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Present

Lewis L. Strauss
Henry D. Smyth
Thomas E. Murray
Eugene M. Zuckert
Joseph Campbell

K. D. Nichols
William Mitchell

Roy B. Snapp
John H. Stumpf

Also Present

Harold L. Price
Max Isenbergh
James L. Morrison
Edwin E. Ferguson
Harold P. Green
E. R. Trapnell
Gerard C. Smith
McKay Donkin
David S. Teeple
John Mackenzie, Jr.
J. Robert Barlow

- 1. Discussion of Proposed Revisions of the Atomic Energy Act
(See AEC 495/14, AEC 495/15 and Memorandum to the Commissioners from the Secretary dated April 5, 1954)*

With reference to AEC 495/15 - Comparison of Proposed Revisions of the Atomic Energy Act -- the General Counsel and other members of the staff reviewed draft legislation prepared by the Joint Committee to amend the Atomic Energy Act. The proposed legislation was reviewed section by section and comparisons between the Joint Committee's proposed revisions and the legislation submitted to the Committee by the AEC were discussed at length. In particular, discussion centered around such questions as:

*A copy of this Memorandum is on file in the Office of the Secretary.

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NAME: <u>W. CHROBAK</u>	5. CLASSIFICATION CANCELLED
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Approved a letter to the Joint Committee on the subject as drafted by the Chairman. (See AEC 495/16, subsequently circulated.)

3. Test Program

The General Manager reviewed the views of Dr. Willard F. Libby concerning arrangements for future test operations.* The General Manager said that he had met with General Fields, Dr. Bugher, Mr. Fine and Dr. Scoville (of AFSWP) to discuss this subject. As a result of these discussions, he felt that no change in current plans and procedures was necessary.

At this point Messrs. Isenbergh and Morrison entered the meeting.

4. Community Disposal Legislation (See AEC 87 Series)

Mr. Mitchell and Mr. Isenbergh discussed the question whether the Commission might rely upon the authorizations contained in the present Atomic Energy Act to dispose of the communities of Oak Ridge and Richland. A Commissioner had seriously questioned the need for special disposal legislation and Mr. Isenbergh said that, in his opinion, specific legislative authorization for disposal was necessary. The Commissioners indicated that the staff should proceed with the program to obtain legislative authorization for disposal.


Roy B. Snapp
Secretary

Approved by the Commission: May 11, 1954

* A copy of Dr. Libby's letter on this subject is on file in the Office of the Secretary.