	BEFORE THE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY
	LAND QUALITY DIVISION ADVISORY BOARD
F	ADVISORY BOARD MEETING TO DISCUSS PROPOSED REVISIONS TO URANIUM RECOVERY PROGRAM (URP) CHAPTER 4, AND PRESENTATION OF DRAFT SOURCE MATERIAL PROGRAM (SMP) CHAPTERS 4, 7 AND 8
_	TRANSCRIPT OF MEETING PROCEEDINGS
1 p	Transcript of Meeting Proceedings in the above – entitled matter before the Department of Environmental Quality, Land Quality Division, commencing on the 21 st day of March, 2024 at 10:00 a.m. in Room 211, 200 West 17 th Street, Cheyenne, Wyoming. Chairman Jim Gampetro presiding, with board members Ms. Natalia Macker, Ms. Dawn Kolkman, Mr. Matt Avery, and Mr. Bryan Cook also attending via video conference.
A S N E J	Administrator, Mr. Muthu Kuchanur, LQD Program Manager, Mr. Matt Kunze – LQD Program Supervisor, Ms. Brandi O'Brien – LQD Source Material and Uranium Recovery Programs Manager, Ms. Carol Stark – LQD Source Material and Uranium Recovery Programs, Mr. Monte Buchanan – Source Material and Uranium Recovery Programs, Mr. Craig Hults – LQD, Ms. Jacquelyn Williams – LQD, and Mr. Cole Cassell – LQD Summer Intern. Also, in attendance via video conference from the Wyoming Attorney General's Office are Mr. Greg Weisz and Ms. Alysia Goldman. And interested public participants via video conference included Mr. Jon Conrad – Tata Chemicals, and Mr. Chris Natoli – Tata Chemicals.
a	CHAIRMAN GAMPETRO: Well, it's after 10 o'clock, so I'm going to declare the meeting open and, let's do the introductions. I'm Jim Gampetro, the Chairman of the Land Quality Advisory Board, and, I'm in Buffalo, Wyoming. A little overcast here, but there's no wind, which is hankful. I'm a public representative, so who's next?
	BOARD MEMBER AVERY: I'll go next. I'm Matt Avery, over here by Rozet, Wyoming, rancher. And I am green to this board. Uh, so this is a whole new learning process for me.
(CHAIRMAN GAMPETRO: Okay. Somebody else jump in there.
	MR. HULTS: Yeah. Mr. Chairman, we've got a slug of people here in Cheyenne. So, I'll start at our table. Craig Hults with the Land Quality Division here in Cheyenne.

- MS. WILLIAMS: My name is Jacquelyn Williams with Land Quality in Cheyenne.
- MR. KUNZE: Matt Kunze, also with Land Quality here in Cheyenne.

MR. CASSELL: Cole Cassell, Land Quality in Cheyenne.

MR. KUCHANUR: Muthu Kuchanur, Land Quality in Cheyenne.

ADMINISTRATOR WENDTLAND: Kyle Wendtland, Administrator, Land Quality in

Cheyenne.

MS. STARK: Carol Stark, Source Material, and Uranium Material Program.

- MS. O'BRIEN: Brandi O'Brien, LQD, Cheyenne Program Manager for the Source Material
- Program and the Uranium Recovery Program.

MR. BUCHANAN: Monte Buchanan, the Source Material Program under Land Quality.

MR. HULTS: Mr. Chairman, that's everybody here in Cheyenne.

- BOARD MEMBER KOLKMAN: This is Dawn Kolkman, and I am the industry representative
- for the board.

- MR. NATOLI: My name is Chris Natoli. I'm the... I'm... work with Tata Chemicals. I'm the
- Environmental Manager.

MR. HULTS: And, Mr. Chairman, it looks like Bryan Cook just joined the meeting as well.

BOARD MEMBER COOK: Good morning.

- MR. HULTS: Good morning, Mr. Cook. Uh, we're just running through introductions, so you
- chimed in at the perfect moment... I believe that's everybody, although we do have a couple of
- AG reps on the line as well. [clears throat]

- MR. WEISZ: Yes. Good morning. This is Greg Weisz. I'm the attorney general for the Land
- Quality Division. Good morning, everyone.

MS. GOLDMAN: And Alysia Goldman with the AG's office representing the board.

MR. HULTS: I believe that's everyone, Mr. Chairman.

BOARD MEMBER MACKER: Hi, folks. It's Natalia coming in.

MR. HULTS: [laughs] Well timed, Natalia.

CHAIRMAN GAMPETRO: Okay, let's move on to the... this is Jim. Uh, let's move on to the

meeting minutes update. Who's going to do that?

MR. HULTS: Mr. Chairman, I'll tackle that one. We've found out there's a severe shortage of court reporters in Wyoming right now. I have currently two previous meetings from September and December of last year with that independent court reporter. I still haven't received those back yet. So, we are recording this meeting as well. We're going to reach out, in fact, as soon as I get out of this meeting, uh, we're going to try a more national service and see how that works out. So it may be a minute before... hopefully by June we'll have some minutes to approve for the board, but I'm competing. I've found out with the other divisions for the same people right now. So,

but I'm competing. I've found out with the other divided hopefully, we'll get something soon, Mr. Chairman.

CHAIRMAN GAMPETRO: Okay. Thank you, and welcome to all of you, by the way. I forgot to say that. Are we ready for the presentational proposed revisions to the URP Chapter 4, licensing requirements for source and byproduct material, to increase the term length for URP licenses?

MS. O'BRIEN: Yes, my name is Brandi O'Brien. I'm the program manager for the URP and the SMP, and I will be presenting on this today. Um, so I do not have any slideshows. This is a fairly simple rule change, so I will just be speaking to all of you. So, the reason for this proposed change is the Land Quality Division, on October 30, 2023, received a request from the Wyoming Mining Association to change the license terms for the Uranium Recovery Program from 10 years to 20 years. And in this letter, they, uh, the Wyoming Mining Association provided substantial rationale for making or for changing this rule. We, the URP and the Land Quality Division reviewed their request. The most pertinent reason for us accepting this request is that, um, or we're proposing to accept this request is that the NRC Commission had actually voted on this and called a SECY, on November 9, 2017.

The SECY Paper is 17-0086. And in this, the NRC commission had voted to extend the licensed terms for uranium recovery facilities from 10 years to 20 years. And we reviewed this decision. There were, um, there was one vote against this decision, and the rationale for that vote against it had been that in the case that there are new technologies proposed or items that had not traditionally been reviewed, that there should be the ability to give a shorter license term. And so, what we, uh, what the Land Quality Division did was write a letter to Mr. Deti, Travis Deti, with Wyoming Mining Association, stating that we will go through this proposed rulemaking to change to the 20-year term. But we reserve the right to issue a license for a shorter term.

So, in that case, we are addressing the concern that one commissioner at the time had had. So, we can issue a shorter license term and, but in general, we'll issue the 20-year license term. So, the rulemaking is to change the uranium recovery rules, or uranium recovery programs rule chapter four, section 11A to read the term of the specific license is not to exceed 20 years. And so, the only change in that is that currently, we have not to exceed 10 years. Um, this language is vague enough that we can still issue a shorter license term if there is a change in technology or any other instance where we feel it might be appropriate to issue that shorter term. Are there any questions?

CHAIRMAN GAMPETRO: Any questions, comments, suggestions?

- BOARD MEMBER AVERY: This is Matt Avery, and, I understand the 20-year request but I
- 2 know for us dealing with oil companies in our area that any new contracts that we're doing, we
- like to revisit those contracts every 10 years. And, I... personally I just feel like 20 years is
- 4 reaching out there quite a way. There are a lot of things that can change, the fastest... our life
- 5 changes nowadays, um, I just think 20 years might be too much.

CHAIRMAN GAMPETRO: Any, uh, respon-, Any response to that?

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- 9 MS. O'BRIEN: Yes, Mr. Chairman. Mr. Avery, Board Member Avery, yeah. We, the NRC in
- their SECY paper, if you actually look at it, they have a rationale, for this 20-year term, because
- they did feel it would be protective. And we... we agree with the commission on that. If there are
- any rule changes in that timeframe between the 20, you know, when it's issued in 20 years in the
- future, we can put limits for our licenses to come into compliance with those new requirements
- within a certain amount of time. This 20-year term is allowed for nuclear power plants. And so
- just given the relative risks of a nuclear power plant versus a uranium recovery facility, we feel
- that the relative risk is much lower for these uranium recovery facilities. So if there are any rule
- changes or anything that needs to be done within that 20-year timeframe we... we feel that we
- have the authority to require those items to be brought up to date in that meantime.

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- These license renewals are a major lift, um, both for the licensees and for the state, and in all
- reality, and not a whole lot changes in that timeframe, but it brings the entire source material
- license open for review. And with our... the size of our staff, you know, that we can do it, but it's
- a big lift. And we feel that in that 10-year timeframe, not a whole lot tends to change. And if
- something were to change, we would require our licenses to come into compliance with any rule
- changes well before a license is required to be renewed.

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BOARD MEMBER AVERY: Okay.

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MS. O'BRIEN: If that... if that covers your concerns.

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- BOARD MEMBER AVERY: Yeah. So, yeah. I'm good with that. I, uh, so, as long as, as if
- there's some rule changes that we've got the authority to implement those rule changes, I'm good
- with that. I just hate to get stuck in something and then we're, you know, stuck with it for 20
- years. But I understand what you're saying, and I, I'm good with that.

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CHAIRMAN GAMPETRO: Any other comments, suggestions, additions?

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- BOARD MEMBER KOLKMAN: Mr. Chairman, this is Dawn Kolkman. I would like to add to
- that that even with a 20-year license, if we have any major changes that we need to make to the
- license, we still have to come in for an amendment. At which time those items can be opened
- back up and reevaluated at various points during that process, as well as those items go back to
- public comment too, in certain instances. So, there are still additional checks and balances, even
- if we were to go out to a 20-year license.

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CHAIRMAN GAMPETRO: Okay. Any suggestions, comments on that?

- MS. O'BRIEN: Mr. Chairman, I had forgotten to mention previously that our intent is to
- backdate the applicability for this. We have issued one license, um, renewal since becoming a
- program, and we feel it would be appropriate to, um, backdate this so that one license renewal
- 4 would be included in this 20-year term. And so, that any new licenses issued or renewals issued,
- for any licenses, would be held to that 20-year timeframe. However, anyone who has not had a
- renewal, will be held to the current 10-year. And then at that point, once we go through that
- 7 renewal process we would issue then the 20-year license term.

- 9 CHAIRMAN GAMPETRO: Everybody got that one? Any other comments, revisions,
- suggestions?... Well, then I would propose that we vote on the URP changes here. Um, do I have
- 11 a motion?

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BOARD MEMBER AVERY: This is Matt Avery. I make a motion to approve.

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15 BOARD MEMBER MACKER: Second from Natalia.

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- 17 CHAIRMAN GAMPETRO: Okay. Welcome, Natalia... All those in favor of these revisions,
- please signify by saying aye.

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20 BOARD MEMBERS: Aye.

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- 22 CHAIRMAN GAMPETRO: Any, any opposed? Then the changes are approved. We can
- move on to the update on 2024 legislative session and subsequent rulemaking. Who's going to
- take that?

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- MR. HULTS: Mr. Chairman, if we could back up on the agenda to number three, we have some
- source material rules to discuss as well.

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- MR. BUCHANAN: All right, Mr. Chairman. This is Monte Buchanan of the Source Material
- Program, and I have my team member, Carol Stark. We're going to present the... the final set of
- 35 the chapter source material program rule set. I'll hand it over to Carol.

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- MS. STARK: So, the first slide here, we talk about the source material proposed rules. And
- we've done this before. So, what I'm going to do is talk briefly about our proposed rules but a lot
- of the background information that we've gone over in the previous two groups of rules. I'm
- going to skip unless someone is very interested. Um, and that would be slides two through seven,
- but we went ahead and provided them to you. So, if you wanted to refresh yourself, you can look
- at them. But at this time, we're going to go ahead and start on slide eight. Is everybody good with
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45 CHAIRMAN GAMPETRO: Okay.

MS. STARK: Okay. Yep. So, source material is all that contains uranium or thorium, and I know we've gone over this before, but I'd like to just hit on this one again, or any combination thereof above a certain concentration, which is 0.05% or more by weight. Source material occurs when milling concentrates uranium or thorium, uh, 0.05% or more by weight anywhere in its process. And source material also is recovered from any mineral resources processed primarily for purposes other than obtaining the source material content. So, this program, as we've discussed before, but again, we thought we would highlight this on the source material program. The SMP, as we are known, would, regulate source material generated from rare earth milling, any other milling such as coal, copper, gold, from any mineral resources other than process primarily for purposes other than obtaining the source material content.

The SMP program would not regulate depleted uranium, water treatment resins, or milling for uranium or thorium. And as we mentioned in the slide above, mineral resources means any [inaudible]. The definition basically of mineral resources is... means any host rock or material, or waste associated with milling or mining that contains a recoverable mineral. So, adequacy and compatibility, we mentioned this before, but again, it's a good point. We... agreement states; must meet certain program elements in order... in order to maintain an adequate and compatible program according to the NRC standards. So, we... the NRC staff, must evaluate any changes to ensure the adequacy and compatibility of the proposed program. So, they're looking over our rules as we speak. Compatibility categories include these four categories; I'll let you read them, but just let you know that A and B are essentially identical to NRC standards, and then the health and safety ones are required but not a compatibility requirement; C and D are in between, so you can kind of see that we're going from more stringent to it's not a compatibility requirement.

The regulations of program elements are determined in accordance with NRC's management directive and handbook 5.9, which is adequacy and compatibility of program elements for agreement program states. So, the proposed SMP ru- rules in order to create these, we used as, a regulatory framework the URP rules, because NRP... NRC had approved those rules. So, we use them as a template mirrored and revise them wherever necessary to create the SMP rules. No changes were made and/or will be made to the existing URP rules that we did. They will be left untouched, and they were left untouched. The existing URP rules have been found to be adequate and compatible, as I mentioned. And the similarity between the URP and SMP rules will help streamline the NRC review process, and the rules are presented in a blue strikeout and red underlined format to clearly show differences between URP and SMP rules, and the same blue strikeout and red underlined format is given to the NRC for review and has been out all along. So, I'm going to go ahead and give it back to Monte to talk about the schedule, how we're going and, and the actual changes.

MR. BUCHANAN: Thank you, Carol. Mr. Chairman, so we're on a schedule here. Today, we're presenting the last and final set of rules, Chapters 4, 7, and 8, and we've been doing them in a stepwise fashion. And, the NRC has already reviewed the first two sets and provided comments. And then, on our next meeting, we will meet with the final package and have those, those comments addressed adequately from the NRC. And that will... and then the final package, chapters 1 through 9, will be presented in the next meeting, presented before the board for a vote.

CHAIRMAN GAMPETRO: Okay. This is, Jim, um, any com-comments, suggestions on what

we've just gone through?

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MR. BUCHANAN: So, Mr. Chairman, before I let you open it up for comments and questions, I just wanted to briefly go through these four chapters of the changes that we made, just to kind of summarize it, if that's okay?

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- 9 MR. BUCHANAN: All right. So, Chapter 4 is licensing requirements. Chapter 7 is fees.
- 10 Chapters 8 is risk-informed, performance-based licensing and inspection. And Chapters 4, we,
- added a bunch of language about decommissioning, incorporation by references, radiation
- protection, uh, we had added an exemption for rare earth source materials process, we added the
- statements, source materials process for purposes other than obtaining source material. And then
- we included a little brief reference about financial assurance, referencing to Chapter 6. And then
- in chapter 4, also, we substituted some things, um, just some statutory language.

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- One thing I wanted to point out we also substituted, 10 CFR, Part 20-1401 to Part 20-1406. We substituted this part for Appendix A because Appendix A deals primarily for decommissioning of mill sites. Then what I wanted to point out is that in the actual rule, we caught this mistake after the rules, the red strike that, red underline strikeout version went out. Um, we'll have to correct it. It says in the rules 1041 to 1406. It's actually supposed to be 1401 to 1406. And we'll
- get this corrected in the final rule package.

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- Also, additionally, in Chapter 4, licensing requirements, we removed several things regarding
- long-term maintenance ownership to post-disposal sites, we removed, 10 CFR Part 40 Appendix
- A. This all [inaudible] applies to uranium mills, recovery, or milling language. We removed
- those. We removed the Chapter 11 non-coal rules reference and I can just go on to this, but
 - there's several other things and you'll see this... these in the slides.

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- And then Chapter 7 is just fees. All we added is some language regarding cost adjusted to the
- current year's budget and then we removed references to the byproduct. Byproduct does not
- apply to the source material program. And then in Chapter 8, in the risk-informed performance-
- based licensing inspection chapter, we just removed... simply removed the language about
- wellfield data packages. And then again, once the NRC has reviewed these proposed changes,
- 35 the total completed package will be presented to the board for a vote at the next Advisory Board
- Meeting. And that's all I have, Mr. Chairman. Thank you. Appreciate it.

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- 38 CHAIRMAN GAMPETRO: Thank you. Um, are there any other comments, suggestions,
- recommendations, whatever?

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- 41 ADMINISTRATOR WENDTLAND: Mr. Chairman, this is... this is, Kyle. I have a question for,
- the staff on this. And probably be helpful for some clarification, too, maybe for the board
- members. In the NRC reviews that you've had so far, is there any indication that we would have
- to go further to a statute change?

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MS. O'BRIEN: Mr. Chairman, Kyle, at this time, we are not aware of any necessary statute

- changes. However, we will know by the next meeting if there will need to be changes after
- they've reviewed the final chapter. The NRC needs to look at the rule package as a whole, to be
- able to make that determination. So, we will have that information for everyone by the next
- 4 Advisory Board meeting.

- 6 ADMINISTRATOR WENDTLAND: Okay. Thank you, Brandi. I... Mr. Chairman, I've... I've
- had that question come up and I wanted to make sure the board knew where we were at with that
- 8 response.

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- 10 CHAIRMAN GAMPETRO: Okay, this is Jim again. Any other comments, suggestions,
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- BOARD MEMBER KOLKMAN: Jim, this is Dawn Kolkman and I do have one question. Is
- will[?] under the SMP, will there be required IMPEP reviews by the NRC like there is for the
- 15 URP?

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- MS. O'BRIEN: Mr. Chairman, Board Member Kolkman, yes. The... once this program is
- included within Wyoming's agreement state program, the program as a whole, which would
- consist of the URP and the SMP, will undergo an IMPEP and those will be done collectively.
- The program as a whole will be looked at as opposed to programs independently.

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- BOARD MEMBER KOLKMAN: Thank you.
- 24 CHAIRMAN GAMPETRO: Thank you. Thank you. Any other comments or recommendations,
- suggestions?... Well, unless somebody corrects me, I think we're ready for the update on the 2...
- 26 2024 Legislative Session and Subsequent Rulemaking.

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- ADMINISTRATOR WENDTLAND: Mr. Chairman, I'm happy to address that today for the
- board. We did have one set of statutory provisions that went through and it is related to non-coal
- blasting, the Land Quality Division will be standing up the program, for non-coal blasting, as a
- result of... of the passage of House Bill 33. Um, so in future meetings, you're going to start
- seeing rule development for that probably in our third... third quarter meeting would be my
- anticipation just for board scheduling purposes. We probably will treat those rules similar to how
- we've done this in the past, where just like for the rules you're seeing today, we'll have a scoping
- kind of a general introductory to them. And then we'll probably come forward in a following
- meeting then asking for a vote on a final rule package. The second set of statute, uh, revisions
- that had come out of minerals was Senate File 44 related to limited mine operations and small
- mining permits. That bill was vetoed. So, at this point, we will not see any rules related to that
- this year. And Mr. Chairman, that's what I have for you.

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41 CHAIRMAN GAMPETRO: Thank you, Kyle. Any, uh, responses on that?

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- BOARD MEMBER AVERY: Mr. Chairman, this is Matt Avery. Kyle, is that non-coal blasting, will that be like gravel pits and those kinds of things?
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ADMINISTRATOR WENDTLAND: Mr. Chairman, and... and Board Member Avery, thank

- you for that question. It... in aggregate, it comes into, more of our quarries, such as limestone or
- the real hard granite quarries like we have down in the southeastern part of the state that are more
- prevalent. So, in your loose material operations that are just more general gravel digging and
- stuff, we don't expect to see that occurring in those operations just similar to today. But, we also
- 5 have a large gold operation that is coming in outside of Cheyenne and... and that operation would
- 6 fall under these non-coal provisions. And that was a large driver as to why these this program
- and the rules are being stood up is, in the past, this is actually probably an interesting point for
- 8 the board and the members of the public today.

- The land quality blasting program was specific to coal and I don't think when the Environmental
- Quality Act was stood up, uh, back in the early '70s that it was contemplated that there would be
- blasting in non-coal. So, as a result, there are really not non-coal statutes or provisions to
- regulate non-coal blasting. And that's why with some of these larger non-coal operations coming
- online now, which is a good thing because it's diversifying our mineral... mineral base in
- Wyoming, it also warranted a look to see if we should be adding some... some public health and
- safety protections in there as well as worker protection on the non-coal blasting side. Hopefully,
- that's helpful, Mr. Chairman.

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19 CHAIRMAN GAMPETRO: Thank you.

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- BOARD MEMBER AVERY: This is Matt. Matt Avery again, Mr. Chairman. Uh, one more
- question for Kyle. So, what about the grower's mines? Are they going to be blasting?

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- ADMINISTRATOR WENDTLAND: Mr. Chairman, they are likely to be blasting, too, they are
- very hard material. Um, and these... these rules would cover those operations.

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- BOARD MEMBER AVERY: Okay. Okay. Sounds good. Thank you, Kyle, for explaining all
- that. I appreciate it.

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30 ADMINISTRATOR WENDTLAND: You bet.

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- 32 CHAIRMAN GAMPETRO: Anything else from the update of the legislative session and
- 33 subsequent rulemaking?

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- 35 ADMINISTRATOR WENDTLAND: Mr. Chairman, I think I saw a hand up from, a member of
- the public at large, or Jon Conrad. I don't know if his hand is up.

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MR. CONRAD: No, sir. Thank you. Just great job.

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- 40 CHAIRMAN GAMPETRO: So, is that it? I'm going to turn this over to either Kyle or
- whomever, to run the election for the Land Quality Advisory Board Chair and Vice Chair.

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- ADMINISTRATOR WENDTLAND: Mr. Chairman, I'm going to put you in the capable hands
- of Mr. Hults and Ms. Williams for that.

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46 MR. HULTS: Mr. Chairman, each year under the Environmental Quality Act the Land Quality

- Advisory Board is required annually to elect a chairperson and vice chair. So I guess amongst
- 2 yourselves, I would propose that if anybody has a motion or a nomination for either the Chair or
- 3 Vice Chair, and that would require a vote by the board.

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7 BOARD MEMBER KOLKMAN: Craig, this is Dawn, who's the Vice Chair at this time?

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11 CHAIRMAN GAMPETRO: Natalia. Natalia.

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BOARD MEMBER KOLKMAN: Perfect. Thank you.

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BOARD MEMBER MACKER: I would, propose a motion if Chairman Gampetro is willing to continue, uh, to have Chairman Gampetro continue as our Chairman.

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BOARD MEMBER KOLKMAN: I second that motion. This is Dawn.

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ADMINISTRATOR WENDTLAND: So, Mr. Chairman, that would leave us with needing a

nomination for Vice Chair.

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- 25 BOARD MEMBER KOLKMAN: This is Dawn, and I make a motion that Natalia continue as
- Vice Chair if she is so willing.

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BOARD MEMBER COOK: Uh, this is Bryan Cook, I would second that.

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- MR. HULTS: So, Mr. Chairman, it sounds like you have a motion and second on each of the
- Chair and Vice Chair. So, at that point, I think you're ready for a vote.

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CHAIRMAN GAMPETRO: It sounds like it to me... You're supposed to be running this, uh...

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- 35 ADMINISTRATOR WENDTLAND: So, let's, uh, Mr. Chairman, let's have all those... I'll just
- take this for you because you're at a non-voting capacity. So, Mr. Chairman, all those in favor of
- the... on the board, of voting in favor of Mr. Gampetro for remaining as Chairman, please say

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- 42 ADMINISTRATOR WENDTLAND: Are there any opposed?... Okay, Mr. Chairman, I believe
- 43 you remain as Chairman. On the same token, and I should have done this prior I, I apologize, is
- there any discussions on the motion for Vice Chair?... Okay, Mr. Chairman, I believe we're in a
- position to call for a vote as Ms. Macker as... as Vice Chair. All those in favor, please say aye.

BOARD MEMBERS: Aye. ADMINISTRATOR WENDTLAND: Any opposed? Mr. Chairman, I believe you are now remain as the Chairman and then... and Ms. Macker, I believe you remain as Vice Chair. CHAIRMAN GAMPETRO: Thank you, Kyle... Can we get into the scheduling for the next Land Quality Advisory Board meeting? ADMINISTRATOR WENDTLAND: Mr. Chairman, I have a recommendation on that. Because we're bringing final rules on these nine chapters, that is likely to be a little bit longer meeting to get through all of that and have a vote. I would... I would respectfully recommend that you maybe target the latter part of June in order to make sure we have all the comments back from the NRC and we have everything in the correct formats and order for the board, and adequate time to look at them prior to the meeting. So, I don't know how that latter[?]... last week in June looks for folks, but I would certainly recommend one of the last two weeks if possible. CHAIRMAN GAMPETRO: This is... this is Jim again, and I have no problem with that. ADMINISTRATOR WENDTLAND: It sounds like, Mr. Chairman, there may be a conflict on that week of the 24th. So, we could possibly look in that week of the 17th. I think it would be helpful. CHAIRMAN GAMPETRO: Thank you, Kyle. ADMINISTRATOR WENDTLAND: And with that, Mr. Chairman, I'll also be bold enough to say, "Could we shoot for Thursday, the 20th? And either a 9 or a 10 o'clock start time for that meeting?" BOARD MEMBER MACKER: That sounds good for me. I would... I would lobby for the 10 o'clock start time, but can be flexible. ADMINISTRATOR WENDTLAND: Okay, that's fine for us. That's why I threw it out, Mr. Chairman. CHAIRMAN GAMPETRO: Sounds good to me. BOARD MEMBER KOLKMAN: Me as well. CHAIRMAN GAMPETRO: Any problems with that? ADMINISTRATOR WENDTLAND: Okay. CHAIRMAN GAMPETRO: Okay.

ADMINISTRATOR WENDTLAND: Mr. Chairman...

CHAIRMAN GAMPETRO: Go ahead. ADMINISTRATOR WENDTLAND: Mr. Chair, we'll plan accordingly and get that scheduling out to the board. And then... CHAIRMAN GAMPETRO: Thank you, Kyle. ADMINISTRATOR WENDTLAND: Mr. Chairman, we do have one more item in the agenda before you close out. CHAIRMAN GAMPETRO: Okay, go for it. MR. HULTS: Mr. Chairman, uh, this is kind of directed at you, actually. [laughs] We were just running through our roster, and it looks like your term will expire on September 30, 2024. So, I guess between now and the June meeting, if you would consider possibly another term, that would be greatly appreciated. [chuckles] CHAIRMAN GAMPETRO: Yes, I have no problem with that. MR. HULTS: Okay. Excellent. ADMINISTRATOR WENDTLAND: Mr. Chairman, Craig, and... and Ms. Williams will be getting you that paperwork then. That way Natalia doesn't become the de facto chairman in September, so... [laughter] ADMINISTRATOR WENDTLAND: I got a smile out of that so... [laughter] ADMINISTRATOR WENDTLAND: ...uh, that was the last order of business I believe we had, Mr. Chairman. CHAIRMAN GAMPETRO: Unless someone's got anything else they want to bring up. And I'll give you a shot here, if you want to, to bring it up now... Well, my understanding of Robert's rules is if there is nothing left to be discussed, we can just end the meeting right here. We don't need a vote. MR. HULTS: Thank you, Mr. Chairman, and thank you, Board Members.

CHAIRMAN GAMPETRO: Yeah, I want to thank all of you for giving your time and attention to all of this material. Thank you again.

BOARD MEMBER KOLKMAN: Thank you.

BOARD MEMBER MACKER: Thanks, everybody.

BOARD MEMBER COOK: Thank you.

CHAIRMAN GAMPETRO: Thank you, folks. [inaudible] quite interesting.

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