1) Community Engagement Panel (CEP) member attendance:
   a) Present: Dr. David Victor (CEP Chairman/University of California, San Diego), Dan Stetson (CEP Vice Chairman/Trustee-Executive Director, Nicholas Endowment), Hon. Martha McNicholas (CEP Secretary/Trustee, Capistrano Unified School District Board of Trustees), Scott Kibbey (California State Parks, South Sector Superintendent), Garry Brown (Orange County Coastkeeper), Hon. Michael Villar (Dana Point City Council), Valentine “Val” Macedo (Laborers’ International Union of North America, Local 89), Rob Howard (City of Oceanside Representative), Sam Jammal (Camp Pendleton, Community Plans and Liaison Officer), Michelle Anderson (Orange County Sheriff’s Department, Emergency Management Interim Director), Mike Balsamo, (Sr. VP, Government Relations Rancho Mission Viejo and South Orange County Economic Coalition Board Member), Marni Magda (Sierra Club), Tyler Diep (alternate for Lisa Bartlett, Supervisor, Orange County, 5th District), Kristal Jabara (alternate for Hon. Jim Desmond, Supervisor, San Diego County, 5th District), Captain Mel Vernon (San Luis Rey Band of Mission Indians), and Ted Quinn (American Nuclear Society)
   b) Absent: Hon. Lisa Bartlet, Supervisor, Orange County, 5th District; Hon. John Taylor (San Juan Capistrano City Council); Hon. Jim Desmond, (Supervisor, San Diego County, 5th District); and Hon. Chris Duncan (San Clemente City Council)
   c) Southern California Edison (SCE) Representatives: Vincent Bilovsky (Director, Decommissioning Project), Manuel Camargo (SCE Principal Manager, Strategic Planning and Stakeholder Engagement)
   d) Guests: Representative Mike Levin (CA-49) and Sarah Roberts (Vice President Decontamination & Dismantlement Radiation Programs for Energy Solutions)

2) Virtual meeting via Microsoft Teams convened by Chairman Victor at 5:30 p.m.

   NOTE: VIDEO OF THIS MEETING, SPEAKER PRESENTATIONS, AND A TRANSCRIPT ARE AVAILABLE HERE; THIS DOCUMENT PROVIDES A SUMMARY

3) CEP General Community Update: Chairman David Victor welcomed panel members and meeting participants. He introduced Manuel Camargo, SCE Principal Manager of Strategic Planning and Stakeholder Engagement, who provided a brief introduction to the main topic of the evening, site restoration and the process required to return the site to the Navy so it may be used for “unrestricted use.” He added the process is being performed in compliance with strict NRC regulations and standards.

   Rep. Mike Levin (CA-49) was a guest speaker and discussed the U.S. Department of Energy’s (DOE) Dec. 1 announcement of an effort related to consent-based siting of a federal consolidated interim storage facility.

   The CEP panel also heard from Kristal Jabara, Director of Community Affairs for Supervisor Desmond, on the Action for Spent Fuel Solutions Now coalition that is advocating for solutions. She also discussed Rep. Mike Levin’s meeting with coalition co-chairs, recent resolutions of support, the Advisory Council, and growing membership.

   Chairman David Victor shared highlights of his trip to Washington D.C on November 18 to meet with NRC Chairman Chris Hanson and the staff of U.S. Senator Alex Padilla to discuss the federal landscape for offsite storage of spent nuclear fuel, including the need for increased focus and
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organization. Chairman David Victor also provided highlights from a recent Community Engagement Panel Member Consultation meeting on October 7 and provided a list of potential topics for 2022 CEP Regular Meetings.

4) Decommissioning Update: Southern California Edison’s decommissioning project director, Vince Bilovsky provided a briefing on the dismantlement project to date which included photographs and video of ongoing work inside the containment domes and throughout the site.

5) SONGS Environmental Stewardship During Decommissioning: Sarah Roberts, Vice President Decontamination & Dismantlement Radiation Programs for Energy Solutions gave a briefing on environmental stewardship in the context of radiological site surveys and clean-up.

6) Chairman David Victor offered key takeaways summarized here:

   a) The SONGS Community Engagement Panel (CEP) received an update on the federal landscape for offsite storage of spent nuclear fuel, including the need for increased focus and organization. Rep. Mike Levin (CA-49) highlighted the U.S. Department of Energy’s (DOE) Dec. 1 announcement of an effort related to consent-based siting of a federal consolidated interim storage facility and he explained the purpose of his spent nuclear fuel caucus in Congress: to pursue bi-partisan solutions. The CEP heard an update on the Action for Spent Fuel Solutions Now coalition that is advocating for solutions.

   b) CEP members discussed plans to invite a DOE representative to serve as a guest speaker in January or February in order to discuss the Department’s efforts regarding consent-based siting for spent fuel storage facilities.

   c) The SONGS team provided a briefing on the dismantlement project to date which included the importance of safety in constantly changing conditions as the plant is dismantled. Vince Bilovsky, decommissioning director, provided examples of how workers are using human performance tools and lessons learned to ensure all work is performed safely. SONGS Decommissioning Solutions, SCE’s decommissioning contractor, recently marked 2 million hours worked without a lost-time accident.

   d) The CEP received a briefing on environmental stewardship in the context of radiological site surveys and clean-up. Such work is underway and will continue throughout the decommissioning process for the eventual termination of the SONGS license from the Nuclear Regulatory Commission. It’s a long process and won’t be fully complete until the spent nuclear fuel is relocated from the site many years from now.

7) Additional information about SONGS activities:

   • DOE on Dec. 1 released a request for information (RFI) to scope out a consent-based siting process for interim spent fuel storage facilities. SCE is encouraged by this action.
The Action for Spent Fuel Solutions Now coalition continues to gain local and regional support. Since the last CEP meeting in September, the cities of Newport Beach and Riverside have approved resolutions of support for the coalition.

Learn more about the new coalition formed to urge the federal government to provide an off-site facility for spent fuel and consider joining (for free).

Read about dismantlement of the turbine buildings and the intake structures.

See the latest time-lapse videos of dismantlement on the SONGS YouTube channel.

8) Chairman Victor, Vice Chairman Stetson, and Secretary McNicholas facilitated the public comment period

   a) Public comment was provided by the following individual:

      i) Denise Erkeneff (Surfrider) – DOE’s consent-based siting for federal interim storage site

9) Meeting adjourned at 7:43 p.m.