4 BOARD MEMBER DEURLOO: -- right, click.
- 5 And you had mentioned that so this is going
- 6 be about a year-long process before this comes before
- 7 the Board again, you think?
- 8 MS. PATTERSON: Potentially. It sort of depends
- 9 on the scope of the comments that we get and how long
- 10 it will take, you know, for me to sort of digest
- 11 everything that we receive and figure out, you know,
- 12 what we want to actually include in this package.
- 13 And then, like I said, we will have some idea
- 14 of the things that we want to change. It's not fully
- 15 formulated yet, and I think it will be informed by the
- 16 feedback that we get during some of these initial
- 17 conversations during that initial scoping.
- 18 BOARD MEMBER DEURLOO: Thank you.
- 19 Madam Chairwoman, I have one more question.
- 20 So we'll be looking at storm water pollution
- 21 as well? Will that be addressed because last time it
- 22 was around ammonia and so forth? We're opening all of
- 23 it?
- MS. PATTERSON: Right. And the water quality,
- 25 yeah, everything is kind of open. It will be open all

- 1 the criteria, theoretically, that we have.
- 2 BOARD MEMBER DEURLOO: Okay. Thank you,
- 3 Madam Chairwoman.
- 4 CHAIRWOMAN BEDESSEM: I have one quick question.
- 5 You had mentioned that one of the things that
- 6 you would be doing was kind cleaning up the last things
- 7 from the last triennial review which EPA didn't act on.
- 8 Could you give us an example of something that falls in
- 9 that category.
- 10 MS. PATTERSON: Yeah. So one of them -- so we
- 11 apply secondary drinking water standards to surface
- 12 waters that have drinking water designated use and add
- 13 in -- we added last time a footnote that said we want
- 14 these only to apply where drinking water is naturally
- 15 used. So that was something that Colorado had done in
- 16 their rules.
- 17 EPA didn't like that because they wanted to
- 18 formally apply all the criteria to all the uses. So
- 19 they don't like these workarounds embedded in the
- 20 rules. So they instead of disapproving that portion of
- 21 the rule, they choose not to act on it.
- 22 So that's one example where they basically
- 23 approve of all these changes except "We're not going to
- 24 act on this one."
- 25 CHAIRWOMAN BEDESSEM: When you say you're going

- 1 to, you know, list things that EPA didn't act on last
- 2 time, are you saying then you would try that again, you
- 3 know, since they approved it in other states --
- 4 (Several speaking simultaneously.)
- 5 MS. PATTERSON: Oh --
- 6 CHAIRWOMAN BEDESSEM: -- second time around --
- 7 MS. PATTERSON: Okay. Sorry. It's been on the
- 8 books in Colorado for a number of years. I think, you
- 9 know, over time their thinking sort of changes on
- 10 things like that, and things that they potentially
- 11 approved in the past, they may not approve now.
- 12 So what I'm meaning is that we will probably
- 13 remove that from the standards because we can't really
- 14 utilize it the way it is intended to be used because
- 15 they haven't approved it.
- 16 MR. WATERSTREET: Madam Chairwoman.
- 17 CHAIRWOMAN BEDESSEM: Uh-huh.
- 18 MR. WATERSTREET: I'm David Waterstreet with the
- 19 Wyoming Department of Environmental Quality. I'm the
- 20 manager of watershed programs.
- 21 We do think that removing the classification
- 22 system will take us back to a portion of that. If you
- 23 think about it, the way that I picture these
- 24 classifications removals is if you think about the fact
- 25 that, for instance, we have cold water fisheries, two

1 AB waters that are listed on a main stream that runs

- 2 all the way up to the top of the watershed where it
- 3 might only apply to the bottom. The same applies for
- 4 our drinking waters.
- 5 There will be circumstances where we're
- 6 laying the groundwork where we can go back and actually
- 7 address those types of issues that we have that Lindsay
- 8 tried to do through some of these other methods.
- 9 So we will have the opportunity to come back
- 10 and try to correct some of our ineffective rules and
- 11 misapplied criteria. So that's the goal of this
- 12 exercise.
- 13 CHAIRWOMAN BEDESSEM: Uh-huh. It sounds like a
- 14 combination, and we will be able to get it narrowed
- 15 down.
- 16 MS. PATTERSON: Yes.
- 17 CHAIRWOMAN BEDESSEM: Okay.
- MS. PATTERSON: And that's the long-term goal
- 19 would be to make sure that they're as accurate as
- 20 possible.
- 21 CHAIRWOMAN BEDESSEM: Okay. Thank you. I was
- 22 curious. I didn't remember it from the last triennial
- 23 review.
- MS. PATTERSON: Sure.
- 25 CHAIRWOMAN BEDESSEM: Okay. Sounds good.

1 Anything else? Thank you very much.

- 2 MS. PATTERSON: Yeah.
- 3 CHAIRWOMAN BEDESSEM: We appreciate the update.
- 4 So the next item on the agenda is Water
- 5 Quality Division Rules and Regulations, Chapter 27,
- 6 Underground Injection Control Program.
- 7 MS. BARKAU: Are we all set?
- 8 Hello, my name is Lily Barkau. I am the
- 9 Groundwater Section Manager of the Water Quality
- 10 Division.
- 11 I oversee the groundwater protection control,
- 12 pollution control program, federal facilities, special
- 13 projects related to groundwater contamination or other
- 14 potential issues for groundwater in the state and the
- 15 underground injection control program, which brings us
- 16 here today to present our rule changes to Chapter 27
- 17 for financial assurance of underground injection
- 18 control wells, specifically, Class 5 coal bed methane
- 19 wells and adding text for Class 1 non-hazardous and
- 20 hazardous waste wells.
- 21 So just an overview of the financial
- 22 assurance needs, there are currently 980 wells that are
- 23 classified coal bed methane wells in the state that
- 24 have been authorized by permit. 491 of those wells
- 25 have been constructed, where 318 of those wells are

1 covered under the Oil and Gas Conservation Commission

- 2 plug and abandonment program, which leaves 173 wells
- 3 not covered by OGCC or the DEQ.
- 4 We estimate that 75 are currently operating,
- 5 and the cost to close and reclaim those would be
- 6 approximately \$1.1 million.
- 7 At the moment, there are approximately
- 8 98 orphans which are considered no viable operator
- 9 identified. So the estimated cost to close those and
- 10 reclaim those is \$1.47 million.
- 11 So since 2014, the DEQ Water Quality Division
- 12 has worked to address the burden of closure,
- 13 post-closure, plugging and abandonment and reclamation
- 14 of CBM empanelments (phonetic) and wells that were
- 15 orphaned due to declining revenues.
- 16 In order to prevent the state from bearing
- 17 the burden of future reclamation and decommissioning
- 18 costs in the case of operator default, the Wyoming
- 19 legislature enacted Enrolled Act No. 2 or SEA002 in
- 20 2018.
- 21 That act directs the Division to revise
- 22 Chapter 27 to include financial responsibility
- 23 requirements of the UIC Class 5 coal bed methane
- 24 produced water injection facilities that are permitted,
- 25 renewed, and/or transferred after July 1, 2018.

1 SEA002 also clarifies the existing financial

- 2 responsibility requirements of UIC Class 1 hazardous
- 3 and non-hazardous well facilities. The financial
- 4 assurance requirement proposed by the Division and
- 5 authorized by SEA002 exceed the federal requirements at
- 6 40CFR Part 144.
- 7 So our time line to bring this rule forward,
- 8 DEQ met with the Joint Minerals Committee on June 30th
- 9 of 2017 in Casper and briefed the committee and offered
- 10 recommended statutory language for the DEQ to proceed
- 11 with a rule to require financial assurance on existing
- 12 and future Class 5C5 injection wells.
- 13 DEQ then briefed PAW on this issue on
- 14 August 15th of 2017 and which led us to the Wyoming
- 15 legislature enacted Enrolled Act No. 2 in 2018, which
- 16 establishes the applicability to permits issued,
- 17 renewed, or transferred after July 1, 2018; directed
- 18 DEQ to initiate rulemaking before July 1, 2018; and
- 19 makes this act effective July 1, 2018.
- 20 And that brings us here today to present our
- 21 modified -- or modifications to Chapter 27, Section 19.
- 22 I will turn it over to Gina Thompson to discuss those
- 23 particular changes.
- We hope to do this in two different steps.
- 25 Discussing the changes that were provided to you and

1 that went through public notice, at which time during

- 2 the public notice period, we felt that there were some
- 3 clarifications that were needed in the rule.
- 4 So we'll discuss those as a second step after
- 5 we've discussed the public notice portion and any
- 6 questions you may have.
- 7 CHAIRWOMAN BEDESSEM: Thank you.
- 8 BOARD MEMBER HANSON: I do have a question. I
- 9 read the act here, and what occurred to me under
- 10 35-11-302, it says, "Administrator's authority to
- 11 recommend standards." Is that the common language
- 12 because I thought it would be "required certain
- 13 standards"?
- 14 And I was surprised because "recommend" was
- 15 kind of wishy-washy, you know. It says "recommend,"
- 16 and they can say, "Okay. Fly a kite."
- 17 And so how does this work?
- 18 MS. THOMPSON: Madam Chairwoman, Mr. Hanson --
- 19 Dr. Hanson.
- 20 BOARD MEMBER HANSON: That's fine. Dispense with
- 21 the doctor.
- MR. FREDERICK: Kevin Frederick, Water Quality
- 23 Administrator.
- 24 Dr. Hanson, to the question, I believe the
- 25 language recognizes that there is a process for rule

- 1 development that has to be --
- BOARD MEMBER CAHN: Excuse me. Can you speak up?
- 3 Sorry.
- 4 MR. FREDERICK: Sure. There's a process for rule
- 5 development such as taking a proposed rule before this
- 6 advisory board, moving it through the Environment
- 7 Quality Council, the AG's office, and finally signed
- 8 off by the governor.
- 9 So this case, I think it recognizes that our
- 10 role here with the agency is to essentially recommend
- 11 these rules and regulations for final adoption.
- 12 BOARD MEMBER HANSON: Okay. That makes some
- 13 sense. Thank you.
- 14 MS. THOMPSON: All right. Gina Thompson with the
- 15 Water Quality Division.
- 16 If you would all turn to the strike and
- 17 underlined copy in your packages, all of the proposed
- 18 changes that we're recommending today are in
- 19 Section 19.
- 20 So the copy that we sent to you in May and a
- 21 copy that was out for notice in May, we have added a
- 22 new paragraph at paragraph A to kind of identify the
- 23 applicability and to cross-reference that new bit of
- 24 the statute which authorizes us to do rulemaking for
- 25 Class 5 coal bed methane produced water injection

- 1 facilities.
- With that, then we made some adjustments. We
- 3 moved the old paragraph A down to paragraph B. We
- 4 added the Class 5 coal bed methane produced water
- 5 injections facilities. And then in the list of
- 6 activities that they needed to demonstrate financial
- 7 assurance, we added reclamation and did some small
- 8 formatting updates.
- 9 We added new language at paragraph C. We
- 10 wanted -- in addition to just putting in the classified
- 11 facilities as part of this section, we also wanted to
- 12 expand and clarify what we were expecting as far as
- 13 financial assurance and what kind of activities needed
- 14 to be covered in those estimates.
- 15 When we -- if we move on to paragraph D, we
- 16 also added some language as to what kind of estimate
- information they would need to keep at their facility.
- 18 We renumbered paragraph E, renumbered
- 19 paragraph F, and cleaned up a verb issue there.
- 20 And then we have a list of instruments at
- 21 paragraph G, and I'd like to point out that the
- 22 instruments we've listed for qualifying for financial
- 23 assurance, these are consistent with other instruments
- 24 of financial assurance that the agency uses. So we
- 25 used a list from our Industrial Siting Division.

1 Paragraph H, we cleaned up the language a

- 2 little bit there and fixed a formatting issue. And
- 3 then we corrected the reference to the CFR at
- 4 paragraph I. So those are the changes that we did that
- 5 we sent out for notice.
- And as Lily explained, when we were preparing
- 7 to come before you today, we were -- we went through
- 8 the section again and identified some areas that we
- 9 thought we could do a little bit better.
- 10 And so we'd like to present -- we've brought
- 11 copies for you to look at and to hand out to any
- 12 members of the public that would like to review them,
- 13 but we think that we could do some pieces a little bit
- 14 better to be even more clear than the version that we
- 15 sent out for notice. So we'd like to potentially
- 16 discuss tweaking this a little from what we had sent
- 17 out for notice in May.
- 18 So if you don't mind, I'll go ahead and pass
- 19 out a copy that kind of demonstrates -- two copies, if
- 20 you'll hold for just a moment.
- 21 BOARD MEMBER HANSON: That supersedes the version
- that we see?
- MS. THOMPSON: Yeah.
- 24 BOARD MEMBER HANSON: Okay.
- MS. THOMPSON: That's what we --

- 1 BOARD MEMBER HANSON: Yeah.
- 2 MS. THOMPSON: -- compare, but that would be the
- 3 strike.
- 4 BOARD MEMBER HANSON: Okay.
- 5 BOARD MEMBER DEURLOO: Remind me here. This one
- 6 here is the one we should be looking at? I was reading
- 7 while you were talking.
- 8 MS. THOMPSON: That's okay.
- 9 CHAIRWOMAN BEDESSEM: Explain the difference
- 10 between the two sets.
- 11 MS. THOMPSON: So we have two sets. We have one
- 12 which would be pure strike-and-underline. So what I'll
- 13 reference is the one that says "green" at the top, and
- 14 it's going to compare the two strike-and-underline
- 15 copies together so you could see how we are proposing
- 16 to be different from what we sent you in May.
- In the past, the Board had found it helpful,
- 18 when we are giving you multiple versions of the same
- 19 chapter, to show what we had changed since the last
- 20 time we gave you something.
- BOARD MEMBER DEURLOO: Oh, right. Yeah, okay.
- BOARD MEMBER CAHN: I'm sorry. I'm confused.
- 23 So the difference between what was put out
- 24 for public comment and given -- put in our board packet
- 25 is different from the red version here?

1 MS. THOMPSON: Correct. So we have considered

- 2 some additional changes that we would like to make.
- 3 And so the changes that we'd like to propose from our
- 4 May draft, we've compared them to the -- we've compared
- 5 our June -- so our comments today to the May draft, and
- 6 that's in the green version so you could see how is it
- 7 different from what we sent you in May.
- 8 Do you have a green one?
- 9 BOARD MEMBER CAHN: I do. I'm still --
- 10 BOARD MEMBER HANSON: So -- I'm sorry.
- 11 BOARD MEMBER CAHN: I'm still confused because
- 12 mine starts out, the one we had, with "A. This section
- 13 applies to all Class 1 and Class 5." And I don't see
- 14 that anywhere in either the green or the --
- 15 MS. THOMPSON: Right. And I can explain. It's
- 16 because we moved the paragraph.
- 17 BOARD MEMBER CAHN: Okay.
- 18 MS. THOMPSON: So the layout is a little bit
- 19 different. We didn't cut the paragraph. We just moved
- 20 it to a different place.
- 21 BOARD MEMBER DEURLOO: Lorie, what she did is she
- 22 explained the moves and the changes before she handed
- 23 it out. So we -- so you moved paragraph A around, and
- 24 you -- maybe if you want to do a really quick overview
- 25 of how you did that again.

- 1 MS. THOMPSON: Yes.
- 2 CHAIRWOMAN BEDESSEM: I think it's paragraph A had
- 3 been in the original document and not an addition, it
- 4 would have shown up here. But because it was an
- 5 addition and it was moved, then it just shows up later.
- 6 MS. THOMPSON: So I made a list of the things
- 7 that -- so if it pleases the Board, I'll go through
- 8 what I've given you here so hopefully it will alleviate
- 9 your confusion, if that's helpful.
- 10 BOARD MEMBER CAHN: So just another question.
- MS. THOMPSON: Yes, ma'am.
- 12 BOARD MEMBER CAHN: So all -- there's no
- 13 substantive changes between these? This is just to
- 14 clarify -- am I correct in saying this is to clarify
- 15 the language rather than to make a substantive change?
- 16 MS. THOMPSON: We believe so, but we will leave
- 17 that up to the Board's discretion, and we can discuss
- 18 that as soon as we're done going through the actual
- 19 individual changes.
- 20 MR. FREDERICK: Madam Chair, Kevin Frederick.
- Perhaps what might be considered a
- 22 substantive change would be clarifying the effective
- 23 date or requiring financial assurance. That was one
- 24 thing that occurred to us after the proposed revision
- 25 had already been sent to the board and out for public

- 1 comment.
- 2 On review, it occurred to us that it wasn't
- 3 clear when the financial requirements would essentially
- 4 kick in. So that was perhaps the most significant
- 5 change that we'll review with you here.
- 6 Other than that, it's essentially been
- 7 revised to recognize a couple of things. One being
- 8 that we've always required financial assurance on
- 9 Class 1 wells according to this regulation.
- 10 We have approximately 50 to 60 Class 1
- 11 non-hazardous injection wells statewide now. Many of
- 12 those are for oil field waste disposal. Many of those
- 13 are associated with in situ uranium mining operations
- 14 where they essentially dispose of the process
- 15 wastewater.
- 16 Many are industrial waste disposal wells such
- 17 as the Diamond & Bell (phonetic) facility in Casper or
- 18 Cheyenne as an example.
- The recognition is that we have many of these
- 20 already under existing permits, and the permits have a
- 21 duration of ten years, at which time they can be
- 22 renewed and normally are.
- So we wanted to make it clear, more clear
- 24 that, given what the statute required us to do was to
- 25 look forward from July 1st of this year on at newly

- 1 permitted facilities and it really didn't speak to
- 2 facilities that were already under permit unless they
- 3 were renewed or transferred after July 1st.
- So we wanted to make sure that our
- 5 regulations continued to recognize that, for Class 1
- 6 wells that were already permitted before July 1st of
- 7 this year, that the financial assurance requirement
- 8 remained in place under that existing permit. Even
- 9 though it wouldn't be renewed or transferred, it would
- 10 still be in effect. So that was one realization that
- 11 we had after the original rule had gone out.
- 12 And the same requirements applied to the
- 13 Class 5 coal bed methane produced water injection
- 14 wells. We have many of those under permit already, and
- 15 the statute essentially dealt with those the same way
- 16 it does with the Class 1 wells. In other words, after
- July 1st for new permits, renewals, or transfers,
- 18 financial assurance is required.
- So we wanted to recognize in the regulation
- 20 an effective date for financial assurance for these
- 21 Class 5 wells also when it kicks in. So those were the
- 22 two significant changes that were made.
- 23 BOARD MEMBER KIRKBRIDE: Excuse me. It seems to
- 24 me that how has this been overlooked?
- MR. FREDERICK: Madam Chair.

1 BOARD MEMBER KIRKBRIDE: I'm talking about

- 2 financial assurance on such wells.
- 3 MR. FREDERICK: Sure. The Wyoming DEQ rules and
- 4 regulations, when they're adopted for the purpose of
- 5 obtaining primacy or being delegated a program from EPA
- 6 as a federal program under the Safe Drinking Water Act,
- 7 normally, during that process of rule development that
- 8 we have to provide to EPA for approval in order to be
- 9 delegated the authority to implement the program --
- 10 BOARD MEMBER KIRKBRIDE: Uh-huh.
- 11 MR. FREDERICK: -- our rules and regulations or
- 12 draft rules and regulations that we put together pretty
- 13 much mirror the federal requirements.
- 14 For Class 5 wells in particular, there are no
- 15 financial assurance requirements in the federal rules.
- 16 The subset of Class 5 wells, 5C5 are coal bed methane
- 17 produced water injection wells aren't even recognized
- in the federal regulations as a Class 5 facility
- 19 because the federal regulations were developed before
- 20 the concept of recognizing coal bed methane produced
- 21 water injection wells that inject into an underground
- 22 source of drinking water.
- I'm not going to go into a lot of detail.
- 24 But that's part of the requirement of a Class 5 well is
- 25 that it injects into an underground source of drinking

- 1 water.
- 2 They weren't even recognized at the time. So
- 3 the State of Wyoming had to modify its program to pull
- 4 those in under Class 5 permitting requirements, which
- 5 is what we did.
- 6 We certainly didn't, I think, at the time,
- 7 foresee the demise of the CBM industry in the Powder
- 8 River Basin that caused a lot of operators to go into
- 9 default and essentially orphan many of the produced
- 10 water injection wells that they were using. We simply
- 11 couldn't foresee that.
- 12 So this, I think unfortunately, is what
- 13 brought us to this point now to where, as a Lily
- 14 mentioned in her presentation, we're actually going to
- 15 be a little bit more stringent than the federal rules
- 16 because the legislature has directed us to develop
- 17 rules moving forward to require financial assurance on
- 18 these.
- 19 BOARD MEMBER KIRKBRIDE: Well, Kevin, not to
- 20 belabor this very long, but it seems like to me if they
- 21 have some liability to do things right that, you know,
- 22 that obviously they've got -- somehow they've got to be
- 23 held accountable. And guys vanish, companies vanish
- 24 that are abdicating their responsibility.
- 25 So anyway, just kind of I'm glad we're

1 getting it tightened up. It obviously needs to be.

- 2 MR. FREDERICK: Sure. Thank you.
- 3 MS. THOMPSON: Okay.
- 4 BOARD MEMBER HANSON: Oh, me next?
- Now that you've taken out paragraph A because
- 6 that had listed Class 1 and Class 5 together and you've
- 7 bracketed them out and from what I understand for
- 8 Class 1, you're continuing what was there before, and
- 9 so my suggestion would be to make this clear because
- 10 now I'm beginning to faintly understand this.
- 11 In this first paragraph, the operator or the
- 12 now permittee of any Class 1 well shall -- and I would
- 13 suggest to add words like "continue to demonstrate"
- 14 because that's been there before.
- 15 And then that makes it clear that, in the
- 16 paragraph of the Class 5 well, you add something new.
- 17 That wasn't clear to me at all what you're changing
- 18 there.
- 19 MS. THOMPSON: Okay.
- 20 BOARD MEMBER HANSON: So that would be my
- 21 suggestion to add something, for one, because it's
- 22 not -- you're not doing anything new. That's
- 23 continuing what was there before. So just a suggestion
- 24 to clarify that.
- MS. THOMPSON: If I might, Madam Chair?

- 1 CHAIRWOMAN BEDESSEM: Please.
- MS. THOMPSON: So I'll go through what we did, and
- 3 that might clear up some of the confusion you're
- 4 having. I understand when you get a new draft at the
- 5 last minute that it can be a little confusing, and the
- 6 strike-and-underline with comparing the two can be
- 7 confusing.
- 8 So when we look at subsection A --
- 9 BOARD MEMBER CAHN: Before you start, can you tell
- 10 me again the final language you're proposing to the
- 11 board. Is it the blue and red, not the green?
- 12 MS. THOMPSON: So the final language is in the
- 13 strike-underlined draft 6/14/18. The green is a
- 14 reference that was intended to be helpful.
- 15 CHAIRWOMAN BEDESSEM: Shows the difference between
- 16 the first proposal and your second proposal.
- 17 BOARD MEMBER HANSON: This is the one --
- 18 BOARD MEMBER CAHN: Okay.
- 19 BOARD MEMBER HANSON: No, this is the one.
- 20 CHAIRWOMAN BEDESSEM: This is the final --
- BOARD MEMBER CAHN: The red and blue --
- 22 BOARD MEMBER KIRKBRIDE: Thank you.
- 23 BOARD MEMBER HANSON: Red and blue --
- 24 BOARD MEMBER CAHN: -- without the green, okay.
- 25 BOARD MEMBER HANSON: I looked at them wrong.

- 1 MS. THOMPSON: This is the one.
- 2 BOARD MEMBER HANSON: Okay.
- 3 CHAIRWOMAN BEDESSEM: Right.
- 4 MS. THOMPSON: All right.
- 5 CHAIRWOMAN BEDESSEM: Go ahead.
- 6 MS. THOMPSON: So what we've done is we've gone
- 7 back to Section A, and we restored a number of the
- 8 changes that we had initially proposed to you.
- 9 And we took out the classified piece because,
- 10 as Kevin mentioned, we did want to make it clear that
- 11 the Class 1 facility did need to continue to maintain
- 12 financial assurance and that the existing Class 1s
- 13 would -- wouldn't be held to some different standard.
- 14 They're a continuation of what they're held to now.
- 15 And the changes to the term "operator" to
- 16 "permittee," we noticed throughout the section that we
- 17 were using both.
- 18 And so we felt that since -- we evaluated it,
- 19 and we chose "permittee." We felt like that was the
- 20 clearest because there can be some differences between
- 21 who operates a facility and who, you know, is handling
- 22 the permitting for the facility. So we wanted to make
- 23 sure that we were holding the right individual or the
- 24 right entity accountable.
- 25 So with that being said, we cut the last

- 1 passage in that subsection because it was redundant
- 2 through a list of materials or the list of qualifying
- 3 instruments that we expanded later on in the section.
- 4 And we were trying to -- we were being cognitive of
- 5 duplication and consistency.
- 6 So we cut those so that we could keep our
- 7 list later on and make sure that that was complete and
- 8 it's the most up-to-date list of qualifying
- 9 instruments.
- 10 Then if we move to paragraph B, this is where
- 11 we put the change in to give our permittees a deadline
- 12 of when we want to have that financial assurance
- 13 submitted to us.
- 14 So in the previous version, we didn't outline
- 15 when they needed to put -- when they needed to submit
- 16 it. And we felt that could potentially be a problem
- 17 and potentially be confusing for permittees since this
- 18 is for the Class 5 facilities that will be coming
- 19 onboard as they renew and transfer and apply for new
- 20 permits.
- 21 We wanted to make sure that they understood
- 22 that, going forward, if they have a new facility, we
- 23 want that financial assurance in place at least 30 days
- 24 prior to drilling. And for permit renewals and permit
- 25 transfers, we would like that demonstration made before

- 1 we authorize those.
- 2 So we will not -- we would propose to not
- 3 authorize any permit transfer or permit renewal until
- 4 the financial assurance is demonstrated for the
- 5 facilities that are covered under this section.
- 6 MR. FREDERICK: Madam Chair, I would like to point
- 7 out too -- and I'm looking at the strikeout,
- 8 redline-blue strikeout version of what we're proposing
- 9 the final would look like.
- 10 BOARD MEMBER CAHN: The green strikeout or the
- 11 red --
- 12 MR. FREDERICK: No. (Inaudible.) (Several speaking
- 13 simultaneously.)
- 14 CHAIRWOMAN BEDESSEM: Yeah.
- 15 MR. FREDERICK: Then on line 2352, clarify an
- 16 effective date to actually implement the requirements
- 17 that we're talking about for financial assurance.
- 18 And in conversations that we had with the
- 19 Attorney General's Office, they felt that we had the
- 20 opportunity to either require the effective date to be
- 21 July 1st of this year or the effective date of the
- 22 regulation when it's actually promulgated. So we had
- 23 an opportunity to go either way.
- 24 From our conversations, we feel that it's
- 25 much more clear to tie the effective date to the

1 effective date of the regulation and that the small

- 2 subset of Class 1 or Class 5 facilities that may be
- 3 permitted or renewed or transferred between July 1st
- 4 and what we anticipate the effective date of this rule
- 5 to be, which will hopefully be around January 1st.
- 6 So we have a window of essentially six months
- 7 that we're looking at. But that subset of new
- 8 permittees or transfers or renewals is going to be
- 9 very, very small. We can deal with that
- 10 administratively when those permits, if there are any,
- 11 do come up for transfer. We're not concerned about
- 12 that.
- 13 CHAIRWOMAN BEDESSEM: So I have a question. So
- 14 is --
- 15 BOARD MEMBER DEURLOO: I have several questions
- 16 through it. Are you going to -- are we going to go
- 17 through this line by line like we sometimes do? Or is
- 18 this overall on the questions?
- 19 CHAIRWOMAN BEDESSEM: Let me ask this one question
- 20 because it's related to what Kevin just spoke about.
- 21 BOARD MEMBER DEURLOO: My apologies. Thank you.
- 22 CHAIRWOMAN BEDESSEM: In little Subsection I at
- 23 the very end of Section 19, line 2412, that little
- 24 section has it in effect as of July 1st. Is that
- 25 referring to when the 40CFR rule was in effect?

- 1 MS. THOMPSON: Yes, ma'am.
- 2 CHAIRWOMAN BEDESSEM: Okay.
- 3 MS. THOMPSON: Our attorney general noticed that
- 4 we didn't have an effective date tied to our
- 5 cross-reference to the CFR, which can be problematic if
- 6 it's been revised a number of times.
- 7 So we put July 1st because it's a current
- 8 date. And so if they revise that CFR after July 1st,
- 9 then we will need to review that and evaluate whether
- 10 or not we need to adjust the date.
- 11 We're not allowed to incorporate or reference
- 12 materials in the future, which is why they made us put
- 13 a firm date in there. So the CFR that is in effect as
- 14 of July 1st, which will be in the past once this rule
- 15 is signed into effect --
- 16 CHAIRWOMAN BEDESSEM: So that's a date you just
- 17 picked --
- 18 MS. THOMPSON: Yes.
- 19 CHAIRWOMAN BEDESSEM: -- because, you know, this
- 20 rule won't get promulgated until after that. But it's
- 21 not the date that that section of the CFR was last
- 22 revised.
- 23 MS. THOMPSON: No. They generally revise them in
- 24 July, but we want everything that's in effect in
- 25 144 Subpart F in effect as of July 1st. That's what

1 the operator can look for as they're reviewing the

- 2 financial assurance requirements.
- 3 BOARD MEMBER CAHN: I think the confusing part is
- 4 having a comma after Subpart F because then it's not
- 5 clear it's in effect as of July 1st whether it's
- 6 requirements of the section or it's the CFR.
- 7 So I think if the comma was removed, then it
- 8 would be clear we're talking about CFR --
- 9 CHAIRWOMAN BEDESSEM: I think that would be
- 10 helpful.
- 11 BOARD MEMBER CAHN: -- Subpart F in effect as --
- or, comma, "which were in effect" --
- 13 CHAIRWOMAN BEDESSEM: Because that --
- 14 BOARD MEMBER CAHN: -- which would be the right --
- 15 MS. THOMPSON: Sure.
- 16 CHAIRWOMAN BEDESSEM: -- because that lifts the
- 17 confusion about whether anything in your Subsection I
- 18 is -- excuse me -- CI, double I, which talks about --
- 19 oh, no. Excuse me -- B-I that talks about the
- 20 different days of when it goes into effect and "no
- 21 later than such" and make sure that that didn't
- 22 conflict with this but it actually isn't related to
- 23 that. It's just a reference related to the 40CFR. So
- 24 take the comma out would help me. So thank you.
- 25 MS. THOMPSON: So the additional changes made

- 1 throughout this section, the only other thing we
- 2 changed was to change "operator" to "permittee." So
- 3 everything, all of the other wordings were the same in
- 4 Subsection C through --
- 5 CHAIRWOMAN BEDESSEM: (Inaudible.)
- 6 MS. THOMPSON: Yes, ma'am.
- 7 CHAIRWOMAN BEDESSEM: So I have an additional
- 8 question for a word to me that does look different.
- 9 MS. THOMPSON: Okay.
- 10 CHAIRWOMAN BEDESSEM: So in Section 19A, looking
- 11 at the green copy, we have the word "reclaim" crossed
- 12 out. So what happened with the "reclaim" part?
- 13 MS. THOMPSON: What we did was we restored a
- 14 number of proposed changes in that section because
- 15 we're going to talk later, or we do talk later in
- 16 paragraph in Subsection C that starts on 2366 --
- 17 CHAIRWOMAN BEDESSEM: Of the green?
- 18 MS. THOMPSON: Of the green or of the -- either
- 19 one. Subsection C talks about the activities that
- 20 they're expected to provide financial assurance for.
- 21 So we were just trying to keep it as tidy as possible,
- 22 and we covered reclamation later on in the section.
- 23 CHAIRWOMAN BEDESSEM: So the only thing I'm
- 24 concerned about is did you feel like Subsection C, when
- 25 it says "post-closure care," I'm concerned it talks

- 1 about removing the physical materials, plugging and
- 2 abandonment. But, you know, if you are going to
- 3 restore the ground surface and reclaim and seed it,
- 4 make sure that it's not a scar on the landscape, what
- 5 words here tell me that that's going to happen?
- 6 MR. FREDERICK: Madam Chair, I understand what
- 7 you're saying there. I think you're looking for
- 8 consistency between what we're saying in paragraph A
- 9 and paragraph C.
- 10 CHAIRWOMAN BEDESSEM: Yes, thank you.
- 11 MR. FREDERICK: And I certainly see some value in
- 12 that, and we could simply reference to that particular
- 13 section.
- 14 CHAIRWOMAN BEDESSEM: Do you think -- you're
- 15 saying -- I mean, reference to Section C in Section A?
- 16 I guess I just didn't see what the harm was with
- 17 leaving "reclaim" in there if there was any concern
- 18 about making sure, you know, that because I said that
- 19 things were maintained, that it was seeded and that the
- 20 ground surface was reclaimed. I just wasn't sure where
- 21 it specifically said that if we did not have "reclaim"
- 22 in there.
- 23 MR. FREDERICK: Madam Chair, we can certainly add
- 24 that.
- 25 MS. THOMPSON: Or un-restore it. There's many

- 1 layers of change here, but we will put it in the
- 2 proposed chapter as we move forward.
- 3 MR. FREDERICK: That was a proposed addition.
- 4 MS. THOMPSON: And then we un-proposed it.
- 5 CHAIRWOMAN BEDESSEM: Yeah, we proposed it, and
- 6 then un-proposed it. But I think you proposed it
- 7 originally to make sure it covered what they were
- 8 trying to cover in this statute.
- 9 And so I wasn't sure that all -- even though
- 10 it's more detailed language that it actually covered
- 11 all aspects of reclamation of a well pad, for example.
- 12 So my next question is do we go through these
- 13 lines, or should we just go through each board member
- 14 with their questions? How would you prefer to handle
- 15 it?
- 16 MS. THOMPSON: Let's go through the board members'
- 17 questions since we've covered the changes, we've
- 18 discovered additional changes. Like I said, the only
- 19 additional changes we made were we changed "operator"
- 20 to "permittee," and then I noticed on Subsection G on
- 21 line 2393 that we were -- we wanted to make sure that
- 22 we're consistently calling out these facility types.
- So we have Class 1 hazardous waste or
- 24 non-hazardous waste underground injection facility.
- 25 Because sometimes we will abbreviate, and we wanted to

- 1 make sure that everyone knew that they were covered
- 2 every time that we were intending to cover them. So
- 3 that's the extent of our changes.
- 4 CHAIRWOMAN BEDESSEM: So I did want to comment
- 5 that, when I reviewed the original proposal, I was
- 6 concerned about when Class 1 and Class 5 descriptions
- 7 were put together in the same sentences, I had marks
- 8 all those over these because there were issues with the
- 9 grammar where I wasn't sure if Class 1 and Class 5 was
- 10 a modifier for coal bed methane produced water. You
- 11 know, it was hard to make sure that it was
- 12 understandable when there was an "and" or when there
- 13 was an "or" and so forth.
- 14 So I like it that you've separated them out
- 15 for understanding. I think it's a lot better in this
- 16 second version.
- 17 The one other question I had was this wasn't
- 18 e-mailed to the board members, was it?
- 19 MS. THOMPSON: This was not e-mailed to you. We
- 20 were still working on it as of yesterday, Madam Chair.
- 21 CHAIRWOMAN BEDESSEM: Okay. I just wasn't sure
- 22 since it has the 6/14 date on it.
- BOARD MEMBER CAHN: To clarify, you're now
- 24 proposing to put "reclaim" back in paragraph A?
- MS. THOMPSON: That's correct.

1 CHAIRWOMAN BEDESSEM: Okay. So pertinent

- 2 comments, then we'll just go around to the board
- 3 members, and everyone can go through and ask their
- 4 specific questions.
- 5 So we'll start with Mr. Deurloo.
- 6 BOARD MEMBER DEURLOO: Thank you, Chairwoman
- 7 Bedessem.
- I had the same point as you about "restore"
- 9 and "reclaim" because I remember having that comment.
- 10 I know from experience that they're two entirely
- 11 different words, I think, sometimes -- exactly the same
- 12 but only different. "Restore" and "reclaim" mean
- 13 different things in the DEQ's and in EPA's eyes;
- 14 correct?
- 15 MS. THOMPSON: So let me clarify what I meant by
- 16 "restore." So from an administrative perspective, I
- 17 had crossed that out. So what I meant by "restore" was
- 18 I will uncross that out. We will include that word of
- 19 "reclaim" in our proposal so --
- 20 BOARD MEMBER DEURLOO: I understand that. But so
- 21 there's certain regulations that I've seen before, and
- 22 there's language in -- and not necessarily in this one
- 23 but the words "reclaim" and "restore" mean two
- 24 different things sometimes; right?
- 25 "Reclaim" is I think where is you get it back

1 to a certain percentage of seed cover or grass cover,

- 2 and "restore" is where it needs to look almost exactly
- 3 like it did before you got there maybe.
- 4 But I think it would be valuable to add the
- 5 word "reclaim" in there. So I agree with your
- 6 sentiments, Chairwoman.
- 7 And I'm looking at sheet, the green, it's
- 8 called the "Strike Underline Draft 6/14/18." And then
- 9 I go down to -- let's see -- yeah, so to your point,
- 10 Chairwoman Bedessem, again not to belabor the point or
- 11 anything like that where we're talking about
- 12 reclaiming, because I hear that you want to put it in
- 13 Section 19C, starts on line 2363. So you're going to
- 14 put it on there.
- 15 Because what I see right there that you're
- 16 talking about is only the removal of infrastructure.
- 17 All we're talking about is cost of plugging and
- 18 abandonment, removal of infrastructure not including
- 19 pipe, tanks, buildings, empanelments, (unintelligible),
- 20 fencing, and so forth. Nowhere does it say to reclaim.
- 21 So with that, I'll leave it at that.
- 22 Down to line 2369 Romanette "ici," it reads:
- 23 "The permittee shall adjust the cost estimate
- for inflation within 30 days after each
- anniversary at the date on which the first

- cost estimate was prepared."
- 2 I feel it can -- it may be too often I've had
- 3 to do cost estimates for a structure that I put in, and
- 4 then it seems like nine months later I have to start
- 5 the cost estimate again.
- I know we've talked about this as a board
- 7 before, but then you go out to your fencing contractor
- 8 and plugging contractor, all these people, and you have
- 9 to make them go through and do a bunch of free work for
- 10 you just to get a cost estimate that you can give to
- 11 the DEQ.
- 12 Now, I think now we absolutely have to update
- 13 the cost estimates within a time frame. I would put it
- 14 back to Mr. Frederick or your team, saying, "What is a
- 15 reasonable time frame? Is it two, three years? Or is
- 16 it -- will be maybe put a maximum limit on there."
- But I just feel, as an industry
- 18 representative, it's a little bit onerous on the
- 19 company and especially the three -- because you require
- 20 three bids -- correct? -- for each, like if you're
- 21 going remove the fence? Mr. Frederick, if you're going
- 22 to move the fence, do you need three bids to remove
- 23 that fence?
- 24 MR. FREDERICK: Normally, an engineering, one
- 25 engineering cost estimate is sufficient. We do on

1 occasion receive cost estimates that we feel need some

- 2 additional confirmations with a second or third
- 3 estimate.
- 4 BOARD MEMBER DEURLOO: Uh-huh, I understand.
- 5 So I would just ask that we consider
- 6 stretching that time line out just a -- I never saw
- 7 things changing within a year except for when like
- 8 2014-15 when things were hitting the tank, and all of a
- 9 sudden people were leaving the state and leaving wells
- 10 behind and everything like that.
- 11 And it's always nice to know that you have a
- 12 good estimate for the last 12 months. Maybe it's 18;
- 13 maybe it's 24 or something like that.
- 14 And definitely during -- I don't see a
- 15 reference to -- and maybe this is already covered under
- 16 different rules that you have or the CFR, but that
- 17 maybe the cost estimate is updated before a transfer of
- 18 ownership or renewal or something like that?
- 19 So if you stretch out the time line a little
- 20 bit and then -- but then you know they're going to sell
- 21 it. So between transfer from company A to company B,
- 22 you have to update your cost estimate so this new
- 23 company is comfortable with the cost estimates and the
- 24 reclamation amounts and so forth like that.
- 25 MR. FREDERICK: Madam Chair, Mr. Deurloo, when a

1 permit is transferred, the transfer is not authorized

- 2 until the new owner has financial assurance in place.
- 3 BOARD MEMBER DEURLOO: Oh.
- 4 MR. FREDERICK: I think, since we're recognizing
- 5 here that the financial assurance estimate is updated
- 6 every year, that during the permit transfer, I wouldn't
- 7 expect to see a drastic change that would require
- 8 another financial estimate.
- 9 BOARD MEMBER DEURLOO: Madam Chair, Mr. Frederick,
- 10 can that company B use company A's cost estimate? Or
- 11 do they have to go get their own?
- 12 MR. FREDERICK: Madam Chair, Mr. Deurloo, normally
- 13 the transfer requires that an equivalent amount that's
- 14 held by the seller be provided for financial assurance
- 15 by the new owner.
- 16 BOARD MEMBER DEURLOO: So they can use the old
- 17 cost or the dated one within the last year?
- 18 MR. FREDERICK: Yeah.
- 19 BOARD MEMBER DEURLOO: Okay. What do you think
- 20 about stretching that time line out, Mr. Frederick?
- 21 MR. FREDERICK: I have no problem with that.
- 22 BOARD MEMBER DEURLOO: What time line do you think
- would be appropriate?
- 24 MR. FREDERICK: I don't believe that we have a
- 25 time line in other regulations. Water Quality Division

1 requires financial assurance on commercial oil field

- 2 waste disposal facilities under a separate set of rules
- 3 and regulations, Chapter 14.
- 4 I would like to see if there's a stipulated
- 5 deadline for doing the annual update in that regulation
- 6 just for the sake of consistency. If there is, then I
- 7 would suggest we recognize the same time frame in this
- 8 rule. I could check that fairly quickly.
- 9 BOARD MEMBER DEURLOO: Thank you. You said that's
- 10 Chapter 14?
- 11 MR. FREDERICK: Yes.
- 12 BOARD MEMBER DEURLOO: Thank you.
- 13 Madam Chair, another question please.
- 14 On line 2372, Romanette "i," it reads:
- 15 "The permittee shall revise the cost estimate
- 16 whenever a change in the plan increases the
- 17 cost. The revised cost estimate shall be
- 18 adjusted for inflation."
- 19 I agree. And that rolls right into Romanette
- 20 "i." But I think maybe giving them 180 days? Do you
- 21 want to specify a time line there? That, say, they go
- 22 out there and add a new office space or something like
- 23 that on the site, you don't really have a stipulation
- 24 in there of how quickly they get that revision back to
- 25 you?

1 MR. FREDERICK: Again, I think that's a good

- 2 recommendation, and I'll consult with Chapter 14 to see
- 3 if we have anything similar.
- 4 BOARD MEMBER DEURLOO: Thank you.
- 5 So moving down to page 27-53, Madam Chair,
- 6 starting at line 2408, Romanette -- it's not
- 7 Romanette -- but 8:
- 8 "Upon completion of any of the activities
- 9 identified in the cost estimate, the amount
- of the financial surety required may be
- 11 reduced by the administrator may be reduced."
- 12 So that's very nice. I think it's very good
- 13 that you kind of give -- there's always going to be
- 14 some exceptions out there.
- 15 Do you want -- this is kind of just grammar
- 16 and everything like that. Is it worth putting the --
- 17 first of all, my first question was on what basis? We
- 18 listed out what basis can you make an exception to
- 19 this? We could add about 12 pages to this whole thing,
- 20 which we don't want to do.
- 21 But is it worth stating at the end of that on
- 22 a case-by-case basis or not and just leaving it open?
- 23 CHAIRWOMAN BEDESSEM: I think it's okay.
- 24 BOARD MEMBER DEURLOO: It's fine?
- 25 CHAIRWOMAN BEDESSEM: Yeah.

1 BOARD MEMBER DEURLOO: Okay. And then, finally,

- 2 show the last part -- or letter I, it begins with:
- 3 "In addition to the other requirements of
- 4 this section, the well shall comply with the
- 5 financial responsibilities of 40CFR144
- 6 part -- Subpart F."
- 7 But initially you were just saying 20 minutes
- 8 ago that there is no -- and I actually, in full
- 9 disclosure, I haven't read CFR144, Subpart F, but why
- 10 are we referring back to a federal rule when they don't
- 11 cover classified injection wells anyhow? What reason
- 12 is that?
- 13 MS. THOMPSON: Mr. Deurloo, the reason we left
- 14 that reference in is because it does -- that portion of
- 15 the CFR does cover Class 1 facilities. So Class 1
- 16 facilities at the federal level are required to have
- 17 financial assurance, but we wanted to maintain that
- 18 consistency for those facilities with that federal
- 19 expectation.
- 20 BOARD MEMBER DEURLOO: So do we want to say -- do
- 21 we want to say that this relates to Class 1 wells only,
- 22 or just leave it open when we have more rules around?
- 23 Looks like we've got a question or comment in the back.
- 24 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: (Inaudible.)
- THE REPORTER: I cannot hear the speaker.

1 MR. FREDERICK: The reference is specific to

- 2 hazardous waste injection wells, Class 1 hazardous
- 3 waste injection wells.
- BOARD MEMBER DEURLOO: Got it. Thank you.
- 5 CHAIRWOMAN BEDESSEM: So maybe for clarity, we
- 6 could just say "the permittee of a Class 1 well
- 7 injecting hazardous waste" so that it's really obvious.
- 8 Put the word Class 1 in Romanette "i."
- 9 MS. THOMPSON: Uh-huh.
- 10 BOARD MEMBER DEURLOO: Madam Chair, that's all the
- 11 questions I have. Thank you.
- 12 Thank you, Mr. Frederick.
- 13 CHAIRWOMAN BEDESSEM: (Indicating.)
- 14 BOARD MEMBER KIRKBRIDE: I'm okay, Madam Chair.
- 15 CHAIRWOMAN BEDESSEM: (Indicating.)
- 16 BOARD MEMBER CAHN: On line -- I'm having a hard
- 17 time finding where I had comments before.
- Okay. Line 2373, we talked about the
- 19 permittee revising cost estimates, but then there's a
- 20 second sentence that says: "The revised cost estimate
- 21 shall be adjusted for inflation," but it doesn't say
- 22 who is going to do that.
- 23 So you want the permittee to do it, not DEQ.
- 24 So I think you need to get rid -- make it one sentence
- 25 and just say at the end of "increases the cost,"

1 instead of a period, say "and adjust the estimate for

- 2 inflation."
- 3 CHAIRWOMAN BEDESSEM: What line?
- BOARD MEMBER CAHN: I'm on line -- I'm on the
- 5 non-green version strikeout underline on line 2373, and
- 6 it starts on 2732. So we're Romanette "ii," and
- 7 there's two sentences, and I would like to see it as
- 8 one.
- 9 So remove the period and remove "the revised
- 10 cost estimate shall be adjusted" and replace it with
- 11 "and adjust for inflation" -- "and adjust the estimate
- 12 for inflation." So it now reads "the permittee shall
- 13 revise the cost estimate whenever a change in the plan
- 14 increases the cost and adjust the estimate for
- 15 inflation."
- 16 That's all that I have for this new revision
- 17 for that section.
- I did find some typos and "which's" and
- 19 "thats" that are "which's" that are used wrong in the
- 20 whole rest of the thing. So when we're done, we'll get
- 21 back to the editorials if that's --
- MS. THOMPSON: If I can speak to --
- 23 (Several speaking simultaneously.)
- 24 CHAIRWOMAN BEDESSEM: (Inaudible.)
- 25 BOARD MEMBER CAHN: Yes.

1 MS. THOMPSON: If I can speak to changes outside

- 2 of the section.
- Because we had the legislative deadline to do
- 4 the financial assurance section and we had to initiate
- 5 our rulemaking by July 1st, we did not have a chance to
- 6 go through and consider all of the other areas of the
- 7 chapter.
- 8 But that is on the Division's radar, and we
- 9 would like to be able to consider those at a later
- 10 rulemaking because we would like to make some
- 11 corrections that our staff have also noticed and the
- 12 "which's" and "thats" do appear a number of times
- 13 throughout the rest of the chapter.
- 14 And we also have some passages that were
- 15 worded in a confusing manner or that our staff feel
- 16 that we could clarify in a better way.
- 17 So what I would ask is that we could consider
- 18 editorials in the rest of the chapter as a rulemaking
- 19 that we will be initiating later this year or early in
- 20 2019 because it is a large chapter and we wanted to go
- 21 through it in a thorough way but we didn't have enough
- 22 time to do a good job and get the financial assurance
- 23 changes in by July 1st.
- 24 BOARD MEMBER CAHN: Okay. I guess I was thinking
- 25 I could just hand you the typos and the "which's" that

1 should be "that" and just hand it to you and just have

- 2 you do those just and go ahead and with the staff
- 3 continue this.
- 4 MS. THOMPSON: Right. The way the process would
- 5 work -- and I'm probably not conveying this very
- 6 clearly. What we would like to move forward with to
- 7 the Council would just be changes to Section 19 and
- 8 keep our scope and our statement of reasons just to
- 9 Section 19.
- 10 However, if you have already gone through all
- 11 that work, I could include those with the additional
- 12 staff changes. You just wouldn't see the fruits of
- 13 your labor until next year.
- 14 BOARD MEMBER CAHN: So if you have problems with,
- 15 you know, grammar that are incorrect or words that are
- 16 missing, you don't want to get those now?
- 17 MS. THOMPSON: Because I would have to re-notice
- 18 the entire chapter.
- 19 BOARD MEMBER CAHN: Okay. Because I would say
- 20 that those are editorial and we wouldn't have to
- 21 re-notice it but if you --
- MS. THOMPSON: According to statute --
- 23 BOARD MEMBER CAHN: Okay. I will give -- I will
- 24 leave you --
- MS. THOMPSON: Okay.

- 1 BOARD MEMBER CAHN: -- all my changes.
- MS. THOMPSON: Yes, I would love to have those. I
- 3 imagine that you found things that I did not find in my
- 4 quick look, but I wanted to prepare you to not see
- 5 those results of that --
- 6 BOARD MEMBER CAHN: I will hand them to you.
- 7 MS. THOMPSON: Okay. Great. Thank you very much.
- 8 CHAIRWOMAN BEDESSEM: Okay. I'll hand it over to
- 9 Klaus for any comments?
- 10 BOARD MEMBER HANSON: No.
- 11 CHAIRWOMAN BEDESSEM: I have one last thing just
- 12 to sort of revisit this.
- I appreciate you putting the word "reclaim"
- 14 back in Section 19, Subsection A. I'm wondering, if
- 15 Mr. Frederick commented on consistency between
- 16 Subsection A and Subsection C, whether in Subsection C
- 17 it might be worth your while to include "after the cost
- 18 of plugging and abandonment of the well," "surface
- 19 reclamation"?
- 20 MR. FREDERICK: Madam Chair, I was thinking that
- 21 Mr. Deurloo's recommendation was to include
- 22 "reclamation and restoration."
- 23 BOARD MEMBER DEURLOO: I think we're going to get
- 24 into -- Madam Chair, we're going to get into a war of
- 25 words on this stuff.

- 1 CHAIRWOMAN BEDESSEM: Yeah.
- 2 BOARD MEMBER DEURLOO: I don't know. Whatever
- 3 everybody thinks is best, what's the best -- what's the
- 4 easiest way for you guys to enforce it and that things
- 5 ARE done right. And it's also a company -- the
- 6 industry can live with it as well, what's the best way
- 7 to do it?
- 8 MR. FREDERICK: I think I don't foresee a
- 9 situation where we'd be niggling with someone over what
- 10 is meant by "reclamation" or what's meant by
- 11 "restoration." So I'm comfortable it.
- 12 CHAIRWOMAN BEDESSEM: So we have "reclaim" in
- 13 Subsection A, and in Subsection C, what are you
- 14 suggesting? Are you suggesting to include in the items
- 15 "reclamation" or "surface reclamation and restoration"?
- 16 MR. FREDERICK: Again, Madam Chair, Mr. Deurloo's
- 17 recommendation is to add after "abandonment of the
- 18 well" in C --
- 19 CHAIRWOMAN BEDESSEM: Yes.
- 20 MR. FREDERICK: -- "reclamation, comma,
- 21 restoration." So it's the board's pleasure if you want
- 22 to further clarify that it's surface reclamation.
- 23 CHAIRWOMAN BEDESSEM: I think that's --
- 24 BOARD MEMBER DEURLOO: Actually, I say I think it
- 25 does matter, Chairwoman Bedessem, because what -- if

- 1 you're talking about surface reclamation, you're
- 2 talking about re-seeding, you're talking about the top
- 3 ten inches.
- 4 But if you're talking about, if this is a
- 5 Class 5 injection well and if you say "restore," you
- 6 have to -- well, what does restore mean? Is it restore
- 7 you brought the water back to the original?
- I mean, if you've been injecting stuff in
- 9 there for ten years and you're required restore it
- 10 back, what are you trying to solve with this? Is it
- 11 just the surface? Or are talking about the aquifer
- 12 itself or...
- 13 CHAIRWOMAN BEDESSEM: We don't want to open a
- 14 larger can of worms than our intent here.
- MR. FREDERICK: This regulation applies to
- 16 essentially providing financial assurance to reclaim
- 17 and close the site, not to deal with any contamination
- 18 or pollution.
- 19 BOARD MEMBER DEURLOO: So to your point surface
- 20 reclamation...
- 21 CHAIRWOMAN BEDESSEM: Yeah. I'm fine with having
- 22 it say "reclaim and (unintelligible) surface
- 23 reclamation."
- I view reclamation as if you have a denuded
- 25 landscape for an activity like mining or oil and gas

- 1 that we are reclaiming it while we may have negatively
- 2 impacted adjacent habitat but it's not that we've, you
- 3 know, cleared the landscape. So I think using
- 4 "reclamation, surface reclamation" is fine here.
- 5 MR. FREDERICK: Let me speak a little bit more
- 6 about your comment, I think, with respect to pollution
- 7 that might exist on the site.
- 8 In the event that that's identified or
- 9 discovered during an inspection or reported by the
- 10 operator to the Department, we have other rules and
- 11 regulations that require that to be addressed under
- 12 some sort of corrective action.
- 13 I can't foresee that we would be interested
- 14 in someone providing financial assurance to say more or
- 15 less, "Don't worry about it. We'll deal with it when
- 16 we close the site." That's not what we're interested
- 17 in. We want that taken care of.
- 18 BOARD MEMBER DEURLOO: Got you.
- 19 CHAIRWOMAN BEDESSEM: So I think if you have
- 20 "reclaim" in Subsection A and have "surface
- 21 reclamation" as well as keeping "post-closure care,"
- 22 you're covered. That would be sufficient. I don't
- 23 think you need to have "additional restoration" in
- 24 there.
- 25 BOARD MEMBER KIRKBRIDE: Madam Chair, I just want

- 1 to go back into something real basic here.
- 2 If we -- if somebody is operating a well, not
- 3 applying for a new permit, just operating one, they
- 4 need -- what triggers that they have to have this
- 5 financial assurance? What is the trigger?
- 6 MR. FREDERICK: Sure.
- 7 BOARD MEMBER KIRKBRIDE: It may be in there. I'm
- 8 just trying to dig it out.
- 9 MR. FREDERICK: So Class 1 wells are already
- 10 covered. So what you're essentially asking is about
- 11 those wells that aren't covered, those existing Class 5
- 12 wells that aren't covered.
- 13 BOARD MEMBER KIRKBRIDE: Right.
- 14 MR. FREDERICK: Okay. So the way the statute
- 15 reads, what we try to incorporate in the rules after
- 16 July 1st, if an existing permit is renewed and they're
- 17 good for a term of ten years under an individual
- 18 permit. Under a general permit, they're essentially
- 19 authorized until we renew the general permit. Okay?
- 20 BOARD MEMBER KIRKBRIDE: Okay.
- 21 MR. FREDERICK: Or transferred to a different
- 22 operator. Either one of those two actions would kick
- 23 in the financial assurance requirement.
- 24 BOARD MEMBER DEURLOO: How often is a general
- 25 renewal?

1 MR. FREDERICK: How often is the general renewal?

- 2 BOARD MEMBER DEURLOO: Yeah.
- 3 MR. FREDERICK: The general renewal is at the
- 4 discretion of the Department. Normally, they're for a
- 5 term of ten years, but we have the ability to
- 6 essentially renew at any time before or after ten
- 7 years.
- 8 In this case, for those Class 5 facilities
- 9 we're talking about and we have covered under a general
- 10 permit now, we intend to renew that permit at about the
- 11 same time this rule goes into effect.
- 12 BOARD MEMBER DEURLOO: Oh.
- 13 MR. FREDERICK: The renewal then will require them
- 14 to essentially obtain --
- BOARD MEMBER DEURLOO: That's a trigger.
- 16 MR. FREDERICK: -- authorization under a new
- 17 permit and kick in the financial assurance requirement.
- 18 BOARD MEMBER KIRKBRIDE: So you're going to pick
- 19 up everybody?
- 20 MR. FREDERICK: We'll pick up all of those after
- 21 July 1st that are permitted, renewed, or transferred,
- 22 yes.
- 23 Our intention is to essentially see that all
- 24 the existing operators have financial assurance in
- 25 place shortly after the rule is promulgated. Not to

1 say anything about the orphans that are out there, so

- 2 it won't cover those.
- 3 BOARD MEMBER HANSON: Madam Chair, paragraph C has
- 4 something in it which is a catchall one because it
- 5 starts off with the statement "at a minimum." So you
- 6 can really hound them forever and ever and say, "That's
- 7 just the minimum. Here is what else we require" or
- 8 whatever.
- 9 And it doesn't occur in paragraph A. I
- 10 noticed that. It's just in this paragraph. Okay.
- 11 It's paragraph A, it simply says shall do such and
- 12 such, but that was kind of interesting.
- 13 CHAIRWOMAN BEDESSEM: I'm happy, though, with the
- 14 changes with respect to reclaim and surface reclamation
- 15 because restoration, for example, with sage brush
- 16 habitat, you can't -- you might not be able to restore
- 17 the habitat for 50 or 100 years, and we're not going to
- 18 do a cost estimate to reflect that. So I think it's
- 19 fine. So I appreciate that.
- 20 Any more questions from the board?
- 21 BOARD MEMBER CAHN: Any public comments?
- MS. THOMPSON: A gentleman.
- 23 CHAIRWOMAN BEDESSEM: Anybody from the public who
- 24 would like to speak with respect to comments on this
- 25 rule? So come have a seat (indicating).

1 MR. ROBITAILLE: John Robitaille, Petroleum

- 2 Association of Wyoming.
- 3 As you were told, we've been involved in this
- 4 for a while. We were involved with it legislatively
- 5 and also through this rulemaking.
- 6 We are supportive of this rulemaking, and
- 7 agree entirely with the concept behind it. We think
- 8 they should all be bonded, wish it had happened sooner
- 9 but better now than never.
- 10 CHAIRWOMAN BEDESSEM: Well, thank you, because the
- 11 facilities that are abandoned give the industry a bad
- 12 name when they're out there. So I understand
- 13 completely the PAW's support of these type of rules.
- 14 MR. ROBITAILLE: We're working on that too.
- 15 CHAIRWOMAN BEDESSEM: Thank you.
- 16 MR. ROBITAILLE: You bet.
- MS. THOMPSON: Madam Chair, I'd also like to point
- 18 out for the record we have not received any written
- 19 comments or electronic comments before today's meeting.
- 20 So at this time we do not -- we're not aware of any
- 21 other public comments.
- 22 CHAIRWOMAN BEDESSEM: Thank you very much.
- So I think the -- any other comments or
- 24 additions from anyone attending?
- 25 So I think the only thing we have out there

- 1 is the changing of Chapter 14.
- 2 BOARD MEMBER DEURLOO: Right.
- 3 MR. FREDERICK: Madam Chair, I haven't had enough
- 4 time to go through the entire rule, but I have found
- 5 references again in looking at the financial assurance
- 6 requirements in the rule for commercial oil field waste
- 7 disposal facilities. The requirement is that, under
- 8 certain types of bonding situations in providing a
- 9 replacement, the operator is provided 60 days.
- 10 It's a little different than what we're
- 11 talking about here with respect to adjusting the cost
- 12 estimate for inflation which, quite honestly, I don't
- 13 think is a very time-consuming effort. But
- 14 nevertheless for the sake of consistency, I think there
- 15 is some parallel, I guess, to what we're seeing in
- 16 Chapter 14.
- And unless I go home and read a rule and find
- 18 out that Chapter 14 allows only 30 days for an
- 19 adjustment, I'm willing to go with 60.
- 20 BOARD MEMBER DEURLOO: Deal.
- 21 MR. FREDERICK: However, again with the caveat
- 22 that I'll check Chapter 14 and see if there is some
- 23 specific language.
- 24 BOARD MEMBER DEURLOO: Thank you.
- 25 MR. FREDERICK: If there is, I'll inform the

- 1 board, and we'll go from there.
- 2 CHAIRWOMAN BEDESSEM: So that was the 60 days for
- 3 the adjustment.
- 4 But there was also I believe the issue of
- 5 doing the annual, whether it was annual or every couple
- of years, I believe. Mr. Esch, the financial assurance
- 7 for solid and hazardous waste facilities I think the
- 8 municipal facilities is that it's an annual update, is
- 9 it not?
- 10 MR. ESCH: That is correct, Madam Chair.
- 11 BOARD MEMBER HANSON: Madam Chair, this refers to
- 12 line 2355; is that correct?
- BOARD MEMBER DEURLOO: No. No, it refers to
- 14 line --
- 15 BOARD MEMBER HANSON: No.
- 16 BOARD MEMBER DEURLOO: -- 2373.
- 17 BOARD MEMBER HANSON: 2373.
- 18 BOARD MEMBER DEURLOO: Somewhere around there.
- 19 CHAIRWOMAN BEDESSEM: That was the six days we
- 20 talked about?
- BOARD MEMBER DEURLOO: Yeah.
- 22 CHAIRWOMAN BEDESSEM: But how often do you
- 23 update --
- 24 BOARD MEMBER DEURLOO: Are you talking about
- 25 Romanette "i" starting 2369, Madam Chair?

1 CHAIRWOMAN BEDESSEM: Yeah, where it says after

- 2 each anniversary date.
- 3 And there is a precedent through other
- 4 financial assurance rules to update that annually, and
- 5 it doesn't usually require a whole new --
- 6 BOARD MEMBER DEURLOO: Madam Chair, Mr. Frederick
- 7 actually just pointed something out that I hadn't
- 8 thought about.
- 9 Is this yearly thing, is this yearly cost
- 10 estimate renewal update to the DEQ is mainly just a
- 11 cost of change to the inflation or looking at
- 12 inflation? It's not -- you don't have to go up --
- 13 CHAIRWOMAN BEDESSEM: New estimate.
- 14 BOARD MEMBER DEURLOO: -- you're not requiring
- 15 them to go out there and get a new bid on PNA fencing
- 16 and stuff like that, are you?
- 17 CHAIRWOMAN BEDESSEM: That's not the way I read
- 18 it. I read it as you're adjusting for inflation.
- 19 BOARD MEMBER DEURLOO: Yeah.
- 20 CHAIRWOMAN BEDESSEM: So I don't think it's
- 21 onerous. And so if we have -- if we leave it at one
- 22 year, and that's the other line, the 60 days, I think
- 23 we will have covered the issues about the timing.
- BOARD MEMBER DEURLOO: I think you're right.
- 25 So how long -- how old are some of these cost

- 1 estimates, Mr. Frederick?
- 2 CHAIRWOMAN BEDESSEM: I just wanted to make sure
- 3 we had covered all the different time lines. So we
- 4 have the opportunity and nothing was left hanging out
- 5 there, we have the opportunity to make a decision
- 6 whether to, you know, send this forward to --
- 7 BOARD MEMBER DEURLOO: Right.
- 8 CHAIRWOMAN BEDESSEM: -- kind of wrap those up.
- 9 MR. FREDERICK: Sure. Question again?
- 10 BOARD MEMBER DEURLOO: So if I drilled -- so
- 11 starting today, I drill a well, a Class 1 or Class 5
- 12 injection well, and I get a cost estimate to do that
- 13 and it's today's dollars, everything is a million
- 14 dollars. And then for the next -- some of these things
- 15 are around for decades; right?
- 16 So in 20 years, it's just been climbing it up
- 17 and down -- hardly see inflation go down -- but it's up
- 18 and down. Is there a certain point where you do have
- 19 to go out there because it's always adjusted for
- 20 inflation?
- 21 Because if you don't ever transfer it, is
- 22 there ever a time you have to go out and get new
- 23 estimates on PNA reclamation and stuff like that?
- 24 MR. FREDERICK: Yes. As stated in the rule,
- 25 whenever a change in the plan increases the cost, in

- 1 other words, there's a new facility, a new tank,
- 2 storage tank, something like that, that type of a
- 3 change would trigger --
- 4 BOARD MEMBER DEURLOO: But if it's just an
- 5 injection well, it's back up and you don't do it or
- 6 inject into it for 15 years and you don't ever make a
- 7 change, it's working just fine, you're good with your
- 8 cost; right?
- 9 MS. BARKAU: You would -- you would have to at
- 10 your permit renewal because --
- 11 BOARD MEMBER DEURLOO: Oh, right --
- MS. BARKAU: -- Class 1 wells are --
- BOARD MEMBER DEURLOO: -- every ten years.
- MS. BARKAU: -- for every ten years.
- BOARD MEMBER DEURLOO: Got you, okay. Thank you,
- 16 Madam Chair.
- 17 CHAIRWOMAN BEDESSEM: Thank you.
- 18 So I believe it was the Water Quality
- 19 Division's interest in having the Advisory Board
- 20 consider whether to approve the revisions and recommend
- 21 adoption by the EQC.
- MR. FREDERICK: Yes.
- 23 CHAIRWOMAN BEDESSEM: I'm looking for a motion by
- 24 the board.
- 25 BOARD MEMBER KIRKBRIDE: I will move to approve

- 1 what's been presented and amended here.
- 2 CHAIRWOMAN BEDESSEM: Uh-huh.
- 3 BOARD MEMBER CAHN: With the caveat of what --
- 4 CHAIRWOMAN BEDESSEM: The changes that we
- 5 discussed here.
- 6 BOARD MEMBER HANSON: This is the version we're
- 7 talking about?
- 8 CHAIRWOMAN BEDESSEM: Yes.
- 9 BOARD MEMBER DEURLOO: I'll second that motion.
- 10 CHAIRWOMAN BEDESSEM: Thank you. I have a motion
- 11 and a second.
- 12 All those in favor.
- 13 BOARD MEMBER DEURLOO: Discussion?
- 14 CHAIRWOMAN BEDESSEM: Oh, discussion?
- 15 BOARD MEMBER DEURLOO: Madam Chair?
- 16 CHAIRWOMAN BEDESSEM: Uh-huh.
- BOARD MEMBER DEURLOO: So to your point, they --
- 18 so we'll look at Chapter 14 on the time line for
- 19 notifying the DEQ of any changes and then adding words
- 20 around Part A and Part C with surface reclamation and
- 21 reclamation just so it's in the motion and discussion.
- 22 CHAIRWOMAN BEDESSEM: Okay. Any other discussion?
- 23 All those in favor say aye.
- 24 SEVERAL: Aye.
- 25 CHAIRWOMAN BEDESSEM: Opposed?

- 1 (No audible response.)
- 2 CHAIRWOMAN BEDESSEM: Abstentions?
- 3 (No audible response.)
- 4 CHAIRWOMAN BEDESSEM: Motion passes.
- 5 We'll move on to the EQC.
- 6 MS. THOMPSON: Madam Chair, we'd like to ask for a
- 7 short break. We've been meeting for about an hour and
- 8 a half, and we need to go ahead and get our next
- 9 division up for presentation.
- 10 CHAIRWOMAN BEDESSEM: Before we conclude, I just
- 11 want to thank the Water Quality Division for putting --
- 12 even though we had this last-minute ruffle, the
- 13 explanations were good enough that we all figured that
- 14 out in the time period, but that initially we put
- 15 together a very good packet, meaning that we're
- 16 appreciative of you including the SPR and the statute
- 17 so that we knew what we were referencing. That was
- 18 very helpful.
- Do you guys have this done outside as far as
- 20 the copies made outside, you know, like a Kinkos or
- 21 something?
- MS. THOMPSON: That particular one, we did have it
- 23 made at Kinkos. I had some unexpected leave. So I
- 24 sent that one out to have it done. So it was maybe not
- 25 done -- I believe they weren't double-sided for some

- 1 reason and --
- 2 CHAIRWOMAN BEDESSEM: We are the environmental
- 3 quality.
- 4 MS. THOMPSON: On the record, I just want to say
- 5 that the director's assistant helped with that in my
- 6 absence, and she had to actually return it to them at
- 7 least once to redo. So the fact that you got a package
- 8 at all is a testament to Jody's miracle-working, and we
- 9 will be --
- 10 CHAIRWOMAN BEDESSEM: We'll be double-sided next
- 11 time.
- MS. THOMPSON: That is correct.
- 13 CHAIRWOMAN BEDESSEM: The content and putting all
- 14 the necessary pieces of information in there, we
- 15 greatly appreciate it. Thank you.
- MS. THOMPSON: Good. Glad to help.
- 17 CHAIRWOMAN BEDESSEM: Thanks.
- 18 BOARD MEMBER CAHN: So the next pass will be up to
- 19 your high standards.
- MS. THOMPSON: That's right.
- 21 CHAIRWOMAN BEDESSEM: I handed you them. They're
- 22 artisanal.
- Okay. We'll take a 15-minute break, and we
- 24 will reconvene at 5 minutes to 11:00.
- 25 (A break was taken.)

1 CHAIRWOMAN BEDESSEM: We'll reconvene the Water

- 2 and Waste Advisory Board meeting.
- 3 Next on the agenda is Solid and Hazardous
- 4 Waste Division, Hazardous Waste Rules and Regulations,
- 5 Chapter 1.
- 6 MR. ESCH: Madam Chair, members of the board,
- 7 thank you for having us today. My name is Luke Esch.
- 8 I'm the administrator of the Solid and Hazardous Waste
- 9 Division.
- 10 With me today is Carol Stark and Jerry Breed
- 11 and Matt Buchholz with the Hazardous Waste Program
- 12 within the Solid and Hazardous Waste Division.
- We are here today to present some updates to
- 14 our hazardous waste rules. As a bit of background, the
- 15 State of Wyoming has primacy for RCRA Subtitle C
- 16 program from the EPA, and that Subtitle C obviously
- 17 addresses hazardous waste.
- In 2014 or '15, we did a significant
- 19 rulemaking where, instead of having to put new rules of
- 20 our rules having everything word for word from the
- 21 federal rules, we did what was called an incorporation
- 22 by reference where we incorporated the federal rules
- 23 into our rules by some shortened references, which
- 24 reduced the number of pages that we had in our
- 25 hazardous waste rules by, I think, a thousand pages.

1 So it was a significant reduction as well as

- 2 it was better for the industry as well. We had a lot
- 3 of conversation with industry at the time saying, "If
- 4 you're doing something in Wyoming, which rules do you
- 5 look to find what the requirements are?"
- And we kept hearing back, "We look at the
- 7 federal rules anyway because that's what -- we have to
- 8 be at least as stringent as the federal rules."
- 9 So in that incorporation by reference
- 10 exercise, we really got to reduce the number of
- 11 regulations, at least the pages of regulations and also
- 12 make it easier for the industry to understand what the
- 13 regulations were. So that was three or four years ago.
- 14 We're coming back before you today to update
- 15 our hazardous waste rules with rules that have kind of
- 16 come into existence in that interim period. We need to
- 17 do this to maintain our rules to be at least as
- 18 stringent as the federal rules. And so that is kind of
- 19 the big-picture step that we're presenting before you
- 20 today.
- 21 And with that, I'll turn it over to Carol.
- MS. STARK: Good morning. I am Carol Stark. I
- 23 work in the Hazardous Waste Program as kind of I do
- 24 have a couple of jobs -- hazardous waste rules
- 25 coordinator and then voluntary remediation project

1 manager. And thank you for hearing our presentation

- 2 and our proposed updates to these regulations.
- I am going to -- as I go through this, you
- 4 have paper copies because I couldn't get our connection
- 5 made. We have our hazardous waste program manager for
- 6 inspection and compliance listening in because some of
- 7 the rules he may be providing input for, and I just
- 8 wanted to let you know that.
- 9 But as I go through the slides, I'll try to
- 10 mention which slide I'm at for you and also for our
- 11 programmer who is listening in remotely in Casper.
- 12 BOARD MEMBER DEURLOO: Who is that, Carol?
- 13 MS. STARK: It's Bob Breuer with our Inspection
- 14 and Compliance. He's our program manager for
- 15 Inspection and Compliance. And Dale Anderson, who is
- 16 our Solid Waste program supervisor.
- 17 MS. THOMPSON: Also James LaRock who is with our
- 18 Attorney General's Office and he advises the Solid and
- 19 Hazardous Waste Division.
- 20 BOARD MEMBER DEURLOO: What was the last name?
- MS. THOMPSON: James LaRock.
- BOARD MEMBER DEURLOO: Thank you.
- 23 MS. STARK: Okay. So I'm going to move on to
- 24 slide two and go over -- I really wish I had my
- 25 slides -- but I have just a quick rules roadmap of the

1 updates to go over, what I'm going to go through before

- 2 I go through it.
- 3 And I'm going to go over an overview of the
- 4 rules, quick overview of the rules, incorporation by
- 5 reference, and the RCRA which is kind of why we're
- 6 doing this.
- 7 I also have a list of rules to be updated,
- 8 and you'll see those qualifications and exceptions to
- 9 those rules, highlights of each rule. And then we did
- 10 some outreach. So I want to tell you about that.
- 11 And we have a time line, and I'll go over
- 12 that, that we're trying to roughly meet, and my contact
- 13 information.
- BOARD MEMBER HANSON: Would you tell me what RCRA
- 15 stands for.
- 16 MS. STARK: I will in about one or two slides.
- 17 First, I'm going to go over what we're going
- 18 to be adopting by IBR update. This is the first update
- 19 as incorporation by reference, the first -- they went
- 20 from 14 chapters to 1. So now my task was to take
- 21 those rules and update those as EPA sent in new
- 22 mandatory regulations and one optional.
- 23 So 2015, as Luke mentioned, we had our last
- 24 RCRA rule changes, and that's when we converted to IBR.
- 25 IBR is incorporating the terms of other documents, say,

- 1 the 40 CFR into our hazardous waste rules. So I
- 2 thought I -- I think you guys went over that when they
- 3 incorporated last time.
- 4 So RCRA hazardous waste rules on page 4, RCRA
- 5 was enacted by Congress in 1976. It regulates the
- 6 management of solid and hazardous waste. And the RCRA
- 7 goals are to protect human health and the environment
- 8 from the potential hazards of waste disposal and to
- 9 conserve energy and natural resources and also
- 10 hopefully, when we can, reduce the amount of waste
- 11 generated.
- 12 BOARD MEMBER KIRKBRIDE: Excuse me.
- 13 MS. STARK: Yes, sir.
- 14 BOARD MEMBER KIRKBRIDE: Can I just ask you a
- 15 question? It's obviously much larger in scope than
- 16 just hazardous waste, RCRA.
- 17 MS. STARK: These are the hazardous waste rules
- 18 for Wyoming.
- 19 BOARD MEMBER KIRKBRIDE: Oh, good. That's what it
- 20 is.
- MS. STARK: Yes.
- 22 BOARD MEMBER KIRKBRIDE: There's one conserving
- 23 energy and natural resources, that's a big deal.
- 24 MS. STARK: Yeah, but it's part of what RCRA wants
- 25 us to do.

1 MR. ESCH: Madam Chair, so RCRA has several

- 2 different subparts, and I mentioned Subpart C which is
- 3 really the focus of the hazardous waste. It also has a
- 4 Subpart D which we address with our landfills.
- 5 So that's the municipal solid waste landfill,
- 6 and that's regulated in a separate subpart of RCRA
- 7 which we also have primacy for.
- 8 BOARD MEMBER KIRKBRIDE: Okay.
- 9 BOARD MEMBER CAHN: That includes treatment
- 10 storage and --
- 11 MS. STARK: Treatment storage.
- 12 BOARD MEMBER CAHN: -- disposal facilities, the
- 13 operating facilities that has hazardous waste. It
- 14 isn't just the waste itself. It's also facilities.
- 15 BOARD MEMBER KIRKBRIDE: Okay. Thank you.
- 16 MS. STARK: The next slide is slide five. These
- 17 are the rules we are adopting by reference, and these
- 18 are the eight that we are adopting. All of these, save
- 19 one, are mandatory regulations that the EPA is -- that
- 20 we are updating to meet EPA standards.
- 21 BOARD MEMBER DEURLOO: Madam Chair, Carol?
- MS. STARK: Yes.
- 23 BOARD MEMBER DEURLOO: Is that all eight bullet
- 24 points are mandatory that we reference these?
- MS. STARK: All but one.

1 BOARD MEMBER DEURLOO: All but one. Okay. That's

- 2 what I didn't hear you say. Okay.
- 3 MS. STARK: Now, one thing I want to mention is
- 4 the checklist numbers. If you noticed on the packet
- 5 that you received, the checklist numbers correspond
- 6 with the rule. Those come out in the order from the
- 7 EPA. So just to let you know that that's how those
- 8 match up.
- 9 BOARD MEMBER DEURLOO: Thank you.
- MS. STARK: You're welcome.
- 11 We're on slide six. All the rules and
- 12 revisions being adopted during this period are
- 13 mandatory except for the coal combustion residuals rule
- 14 which is checklist 235 and also the definition of a
- 15 solid waste rule which we will go over in a moment and
- 16 why it's been in litigation until very recently.
- And the reason -- so we're not going to be
- 18 adopting it at this time. And I'll go over that in the
- 19 next slide and a brief summary and highlights of each
- 20 rule.
- 21 So the definition of solid waste in 2008,
- 22 Wyoming was among the many states that did not adopt
- 23 these revisions regarding whether or not hazardous
- 24 secondary materials are being legitimately recycled.
- 25 In 2008 they included new updates, and then

- in 2000 -- 2015, sorry, there were more updates.
- 2 So there was a lot of litigation that went
- 3 into the courts, and so on this slide, which is slide
- 4 seven, the DSW rule has been in litigation since '08
- 5 and '15. We did not adopt either 2008 or 2015 because
- 6 of the litigation it was in.
- 7 And then the U.S. appeals court issued a
- 8 final decision, and the EPA administrator signed on
- 9 that decision in May, just now on May 23rd of 2018. So
- 10 there wasn't time to get that.
- 11 So basically what I wanted to let you know is
- 12 that, because of the contentious nature of this rule,
- 13 we're going to wait until the next rule change to go
- 14 ahead and adopt that. Basically, EPA could still
- 15 enforce this rule without our adoption.
- 16 I guess in the -- I'm going to go over the
- 17 disposal of the coal combustion residuals rule first.
- 18 That's checklist 235, which talks about all the
- 19 previous rules and revisions are mandatory except the
- 20 coal combustion rule.
- 21 What this rule does is it codifies a list of
- 22 waste generated from coal or fossil fuels. And this is
- 23 the optional one, remember. They're not subject to
- 24 hazardous waste rules. It establishes a national
- 25 minimum criteria that essentially kicks it into the

1 Subtitle D court. It's no longer the hazardous rules.

- 2 They're now Subtitle D rules.
- 3 So although this rule is optional, it would
- 4 be more stringent than the current rule if we didn't
- 5 revise it. So the CCR rule revision is being adopted.
- The next rule is the electronic manifest
- 7 rules that I'd like to talk about. Just a brief
- 8 introduction. Some of us may be familiar with a
- 9 manifest, but a manifest is a shipping document so that
- 10 you can ship material normally.
- 11 And an EPA hazardous waste manifest tracks
- 12 hazardous waste from one point -- the point of
- 13 generation of that waste to off-site waste management
- 14 facility for storage, treatment, or disposal of the
- 15 hazardous waste.
- 16 So slide ten. The manifest can now be filed
- 17 electronically with the EPA for shipping or
- 18 transporting of hazardous waste. This affects
- 19 generators, transporters, owners and operators of
- 20 hazardous waste treatment storage or disposal
- 21 facilities that are required to manifest to track the
- 22 shipments of hazardous waste.
- 23 There's going to be reasonable user fees, and
- 24 there's going to be another rule I'll discuss that EPA
- 25 has put in place. The fees will be charged to the

- 1 disposal facility per manifest, and the users can
- 2 choose to use electronic manifests or paper although
- 3 the user fees are higher for paper.
- 4 The E-manifests are the legal equivalent of
- 5 the paper manifests, and the EPA, for a period of time,
- 6 will allow a transition to the electronic manifest.
- 7 So slide 11, the user fees regarding the
- 8 manifest rule. It establishes a methodology for the
- 9 EPA to set revised fees. They want to try and recover
- 10 costs of operating the national electronic manifest
- 11 system.
- 12 So the fees will be charged to the disposal
- 13 facility as mentioned, and many requirements of the
- 14 user fees rule can only be administered and enforced by
- 15 the EPA, not by the states. You'll see that statement
- 16 in some of the other slides.
- Oh, I thought I had a question.
- 18 Slide 12. The hazardous waste generator rule
- 19 improvement is pretty -- there's a lot of things in it.
- 20 But the EPA, what they did was they reorganized these
- 21 rules by generator type or size so that, if you're a
- 22 small conditionally -- let's see. It helps if I use
- 23 the right terminology.
- 24 If you are a very small quantity generator or
- 25 a small or large quantity generator, you can find your

1 regulations now in the CFR very easily, where before

- 2 there was a little here and a little there. So they
- 3 did that kind of reorganization.
- 4 They addressed gaps and errors and took out
- 5 obsolete references. As I just now mentioned or kind
- of mentioned, they renamed the conditionally exempt
- 7 small quantity generator. It's now called a very small
- 8 quantity generator.
- 9 They made provisions for episodic generation.
- 10 So if someone generates waste, they do a tank clean-out
- 11 every third year, there are some provisions that work
- 12 with them there.
- 13 Marketing and labeling changes, they can use
- 14 national fire protection association, USDOT, or OSHA
- 15 with hazards labelling. They still have to call it a
- 16 hazardous waste, but they can -- the actual, some of
- 17 that labeling they can pick from those three.
- 18 Mixing changes they have to characterize at
- 19 the point of generation, and there are some newer
- 20 requirements that include notification for biennial
- 21 recordkeeping and emergency preparedness and
- 22 preparation so that, when the EMT guys show up on site,
- 23 they can find where all the satellite accumulation
- 24 areas are where there may be problems so they can
- 25 address that ahead of time.

1 Slide 13 is a confidentiality determination

- 2 rule. And basically what this rule says is that no
- 3 person can assert business confidentiality for
- 4 documents related to the import and export of a
- 5 hazardous waste. Again, this is one of those ones that
- 6 the requirement will be administered by the EPA, not
- 7 the states.
- 8 Vacatur, which is a little fancier name for
- 9 removal and revision, of comparable fuels rules and
- 10 gasification rule, at 234.
- 11 This rule has sort of two parts within one
- 12 checklist within one rule from the EPA. The comparable
- 13 fuels rules previously allowed hazardous waste of
- 14 refineries to be excluded from certain hazardous waste
- 15 from the definition of a hazardous waste.
- 16 The comparable fuels rules was removed in the
- 17 federal appeals court, and the exclusion was rescinded.
- 18 So we had to remove that one.
- 19 On to slide 15. The other part of that
- 20 checklist or rule is the gasification rule. It was
- 21 also removed in court. EPA removed the gasification as
- 22 an outlet from refining process into which oil-bearing
- 23 hazardous secondary materials could be inserted, and
- 24 all hazardous waste inserted into a gasification unit
- 25 remain subject to RCRA regulations as a hazardous

- 1 waste.
- 2 And the gasification rule, again, is one --
- 3 the gasification rules may not affect Wyoming
- 4 facilities initially, but it may affect petroleum
- 5 refineries in the future that desire to send oily
- 6 hazardous waste to gasification facilities, say, in
- 7 other states. We don't have any here currently.
- 8 The export provisions of the cathode ray
- 9 tube, a cathode ray tube is also known as the picture
- 10 tube that's in older television sets and some older
- 11 computer monitors, and it may be considered a hazardous
- 12 waste when discarded.
- 13 The CRT rule revises some export provisions
- 14 they had of that rule in the final rule that was back
- in 2006. So they're just updating that. And the
- 16 requirements of this rule would be administered again
- 17 by the EPA not by the states.
- 18 Slide 17. The imports and exports of the
- 19 hazardous waste rule provides for consistency with
- 20 current requirements regarding the importing or
- 21 exporting of hazardous waste.
- 22 The RCRA-permitted facilities that we had
- 23 present in our outreach meetings that I heard from said
- 24 they do not import or export hazardous waste so -- and,
- 25 again, the rule is administered by the EPA not the

- 1 states.
- 2 Slide 18. All right. This is regarding our
- 3 outreach. We had outreach meetings starting in, I
- 4 think, September of 2017 and ending in early 2018. We
- 5 did outreach with larger generators. We worked with
- 6 some refineries and permit holders and railroads.
- 7 There were about eight different entities there.
- 8 Larger voluntary mediation program
- 9 volunteers, there was one of those. And some 14
- 10 consulting, different consulting firms, many of them
- 11 represented those permit holders I mentioned above and
- 12 special interests, one of which was the Wyoming Outdoor
- 13 Council.
- 14 We briefly highlighted, I briefly highlighted
- 15 the hazardous waste rule revisions and then the
- 16 generator rule improvements because it was kind of a
- 17 larger one with these entities, and some of them were
- 18 tailored into existing rules so that way we didn't --
- 19 you know, we didn't want -- we wanted to try and
- 20 maximize or minimize the time that they had. And
- 21 they thought it was great. Some of them were in our
- 22 offices; some, we went out to a meeting they were
- 23 already having.
- 24 Slide 19. Our general time line. We've been
- 25 sort of drafting rules, writing -- not sort of. We've

1 been writing the statement of principal reasons and

- 2 doing outreach since really September of 2017 to March
- 3 of 2018. And then public notice and this WAB meeting
- 4 here in June, going to go forward to the QC -- as you
- 5 guys probably all already know this kind of general
- 6 time line, but I was giving this to our stakeholders
- 7 and then the director -- and the governor hopefully
- 8 will sign that the rule and the package will be going
- 9 to the EPA somewhere in spring of 2019 is what I've
- 10 been telling consultants that have called and asked.
- 11 There are some minor edits that I would like
- 12 to mention. I know you guys received a clean copy and
- 13 a redline copy similar to what Gina had. I have a
- 14 redline copy that I have highlighted the changes that
- 15 we made. Many of them were typographical edits, and we
- 16 just wanted to make sure that you understood many of
- 17 them were commas, but they were -- we hope that they
- 18 would be considered unsubstantial changes. They were
- 19 just mainly commas.
- 20 And one regulation was 40CFR270.51 that
- 21 should have been 270.51D, and I have that on these.
- 22 And I highlighted the changes that we made that you
- 23 guys don't have -- in yellow, so yellow highlighter.
- 24 CHAIRWOMAN BEDESSEM: She's handing them out.
- 25 BOARD MEMBER HANSON: Okay.

1 CHAIRWOMAN BEDESSEM: I just wanted to say, Carol,

- 2 thank you for sending us a copy with the comments on
- 3 the side so we'd know --
- 4 (Several speaking simultaneously.)
- 5 MS. STARK: Yeah, that --
- 6 CHAIRWOMAN BEDESSEM: -- that does help.
- 7 MS. STARK: -- does help.
- 8 Madam Chairwoman, I left those same comments
- 9 on these. I only added the new ones and highlighted
- 10 them so that you could tell the difference.
- 11 And we will be requesting EQC's approval
- 12 regarding these unsubstantial changes, just to let you
- 13 know. And then I have my contact information on the
- 14 back of the presentation.
- But I can go over -- we can go over the
- 16 changes if you'd like. I have them also on my USB key.
- BOARD MEMBER DEURLOO: So we're looking at this
- 18 one then?
- 19 CHAIRWOMAN BEDESSEM: Yeah, the new one with the
- 20 yellow highlights.
- BOARD MEMBER DEURLOO: Okay. Thank you.
- 22 CHAIRWOMAN BEDESSEM: If anybody has notes on
- 23 their own copy, just go through this.
- 24 MS. STARK: Yeah, it's the same, and so it shows
- 25 what's added.

1 CHAIRWOMAN BEDESSEM: I am trying to figure out

- 2 what the best way to do this would be.
- 3 MS. STARK: There's really one, two, three, well,
- 4 six basic changes, and they're regarding commas and one
- 5 typo. A word phrase should have been "phrased" in the
- 6 2015, but it came out as "phased." That one should
- 7 have been "phrased." And then we had one, the 27.51
- 8 that I mentioned.
- 9 So I can read over each one of those, or we
- 10 can just go over the two that are not commas.
- BOARD MEMBER CAHN: Extra space (inaudible).
- MS. STARK: Or extra space.
- 13 CHAIRWOMAN BEDESSEM: My thought is, if we're all
- 14 okay with this, if you can just say, "Do you have any
- 15 comments in Section 1, Section 2, Section 3, Section 4,
- 16 Section 5," you know, go through the sections and say
- 17 if there was any -- any highlighted change in there and
- 18 if any of the board members have anything, notes or
- 19 anything they wanted to discuss in those sections.
- MS. STARK: Okay.
- 21 CHAIRWOMAN BEDESSEM: Is that all right?
- MS. STARK: Sure.
- 23 CHAIRWOMAN BEDESSEM: So in Section 1, that's just
- 24 on --
- MS. STARK: Romanette "i."

1 CHAIRWOMAN BEDESSEM: -- page 1, it's only half of

- 2 page 1, there's no additional yellow highlighting.
- 3 BOARD MEMBER HANSON: No.
- 4 CHAIRWOMAN BEDESSEM: So are there any comments
- 5 from any of the board members in Section 1?
- I have one. I'm sorry. Usually when you put
- 7 something in and then you put the acronym or
- 8 abbreviation next to it --
- 9 MS. STARK: Okay.
- 10 CHAIRWOMAN BEDESSEM: -- we usually have the
- 11 acronym in parentheses kind of like in Section 2, the
- 12 fourth line -- well, no, the second line. The second
- 13 line, it says "Code of Federal Regulations," and then
- 14 it says "CFR" in parenthesis. So here where we're
- 15 adding Wyoming Statute, can we have "WS" in parentheses
- 16 in that first?
- MS. STARK: Yes, ma'am.
- 18 CHAIRWOMAN BEDESSEM: So all there is to do there
- 19 is add parentheses so it looks like all the other ones,
- 20 not a substantive change, but just then it's
- 21 consistent.
- 22 MS. STARK: And that's just throughout the whole
- 23 thing?
- CHAIRWOMAN BEDESSEM: No, it's only done once.
- MS. STARK: Just that one. All right.

- 1 CHAIRWOMAN BEDESSEM: Just that one.
- 2 MS. STARK: Awesome.
- 3 CHAIRWOMAN BEDESSEM: So I don't have line numbers
- 4 on this. So we'll reference by page numbers. So that
- 5 was on page 1-1.
- 6 (Several speaking simultaneously.)
- 7 BOARD MEMBER KIRKBRIDE: Second line of --
- 8 CHAIRWOMAN BEDESSEM: Yes.
- 9 BOARD MEMBER KIRKBRIDE: -- what she said.
- 10 CHAIRWOMAN BEDESSEM: Okay. So then if you'd just
- 11 call for anything, Carol -- well, I guess the next
- 12 section, Section 2.
- 13 MS. STARK: Did you want me to call out the commas
- 14 as well?
- 15 CHAIRWOMAN BEDESSEM: Yeah, in anything
- 16 highlighted.
- MS. STARK: All right. So I'm sorry in -- I
- 18 didn't know how to do this. In Romanette "i" at the
- 19 very beginning, it would be in the table of contents,
- 20 we just -- that's really just where I called out that
- 21 we were going to be doing this section. It's just the
- 22 edit up at the top.
- 23 CHAIRWOMAN BEDESSEM: Oh, okay.
- 24 MS. STARK: Just wanted to mention that to you.
- 25 CHAIRWOMAN BEDESSEM: Yeah, uh-huh.

- 1 MS. STARK: All right.
- 2 CHAIRWOMAN BEDESSEM: So is there anything, I
- 3 quess, in Section 2?
- 4 MS. STARK: 1-6 on page 6.
- 5 (Several speaking simultaneously.)
- 6 CHAIRWOMAN BEDESSEM: Section 2 goes from --
- 7 MS. STARK: Yeah, yeah. All right. Well --
- 8 CHAIRWOMAN BEDESSEM: -- don't have anything
- 9 circled. So I thought it was interesting that the --
- 10 which just shows the status of moving at the State of
- 11 Wyoming, that the physical address is considered more
- 12 temporary than the e-mail address.
- 13 MS. STARK: No control over that. Good comment.
- 14 CHAIRWOMAN BEDESSEM: Anyway so I just had a
- 15 comment on the side that this is kind of amusing that
- 16 we have these -- these electronic citations later on in
- 17 the rule which seems like we eliminated electronic
- 18 citations because they've changed.
- 19 So what's the likelihood of these changes? I
- 20 mean, do we have to -- basically, you don't revise the
- 21 rule when the electronic citations change. You just
- 22 deal with it until the next time you revise the rule.
- MS. STARK: That was the thought.
- 24 Madam Chairwoman, do you guys -- regarding -- all
- 25 right. The electronic citations for the rule we had --

- 1 Gina.
- 2 MS. THOMPSON: So there's actually a minor
- 3 correction. They call it non-substantive correction.
- 4 And I believe that Wyoming addresses are considered one
- of those non-substantive changes where the Secretary of
- 6 State has a simple internal process -- fill out some
- 7 paperwork, the AG reviews it for us. And then we
- 8 submit the revised address to the Secretary of State so
- 9 they can --
- 10 CHAIRWOMAN BEDESSEM: Update it on the website.
- MS. THOMPSON: Exactly. We don't have to go
- 12 through formal rulemaking for --
- 13 CHAIRWOMAN BEDESSEM: That's what I wanted to know
- 14 because it seems odd, you know, just putting in these
- 15 obviously temporary --
- 16 MS. THOMPSON: The attorney general recommends
- 17 that you take care of those if you have a number of
- 18 them and you're going through rulemaking, you kind of
- 19 do it all together.
- 20 But if next year the hazardous waste rules
- 21 didn't require a major update but had a new address, we
- 22 could file that form and it would be very simple, and
- 23 we wouldn't have to require time on your schedule.
- 24 CHAIRWOMAN BEDESSEM: Great. We would just deal
- 25 with it at the Secretary of State so what is pulled off

- 1 the permit website would be correct.
- 2 MS. THOMPSON: Yes.
- 3 MR. BREED: Madam Chairwoman, we have that our
- 4 website address hasn't changed in a long --
- 5 CHAIRWOMAN BEDESSEM: Years --
- 6 MR. BREED: -- long time. For those other
- 7 references like the EPA website --
- 8 (Several speaking simultaneously.)
- 9 CHAIRWOMAN BEDESSEM: No control over.
- 10 MR. BREED: -- no control over and they keep
- 11 changing. So would be better to --
- 12 CHAIRWOMAN BEDESSEM: Okay.
- MR. BREED: -- (inaudible).
- 14 CHAIRWOMAN BEDESSEM: Thank you. I appreciate
- 15 hearing that there's a mechanism for updating those
- 16 website addresses because, you know, they seem to
- 17 change daily. You go look something up, it's not there
- 18 anymore.
- 19 MS. STARK: Correct.
- 20 CHAIRWOMAN BEDESSEM: So thank you. Glad to hear
- 21 that.
- 22 So I didn't have anything else in Section 2.
- 23 Anybody else on that?
- MS. STARK: Section 3.
- 25 BOARD MEMBER CAHN: Madam Chair?

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- 1 CHAIRWOMAN BEDESSEM: Yes.
- BOARD MEMBER CAHN: On Section 3, since we don't
- 3 have line numbers, it's A Romanette "ii," third line,
- 4 we have "his designee for the director," and I would
- 5 like to see that as "their designee," third line down.
- 6 Do you see that, on page 1-2?
- 7 MS. STARK: I'm getting there.
- 8 BOARD MEMBER CAHN: Are you with me?
- 9 MS. STARK: I'm on 1-3.
- 10 CHAIRWOMAN BEDESSEM: 1-2.
- 11 BOARD MEMBER CAHN: 1-2, and it's Section 3A
- 12 Romanette "ii," third line down, it says: "The
- 13 director of the Wyoming DEQ or his designee."
- 14 MS. STARK: Okay.
- BOARD MEMBER CAHN: To make that gender neutral,
- 16 it should be "their designee."
- 17 BOARD MEMBER HANSON: (Inaudible) and
- 18 administrator; right?
- 19 MR. BREED: (Indicating.)
- 20 BOARD MEMBER HANSON: Yes, okay.
- MS. STARK: Okay.
- 22 CHAIRWOMAN BEDESSEM: Anybody else with anything
- 23 else in Section 3?
- So Section 4 starts on 1-3.
- 25 BOARD MEMBER CAHN: I have a number of "which's"

1 that should be "that," and I am okay with just giving

- 2 you the highlights and not going through every one of
- 3 them, if that's okay with the rest of the board.
- 4 CHAIRWOMAN BEDESSEM: Thank you. That would be
- 5 appreciated.
- 6 BOARD MEMBER DEURLOO: We can always count on you,
- 7 Lorie. We appreciate it.
- 8 BOARD MEMBER CAHN: So I won't bring those up in
- 9 other sections. I'll just give this to you unless
- 10 there's confusion about the meaning.
- 11 MS. STARK: Okay.
- 12 CHAIRWOMAN BEDESSEM: Fantastic. Okay. Then we
- 13 can go to Section 5. Which is on -- it starts on
- 14 page 1-5, and what page does that actually end on?
- 15 BOARD MEMBER DEURLOO: It looks like 1-10, but I'm
- 16 not sure.
- 17 MS. STARK: Yeah.
- 18 BOARD MEMBER DEURLOO: I think --
- 19 MS. STARK: I think it's --
- 20 BOARD MEMBER DEURLOO: Is it the bottom of 1-10,
- 21 Madam Chairwoman?
- 22 CHAIRWOMAN BEDESSEM: Okay. Thank you.
- 23 BOARD MEMBER CAHN: I don't see it.
- 24 MS. STARK: The bottom of page 1-5, is that what
- 25 you're looking at, or do you want to go to the bottom

- 1 of it?
- 2 CHAIRWOMAN BEDESSEM: He was saying Section 6 or
- 3 Section 5.
- 4 MS. THOMPSON: From the chapter, it looks like
- 5 Section 5 through 123 are reserved. And then 124
- 6 starts at the bottom of 1-5.
- 7 MR. BREED: Madam Chair, we did that numbering
- 8 system that way so we would be consistent with the CFR.
- 9 So when we start the 260s, Section 260, those are
- 10 consistent with the CFR, where the other ones are
- 11 really for our rules. Those don't line up with the
- 12 CFR. So that was how we initially did that to make it
- 13 separate from the 40CFR. That's something we added.
- 14 CHAIRWOMAN BEDESSEM: I see in the table of
- 15 contents, 123 is reserved, and then 124 starts on 1-5.
- 16 So Section 5 is just reserved so there's nothing in
- 17 there, nothing on the definitions.
- 18 MS. STARK: But just to mention to you within that
- 19 section, I guess it's probably --
- 20 CHAIRWOMAN BEDESSEM: Four --
- 21 MS. STARK: -- on page 1-6 is the start of the
- 22 commas, and there's a comment off to the side that
- 23 elaborates, discusses why we did what we did and how we
- 24 did it, basically, the commas that we inserted and how
- 25 we inserted them. Some were commas, and then the next

1 start of the explanation was a capital and some

- 2 weren't. So we made it all the same.
- 3 CHAIRWOMAN BEDESSEM: Great.
- 4 MS. STARK: So those were the commas.
- 5 MR. ESCH: Looks like 125 through 259 are also
- 6 reserved on page 1-10. So the next section we'll be
- 7 discussing -- there's no comments on 124 -- would be
- 8 Section 260.
- 9 CHAIRWOMAN BEDESSEM: So none on 124, we'll go
- 10 through 260.
- 11 BOARD MEMBER KIRKBRIDE: Madam Chairwoman?
- 12 CHAIRWOMAN BEDESSEM: Uh-huh.
- BOARD MEMBER KIRKBRIDE: Very briefly, what are
- 14 the issues on the definition of solid waste?
- 15 CHAIRWOMAN BEDESSEM: Good question.
- 16 MR. ESCH: Madam Chair, Councilman Kirkbride, I
- 17 can briefly touch on some of those bigger issues on the
- 18 definition of solid waste. We can then maybe patch in
- 19 Bob Breuer to provide a more detailed explanation.
- 20 But the definition of solid waste there was a
- 21 concern regarding what materials were truly being used
- 22 for recycling and what materials people were just
- 23 accumulating speculatively and you'd have these piles
- 24 of material lying on their property that they would
- 25 say, "No, this is not solid waste. This is a material

- 1 that we plan on using for a secondary use."
- 2 And because there was no clarification on
- 3 what exactly is a solid waste, the EPA went forward
- 4 with providing additional clarification on what is the
- 5 definition of the speculative accumulation.
- 6 So what you were putting, gathering on your
- 7 site trying to bet that you're going to be able to find
- 8 a secondary market for, they kind of put some more
- 9 restrictions on that so you can't just accumulate
- 10 random, for instance, maybe rubber chips sitting on
- 11 your property indefinitely. That there's more
- 12 restrictions on the type of material that can sit on
- 13 your property for extended amounts of time.
- 14 CHAIRWOMAN BEDESSEM: So the question is -- I
- 15 mean, that describes what the rule is, but what was the
- 16 basis of the litigation? Why was it so contentious?
- 17 MR. ESCH: Madam Chair, I do not have an answer
- 18 for you regarding the underlying litigation.
- Can we try to open up Bob? Bob Breuer, are
- 20 you still on the phone?
- BOARD MEMBER DEURLOO: Hopefully they're not
- 22 tractors and (inaudible).
- MS. THOMPSON: Bob, if you're speaking, can you
- 24 unmute yourself?
- 25 MR. ESCH: James LaRock, are you -- do you

- 1 understand the basis behind the litigation for the
- 2 solid waste rule?
- 3 MR. LAROCK (VIA VIDEOCONFERENCE): Can you hear
- 4 me?
- 5 MR. ESCH: Yes.
- 6 MR. LAROCK (VIA VIDEOCONFERENCE): Hey, all right.
- 7 This is James LaRock. Luke, I think you basically
- 8 explained it. I mean, if you were an industry group,
- 9 an industry or a generator and you don't want your
- 10 piles to be considered hazardous waste, you can
- 11 challenge the rule and just (unintelligible).
- 12 I mean, the relevant decisions from the DC
- 13 Circuit Court of Appeals came out very recently. So
- 14 that's the -- it's just economics, frankly.
- 15 BOARD MEMBER DEURLOO: That doesn't answer the
- 16 question.
- 17 BOARD MEMBER CAHN: No.
- 18 MR. BREED: I think -- may I?
- 19 CHAIRWOMAN BEDESSEM: Uh-huh.
- 20 MR. BREED: So in the hazardous waste rules, the
- 21 catalyst in a petroleum refinery is considered a
- 22 hazardous waste. So they have to manage the catalyst
- 23 as a hazardous waste, no matter what. They can't treat
- 24 it. They can't do anything with it. It's obviously
- 25 hazardous waste and have to dispose of it that way.

So the definition, this new one, this new DSW

- 2 rule, that made it a spent catalyst. If they could
- 3 recycle it and put it back into their refining process
- 4 without disposing of it as hazardous waste, they used
- 5 it in the same facility, then they would be exempt from
- 6 that hazardous waste status.
- 7 So there are similar things with other
- 8 industries. That's the only one, reading through that
- 9 rule, that I can find that applies to any Wyoming
- 10 industry is the spent catalyst for the petroleum
- 11 refineries.
- 12 But you'll have other ones out there that
- 13 were opposites, you know, and that might hurt an
- 14 industry. This one, I would imagine -- I don't know
- 15 the litigation either offhand, but this is just an
- 16 example. But you could have environmental groups out
- 17 there not wanting that material to be done something
- 18 with, treated on site and reused because, obviously,
- 19 it's handled appropriately since it's a listed
- 20 hazardous waste.
- 21 But I think there was litigation from both
- 22 industry and environmental, but it runs the gamut of
- 23 hazardous waste in different industries, like Luke was
- 24 talking about, recycling and reclaiming materials
- 25 versus secondary hazardous materials.

1 BOARD MEMBER KIRKBRIDE: Madam Chairwoman, so I

- 2 assume that, in some cases, it's pretty specific. I
- 3 mean, one man's hazardous waste is the other guy's
- 4 treasure. So you kind of need a -- someone needs to be
- 5 the referee; right? And that is EPA or what?
- 6 MR. ESCH: Madam Chairwoman, Councilman Kirkbride,
- 7 the EPA, that's correct. Once again, we're not
- 8 adopting the restrictions of that definition of solid
- 9 waste right now. We're kind of letting things play
- 10 out.
- 11 So there are additional restrictions that are
- 12 within that rule that are not becoming part of our
- 13 program yet. So we're giving it some time to let
- 14 things get settled for the referees to be determined to
- 15 find out what are the rules of the playground. Then we
- 16 can just take a step forward and bring that into our
- 17 program in one of the future rulemakings but for
- 18 Wyoming.
- 19 BOARD MEMBER HANSON: Madam Chair, I don't know
- 20 whether it's germane to the discussion, but our
- 21 landfill here has a special section for all the
- 22 computer waste that the university creates, and it's a
- 23 huge section because of this institution, of course,
- 24 redoing computers at a fairly regular interval.
- 25 And I quess there's something in here about

- 1 the cathodes especially and those things that are
- 2 hazardous waste. So I quess my question is is this
- 3 addressed with this document since this is taken out or
- 4 whatever? And do they need to be aware of something at
- 5 the landfill that they are not doing right now? I just
- 6 want to inform them if they are.
- 7 MR. ESCH: Madam Chair and Councilman Hanson, the
- 8 rules that we're proposing to incorporate here
- 9 specifically regarding exporting those CRTs, the
- 10 provisions of RCRA that would determine whether those
- 11 CRTs out there are hazardous are already in place,
- 12 they're already part of our program.
- 13 Fortunately, we do have our solid waste
- 14 program manager with us here today too if there's
- 15 questions regarding the management of those monitors
- 16 out there in the landfill.
- 17 It's kind of an interesting thing with those
- 18 monitors. If it comes from everybody's -- you know,
- 19 everybody's got a TV or a computer at home. If we take
- 20 our waste to the landfill and dispose of it, it
- 21 definitely comes under hazardous waste regulation. So
- 22 they don't get crossways with RCRA for those if they're
- 23 coming from a household generation.
- 24 BOARD MEMBER HANSON: Okay. It's basically older
- 25 model TVs; right? With what are they called cathodes?

- 1 MR. ESCH: Cathode ray tubes, yes.
- 2 BOARD MEMBER HANSON: Our new computers don't have
- 3 that stuff.
- 4 CHAIRWOMAN BEDESSEM: And most of that stuff at
- 5 the landfill collects for recycling, so...
- 6 BOARD MEMBER HANSON: Yeah, I've seen the stacks
- 7 there.
- 8 CHAIRWOMAN BEDESSEM: Uh-huh.
- 9 BOARD MEMBER HANSON: That's a problem in Laramie
- 10 because of this particular institution, of course.
- 11 CHAIRWOMAN BEDESSEM: And it costs them money to
- 12 recycle.
- 13 BOARD MEMBER HANSON: Yeah.
- MR. ESCH: E-waste is a big ticket issue
- 15 throughout the country that we're still struggling
- 16 with, frankly.
- BOARD MEMBER HANSON: Yeah, and there was
- 18 something about an inspection that was done that we
- 19 were told, they were told that it had to be sorted out
- 20 and stored separately and whatever, and I think they
- 21 are following the rules.
- 22 CHAIRWOMAN BEDESSEM: Uh-huh.
- BOARD MEMBER HANSON: Thank you.
- 24 CHAIRWOMAN BEDESSEM: So since we were kind of
- 25 discussing some overarching questions here before we

1 got down to if there any nitty-gritty, it looks like a

- 2 lot of the little items that I caught and you caught in
- 3 your yellow, very good.
- 4 So this is with respect to the new CCR rules.
- 5 So I understand that adopting, you know, via the
- 6 checklist the CCR rule because then it wouldn't be more
- 7 stringent than what the federal regulation is.
- 8 So some of that makes sense, but one thing
- 9 that I thought was interesting was that, in the
- 10 response to comments to the outdoor council, it talks
- 11 about how the -- that the State -- well, that right now
- 12 you regulate those kinds of waste, you know, through
- 13 the industrial rules and solid waste program, you know,
- 14 because we have flash landfills and so forth. And the
- 15 empowerment's through Water Quality.
- But that it says:
- 17 "The new wind act directs the EPA to approve
- any state program that requires each coal
- 19 combustion residual units located in the
- 20 state to achieve compliance with either the
- 21 federal CCR requirements or other state
- 22 criteria that the Administrator, after
- 23 consultation with the State, determines to be
- 24 at least as protective as the federal
- 25 requirements."

1 Then it goes on to say that you're going to

- 2 consider further rulemaking for these CCRs.
- 3 So the way it's been handled in the past
- 4 through the Industrial Waste regulations and through
- 5 Water Quality's regulations for empanelments
- 6 (phonetic), are the existing regulations not as at
- 7 least protective as the federal requirements? Is there
- 8 a real reason to go ahead and do the whole -- or are
- 9 you required to do a whole separate CCR package?
- 10 That's the question.
- 11 MR. ESCH: Madam Chair, we're basically required.
- 12 We're going to need move forward to do a new rule
- 13 package for the CCR. The feds did come out with some
- 14 specific criteria relating to just CCR landfills and
- 15 service empanelments (phonetic). We reviewed their
- 16 regulations; we reviewed our regulations. And there's
- 17 very minor differences.
- 18 We have construction requirements, you know.
- 19 For those surface empanelments (phonetic), you need to
- 20 have dam sizes and slope requirements to make sure that
- 21 they're safe.
- 22 Our regulations and the federal regulations
- 23 are very, very similar. However, there's additional
- 24 requirements in the federal regulations regarding
- 25 recordkeeping by all of these CCR facilities. They're

1 required to maintain a publicly available website where

- 2 they post their monitoring information.
- 3 There's additional requirements for
- 4 inspections for all the CCR units. So those are things
- 5 that we're going to need to move forward and
- 6 incorporate into ours so we can apply to the EPA for a
- 7 program.
- 8 We've done some outreach with some of the
- 9 regulated units out there. They've expressed a strong
- 10 desire for the State to develop its own program and
- 11 receive primacy for that in the CCR program.
- 12 We have developed some internal regulations
- 13 currently. We are probably going to go out to do some
- 14 more outreach with the regulated industries this --
- 15 well, it's summer now. But it's very, very soon that
- 16 we're going to be moving forward with those.
- 17 And those incorporate the additional
- 18 monitoring requirements of the federal regulations and
- 19 we all -- we have that under Subtitle D, which is
- 20 allowed by the adoption of this, the CCR provision
- 21 before us today.
- 22 CHAIRWOMAN BEDESSEM: So you say it's housed under
- 23 Subtitle D. So that is meaning that are these going to
- 24 be revisions to the Industrial Waste Chapter? Or is it
- 25 going to be a separate chapter just dealing with the

- 1 CCR?
- 2 MR. ESCH: Madam Chair, what we anticipate now is
- 3 a separate chapter dealing solely with CCR because
- 4 we'll have to go in and exclude surface empanelments
- 5 (phonetic) that contain CCR under Water Quality's rules
- 6 and then basically house them both under a chapter in
- 7 the Solid and Hazardous Waste Division. We'll oversee
- 8 that program since it is in Subtitle D now.
- 9 CHAIRWOMAN BEDESSEM: Okay. So you're going to be
- 10 taking over that responsibility from the Water Quality
- 11 Division.
- MR. ESCH: Yes, we will be taking over that
- 13 responsibility from the Water Quality Division, but
- 14 we'll still be utilizing their expertise in the
- 15 evaluation of the surface empanelments (phonetic)
- 16 basically just trying to --
- 17 (Several speaking simultaneously.)
- 18 ACHAIRWOMAN BEDESSEM: Housed under --
- MR. ESCH: (Unintelligible.)
- 20 CHAIRWOMAN BEDESSEM: Just make it easier --
- MR. ESCH: Yeah --
- 22 CHAIRWOMAN BEDESSEM: -- for the update --
- 23 MR. ESCH: -- for permitting --
- 24 CHAIRWOMAN BEDESSEM: -- have to have comparable
- 25 rulemaking on every single time you want to change

1 anything both with the Solid Waste Program and Water

- 2 Quality. Okay. Thank you.
- 3 Because I was, you know, interested when it
- 4 talked about how you were going to be developing that,
- 5 how that was going to be handled, and what the
- 6 specifics were because it's been managed for years and
- 7 years and years through this combination of Water
- 8 Quality and Solid Waste. Be interesting to see what
- 9 the actual detail of changes turn out to be.
- 10 Thank you. That was my last overarching
- 11 question.
- 12 Anybody else have any overarching ones?
- Then we can go back to the minutia.
- 14 BOARD MEMBER DEURLOO: I have a few questions on
- 15 the first initial presentation, if that's okay.
- 16 CHAIRWOMAN BEDESSEM: Uh-huh.
- 17 BOARD MEMBER DEURLOO: If I can just --
- 18 CHAIRWOMAN BEDESSEM: Yes. I was wanting to wrap
- 19 up the minutia really quick --
- 20 BOARD MEMBER DEURLOO: All right. Cool. That
- 21 sounds good --
- 22 CHAIRWOMAN BEDESSEM: -- get out the door.
- 23 BOARD MEMBER DEURLOO: That sounds like a heck of
- 24 a plan. So out of curiosity -- and my fellow board
- 25 members probably know why I'm asking this. I'm asking

- 1 out of curiosity.
- 2 So if you were to collect a pollution that's
- 3 normally -- I'll be more specific. If you've got storm
- 4 water pollution, you've got all this stuff on the
- 5 streets -- tire tread, cigarette butts, heavy metals,
- 6 hydrocarbons -- and normally it goes to the river --
- 7 right? -- when it rains and stuff like that.
- 8 And if you're actually to collect that in a
- 9 single spot, non-point-source pollutant into a single
- 10 spot and then collect that and then take that to the
- 11 dump or whatever, at that point, is it a hazardous
- 12 waste when it's just -- and maybe this is not the forum
- 13 for that question, but I'm going to give you a call
- 14 separately.
- 15 MR. BREED: Madam Chair, it's not considered
- 16 hazardous waste. Under RCRA Subtitle C, there's
- 17 exemptions to different industries and different types
- 18 of wastes. So that type of material would fall under a
- 19 storm water permit and some city regulations and those
- 20 kind of things.
- 21 So really for Subtitle C, it's industries
- 22 that create hazardous waste based on their processes,
- 23 but there's exemptions from those like fly ash is an
- 24 exemption, for example, mining waste. There's a lot of
- 25 exemptions.

- BOARD MEMBER DEURLOO: A generator. Not a
- 2 collector but a generator.
- MR. BREED: Well, a collector is a disposal
- 4 facility. For someone who treats hazardous waste
- 5 facility, they would have to have a permit under
- 6 Subtitle C or a hazardous waste program to conduct that
- 7 activity.
- 8 So we don't have any commercial hazardous
- 9 waste disposal facilities, treatment facilities in the
- 10 state and --
- 11 BOARD MEMBER DEURLOO: Right.
- 12 MR. BREED: -- there's two refineries that have --
- 13 they treat their waste water, which is a hazardous
- 14 waste. They have to have a permit to treat that waste
- 15 water from us, certain treatment level, and then they
- 16 discharge it to evaporation ponds. But they're
- 17 creating that waste from their refining process --
- 18 BOARD MEMBER DEURLOO: Okay.
- 19 MR. BREED: -- generally.
- 20 BOARD MEMBER DEURLOO: Thank you. Let's see, we
- 21 already covered litigation. We don't really know what
- 22 that is.
- 23 Page 8, I had a question. Okay. So, Carol,
- 24 you had mentioned bullet point 1, CCR, codify the list
- 25 of waste generated from a coal or fossil fuels that

- 1 when co-disposed are not subject to HW regulations.
- 2 How do you -- what do you mean by co-dispose?
- 3 So you're' talking about fly ash right there. If you
- 4 guys mix it with something else, it's no longer a
- 5 hazardous waste or what?
- 6 MR. BREED: No. That co-disposes is waste that
- 7 these facilities generate to -- say, they're producing
- 8 electricity. They're burning this coal. They're going
- 9 to produce other wastes that are not hazardous waste
- 10 that they can co-dispose of. That's if they had -- I'm
- 11 trying to think -- I don't know, electricity --
- 12 BOARD MEMBER DEURLOO: Oh --
- 13 MR. BREED: -- very good so if, through that
- 14 process, they're generating some water or some -- can't
- 15 be water but some material or waste out of there, that
- 16 they can co-dispose of it in that landfill with the CCR
- 17 rather than dispose of it someplace else that's a
- 18 hazardous waste potentially or whatever happens to --
- 19 BOARD MEMBER DEURLOO: I understand. I had it
- 20 backwards there.
- Page 15, do we have any gasification
- 22 facilities?
- MR. BREED: No.
- BOARD MEMBER DEURLOO: I didn't think so.
- 25 Where is the nearest gasification facility?

- 1 MS. STARK: I believe Bob mentioned -- oh,
- 2 Madam Chair, I believe the nearest one he mentioned was
- 3 in North Dakota.
- 4 BOARD MEMBER DEURLOO: North Dakota. I think
- 5 there's one in Kansas too if I remember right. Okay.
- 6 I just was curious.
- 7 And then page 19, another one. So do you see
- 8 as you -- when you have an authorized package for the
- 9 EPA for the second quarter next year, do you foresee
- 10 any problems with getting your rules and regulations
- 11 passed through the EPA?
- 12 MR. ESCH: Madam Chair, I think I'd probably defer
- 13 to Jerry on that.
- 14 MR. BREED: Sure. Madam Chair, we have a good
- 15 working relationship with Region 8 and the hazardous
- 16 waste program. We have worked with them through the
- 17 process so they know what we're doing.
- 18 We just don't give them the package at the
- 19 end of the day and ask them to approve it. They know
- 20 exactly what we're doing, and they'll give us feedback
- 21 occasionally if they don't think we're doing what we
- 22 need to do.
- 23 Since we just went through the process
- 24 recently with IBR, incorporation by reference, and we
- 25 ended up with a process that we can understand what

- 1 theirs is, I don't think there will be any comments
- 2 (inaudible) like everybody else have to put in the
- 3 Federal Register and all those kinds of things.
- 4 They've lost a lot of people, and their
- 5 rulemaking expert is one that they lost in Region 8.
- 6 So they're kind of building up to speed. So it's just
- 7 an opportunity for people to work together, I think,
- 8 through the process.
- 9 BOARD MEMBER DEURLOO: Okay. Thank you, Jerry.
- 10 MR. ESCH: Madam Chairwoman, (unintelligible) that
- 11 Jerry expressed. EPA is very much focused on the
- 12 cooperative federalism right now, one of the tenets
- 13 that the administration is pushing forward. So there's
- 14 a strong desire to work with states and these programs
- 15 that are designed to be run by states through the
- 16 delegated process to be done so. So the delegation or
- 17 the approval of the primacy is certainly high on their
- 18 priority right now.
- 19 BOARD MEMBER DEURLOO: Approval of the primacy, do
- 20 we have primacy over --
- 21 MR. ESCH: We do have primacy currently but just
- the re-adoption or the re-approval of the rule packages
- 23 as we incorporate those rules that they push out.
- 24 BOARD MEMBER DEURLOO: Okay. Thanks.
- 25 Madam Chair, that's all I had.

1 CHAIRWOMAN BEDESSEM: Any other overarching

- 2 comments or questions? Presentation? Okay.
- 3 So maybe the easiest with what's left is to
- 4 just go around and just address the minutia and we'll
- 5 just -- rather than go through sections.
- 6 So do you have any --
- 7 BOARD MEMBER KIRKBRIDE: No.
- 8 CHAIRWOMAN BEDESSEM: Lorie?
- 9 BOARD MEMBER CAHN: I'm going to give you these,
- 10 and they also include where "which" is the correct word
- 11 but it's missing a comma.
- MS. STARK: Okay.
- BOARD MEMBER CAHN: And maybe you caught those. I
- 14 haven't checked. And then gender neutral not to
- 15 specify a gender, I've got at least one of those.
- Sometimes let me just bring up on page 1-36,
- 17 it's under the health risk assessment -- wait a minute.
- 18 No, it's not. I'm going to have to go -- there's no
- 19 line numbers.
- 20 I'm going to have to say on my page 1-56, it
- 21 starts with an A. Does yours?
- 22 MS. STARK: Madam Chairwoman, are you talking
- 23 about under Romanette ii(a) --
- 24 CHAIRWOMAN BEDESSEM: Is it the clean copy?
- 25 BOARD MEMBER CAHN: I'm in the clean copy. It's

1 where we're talking about applicant being convicted of

- 2 felonies.
- 3 MS. STARK: I've got it, Lorie.
- 4 CHAIRWOMAN BEDESSEM: And you have the clean copy.
- 5 MS. STARK: I do.
- 6 CHAIRWOMAN BEDESSEM: She has a clean copy. So
- 7 just go for it.
- 8 BOARD MEMBER CAHN: So on page 1-56, it starts
- 9 with capital A under "N": "The applicant shall
- 10 demonstrate fitness to comply with the act under these
- 11 rules, " and it's Romanette "i" and then it's capital C.
- 12 CHAIRWOMAN BEDESSEM: Just the third paragraph
- 13 down?
- 14 BOARD MEMBER CAHN: Yeah, it's the third paragraph
- 15 down. So the third line down in that paragraph, it has
- 16 a "which," and whether or not "which" needs to be
- 17 replaced with "that" depends on whether it's defining
- 18 or not restrictive.
- 19 So if they've been convicted of any felony or
- 20 pleaded guilty, or is it only ones in which the
- 21 judgment of the director constitutes evidence that the
- 22 applicant cannot be relied upon to conduct? So that, I
- 23 don't know what you mean.
- 24 So depending on what you mean, I can't tell
- 25 you, you need to change that to "that" without

- 1 understanding the meaning.
- MS. STARK: Madam Chair and Board Member Cahn, I
- 3 defer to -- we will check into that --
- 4 BOARD MEMBER CAHN: Okay.
- 5 MS. STARK: -- and we'll make sure which --
- 6 BOARD MEMBER CAHN: Okay.
- 7 MR. ESCH: Madam Chair, I believe it's the latter.
- 8 I believe it's restricting the instances in which the
- 9 judgment is the director is focused. So that kind of
- 10 brings it into this. So I think it's more restrictive
- 11 in nature. So if the --
- 12 (Several speaking simultaneously.)
- BOARD MEMBER CAHN: Okay. So if -- then that --
- 14 MR. ESCH: -- which may be appropriate.
- 15 BOARD MEMBER CAHN: -- would be then that
- 16 appropriate --
- MR. ESCH: -- then that would be appropriate, that
- 18 in the nature of the judgment.
- 19 BOARD MEMBER CAHN: Okay. So if --
- 20 CHAIRWOMAN BEDESSEM: Want "that" there.
- 21 BOARD MEMBER CAHN: -- it's felony that in the
- 22 judgment of the director constitutes evidence, then
- 23 that's that. But if it's any felony, then the way you
- 24 have it worded "which in the judgment," I think -- let
- 25 me look at that.

1 MR. BREED: Madam Chair, that came from our

- 2 original rulemaking in 1997 when we had those
- 3 14 chapters and --
- 4 CHAIRWOMAN BEDESSEM: Yeah.
- 5 MR. BREED: -- the more stringent requirement than
- 6 the federal rules. That's why it's in here, broader in
- 7 scope, whatever you want to call it, got into our IBR.
- 8 But I think basically (unintelligible) at the
- 9 time of our original rules. I think we want to make it
- 10 more consistent with all these rules too.
- 11 But we just wanted to make sure that, within
- 12 a five-year period, that there wasn't -- somebody
- 13 didn't have a felony or doing something bad so we
- 14 wouldn't issue them a permit. That's what I recall.
- 15 BOARD MEMBER CAHN: Whether it's "that" or "which"
- 16 depends on if --
- 17 MR. BREED: Right.
- 18 BOARD MEMBER CAHN: -- any felony whatsoever.
- 19 Only those felonies that in the judgment of the
- 20 director constitutes evidence that they cannot be
- 21 relied --
- 22 (Several speaking simultaneously.)
- MR. BREED: -- there would --
- 24 BOARD MEMBER CAHN: -- maybe have a felony --
- 25 CHAIRWOMAN BEDESSEM: You put that --

- 1 BOARD MEMBER CAHN: Okay.
- 2 MR. BREED: Yeah, and --
- 3 CHAIRWOMAN BEDESSEM: -- there's got to be
- 4 judgment involved there.
- 5 MR. BREED: Yeah --
- 6 BOARD MEMBER CAHN: Okay.
- 7 MR. BREED: -- and (unintelligible) --
- 8 CHAIRWOMAN BEDESSEM: That's that.
- 9 BOARD MEMBER CAHN: Okay. That's -- and then just
- 10 changing his findings to their findings. So I will
- 11 just give you this. Or if "which" is correct, it's
- 12 missing a comma. So I'm going to hand you this whole
- 13 package.
- 14 CHAIRWOMAN BEDESSEM: Awesome.
- 15 MS. STARK: Thank you.
- 16 CHAIRWOMAN BEDESSEM: I have one little
- 17 correction. It's on the redline strikeout copy on 115
- 18 and also on 121. It's, you know, where you change that
- 19 the notice is going to be given to the director, his
- 20 address can be found at such and such instead of the
- 21 address. I don't think you need the word letters "DEQ"
- 22 in there because that's left over from the address.
- Do you know what I mean?
- 24 Before it used to say, "Shall be given to the
- 25 director, DEQ, 122 West 25th Street, as part of the

- 1 address because we mention "Director" throughout the
- 2 rules and it refers to the DEQ Director. So you don't
- 3 need DEQ there.
- 4 And it's the same one on page -- so that's on
- 5 Romanette "iv," second line. It's the same on 121
- 6 Romanette "iv," one, two, three, fourth line down.
- 7 MS. STARK: Madam Chair, what was the second page
- 8 reference?
- 9 CHAIRWOMAN BEDESSEM: Page 121, section 265,
- 10 Romanette -- well, A Romanette "iv," the fourth line --
- 11 one, two, three -- fourth line down on page 1 of
- 12 Romanette "iv."
- The only other one that I have was a
- 14 question, and maybe Jerry can answer this one. Where
- 15 we're now taking out those website citations for the
- 16 quidelines and the risk assessment quidelines and the
- 17 guidelines for limited exposure assessment, the other
- 18 ones A, B, D, and, you know, F, G, whatever, have a
- 19 date. But C says "guidelines for human exposure
- 20 assessment, US EPA," no document date.
- 21 And the same thing for E, "Risk assessment
- 22 guidelines US EPA, " no document date.
- 23 Don't you usually have to reference the year
- 24 of the document so that it's not, you know, like a
- 25 changing requirement?

1 MS. STARK: Madam Chair, I checked into those

- 2 references, and they didn't have a date on the ones
- 3 that I went to, but I can double-check.
- 4 MR. BREED: Well, we'll check it again. It should
- 5 have a date.
- 6 CHAIRWOMAN BEDESSEM: Yeah, quidelines for human
- 7 exposure assessment should have a date on them.
- 8 MS. STARK: Sure.
- 9 MR. BREED: Yes.
- 10 CHAIRWOMAN BEDESSEM: So that's my only comment on
- 11 C and E was that, if we can find some reference date or
- 12 document number, that would be helpful. Fortunately,
- 13 they're there for every other one on that list except
- 14 for C and E.
- I didn't have anything else.
- 16 Klaus, did you have --
- BOARD MEMBER HANSON: I just noticed on page 114
- 18 of that section, there's really something of substance,
- 19 you know, that was added there which comment is added,
- 20 which is the owner-operator shall apply to the DEQ for
- 21 EPA identification number.
- 22 Whether you want to highlight it in some
- 23 fashion because it's something new and so that the
- 24 people who need to apply are aware of that (indicating)
- 25 this is something you added, and I just -- so they find

1 it more easily. You know, that occurred to me since

- 2 it's something new.
- 3 Then I had one other thing I didn't
- 4 understand, and that was -- but I have to find it back
- 5 on --
- 6 CHAIRWOMAN BEDESSEM: I think really that
- 7 Romanette "iii" is just clarifying that they get their
- 8 number from DEQ --
- 9 BOARD MEMBER HANSON: Yeah.
- 10 CHAIRWOMAN BEDESSEM: -- rather than EPA. They're
- 11 required to get a number is not new. It's just who
- 12 they're getting it from.
- BOARD MEMBER HANSON: I just thought for emphasis
- 14 in saying that might be something that you want to
- 15 highlight in some fashion.
- I can't find the other part. Oh, yeah. On
- 17 page 1-27, there is a comment, the first one. "We move
- 18 and reserve paragraph I and the entries under OI in the
- 19 table of Appendix I," et cetera, et cetera.
- 20 Does this simply say you took it out and put
- 21 it in the appendix?
- 22 MS. STARK: This was an EPA -- oh, Madam Chair --
- 23 CHAIRWOMAN BEDESSEM: Uh-huh.
- 24 BOARD MEMBER HANSON: Yes.
- MS. STARK: -- and Mr. Hanson.

- 1 CHAIRWOMAN BEDESSEM: Yes, please.
- 2 MS. STARK: I believe that was part of the changes
- 3 that were made in the EPA regulations --
- 4 BOARD MEMBER HANSON: Uh-huh.
- 5 MS. STARK: -- and that was just one of the
- 6 changes when we had the -- that they asked us to remove
- 7 and reserve and put them under --
- 8 BOARD MEMBER HANSON: And put it in the appendix.
- 9 MS. STARK: Correct.
- 10 BOARD MEMBER HANSON: Okay. Thank you. I just
- 11 wanted to be sure that I understood what it meant.
- 12 MS. STARK: Correct.
- BOARD MEMBER HANSON: Thank you.
- 14 CHAIRWOMAN BEDESSEM: So I think, from listening
- 15 to the remarks here, there's lots of small changes, but
- 16 there was nothing substantive so that, in the SOPR, I
- 17 saw that you kind of reserved a spot for, you know,
- 18 changes from the WAB. But I don't think you -- you can
- 19 probably delete that. I don't think there's anything
- 20 that you have to put in the SOPR from this conversation
- 21 today.
- MS. STARK: Thank you, Madam Chair.
- 23 CHAIRWOMAN BEDESSEM: The other question I have is
- 24 this is the first time I've seen a tank analysis in the
- 25 document package. Is that something we're going to see

- 1 going forward, or was it just --
- 2 BOARD MEMBER CAHN: We've seen that one before
- 3 another time, yeah.
- 4 MS. STARK: Madam Chairwoman, I believe this was a
- 5 copy of this package from the tank program.
- 6 CHAIRWOMAN BEDESSEM: Okay.
- 7 MS. STARK: And --
- 8 CHAIRWOMAN BEDESSEM: So it's the second time I've
- 9 seen the tank analysis.
- 10 MS. THOMPSON: So Madam Chair, if I might speak to
- 11 that in general.
- 12 CHAIRWOMAN BEDESSEM: Uh-huh.
- 13 MS. THOMPSON: I think we've been inconsistent
- 14 with bringing them before the board. We're required to
- 15 do it. We're required to have that piece in place for
- 16 the Environmental Quality Council and for the Notice of
- 17 Intent to Adopt Rules. That's the way --
- 18 CHAIRWOMAN BEDESSEM: So you do this for all your
- 19 rules.
- 20 MS. THOMPSON: Right. We're required to do it for
- 21 each rulemaking, but it hasn't been part of the
- 22 standard material.
- 23 But as you're aware, the rules of practice
- 24 and procedure, if the board wishes to have that as part
- of your rule package, we can be more consistent with

- 1 that, with both divisions.
- 2 CHAIRWOMAN BEDESSEM: Okay. Thank you. I thought
- 3 it was interesting but --
- 4 MS. THOMPSON: It's a somewhat new requirement.
- 5 I believe it came up -- the analysis part where we have
- 6 to do a physical analysis and make it available to the
- 7 public, I believe that came online in 2013. And we
- 8 worked with our AG to make sure that we kind of
- 9 narrated how we got to the conclusion.
- 10 But if the Board wishes to see that as part
- 11 of the materials, we can make sure that that's
- 12 available for you. But it is available for the public
- 13 and for the council at --
- 14 CHAIRWOMAN BEDESSEM: Personally, I don't know
- 15 that we need to do that. So probably it will only come
- 16 up if the public comment addresses that prior to the
- 17 EQC.
- 18 MS. THOMPSON: Okay.
- 19 CHAIRWOMAN BEDESSEM: Again, I just want to say I
- 20 do appreciate the set of comments on the side of the
- 21 redline strikeout. It's a great package. Maybe it
- 22 might have been handy for Lorie, as you're traveling on
- 23 a plane, to have everything in a packet.
- 24 But I had to go read -- put holes in all my
- 25 stuff so I could flip through and not get the stack of

- 1 pages mixed up. So if you're going to put it in the
- 2 three-ring binder, just I don't think you need the
- 3 sheets of these (indicating). If you've got a map or
- 4 something, yeah. I don't know.
- 5 BOARD MEMBER CAHN: That was part of the step that
- 6 you weren't here for. Actually, somebody else --
- 7 MS. THOMPSON: I might clarify. I did not assist
- 8 the Solid and Hazardous Waste Division with their
- 9 materials since I was moving mine along.
- 10 CHAIRWOMAN BEDESSEM: Uh-huh.
- 11 MS. THOMPSON: But we're always happy to get that
- 12 feedback so we can go through the package going
- 13 forward.
- 14 MR. ESCH: Madam Chair, we want to make it the
- 15 easiest for you to perform your responsibilities.
- 16 However you would like it presented and packaged, we're
- 17 happy to do it.
- 18 CHAIRWOMAN BEDESSEM: No, it was pretty, but it's
- 19 easier for me not to get the piles mixed up if they're
- in a three-ring binder and they have holes in them.
- 21 BOARD MEMBER CAHN: Yeah, I didn't find it -- I
- 22 mean, I agree with Marj that it would be better to have
- 23 them not inside sleeves and everything.
- 24 CHAIRWOMAN BEDESSEM: But in general, you guys did
- 25 a great job putting together a very good packet which

1 explained everything and the reasons why you're doing

- 2 everything. So it's very much appreciated all the work
- 3 that went into it.
- 4 MS. STARK: Madam Chair and the Board, thank you
- 5 very much. That sounds good.
- 6 CHAIRWOMAN BEDESSEM: And I am assuming that Solid
- 7 and Hazardous Waste Division like the Water Quality
- 8 Division would like the WAB to vote on whether to move
- 9 this forward to the EQC at this time.
- 10 MR. ESCH: Madam Chair, that's correct.
- 11 BOARD MEMBER DEURLOO: Madam Chair --
- 12 CHAIRWOMAN BEDESSEM: Okay.
- BOARD MEMBER DEURLOO: -- I move that we approve
- 14 the changes as discussed to the Hazardous Waste Rules
- 15 and Regulations Chapter 1 to the Wyoming Environmental
- 16 Quality Council.
- 17 BOARD MEMBER CAHN: And I'd add to that with
- 18 additional editorials.
- 19 BOARD MEMBER DEURLOO: Additional editorials from
- 20 the board members.
- BOARD MEMBER KIRKBRIDE: Second.
- 22 CHAIRWOMAN BEDESSEM: Thank you. I have a motion
- 23 and second.
- 24 Any further discussion?
- 25 Hearing none, all those in favor?

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- 1 SEVERAL: Aye.
- 2 CHAIRWOMAN BEDESSEM: Opposed?
- 3 (No audible response.)
- 4 CHAIRWOMAN BEDESSEM: Abstentions?
- 5 (No audible response.)
- 6 CHAIRWOMAN BEDESSEM: Congratulations. You can
- 7 move forward to the DEQ.
- 8 MR. ESCH: Madam Chair, thank you.
- 9 CHAIRWOMAN BEDESSEM: And only 12 minutes behind
- 10 noon.
- 11 BOARD MEMBER KIRKBRIDE: Madam Chairman, you know,
- 12 I raised three children, and my son was kind of an
- 13 irascible little fellow and always hassling his
- 14 sisters.
- 15 So the family rule was, if you can't say
- 16 something good, don't say anything. And which I
- 17 finally got so tired of saying I decided to designate
- 18 it as rule five. And I'd state, "Rule five," and I
- 19 didn't have to go on.
- 20 And I realize now that I was doing IBR. I
- 21 just didn't know the acronym.
- 22 CHAIRWOMAN BEDESSEM: I love it.
- 23 So I think the last thing on the agenda was
- 24 scheduling and location of our next meeting.
- MS. THOMPSON: Yes, ma'am. So I was just

1 discussing with Suzanne English, the Solid Waste

- 2 Program is anticipating doing rules of the Board.
- 3 And depending on some projects that we're
- 4 working on in the Water Quality Division, we may or may
- 5 not have a rule. So we would definitely -- most likely
- 6 definitely have a briefing. So we would, each division
- 7 would need time in front of you. So you have at least
- 8 one rulemaking and then some other briefing items.
- 9 And so I believe the Agency would take
- 10 recommendations for location, and I would anticipate
- 11 that your meeting would be scheduled in September
- 12 probably in the last half of the month, but as we've
- done previously, we can send out a poll to see what
- 14 your schedules are looking like.
- 15 CHAIRWOMAN BEDESSEM: So would it be more
- 16 convenient for the Solid and Hazardous Waste Division
- if we have that in Casper next time?
- 18 MR. ESCH: Madam Chair, it's really up to whatever
- 19 is convenient for the Council.
- 20 And I'd like to take this opportunity to
- 21 introduce Suzanne English. She's the new program
- 22 manager for the Solid Waste Program. We're both
- 23 located in Cheyenne now. So it really doesn't matter
- 24 for us.
- 25 The Casper field office, they certainly are a

- 1 part of the program, and they're contributing to the
- 2 rules, but it's really whatever is easiest for the
- 3 Council.
- 4 MS. THOMPSON: Casper is a nice location for a lot
- 5 of the public because it's a nice central location. So
- 6 if they're coming from Gillette or Sheridan or
- 7 something, you know, if we know that we have a specific
- 8 industry that's located in that central part, we
- 9 generally try to cater to Casper so that they can get
- 10 to us easily. But I don't know that we need that as a
- 11 specific location.
- 12 CHAIRWOMAN BEDESSEM: I would be fine with Casper
- 13 or Cheyenne.
- 14 BOARD MEMBER CAHN: Were we in Jackson a year ago?
- MS. THOMPSON: We were.
- 16 BOARD MEMBER CAHN: So another year from now in
- 17 Jackson?
- 18 MS. THOMPSON: So if we would skip that at least a
- 19 year to recover from the expense.
- 20 CHAIRWOMAN BEDESSEM: So any preference, Casper or
- 21 Cheyenne?
- 22 BOARD MEMBER CAHN: Casper is fine.
- 23 CHAIRWOMAN BEDESSEM: Casper?
- MS. THOMPSON: So, Madam Chair, in a week or so,
- 25 I'll send out a poll to get your exact dates, and we'll

- 1 plan on having the meeting in Casper.
- 2 And as always, if for some reason one of you
- 3 is unable to attend in person, you can still join us
- 4 remotely. We'll bring the conferencing equipment, and
- 5 we'll make sure that you can still input and -- yes,
- 6 ma'am.
- 7 BOARD MEMBER CAHN: I would just like to say that
- 8 I'm going to be somewhere where there's no Internet for
- 9 quite lot of September.
- 10 MS. THOMPSON: Okay.
- 11 BOARD MEMBER CAHN: So the last possible dates in
- 12 September would be the best for me.
- 13 MS. THOMPSON: For the last week of September.
- 14 BOARD MEMBER CAHN: Yeah, like the 28th, Friday
- 15 the 28th --
- 16 MS. THOMPSON: Okay.
- 17 BOARD MEMBER CAHN: -- or something to make sure
- 18 I'm out of the area and back in someplace where there's
- 19 communication.
- MS. THOMPSON: And we'll definitely target that,
- 21 and we'll double-check Administrator Esch's calendar
- 22 and also Mr. Frederick's to make sure --
- 23 BOARD MEMBER CAHN: The latest possible date in
- 24 September.
- 25 MS. THOMPSON: Okay. Thanks for checking. I

- 1 appreciate that.
- 2 CHAIRWOMAN BEDESSEM: And then perhaps we can have
- 3 the first quarter meeting, you know, whether it's
- 4 January or whatever, perhaps have that in Cheyenne.
- 5 There's a number of us who won't have to travel quite
- 6 as far. That's harder for you.
- 7 BOARD MEMBER DEURLOO: It's okay. I do it all the
- 8 time.
- 9 CHAIRWOMAN BEDESSEM: When the weather is not
- 10 quite as good, we'll have our meeting in Cheyenne.
- 11 MS. THOMPSON: Okay. We'll put that down for
- 12 consideration too.
- 13 CHAIRWOMAN BEDESSEM: Wonderful. Okay.
- 14 MS. THOMPSON: Thank you. I don't believe we have
- any other business to carry out today.
- 16 CHAIRWOMAN BEDESSEM: Then I think we will now
- 17 adjourn the quarterly Water and Waste Advisory Board
- 18 meeting. Thank you.
- 19 (Meeting proceedings adjourned at 12:18 p.m.)

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