Due to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, the fall meeting of the Northeast High-Level Radioactive Waste Transportation Task Force (Task Force) was held virtually via Zoom in two parts. On October 29, 2020 from 10:30am to 12:00pm Part 1 of the fall meeting was held, and on January 19, 2021 Part 2 of the fall meeting took place. Part 2 of the fall meeting was co-chaired by Jerry Humphreys of New Jersey, and Wade DeHaas of Pennsylvania. Nine of the ten northeast states were represented with the exemption of Delaware. Members from the nine states present were as follows:

CT- Michael Firsick
DE- Robert Brinsfield (not present)
ME- Jay Hyland
MA- Dawn Brantley
NH- Karen O’Neil
NJ- Jerry Humphreys and Veena Gubbi
PA- Rich Janati and Wade DeHaas
RI- Paul D’Abbraccio and Brian Greenwood
VT- Tony Leshinskie
NY- Cynthia Costello

Tony Memmo of the Seneca Nation of Indians also joined the Task Force meeting. The meeting was opened to anyone who wanted to attend so other representatives from DOE, SRG, and TRMTC and other were also present. Total number of participants to this meeting was 34.

The meeting began with opening remarks and introductions by the co-chairs. Staff then informed the Task Force members that a decision is forthcoming whether the 2021 NTSF Annual Meeting will be held in Dallas this year. Staff also noted that CSG-ERC is hosting the 2022 NTSF Annual Meeting and a decision on the location and date will also be forthcoming. Staff noted that plans are in place to hold the Task Force Fall meeting this year in Philadelphia and a Doodle Poll will be sent out to find a suitable date. Staff also noted that due to the lack of live meetings plans are in place to hold a brief virtual meeting sometime in April to bring members up-to-date on any new developments in the program.

Following the updates, the Task Force held its business meeting. A presentation providing a DOE-NE Program Update was provided by Dr. Erica Bickford, Transportation Program Manager, US DOE Office of Nuclear Energy. Following the DOE presentation, members of the Task Force provided brief updates on events and activities in their state. The Draft Agenda for this meeting is provided as Attachment 1. The meeting was adjourned at 12:00 PM on January 19, 2020. No voting took place at this meeting.

The presentation provided at this meeting as well as this summary are available on:
https://csg-erc.org/policies/northeast-high-level-radioactive-waste-transportation/
DRAFT Agenda

Northeast High-Level Radioactive Waste Transportation Task Force
2021 Fall Virtual Meeting – Part 2
January 19, 10:30am to 12:00pm EST

Tuesday, Jan 19th

10:30 AM  Task Force Business Meeting – Co-chair’s Jerry Humphreys, NJDEP, and Wade DeHaas, PADEP presiding
  - Welcome, Opening Remarks, and Introductions
  - Update on Task Force – Uldis Vanags, CSG/ERC

10:40 AM  Update from DOE-NE - Dr. Erica Bickford, Transportation Program Manager, US Department of Energy – Office of Nuclear Energy

11:00 AM  Task Force Member Roundtable Discussion

11:55 AM  Wrap-up

12:00 PM  Adjourn

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Topic: Northeast Task Force Fall Meeting #2
Time: Jan 19, 2021 10:30 AM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

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