

**Yankee Rowe  
Spent Fuel Storage & Removal  
Community Advisory Board  
Charter  
May 2011**

**PURPOSE**

The Yankee Rowe Spent Fuel Storage & Removal Community Advisory Board (SFSR-CAB) is established as a non-regulatory body to promote and enhance open communication, public involvement and education on the interim storage of spent fuel and high-level waste at the former Yankee Rowe plant site and to advocate for its prompt removal as required by federal statute and contract with the U.S. Department of Energy.

The Board is an outgrowth of its successful predecessor, the Yankee Rowe Community Advisory Board, which served an integral role in addressing community issues and monitoring the decommissioning of the Yankee Nuclear Power Station from 1998 until the project was completed in 2005.

The SFSR-CAB will function as an advisory board to monitor interim spent fuel and high-level waste storage at Yankee Rowe and to monitor and advocate for government actions and progress related to the removal of nuclear waste from the Yankee Rowe site. In addition, the SFSR-CAB may elect to establish and maintain communication with other spent fuel storage advisory boards regarding spent fuel storage, removal and transportation issues.

Yankee Atomic will consider the advice or recommendations made by the SFSR-CAB, and although not obligated to follow such advice or recommendations, will, in the case of a disagreement, provide an explanation for the Company's approach to the issue.

**MEMBERSHIP & ORGANIZATION**

The SFSR-CAB membership will consist of the same volunteer membership as the decommissioning Community Advisory Board at its conclusion in 2005. The SFSR-CAB will represent the interests of the communities, counties and organizations in proximity to the Yankee Rowe spent fuel storage site.

**MEMBERSHIP:** The SFSR-CAB membership shall consist of:

- Town of Rowe Selectperson or designee appointed by Selectboard (1)
- Town of Monroe Selectperson or designee appointed by Selectboard (1)
- Town of Charlemont Selectperson or designee appointed by Selectboard (1)
- Town of Heath Selectperson or designee appointed by Selectboard (1)
- Town of Florida Selectperson or designee appointed by Selectboard (1)

- Town of Williamstown Selectperson or designee appointed by Selectboard (1)
- City of North Adams Elected Official or designee appointed by Mayor (1)
- Town of Readsboro Selectperson or designee appointed by Selectboard (1)
- Town of Whitingham Selectperson or designee appointed by Selectboard (1)
- Franklin Regional Council of Governments representative (1)
- Berkshire County Planning Commission representative (1)
- Franklin County Chamber of Commerce representative (1)
- Yankee Atomic Electric Company representative (1)
- Citizens Awareness Network representative (1)
- Massachusetts Department of Public Health representative (1) (Non-voting)
- Massachusetts Emergency Management Agency representative (1) (Non-voting)

It will be the responsibility of the SFSR-CAB members to keep their sponsoring organizations informed of SFSR-CAB and Yankee related information and activities.

**ORGANIZATION:** The SFSR-CAB officers, duties and organization are defined as follows:

- **Election of Officers:** The Chairperson, Vice-Chairperson and Recorder shall each be elected by a majority vote of the SFSR-CAB.
- **Officer Duties:**
  - Chair duties include, but are not limited to: calling meetings, preparing and approving agendas, presiding at the meetings, submitting SFSR-CAB recommendations to Yankee management, forwarding member resignations to Yankee management, working with Yankee management to ensure the smooth flow of information to the SFSR-CAB and public.
  - Vice-Chairperson duties include all of the duties of the Chairperson in his/her absence.
  - Recorder duties include reviewing and approving draft meeting minutes for submittal to SFSR-CAB members for final approval.
- **Meeting Frequency:** The SFSR-CAB will meet once a year in the fall. Additional meetings can be called by the Chairperson as needed. Meeting dates shall be agreed upon by the Board.
- **Meetings:** All SFSR-CAB meetings will be open to the public and include a public comment period on the agenda.
- **SFSR-CAB Term:** The SFSR-CAB will review its continuation and membership annually.
- **Membership Term:** Sponsoring organizations should reaffirm yearly their appointments to the SFSR-CAB.

- **Membership Resignation:** Individual members may resign in writing to the SFSR-CAB Chairperson. Replacement of a SFSR-CAB member shall be by the sponsoring organization of the resigning representative.
- **Yankee Atomic Support:** Yankee administrative support shall include, but not be limited to, assisting with the preparation and distribution of meeting minutes, assisting with meeting arrangements, and compiling, copying, distributing and maintaining SFSR-CAB materials and documents. Yankee shall also update members periodically between SFSR-CAB meetings on any noteworthy developments associated with spent fuel storage, transportation and/or removal and respond promptly to SFSR-CAB questions and recommendations. Electronic mail will be the preferred method of communication with and among SFSR-CAB members.
- **Reimbursement:** Members will not be reimbursed for the performance of their duties as SFSR-CAB members.
- **Quorum/Majority Vote:** A majority of SFSR CAB members will constitute a quorum for a meeting of the SFSR-CAB at which a vote or other official action is taken. No official action, other than adjournment, may be undertaken by the SFSR-CAB at a meeting which lacks a quorum. All actions shall require a simple majority vote of those members present and voting, provided a quorum is present.
- **Committees:** Committees, subcommittees, or working groups shall be designated by the Chairperson as needed to carry out the work of the SFSR-CAB.
- **Rules:** Roberts Rules of Order and the Massachusetts Open Meeting Law will govern all SFSR-CAB meetings.