



**Environmental Management Public Information
Review Effort (EMPIRE) Ad Hoc Committee**

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The Low-Level Waste Fact Sheet was reviewed with suggested changes to include:

- change tense of fact sheet from passive to active voice
- Identify Areas 3 and 5
- more descriptive captions
- implement a glossary box
- change “How Do We Ensure Safe Disposal?” to “How does DOE Ensure Safe Disposal Requirements?” and, add lead in to state that the DOE and the NDEP make scheduled and unscheduled visual inspections at waste generator sites.

Suggestions to the Transuranic Waste Fact Sheet include:

- adding Glossary
- update amounts and add specific date for completion
- move “Waste Characterization” to the front page and “Waste Handling and Storage” to the 2nd page.
- add “permanently” managed
- reference to glove box should be past tense
- under Waste Characterization change 2nd sentence to say, “is required” instead of “must be accomplished.”
- next to the last sentence should say, “Responsibility of transuranic waste shipments transfers to the WIPP personnel once . . . “

The next meeting was scheduled for August 8, 2007, at 3:30 p.m. The fact sheets to be reviewed at that time are, “Transporting Low-Level and Mixed Low-Level Waste to the NTS,” “Radioactive Waste Acceptance Program at NTS,” and “Mixed Low-Level Waste at NTS”.