

**Sudbury Soils Study**  
**Technical Committee Minutes – Meeting #54**  
**Key Progress & Decision Summary for Meeting of December 14, 2006**

**SARA Group Monthly Report:** Dr. Wren informed the Technical Committee in his Communication Activities update that along with other activities, the planned draft of the Plain Language Summary of the Human Health Risk Assessment is scheduled for review by the Technical Committee in late January. It was agreed that once the Technical Committee has ensured the factual content, then the Public Advisory Committee, along with the Technical Committee, will work out language issues.

**Volume I – Background:** Draft 3 is complete and will be sent to the Independent Expert Review Panel along with Volume III. Dr. Wren indicated that he did not expect any comments as this volume provides background information only.

**Volume III – Ecological Risk Assessment Status:** The Technical Committee was informed that TERA is still in the process of putting this Independent Expert Review Panel together. Dr. Wren indicated that there were many changes made to this volume in response to the comments on Draft 1. Dr. Wren stated that his team is working diligently to complete this volume which may be ready right after Christmas as it still needs to go to the printers.

**Volume II – Human Health Risk Assessment:** Dr. Wren indicated that he had just received the second draft of comments from TERA and had not had an opportunity to review them as yet. The final set of comments is expected from TERA by December 18<sup>th</sup>.

**ERA Schedule:** It is expected that Draft 2 of the Ecological Risk Assessment will be sent to TERA by the end of December. Following this release, another meeting with the Independent Expert Review Panel, similar to what was held with the Human Health Risk Assessment in September, will need to be scheduled. Dr. Monet tabled several options available for Technical Committee consideration. It was suggested that the Independent Expert Review Panel meeting be scheduled for either February 26<sup>th</sup> or March 5<sup>th</sup> with the public release date of August 6<sup>th</sup> or mid August respectively, be arranged. This date will be dependent on the availability of the panel members.

**Next Meeting:** The next meeting is scheduled for January 11, 2007. This is a focused meeting and will not be open to the public.

**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