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DOE appoints three new members to advisory board

IDAHO FALLS, Idaho - The U.S. Department of Energy recently appointed three new members to the Idaho National Laboratory Site Environmental Management Citizens Advisory Board, a volunteer citizen panel that provides advice and recommendations to DOE on its environmental cleanup operations at INL.

The new members include Kristen R. Jensen, Robert J. Bodell and Betsy S. McBride.

"I'm very impressed with the caliber of the new appointees, and I'm confident they will be valuable additions to the current board," said James R. Cooper, deputy manager of the Idaho Cleanup Project. "We are very appreciative of their willingness to serve and dedicate time on the board."

Kristen R. Jensen is the executive director for the nonprofit Great Rift Business Development Organization and a gifted and talented educator in the American Falls School District. An Idaho State University graduate, she has a long-standing interest in energy and environmental issues and in economic development in Eastern Idaho.

Robert J. Bodell, INL Site Labor Coordinator, works as a neutral party with INL employers and unions to resolve labor issues. An Idaho Falls resident, he understands INL issues from both the worker and employer perspective and has a particular interest in health care.

Betsy S. McBride of Boise is a self-employed public policy consultant with the Virginia-based Hampton Roads Center for Civic Engagement, a nonprofit organization founded to support collaborative public policy decision making. Her interest in the CAB stems from her commitment to civic and stakeholder involvement in public decisions and interest in preserving the environment.

Other CAB members include Willie Preacher (CAB Chair, Shoshone-Bannock Tribes), Nicki Karst (CAB Vice-Chair, Idaho Falls), Herb Bohrer (Springfield), Sean Cannon (Rexburg), Harrison Gerstlauer (Blackfoot), Harry Griffith (Sun Valley), Mark Lupher (Challis), Bill Roberts (Pocatello), Tami Sherwood (Idaho Falls), and Teri Tyler (Idaho Falls).

Established in 1994 in accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act, the CAB is an important resource that DOE uses to engage the public. Representing a variety of perspectives on issues important to Idaho citizens, its members make formal recommendations on topics such as cleanup standards, environmental restoration, waste management, stabilization and

disposition of non-stockpile nuclear materials, excess facilities, land use and long-term stewardship, risk assessment and management, and cleanup science and technology.

The CAB's next meeting is Wednesday, November 14, at the Hilton Garden Inn, Idaho Falls. Members of the public are encouraged to attend, ask questions, and provide comment on the cleanup program. Agendas, meeting minutes and recommendations are available on the CAB website, <http://inlcab.energy.gov/>, or call 208-557-7886.

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