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MEMORANDUM FOR DISTRIBUTION
FROM: ARCHER L. DURHAM
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SUBJECT: TECHNICAL EXCELLENCE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

The next Technical Excellence Executive Committee meeting will be held on Tuesday, May 4, 1995. The meeting is scheduled to be held in Room 4A-253 of the Forrestal Building, from 1:00 to 2:30 p.m. The meeting agenda is included as Attachment 1.

The Committee was established by Commitment 1.2 of the Department's Implementation Plan for Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board Recommendation 93-3. The Committee last met in December 1994. Based on discussions at that meeting, the charter has been revised and will be briefly discussed at this meeting. The revised charter is included as Attachment 2.

If you have any questions please contact me or Tom Evans, the Technical Personnel Program Coordinator. Tom may be reached at (202) 275-1717.

Attachments

TP-95-0057
AGENDA
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JUNE MEETING MINUTES
ARCH DURHAM

0 COMMITTEE CHARTER
ARCH DURHAM

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IMPLEMENTATION PLAN STATUS
TOM EVANS

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TOM EVANS

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TOM EVANS

0 IMPACT ON DIRECTIVES SYSTEM
TOM EVANS

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TOM EVANS

0 NEW ITEMS
COMMITTEE MEMBERS
Purpose

To provide Departmental leadership in implementing the Secretary’s Technical Excellence Policy and provide direction to support and advocate a uniform approach for implementing the Department’s 93-3 Implementation Plan initiatives in the light of other Board Recommendations. The Technical Excellence Executive Committee will be actively involved in the improvement of the overall technical capability in the context of other Departmental needs in the technical development of our people.

Client

Hazel O’Leary, Secretary of Energy

Membership

Chairman: Arch Durham, Assistant Secretary for Human Resources and Administration (HR-1)

Secretary: Tom Evans, Technical Personnel Program Coordinator (HR-1.5)

Members: Senior Department of Energy Managers. Committee membership will include, but will not be limited to:

1. Tom Grumbly, Assistant Secretary for Environmental Management
2. Tara O’Toole, Assistant Secretary for Environment, Safety and Health
3. Vic Reis, Assistant Secretary for Defense Programs
4. Don Pearman, Associate Deputy for Secretary for Field Management
5. Mario Fiori, Operations Office Manager Savannah River
6. Operations Office Manager Oak Ridge

(Note: The two positions for Operations Office Managers will be rotated by Field Management)
Schedule

Quarterly meetings will take place between 30-45 days after each quarter.

Scope

The Technical Excellence Executive Committee will maintain cognizance of technical excellence issues and improvement initiatives in the complex. Through quarterly meetings, the Committee will address the following items.

1.) Provide leadership and direction for a uniform approach on Department training and technical capability issues including the resolution of complex-wide critical issues.

2.) Support and direct technical excellence associated with the efforts necessary to meet the 93-3 Implementation Plan commitments and initiatives.

3.) Monitor the implementation of field, headquarters and contractor initiatives through the use of performance indicators.

4.) Assess the implementation of Excepted Service and use of National Performance Review initiatives.

5.) Review and respond to the independent external assessment reports and accompanying recommendations.

6.) Provide oversight and guidance for the Technical Leadership Development Program (Department Wide Technical Intern Program).

7.) Act as the Board of Directors for the Department’s new Energy Technical Training Center in Albuquerque, New Mexico.

8.) Periodically apprise the Secretary on progress toward implementing the policy.

APPROVED:

DATE:

Archer Durham
Assistant Secretary for
Human Resources and Administration