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VY Nuclear Decommissioning Citizen Advisory Panel
Final Charter of NDCAP
January 28, 2015



Overview of Charter

- Purpose
- Duties
- Organization and Membership
- Meetings
- Decision-making
- Transparency and Public Engagement
- Communication



Recommendations of the Governance Committee

Designees

- ADDED: Certain statutory positions may be represented by designees; preferably serve on permanent basis (p.3, line 6)

Committee Assignments

- ADDED: Chair has discretion to appoint committee or work group members; should reflect the make-up of the NDCAP; may include designees who are not-panelists (p. 3, line 20)

Open Mtg Law

- Committee meetings are subject to the OML. (p.3, line 25)



Agendas & Decision Making

Emergency Meetings

- ADDED: Leadership or 5 panelists may call a special meeting with one day advance notice. (p. 4, line 6)

Agendas

- ADDED: Chair and Vice-chair determine the agenda with input from the panelists (p. 4, line 8)
- ADDED: New agenda items will be considered, may be discussed, but no action taken until a later meeting unless urgent. (p. 4, line 10)

Decision making process

- ADOPTED: Consensus-seeking on key Issues defined as everyone “can live with” the agreement; ([p. 4, line 19) Voting if consensus cannot be achieved. (p. 5, line 3)



Minority Positions & Public Engagement

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Public Engagement

- ADOPTED: Minority positions will be represented as part of the record. (p. 5, line 7)
- Opportunities for public comments at meetings at least once and more often at discretion of Chair (p. 5, line 13)
- Written comments can be submitted at any time, but will be actively solicited on any NDCAP recommendations or reports (p. 5, line 16)
- To the extent practical, NDCAP will explain how public comments were considered in final reports. (p. 5, line 18)
- NDCAP may provide public engagement opportunities outside of scheduled meetings (p. 5, line 32)



Public Records

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- Public records include correspondence to or from the NDCAP members and with stakeholders. (p. 5, line 29)



Possible legislative changes

- **Purpose:** The NDCAP will serve in an advisory capacity to VYNPS owners
- **Duties:** And other duties as adopted by a majority of the panelists and consistent with the statutory charge”
- **Sunset Clause:** The NDCAP shall exist and operate through 20?? or other such time as determined by the legislature, at which time Panelists will review its continuation.
- **Administration:** The Division of Emergency Management and Homeland Security (DEMHS) included among the agencies that will furnish administrative support