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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

REVISED DRAFT HANFORD SITE SOLID
(RADIOACTIVE AND HAZARDOUS)
WASTE PROGRAM ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT
(HSW EIS)

PUBLIC MEETING

MAY 14, 2003

7:00 P.M.

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Introductions

1 MR. GREG deBRULER: Good
2 evening. My name is Greg deBruler and I
3 represent Columbia River Keeper. It used to be
4 Columbia River United.

5 We have worked on this issue for
6 Hanford for, what, 14 years now since the
7 signing of the Tri-Party Agreement.

8 I want to thank you all for coming.
9 Tonight we are going to be talking about the
10 Hanford Solid Waste EIS, which will we get into
11 a little bit more.

12 Dee Willis is the facilitator. He
13 is going to help facilitate the discussions,
14 keep people moving along. And then we also
15 would like to have the State of Oregon, do you
16 want to say hello?

17 MR. THOMAS STOOPS: We will
18 just have comments along with everybody else.

19 MR. GREG deBRULER: The State
20 of Oregon is here. Tom Stoops is representing
21 the State of Oregon. He is a hydrologist. He
22 will be giving comments tonight.

23 And with that, I think we are ready.
24 Here we go. Thank you for coming.

25 MR. DEE WILLIS: Thanks, Greg.

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Introductions (contd)

1 As Greg said, I am Dee Willis. I will be the
2 facilitator. My job is to make sure you have
3 an opportunity to speak tonight, and say what
4 you think. This is the --

5 Oh, housekeeping. Restrooms back
6 there through that entrance there. Okay?
7 Water in the back.

8 This is the fifth of six public
9 meetings held by the Department of Energy on
10 the revised draft of the Hanford Solid Waste
11 Environmental Impact Statement. We are here
12 because DOE listened to you a year ago. Well,
13 a few months ago, and said we are going to do
14 it over again. So I think that's testimony to
15 the power of public involvement.

16 Thanks for being here. The
17 purpose -- the main purpose of the meeting
18 tonight is to get your comments about the
19 revised draft.

20 The comments we get from you
21 tonight, along with DOE's responses, will be
22 addressed as part of the Final EIS.

23 There are several ways to offer
24 comments on the draft. You can talk tonight.
25 You can provide us written comments. And there

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Introductions (contd)

1 are written comment forms on that back table.
2 Just write them up and give them to any of the
3 people at the table over there, or to Yvonne
4 Sherman.

5 Yvonne, where are you?

6 MS. YVONNE SHERMAN: Over this
7 way.

8 MR. DEE WILLIS: Right there.
9 There's a fact sheet at the back table, too,
10 that gives you all kinds of addresses,
11 telephone numbers, E-mail addresses. You can
12 also send comments via E-mail.

13 We are going to record your comments
14 tonight verbatim by audiotape, and also by
15 court reporter. Two ways.

16 So, because of that, when you speak
17 we are going to ask you to talk into the mike.
18 There is a lot of related information on the
19 back table. Help yourselves.

20 Agenda. Pretty simple agenda.
21 Multi colored. We are doing the intro now.

22 After the introduction, DOE's going
23 to have a brief presentation. That's Mike
24 Collins. And by the way, this is a curious
25 crowd usually in Hood River, and you've got a

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Introductions (contd); Presentations

1 lot of questions, and that's great. I'm going
2 to ask you to let Mike finish his presentation
3 before you ask questions. We will have a brief
4 question and asking period after Mike finishes.

5 After the DOE presentation, we will
6 get some EPA comments from Nick Ceto. Nick,
7 are you here tonight?

8 MR. NICHOLAS CETO: Yes.

9 MR. DEE WILLIS: All right.

10 After that we will here from Columbia River
11 Keeper, their perspective on the EIS. And then
12 we will get from you, get some public comments,
13 straight up public comments.

14 After that we will get more
15 informal, we will have a panel involving DOE,
16 Greg, and who else is going to be on the panel?
17 Heart of America. Yeah.

18 All right. Any questions about the
19 agenda? No hitting, kicking, scratching. I am
20 sorry. Those are Seattle ground rules. Not
21 for you.

22 All right. That's it. We'll go on
23 to the DOE presentation. Mike Collins.

24 (Mr. Collins made presentation).

25 MR. DEE WILLIS: Are there any

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Informal Question and Answer Section

1 factual questions about Mike's presentation?
2 Ma'am?

3 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: When you
4 were giving the totals of the waste, what did
5 you say, 750 cubic meters?

6 MR. MICHAEL COLLINS: Thousand
7 cubic meters, plus 340,000 cubic meters.

8 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: What
9 kind of space does that represent?

10 MR. MICHAEL COLLINS: For the
11 low-level waste, if you were to add all the
12 off-site waste and on-site waste, assuming we
13 got all that off-site waste, we would be
14 looking at a football field 146 feet tall.

15 For mixed low-level waste, 103 feet
16 tall.

17 And transuranic waste, 35 feet tall.

18 For this immobilized low-activity
19 waste, which is completely a new part of this
20 Environmental Impact Statement, something, 157
21 feet tall.

22 And then for that 280,000 cubic
23 meters that's already in the ground, 206 feet
24 tall.

25 MR. DEE WILLIS: Other factual

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Informal Question and Answer Section (contd)

1 questions?

2 MR. MICHAEL COLLINS: Cyndy had
3 one.

4 MR. DEE WILLIS: Cyndy. Here
5 is the mike, Cyndy.

6 MS. CYNDY deBRULER: The
7 public's heard that there were 70,000 truck
8 loads approximately that could come from this
9 proposal.

10 MR. MICHAEL COLLINS: Uh-huh.

11 MS. CYNDY deBRULER: As I
12 recall, in the first round you had said that it
13 could actually be higher than that.

14 Is that accurate, or is that
15 changed?

16 MR. MICHAEL COLLINS: No.
17 70,000 was based on a Heart of America
18 estimate. It's within the order of magnitude
19 that we say. The EIS actually says if we got
20 the whole volume, it's somewhere around 25,000.

21 Same order of magnitude, so it is
22 still a lot.

23 MR. DEE WILLIS: Mike, would
24 you clarify the notion of truck loads. Truck
25 loads of what?

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Informal Question and Answer Section (contd)

1 MR. MICHAEL COLLINS: Oh.
2 Truck loads of waste coming to Hanford.

3 MR. DEE WILLIS: Okay. Other
4 factual questions?

5 MS. IRENE FIELDS: Irene
6 Fields. You said about 750,000 cubic meters of
7 waste that has been or will be generated at
8 Hanford.

9 Is Hanford still generating waste?

10 MR. MICHAEL COLLINS: It is
11 generating some as a result of cleanup actions.
12 What happens, as you literally, you go in there
13 in your protective outfits, and those get
14 contaminated themselves, so you don't reuse
15 them. So you end up creating some waste.

16 In addition some of the waste is
17 already there. For example, 10,000 cubic
18 meters of the transuranic waste is waste we
19 plan on digging up from an existing burial
20 ground.

21 MR. DEE WILLIS: Other factual
22 questions?

23 Okay. We will go to Nick Ceto.

24 MR. NICHOLAS CETO: Thanks,
25 Mike. Nick Ceto, Environmental Protection

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Presentation; THR-0001

1 Agency.

2 (Mr. Ceto made presentation).

3 MR. DEE WILLIS: Questions for
4 Nick.

5 MS. JUDY NELSON: Judy Nelson.
6 You said you were going to vitrify the
7 radioactive water?

8 MR. NICHOLAS CETO: No. Well,
9 first off, EPA isn't doing any work. It's DOE.
10 But their proposal was to vitrify the tank
11 waste.

12 MS. JUDY NELSON: So do you
13 evaporate it first? How do you vitrify water?

14 MR. NICHOLAS CETO: Yeah.
15 Well, it wouldn't be -- It would be managed to
16 a -- There is an evaporator in the treatment
17 loop, and it would basically take the sludges
18 that are there, the water that's there, add
19 different things to it. So they end up with I
20 guess almost a slurry that would be ultimately
21 vitrified.

22 MR. DEE WILLIS: Other factual
23 questions? Thanks, Nick.

24 Greg deBruler.

25 **THR-0001** MR. GREG deBRULER: Hi, there.

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THR-0001 (contd)

1 You all know who I am so I don't need to tell
2 you who I am anymore.

3 My job with Columbia River Keeper is
4 to do the analytical work, ask the questions
5 that people who live in the Northwest want to
6 know one thing, are they going to clean up
7 Hanford, will you be able to use the site when
8 they are done cleaning it up, will you be able
9 to use the groundwater, will you be able to use
10 the river, and will the ecosystem, and all the
11 little critters, be protected. Kind of a
12 logical question.

13 So my job is to find out on these
14 goals that they are trying to do now, ship more
15 waste into here, does it make sense, and with
16 this one tonight, it's called the Hanford Solid
17 Waste EIS.

18 The National Environmental Policy
19 Act says real clearly and very simply that the
20 Department of Energy, if they are going to make
21 a major action like this, has to consider all
22 the potential ramifications of the risks that
23 are out there from adding more waste.

24 But it also says that if you have a
25 waste site like Hanford, think of Hanford as

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THR-0001 (contd)

1 being highly contaminated, that you have to
2 look at the existing waste.

3 So, I will give you just a few quick
4 slides here to kind of paint a picture of what
5 we are talking about.

6 This is the Hanford Site. And if
7 you look up at the green, they call that now
8 the central plateau. That was where they did
9 all the processing to make the plutonium for
10 the bomb.

11 Hanford in that core zone there, the
12 green and out to the reactor sites is the most
13 contaminated site in the Western Hemisphere.
14 Just think North America. It's highly
15 contaminated. So contaminated it could cost
16 literally hundreds of billions of dollars to
17 clean it up if they do it right.

18 So, the logical question that's
19 being asked is, from a lay person, is why would
20 anybody want to dump more waste there?

21 And that gets back to what the
22 Department of Energy is planning. Because for
23 every reason they do something, there's
24 something pushing them.

25 About two and a half years ago the

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THR-0001 (contd)

1 Department of Energy, well, when George Bush
2 came into office, the Department of Energy
3 changed their strategy, and it's called
4 accelerated cleanup. And the Under Secretary
5 of Energy, after being in office for about six
6 months, wrote a letter to the Office of
7 Management and Budget, it's called the bank,
8 literally, they are the ones that check off,
9 you know, are you spending money right and all
10 of those things.

11 And they said, this is what we are
12 going to do. We are going to reduce the cost
13 of cleanup by 100 billion dollars.

14 Remember, this lady had been in
15 office for about six months. We are going to
16 cut time to clean up by 30 years. That's kind
17 of lofty. They are going to save us taxpayers
18 money, they are going to get the job done
19 faster. Sounds great, right? And we are going
20 to shrink the size of the USDOE complex by 40
21 percent by 2006.

22 I forgot how many sites are there in
23 the complex?

24 MR. MICHAEL COLLINS: She is
25 responsible for 104 or something like that.

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THR-0001 (contd)

1 MR. GREG deBRULER: 104 sites.
2 So 46, 44 of those sites are going to go away.
3 And they are all over the United States.

4 And by the way, we are going to
5 eliminate the need to vitrify 75 percent of all
6 the high-level waste at Hanford. And Hanford
7 has 53 million gallons. Well, that's a lofty
8 goal.

9 And my way of looking at it was, how
10 could you technically say you are going to do
11 that? And if you are going to say that, give
12 me the technical analysis that's been done that
13 shows that you can actually achieve that.

14 They never did that. But today they
15 are coming to you and they are saying, they
16 want to ship up to 70,000 truck loads of more
17 waste to Hanford.

18 Well, they want to ship more waste
19 to Hanford because they want to reduce 40
20 percent of the site by 2006.

21 So, in the EIS they are being asked
22 to analyze this. And I have spent some time
23 now in the last week and a half to go through
24 and look at it, to see if they are doing the
25 things that's required by law.

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THR-0001 (contd)

1 200 Area. This is an example of the
2 waste that's been dumped in the ground. About
3 500 billion gallons, 450 billion. You've got
4 all sorts of stuff here, strontium, uranium,
5 technetium, all stuff with fancy names,
6 radioactive. Some of it will last a very, very
7 long time. Iodine 129 will last for 17 million
8 years. So, a long time. Uranium 238, which
9 they say isn't a problem, we call it depleted
10 uranium, lasts for 4.3 billion years, a long
11 time.

12 But in their infinite wisdom, they
13 it want to add more waste. So, as you look at
14 their EIS, you want to make sure they do the
15 proper analysis.

16 Well, here is another problem. We
17 have got 177 high-level waste tanks which hold
18 53 million gallons of waste. Of that 53
19 million gallons of waste, over a million
20 gallons, let's say a million-plus, has leaked
21 into the ground.

22 Here is kind of a schematic
23 pictograph showing you it has leaked into the
24 ground.

25 They are doing a Solid Waste EIS.

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THR-0001 (contd)

1 Remember, the barrels over here, you know, that
2 stuff, and they are putting it in the ground.
3 But they aren't talking to you about the liquid
4 waste that's leaked under the tank and they
5 aren't talking about the waste that they are
6 going to leave in the tanks, because they
7 aren't going to vit. 75 percent of it, and they
8 aren't encompassing all of this in this big EIS
9 that's supposed to look at the long-term
10 protection of the groundwater, of the river,
11 and the future users.

12 Remember that thing he showed us,
13 this big football field?

14 Can you imagine in the year, 100
15 years from now, which they estimate two million
16 more people will be living out there, can you
17 imagine in 200 years, beautiful scenic Columbia
18 River, gorgeous weather, two million people,
19 two and a half million people living there,
20 somebody's up there digging around, comes into
21 this football field. Hello. He digs down.
22 The next thing you know, it ruins their day.

23 In their EIS they aren't looking at
24 compaction. They aren't telling the shipper
25 out there in the other sites, the 40 percent,

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1 by the way, we want you to compact that down
2 like your trash compactor at home. Make a big
3 bag into a small one, and then ship it to us.
4 Because it's much cheaper for them to do one
5 thing. Ship it to Hanford, drop it in the
6 ground, and say good-bye to it. Is this what
7 we want for the Northwest?

8 Are they doing the analysis to find
9 out if they are going to be truly protective?

10 Here is what happens when you dump
11 the stuff. It goes into the ground, moves into
12 the groundwater, and eventually goes into the
13 Columbia River.

14 Here is a picture of the radioactive
15 contamination. This is, pardon me, of all the
16 contaminants at the Hanford Site. This is the
17 groundwater plumes that are at Hanford, of
18 which there is 180 square miles of groundwater
19 that's already contaminated.

20 You just heard EPA saying that they
21 have no intention of cleaning up the
22 groundwater yet. There's no plans to clean it
23 up. In their analysis they never assumed that
24 it would ever be cleaned up. And they just say
25 to you in the future and everybody else in the

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future generations, you can't drink it, you can't use it.

But they fail to analyze in the EIS, what is the cost of the loss of that resource. What is the cost of one acre-foot in today's dollars, in a dry, arid climate with agriculture, what's it going to be worth in 100 years, 200 years, 300 years, or a thousand years? No analysis. None.

So, what do they say? They default to the future and say, you can't use the water. Is that what they are supposed to be doing in the EIS? Nah.

Here is the radioactive contamination that basically shows you another perspective of radiation. And here is their prediction in one of the models that they do to run what they think the future will look like, that they use, this is the year 2060, the dark red is basically high cancer rates, folks, reaching the river.

So they already predict that in the future you are going to have a big problem. But yet they want to ship more waste.

So, when you are thinking about

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1 this, like I said, what I had to do was go back
2 and talk and think and look and check and see
3 if they are doing all of this work that they
4 are supposed to be doing.

5 Now I am going to back up for a
6 second. This evening you saw somebody walk in
7 here that was "mourning openness."

8 I have to commend the Department of
9 Energy today, under NEPA, they are here. They
10 are actually having a public meeting. Are you
11 happy? You know, they are here. Good. I'm
12 glad they are here.

13 But the problem is, is that the
14 state of Washington, the state of Oregon, the
15 Hanford Advisory Board, Columbia River Keeper,
16 Heart of America Northwest, and I don't know
17 how many others.

18 MR. MICHAEL COLLINS: The
19 Umatilla Indians.

20 MR. GREG deBRULER: The
21 Umatilla Indian nation, solvereign nation,
22 sovereign government, asked the Department of
23 Energy for at least a 30 day extension. Why?

24 Because they gave us a 3,000 page
25 document and said, here, go look at it.

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1 Folks, it's on the table back there.
2 You've got CD's. You have until May 27th to
3 look at it. Hurry up and do it, do your
4 homework and comment.

5 NEPA says real clearly by the law
6 you have to have adequate time to assimilate
7 it, to do the work, to do the analysis, to
8 engage the public, because it's their resource,
9 and that's why NEPA, the federal law, says
10 that.

11 As far as I'm concerned, they are
12 violating it. That's another issue.

13 I just want to let you know that we
14 are very upset. That's why we are saying,
15 here, shame on you, we want openness. We don't
16 want secrecy. We want public involvement. We
17 want to go back to the way the Department of
18 Energy used to do business, before this
19 administration changed and decided they wanted
20 to go behind closed doors.

21 So, enough on that one. When we
22 think about transportation risks, they did a
23 Waste Management Programmatic EIS. Okay? Big
24 word. 1997 they release that document. It
25 looked at all of the complex, all the hundred

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1 sites, whatever, added them all up and said,
2 we've got a bunch of waste here, we've got to
3 ship it here, ship it here, ship it here, and
4 they did their transportation risk scenarios.
5 They said, we'll ship "x" amount of trucks to
6 Hanford, "x" amount of trucks to Nevada, "x"
7 amount of trucks to Savannah River, and the
8 risk of a wreck will be X, X, X, and they wrote
9 it off and said that's their analysis.

10 Well, it might have been good in
11 1997. But in the year 2003, after 9-11, the
12 whole world has been changed differently. We
13 don't look at transportation like we used to.
14 Homeland security is a whole new office and has
15 a whole new responsibility, but yet in this EIS
16 they failed to assess the true transportation
17 risk that might occur.

18 For example, state of Washington
19 said, we've got nine bridges in the state --
20 pardon me, State of Oregon, we've got nine
21 bridges that we have a concern of overweight
22 loads. When they ship this transuranic waste,
23 which is the stuff that we will say it's in
24 barrels that's radioactive, the remote handled
25 stuff, the hot stuff, according to their

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1 numbers, says that if you are sitting beside
2 it, by it on a highway, if it was parked there
3 and I was like sitting here for an hour, just
4 looking at you for an hour, I'd get 20 chest
5 x-rays, something like that, on a low case.

6 But what they haven't done is they
7 haven't analyzed the fact that they can't use,
8 because these bridges can't support it, that
9 they are going to have to take a route and come
10 through some municipality. So they didn't do
11 that in their analysis.

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12 Another thing they didn't really
13 look at is what is the potential for terrorist
14 attack for dirty bombs. Now, I am not a
15 terrorist. You all know that. So I am going
16 to say something tonight, so don't report to
17 Tom Ridge or whatever his name is. If I was a
18 terrorist, and I wanted to make a dirty bomb, I
19 would take a transuranic waste cask. Because
20 it's highly radioactive. I mean, that is a
21 big object. They are big, big, big things. I
22 mean, they look like they are dangerous. It
23 doesn't look like a regular truck driving down
24 the road, you know.

25 So, I said to myself, you know, look

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1 it, all we are asking you to do is do the
2 analysis.

3 Do I think it's going to happen?
4 No. I personally don't believe it. I think
5 they are going to ship this stuff, and I think
6 there is probably very little risk, and the
7 bottom line, it will probably be shipped
8 safely, but they are required by law to do all
9 of these analyses. They are required to look
10 at Hanford completely for all the waste that's
11 there, look at Hanford like you are going to
12 use the groundwater. Look at all the waste
13 that they have at Hanford, all at one time, and
14 say, how are we cleaning it up, are our cleanup
15 actions going to protect this, and if they
16 aren't, what are the risks? Do all of that
17 analysis.

18 Now they want to add more waste.
19 Then they have to that analysis and they have
20 to lay in on the top of it the new waste and
21 analyze that. But they also have to take the
22 tank waste, and they are doing a Tank Waste EIS
23 that won't even be completed until, the draft
24 will come out in September, and won't complete
25 it until next year.

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1 So, they say they are doing a
2 cumulative impact analysis, or cumulative
3 impact assessment. They aren't. They are
4 doing it piecemeal. They are looking at little
5 parts of the puzzle, and they really want to do
6 one thing.

7 Remember, I only have to show you
8 that one. 40 percent of the sites need to be
9 cleaned up by 2006, 40 percent need to be
10 cleaned by 2006.

11 They want to have a Record of
12 Decision issued by the end of July. They want
13 to have a Record of Decision that says, we've
14 done our analysis, we don't see any risk, we
15 are going to ship this stuff.

16 By September they want to issue that
17 Record of Decision, and they want to start
18 moving the stuff. So, our role, my role is to
19 do the analysis, to give the public comment, to
20 give my technical comments, and then if they
21 don't do the work, then we have the option to
22 pull them into Federal Court and let a judge
23 decide.

24 But we need the public to put your
25 values into the process, because, remember one

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1 thing, it's our Northwest. Because somebody in
2 D.C. has got a different vision for the
3 Northwest, that doesn't mean that's how we have
4 to have it. We politically can change them.
5 If we can't do it in court, we politically can
6 change their decision.

7 So with that, I will get off my
8 thing. If you have any comments, questions,
9 feel free.

10 MR. DEE WILLIS: Thanks, Greg.
11 I want to go down to item 5 on the agenda,
12 taking public competents. We can start doing
13 that.

14 I want to remind you that you can
15 either give comments now or you can wait. You
16 can wait until after you hear some of the give
17 and take and the panel discussion, where you
18 ask questions, and give comments later. Or you
19 can do both.

20 So, if I call your name in the next
21 few minutes and you want to wait, just say
22 pass, and I will come back to you. All right?

23 I'd like to take comments in this
24 way. I want to ask people who have pressing
25 concerns, pressing obligations at home, to talk

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Informal Question and Answer Section (contd)

1 first. After that, I will read your name in
2 the order that you signed up to give comment.
3 All right?

4 When you give comment, I'd
5 appreciate it very much if you would limit your
6 comments to five minutes. Most people can do
7 it in far less than that. I will let you know
8 when you have been talking three minutes, and
9 then I will let you know when you have talked
10 five minutes.

11 During the comment period I'd
12 appreciate it very much, if you don't have any
13 give and take questions and answers, it is just
14 you talking to DOE, there will be give and take
15 in the panel discussion part of the program
16 tonight.

17 Any questions about the format
18 approach? All right. Yes, sir?

19 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: So you
20 don't want question comments, you just want
21 comments right now?

22 MR. DEE WILLIS: I want
23 comments right now.

24 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: No
25 questions?

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1 MR. DEE WILLIS: No questions
2 yet.

3 Any other questions about the
4 approach?

5 All right. So, if you need to get
6 home, if you have pressing concerns,
7 obligations, would you raise your hand, and you
8 want to make a comment. Raise your hand.

9 Okay. So we will start first with
10 Amber Waldref, Heart of America.

11 One more thing. I'm sorry. When
12 you start speaking, give us your name and
13 affiliation. All right.

14 **THR-0002** MS. AMBER WALDREF: Thanks.
15 Hi. I am Amber Waldref with Heart of America
16 Northwest, Hanford watch dog group.

17 I'm just going to give my comments
18 and I have a few slides to show with them. I
19 will get organized here.

20 So, like Greg was saying, we are
21 also very dissatisfied with this Environmental
22 Impact Statement, and we've done some analysis
23 of the document, and I want to say why. We are
24 still feeling like it's not meeting the needs
25 under NEPA.

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