

Department of Energy

Construction Safety Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes

Washington, D.C. June 16, 2015

1. Mr. Matt Moury, the EHSS Associate Under Secretary, welcomed attendees and recognized the importance and significance of the committee.

2. Craig Schumann, Chair, and Larry McCabe, AU-11, opened the meeting and introduced all attendees.

3. Craig Schumann, Chair, and Larry McCabe, AU-11, led an open discussion regarding the charter of the committee, primarily focusing on sections 1.0 "Purpose" and 3.0 "Function". Discussion topics included representation, i.e., all major construction projects, flow down to the construction contractor, etc.

Also discussed whether the role of this committee can and should be to providing AU the field perspective on implementing and updating construction programs, training plans, and policies.

The discussion concluded with an assignment for all those in attendance (and absentee members) to review the entire document and provide recommendations/suggested changes back to Larry McCabe and Craig Schumann within the next 90 days.

4. Craig Schumann, Chair, and Larry McCabe, AU-11, led a brief discussion on updating and revision of the DOE-STD-1149-2002 "Safety and Health Program for DOE Construction Projects." The committee was reminded that the last changes were completed in 2002 and that this standard is due for revision. The discussion concluded with an assignment for all those in attendance (and absentee members) to review the entire document and provide recommendations/suggested changes back to Larry McCabe and Craig Schumann within the next 90 days.

5. Les Bermudez, Office of Enforcement, discussed recent enforcement cases (see attached presentation).

6. Bill Schleyer led an open discussion on DOE Fall Protection Requirements. Issues discussed were the challenges of fall protection across the DOE complex since it is a high hazard activity (see attached presentation).

7. Greg Kirsch, SNL, gave a presentation on "Managing New Contractors to 10 CFR 851" (see attached presentation).

8. Scott Wenholz, SLAC-SO, gave a presentation on "Fall Protection Clearance Distances when Using Leading Edge Self Retracting Lanyard" (see attached presentation). The discussion included the challenges and limitations when using a leading edge SRL; and how to properly calculate leading edge SRL clearance distances. Both Scott Wenholz and Tom Rizzi, SLAC-SO, are available to give more in-depth workshop at individual sites upon request. Please contact them directly.

9. Bob Legard/Pete Wells gave a presentation entitled "10 CFR 851 Construction Safety Program Requirements (see attached presentation). See also www.doesafeworker.com which contains reference and tool box-type information

10. Ted Giltz/Evan Dunne gave a presentation on the "DOE Training Reciprocity Program" (see attached presentation). The goal of this program includes improving DOE safety training through streamlining, reciprocity, and collaboration. It also includes a local instructor certification program.

11. After a brief period of open discussion, the meeting was adjourned.