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Subject: Re: Chris Rowe requests an appeal of the decision not to provide TASC services for SSFL
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David - Nicole and I have talked this over. We both agree that it is premature to commence any discussions about TASC at SSFL. Our decision letter on TASC identified a specific mechanism under which we would reopen discussions about re-offering TASC (i.e. upon State request, TASC could be re-offered to support a comprehensive State CI program). We recommend that we keep to the script in our EPA decision letter. As you know, DTSC is in the middle of their community listening sessions and then they will need time re-think/reorganize their CI program. Lets give the State more time to let the State figure out how both the SSFL Work Group and TASC can support productive CI at SSFL. Reopening TASC now will serve no purpose and I my opinion would only cloud and confuse EPA's role in SSFL CI. If Chris Rowe wants TASC or changes to the SSFL Work Group, then she should make those points to DTSC at the listening sessions. Lets not create a separate mechanism about reopening the TASC issue until the State is ready.

Thanks,
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Folks --

I just got off the phone with Chris Rowe. She told me that she had documentation (the source of which she could not reveal) that identifies who caused EPA to turn down the community's request for TASC.

She requested that EPA revisit its decision not to offer TASC at SSFL.

She acknowledged the possibility that her interest in health information might have been a factor in EPA's decision, then said that there were many other issues and concerns that could benefit from TASC. She acknowledged that the site was contaminated, even though she continues to believe that the nuclear accident did not cause harm, and

noted ACME's identification of certain areas. Chris also talked about looking at the southern buffer zone.

She suggested that a first step could be a conference call with Dana, herself, Susan Callery (DTSC) and myself. She requested that I make such an arrangement. Obviously, Luis would have to be a part of that discussion.

On a related note, she told me that EPA's decision not to offer TASC services might have only gone to the committee she served on, and not to the West Hills Board. She wanted EPA to formally inform the West Hills Board of EPA's decision.

Chris thanked EPA for all of its work and expressed appreciation for being allowed into the technical meetings. She also took the time to again emphasize that the SSFL Workgroup meetings were not very open, and that the sitting community members had too much power over the proceedings. She felt that they should be treated like any other community member.

-- Dave