

Regular Community Environmental Advisory Commission Meeting of 9/5/2002

FINAL ACTION MINUTES

I. Roll Call: Present – Moret, Wood, Bianco, Toffel, Clear, Chatterjee, Krumme.

Absent: MacKusick, Luten.

Acting Chair, Bianco. **Secretary**, Al-Hadithy. **Aide**, Tulloch

II. Report From Chair: Bianco – MacKusick absent. Prioritize Bevatron.

III. Announcements from Commissioners:

- NONE

IV. Comments from the Public:

- **Gene Bernardi, Committee to Minimize Toxic Waste (CMTW)** – Senate passed SB2065 – petition distributed. National Tritium Labeling Facility (NTLF) Closure – recommend CEAC review LBNL documents carefully. Would like to know what research activities continue at NTLF. Would like to see full NEPA/CEQA disclosure on Bevatron – not only one year segmented review.
- **Terry Powell, Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory (LBNL)** – LBNL public material returned to Berkeley Public Library 2nd floor Reference Desk. NEPA & CEQA documents distributed in August. NEPA/CEQA reviews are complete – no funding beyond this year, no long-term development plan.
- **Arlene Crooks** – wants an epidemiological study conducted for LBNL neighbors.

LBNL BEVATRON PRESENTATION

Margarate Goglia, Project Manager – Described site. No long term plan.

Nancy Rothermich, Manager of the Hazardous Waste Handling Facility (HWHF)

V. Toxics Management Division Staff Report

VI. Action

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VII. Discussion/Action

- Adopt 7/11 Minutes as amended – Clear did not table the Heigh Initiative. Vote #6 and other names left off, move Bourke out of Bayer Presentation. (M/S/C Clear/Chatterjee. For: Bianco, Clear, Krumme, Wood, Moret, Toffel. PASS).
- Encourage City Council Recommendation of July 23, 2002, on deconstruction of Bevatron as written (M/S/C Wood/Moret. For: Moret, Wood, Chatterjee, Toffel. Against: Bianco, Krumme, Clear. Absent: MacKusick, Luten. FAIL).
- With the goal of increasing transparency of Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory's (LBNL) activities to encourage trust between the community and LBNL, the CEAC requests that the LBNL prepare and share its long-term plan for the Bevatron and conduct full environmental reviews of the plan with community input. CEAC also observes a community need to receive timely information from LBNL on all activities that may impact the environment. As such, CEAC requests the City Council to:

- 1) Ask LBNL to distribute environmental reviews of Building 51 (Bevatron) when funding is received for any further phases of the deconstruction project, before the deconstruction begins.
- 2) Ask LBNL for a summary statement of the goals of the project.

(M/S/C Clear/Toffel. For: Unanimous. Absent: Wood, Luten, MacKusick. PASS).

- Whereas the Height Initiative presents substantial and complex issues, including many environmental in nature,

Whereas, such issues could be greatly clarified by a structured public dialogue with appropriate technical support,

Whereas, the forum conducted by the Council on seismic policy issues provide a model for such forum.

Now Therefore: CEAC recommends that Council fund and conduct at least two such public fora on the environmental aspects of the Height Initiative and to produce an informative two-page document summarizing the environmental aspects of the height initiative, from both a pro and con perspective, to be distributed to inform the public in advance of the November 2002 election. (M/S/C Toffel/Chatterjee. For: Chatterjee, Toffel, Moret, Clear, Krumme, Bianco. Absent: Wood, MacKusick, Luten. PASS).

- From previously passed motion on 100% biodiesel – a). Remove the reference to diesel garbage and fire trucks. Replace with “all trucks”. b). Remove \$70,000 cost and replace with “not known”. (M/S/C Clear/Moret. Moret, Clear, Chatterjee, Bianco, Toffel. Against: Krumme. Absent: Wood, Luten, MacKusick. PASS).