

PADUCAH GASEOUS DIFFUSION PLANT CITIZENS ADVISORY BOARD

MINUTES OF THE THURSDAY, MARCH 17, 2022, CAB MEETING • 5:30 P.M.

Location: Emerging Technology Building, WKCTC, Paducah, Kentucky

Citizens Advisory Board (CAB) Members Present: Don Barger, Clint Combs, Fran Johnson (Phone), Michael Kemp, William Murphy

Proposed Citizens Advisory Board (CAB) Members Present: William Robert Clark, Elizabeth Wilson (Webex), Hannah Chretien (Webex)

CAB Members Absent: Eric Butterbaugh, Blake Summarell, Phillip Brown, Victoria Caldwell, Celestine Emerson, Patrick White

U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) and Contractors: Buz Smith, Hayly Wiggins, EHI Consultants (EHI)

Liaisons: Brian Begley (WebEx) Kentucky Division of Waste Management, Brian Lainhart (WebEx), Christopher Travis (Webex), Commonwealth of Kentucky Energy and Environment Cabinet.

Attendees: Greg Wiles, PACRO, Zachary Boyarski (Webex), Kevin Curry (Webex), Hannah Chretien (Webex)

Facilitator: Eric Roberts, EHI

Public: Kelsey Shank, The Edge (Webex)

Approved by Don Barger, Board Chair

Signature on file

Don Barger

Call to Order:

Barger:

Let's call this meeting to order and let's go around and introduce yourself.

Attendees introduced themselves.

Roberts: We received no public comments.

Review of Agenda

DOE comments provided by Buz Smith, Federal Project Coordinator and acting Site Lead:

- I have no site comments tonight. We did suffer a loss this week. Former CAB member, Judy Clayton's husband, Johnny passed away and this has been a tough week for her. Keep her in your thoughts and prayers.
- I am really excited to have Greg Wiles here from PACRO. He has really
 done a lot to support the D & D work at the site as well as our ability to
 reduce our disposal costs and also make assets available to the
 community.

Liaison Comments: none

Roberts:

To provide some context, Buz, why don't you go over why there is a CRO, what it does, etc.

Smith: PACRO is a CRO which is a Community Reuse Organization. I guess there are 8 CROs left. CROs were set up by the DOE to transfer excess property from the closing sites to the communities to offset the potential and actual job losses. The property that the DOE cannot use at other sites is transferred to the CROs for sale or disbursement in the community. This also offsets the DOE disposal costs, rather seeing it used for the good of the community rather than going in a landfill. CROs were set up by law.

Wiles: 1993 was when the first CRO was created. PACRO was set up in 1988 or 1999.

PACRO presentation provided by Greg Wiles

Question/Comment:	Answer:	
Smith: The Mellow Mushroom was one of the loans given by PACRO, correct? I was in there the other night and they had something like 20 employees.	Wiles: Yes, and they have recently paid off their loan. Yes, As I was preparing for this meeting, I was looking back at the 2017 presentation and then it was estimated that 8800 jobs had been created by PACRO grants and loans.	
Smith: In this photo on the bottom right, this is solvent and paints that would have been a huge expense for the DOE to dispose of it. Greg was able to find a buyer for it. It did not bring in much money, but it was a huge savings in terms of disposal costs.	Wiles: It didn't sell for almost anything, but there was still savings to the DOE.	
Barger: Why was the firetruck considered excess material? Did they no longer need it?	Smith: These older vehicles are difficult to service with parts, without going to scrapyards, etc. Also, there are federal requirements that must be met and sometimes these older assets no longer meet those requirements.	
Barger: The roll-offs are not mixed waste, correct?	Smith: That is correct, the roll offs have to be single metals, all copper or all aluminum, etc. You lose money when it is mixed because the recyclers charge more when there is a mixed load.	
Murphy: When you have copper from the substation, for example, do you make all the arrangements for recycling? Who actually is in charge of all that?	Wiles: PACRO contracts with the recyclers, but FRNP project manager communicates directly with them for pick up and all those logistics. FRNP copies me on all communications and makes the whole system run smoothly.	
Combs: Were you able to make a little bit more money than a couple of years ago?	Wiles: Oh yes, copper went up quite a bit since the project first started. It has had a big impact for us.	
Murphy: You said that property is screened for high-risk radiological contaminants. Of course, everybody knows about the nickel that's out there in the moratorium on any sort of biometrically contaminated metals.	Smith: The switchyards are in the biologically contaminated area. And the biometrically contaminated metal is all melted down. They measure with scanning instruments they have on site.	

Which, I would presume, would include almost anything in the 4 main process buildings, but could metal that's from outside of those process buildings be used? How do you measure that though? I would presume that if you had large metal equipment in that area, I wouldn't think it would be biometrically contaminated.

Barger: What is your official role at PACRO? How are you kept in the loop as far as what's coming in the future? Are you given an overview of what materials you might be working on selling off in the next 3, 5 or 10 years down the road?

How you determine that?

Wiles: Everything is rigorously tested before being allowed to leave the site.

Wiles: Well, my title is executive director. I'm a contractor and the only paid person at PACRO.
So, basically, the role is whatever it takes them to run the PACRO.
I run the meetings prepared the documentation if there are grants to prepare for the various counties and I will help prepare and present them to the board.

Wiles: Right now, the focus is on the switchyard. There are several million dollars to be made there and that is the PACRO's only source of revenue, since the original grant from the DOE has long since run out. Right now, they are still in the deactivation stage, not even the demolition stage of the next switchyard

Smith: We keep them up to date on the projects since the material that PACRO has to sell is the result of a specific project.

Wiles: If there is anything the DOE offers for us to dispose of, I will throw it on Govdeals.com and get what I can for it.

Wiles: I think it works really well. The Board itself votes on where to allocate those funds, even to the local colleges.

Murphy: I was glad to see how the money is distributed now. When the PACRO first started, they tried to create the jobs themselves, building industrial parks and spec buildings, etc. I like how

you distribute to municipalities, startups, and all.

Combs: You said there were originally 15 CROs and now they are down to 8. Do those CROs last through the entirely of the demolition of the sites, or do they terminate when there is nothing left that they be dispose of?

Roberts: One of the good things about the money going through the CROs is there are no strings attached to it, where with a lot of economic development grants there are maximum funds and things of this nature. The CRO is really allowed to be a kind a gap funding so the businesses can pursue additional funding. You see that dollar really magnified

Wiles: I am not sure why they are down to 8. I know PACRO wants to be around for the entire process because we hope to be able to get the land back and be able to repurpose the land and bring new business there as well.

Wiles: Yes, A lot of this is used for matching portions.

Administrative Issues:

Spring 2022 EM SSAB Chairs meeting

Roberts: Currently we have between 1 and 4 Chairs meetings on the books. We have the virtual meeting scheduled for April 20 – 21. With the decrease of COVID #s, there is a push to return to normal and that would begin with this Spring Chairs meeting, but we are working on getting something scheduled for June, if we can get all the moving pieces worked out. An in-person meeting is preferred by everyone, so we are working on it now. We should have an answer by Monday.

Barger: As the host community, we look forward to hosting virtually or in person.

Public Comments:

Public comments will be accepted via email prior to and after the meeting. Comments received by no later than 5:00 p.m. CDT on Monday, March 14, 2022 will be read aloud during the virtual meeting. Comments will also be accepted after the meeting, by no later than 5:00 p.m. CDT on Friday, March 25, 2022. Please submit comments to eric@pgdpcab.org. Please put "Public Comment" in the subject line.

Barger: Thank you so much for your time and attention this evening and in serving on the CAB. For those patiently waiting for your approval to the CAB, we appreciate your patience, it will happen. Meeting adjourned at 6:19 pm

Paducah-Area Community Reuse Organization







PURPOSE OF PACRO

- Coordinate economic development planning and management efforts to address DOE-related impacts
- Encourage private sector to incorporate surplus DOE property into their ventures to expand the local economic base
- Provide information to potential business enterprises
- Directing excess DOE property to most efficient use



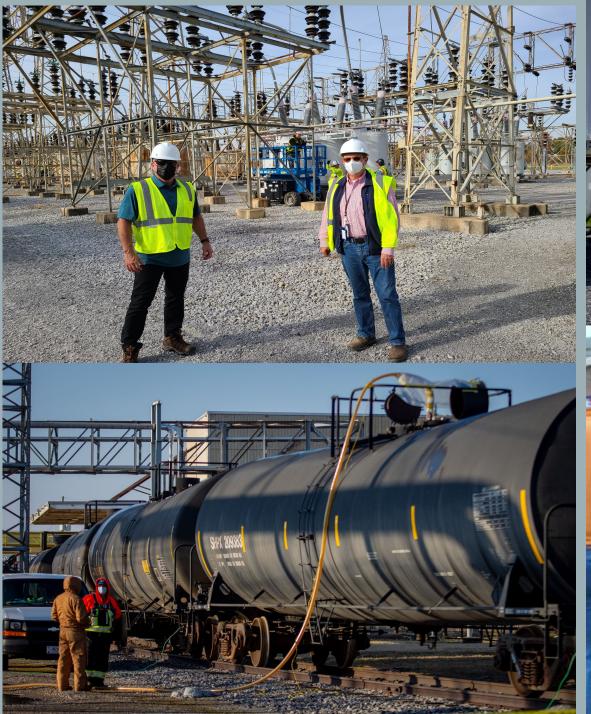
PACRO

- PACRO is responsible for providing a single point of contact for DOE excess personal property
- PACRO works with local governments and local economic development groups through representatives on the board
- Property is screened by DOE for high risk, radiological, hazards before being offered



PACRO USES FOR EXCESS PROPERTY

- Transfer to a commercial enterprise to support creation of new job opportunities
- Offered as an inducement to business to create jobs
- Transfer to a municipality of non-profit
- Proceeds used to support community and economic development in the five most affected counties, McCracken, Marshall, Graves, Ballard and Massac (City of Metropolis)













ALLOWABLE USES FOR PACRO PROCEEDS

- Investment in business recruitment
- Offer funds for business/start up loans
- Minority business development
- Community development



PACRO

- Agreement is for 5 year terms
- Will be involved with any excess real estate
- Executive Committee consists of 15 representatives
- Executive Committee meets the third Wednesday of odd months (January, March, May, July, September, November)



The Executive Committee consist of a total of fifteen (15) members, including:

- 3 representatives recommended by the Judge Executive of McCracken County
- 2 representatives recommended by the Judge Executive of Marshall County
- 2 representatives recommended by the Judge Executive of Graves County
- 2 representatives recommended by the Judge Executive of Ballard County.
- 2 representatives recommended by the Mayor of the City of Metropolis, Illinois

Four (4) members at large, consisting of:

West Kentucky Community and Technical College;

University of Kentucky College of Engineering-Paducah Extended Campus Murray State University

Representative recommended by the Environmental Remediation Project Contractor for the Paducah Gaseous Diffusion Plant



PACRO Executive Committee		
CJE Kevin Neal	Marshall County	County Judge Executive
Ms. Betsy Flynn	Marshall County	Retired - CFSB CEO
CJE Craig Clymer	McCracken County	County Judge Executive
Eddie Jones - Chairman	McCracken County	County Commissioner
George Bray	McCracken County	Paducah Mayor
Terry Simmions	Ballard County	Economic Development
John Summers - Treasurer	Ballard County	County Commissioner
Andrew Ellison	Graves County	CFSB
Richie Galloway - Vice Chair	Graves County	County Commissioner
Mayor Don Canada	Metropolis	Metropolis Mayor
Rick Abell	Metropolis	Metropolis Corporate Counsel
Kevin O'Neill	WKCTC	VP Workforce Training and Economic Development
Jordan Smith	MSU	MSU
Dr. David Silverstein	UK College of Engineering	UK College of Engineering
Myrna Redfield	our Rivers Nuclear Partnership	FRNP President & CEO