Attended: Phil Chatfield, Simon Neale, Helen Wilkinson, Gary Edwards, Helen Sharp, Leslie Heasman, Marie-Jo Booth, Olivia Downey, Clare Robertson, Fred Parsonage, Matt Craig, Ian Davey, John Heathcote, Stephen Robjohns

Apologies: Silke Hartmann, Naomi Gornall, Howard Brett, Jonathan Smith

Minutes

General agreement on the changes was sought and received from those on the telecon. A few changes were suggested and actions to address those are below.

Actions

- Concerns raised that consulting on both the MRV and JADGAG work could be confusing to the audience – clarify what is expected from consultees and explain the differences between the MRV & JAGDAG work. Ensure landfill & con land sector groups are notified of the consultation period
- JH/ID will explore a way forward on radioactive substances with a view to bringing something back to JAGDAG for discussion and to improve the wording for A6 (c). – by end of May
- 3. For each change to the methodology, a record is needed of why decisions were made. **by end of May**
 - We should record an action for an implications assessment, particularly on A6(d) and (e) and the wider implications of the assessment to support a improve understanding of the changes and determinations
- 4. Need a legal opinion of the definitions of 'limit' and 'prevent' and whether the changes to the methodology are still legally compliant **HS to organise by COP 9**th **May**
- 5. Regulatory powers to 'prevent' and 'limit' need to be explained adequately in the revised methodology when it is issued for consultation. Confirm the definition of hazardous and non-hazardous are clear and legally compliant **HS to organise by COP 9**th **May.**
- General agreement that external consultation on the changes to the methodology are needed. It was agreed that due to the limited changes a 6 week consultation period was probably adequate - working group to decide how & when to consult externally by 31st May
- 7. Circulate the list of the first 53 substances that the working group plan to assess first, and timeline of when they will be assessed. JAGDAG agreed the assessment can begin on the 53 substances Comments from working group requested asap on latest version (as of 2nd May 2014). Once finalised, HW/OD to circulate the list for comments from wider JAGDAG group by COP 21st May.
- 8. Resourcing & potential sources of additional funding:
 - OD/HW have identified resources to speed up the data collection process.

- agreement in principle from Nuclear Decommissioning Authority to support the assessment of radioactive substances
- insourcing is a potential, getting someone to work alongside Olivia/Helen as it would be quicker than outsourcing and reviewing it internally.