

**Sudbury Soils Study**  
**Technical Committee Minutes – Meeting #51**  
**Key Progress & Decision Summary for Meeting of August 10, 2006**

**SARA Group Monthly Report**

**Communications Update:** Dr. Wren reported that very few calls/e-mails were made by the public since his last report. He also indicated that his team has worked with the Communications Sub-Committee in their development of press releases and he has participated in two media interviews. The SARA Group has also made submissions for web page updates and expect to mail out the Independent Process Observer's Report this week. Currently the **Update** newsletter is in progress and the SARA Group will be participating in the next Public Advisory Committee meeting to be held September 19<sup>th</sup>.

**Volume III – ERA:** Dr. Wren indicated that all comments have been received on Draft 1 of this Volume. The SARA Group is in the process of providing responses to about 646 comments.

**Communications Schedule:** Trevor Smith-Diggins tabled a proposed schedule of communication milestones to coincide with the schedule of SSS report submissions to TERA, etc., and review and approval of these reports. He initiated the discussion by reviewing the communication objectives, strategies and initiatives as previously noted in the Communications Sub-committee's communication plan. He also provided an outline of the topics to be covered in the next **Update** newsletter and requested feedback from the Technical Committee as soon as possible as the schedule for release is the week of September 12<sup>th</sup>, prior to the Open House.

**HHRA Update:** There was extensive discussion in relation to the review process of the final HHRA by the Technical Committee, and for providing responses to the concerns raised by the Independent Expert Review Panel. The discussions are ongoing and may affect the study schedule.

**Update on Geostatistical Work:** Mr. Watson reported that he and M. Butler had reviewed the report from Port Colborne and gleaned a lot of information as to what needs to be included in the *Framework for Decision Making on HHRA Risk Management Report*. He reported as well that the statistical analysis is continuing and they are making progress. He indicated that once completed, they will share this report with the Technical Committee.

**Public Advisory Committee Meeting September 19, 2006:** The agenda for the Public Advisory Committee meeting has been condensed and adjusted to an earlier time to accommodate meetings with the IERP.

**Glossary:**

SSS – Sudbury Soils Study  
PAC – Public Advisory Committee  
CSC – Communications Sub-Committee  
ERA – Ecological Risk Assessment

TC – Technical Committee  
WG – Technical Committee Working Group  
HHRA – Human Health Risk Assessment  
IERP – International Expert Review Panel