

**2010 APPROVED
WORK PLAN AND MEETING SCHEDULE
for the
RADIOACTIVE AND HAZARDOUS MATERIALS COMMITTEE**

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Work Plan

During the 2010 interim, the committee intends to:

1. provide guidance and recommendations to the Government Restructuring Task Force by examining the programs and missions of the Department of Environment with an eye toward making the department more efficient and cost-effective, including ranking programs in terms of criticality to the core functions of the department;
2. examine the back end of the nuclear fuel cycle relative to energy needs and hear testimony on federal initiatives from a representative of the U.S. Department of Energy's Office of Nuclear Energy;
3. explore the Electric Power Research Institute's review of New Mexico's supply and demand and the potential role in generation and transmission of electricity and its potential effect on the environment;
4. receive Waste Isolation Pilot Plant (WIPP) updates and evaluate the management of hazardous waste;
5. review proposals for Department of Energy designation of "energy parks" in areas such as Los Alamos, WIPP and Sandia National Laboratories;
6. examine advantages and liabilities of and potential for more alternative and clean energy initiatives;
7. assess the impacts of electricity, propane and gas heating cost increases as a result of

renewable energy requirements under the Renewable Portfolio Standards and other Public Regulation Commission rules (SJM 15 from the 2009 session);

8. receive a report from the Department of Environment on proposed rules on cap and trade and greenhouse gas emission controls;

9. receive a status report from Los Alamos National Laboratory on the progress of uranium legacy site cleanup and shipment of waste to WIPP;

10. review current developments in uranium mining and uranium legacy mine contamination cleanup;

11. hear testimony on the parameters of reviving nuclear electric power as a clean energy option; and

12. explore the geothermal power ("hot rock") option.

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2010 Approved Meeting Schedule

<u>Date</u>	<u>Location</u>
May 26	Santa Fe
July 13	Santa Fe
September 8	Los Alamos
October 14-15	Carlsbad/Hobbs
November 23	Santa Fe