



## **TEXAS RADIATION ADVISORY BOARD MINUTES**

Friday, April 25, 2025  
Scheduled to Convene at 10:45 a.m.

### **1. Call to order**

William Pate, DrPH, Chair, called the meeting to order at 10:45 a.m. A quorum was present.

### **2. Roll call of TRAB members present.**

Members present: Roland Benke; Michael Britt; David Dutton, DVM; Mark Harvey, PhD; Darlene Metter, M.D.; Sanjay Narayan; William Pate, DrPH; Ken Peters; Suresh Pillai, PhD; Tim Powell; Kevin Raabe, REM; Sandra Ramirez; Bob Redweik; and Jeannette Ruiz, M.D

Department of State Health Services (DSHS) staff present: Lisa Bruedigan, Dr. Timothy Stevenson, Joann Harthcock, Gem Naivar, Walquiria Sanchez, Karl Von Ahn, Brian Vamvakias, Kaylie Smith, Jay Pavlkica

Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) staff present: Commissioner Bobby, Janecka, Ashley Forbes, Hunter Simmons, Nick Pilcher, and Kevin Myers

Low-Level Radioactive Waste Disposal Compact Commission: Steven Raines

Railroad Commission: Adrian Charles

Advocates for Responsible Disposal in Texas: Brian Christian

### **3. Review, discuss, and take possible action concerning amendment and approval of the January 31, 2025, meeting minutes**

Mr. Raabe mentioned that he was not at the last TRAB meeting and should be removed from the present members section. Dr. Metter mentioned that the end time of the last meeting should be PM and not AM. Dr. Pate

mentioned that there were attendees listed as being from TCEQ, who should have been listed under guests. Dr. Metter motioned to approve the minutes with corrections. Mr. Benke seconded the motion. All approved.

#### **4. Public Comments**

None.

#### **5. TRAB Committee Reports and Recommendations**

##### **A. Industrial, Nuclear Power, Uranium, and Waste Committee**

Mr. Peters provided an overview of the INUW Committee meeting.

##### **Medical Committee**

Dr. Metter provided an overview of the Medical Committee meeting.

##### **B. Topic Research Committee**

Dr. Harvey provided an overview of the Topic Research Committee meeting.

#### **6. Program Reports**

##### **A. Railroad Commission of Texas**

Adrian Charles discussed the program report and gave some updates.

##### **B. Texas Commission on Environmental Quality**

Ashley Forbes discussed the program report and gave some updates.

##### **C. Texas Department of State Health Services**

Lisa Bruedigan discussed the program report.

##### **D. Texas Low-Level Radioactive Waste Disposal Compact Commission (TLLRWDCC)**

Stephen Raines discussed the program report.

##### **E. Waste Control Specialists (WCS)**

There was no one present from WCS.

##### **F. U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) – TCEQ Commissioner Bobby Janecka, State Liaison Officer**

Commissioner Janecka gave updates on the NRC.

#### **7. Routine and Continuing Business**

##### **A. Recognition of TRAB member's excused absence from this meeting**

Sam Kannappan, Joseph Markham, Lisa Masters, Darshan Sachde, and Simon Trubek requested excused absences from this meeting. Dr. Metter motioned to approve these absences. Mr. Britt seconded the motion. All approved.

## **B. Update of DSHS Rules**

Mr. Vamvakias gave updates on these rule revisions, which were included in the DSHS report.

## **8. New Business**

### **A. Legislative Updates (DSHS & TCEQ)**

Ms. Forbes gave an update on this topic.

## **9. Identification of Agenda Items and topics for next or future TRAB or TRAB Committee Meetings**

- Destruction of Forever Chemical PFAs by Ionizing Radiation by Dr. Pillai
- Presentation on Advanced Modular Reactors
- Change the start time of this meeting to 10:30 am: Dr. Pate will discuss this with the chairs of the committees.

## **10. Adjourn**

Dr. Metter motioned to adjourn the meeting. Dr. Harvey seconded the motion. All agreed. Dr. Pate adjourned the meeting at 12:09 pm.