

September 27, 2021 – Environmental Justice Meeting Participants

Facilitator

Francis X. “Chip” Cameron Manager, Zero Gravity Group, LLC

Listening Session Participants - 1:00 PM to 3:00 PM

Reverend Leo Woodberry CEO, New Alpha Community Development Center

Adrienne Hollis, PhD Hollis Environmental Consulting, LLC

Juan Parras Texas Environmental Justice Advocacy Center

Leona Morgan (Diné) Diné No Nukes, Indigenous activist and community organizer

Jerry Pardilla Director, Office of Environmental Resource Management with the United Southern and Eastern Tribes

Reverend Brendolyn Boseman The Imani Group, Inc.

Manna Jo Greene Hudson River Sloop Clearwater, Inc

Panel Discussion Participants - 3:00 PM to 5:00 PM

Reverend Leo Woodberry CEO, New Alpha Community Development Center

Mustafa Santiago Ali National Wildlife Federation, Vice President of Environmental Justice, Climate, and Community Revitalization

Matthew Tejada Director, EPA Office of Environmental Justice

June L Lorenzo Attorney and Consultant; Multicultural Alliance for a Safe Environment

Ed Lyman Union of Concerned Scientists

Ellen Ginsberg Nuclear Energy Institute

Diane Curran Harmon Curran Spielberg & Eisenberg LLP

Heather Westra Consultant to the Tribal Council, Prairie Island Indian Community

*Biographies provided by participants are included below

Francis X. “Chip” Cameron, Manager, Zero Gravity Group, LLC

Chip was formerly the Assistant General Counsel and Dispute Resolution Specialist at the Nuclear Regulatory Commission. He was also the NRC 's expert on Tribal issues. Upon retiring from the NRC, he has specialized in the design and facilitation of workshops, conferences, and public meetings for government agencies, nonprofits, and the private sector on nuclear safety and environmental issues. He also does legal and policy work – research and writing – on issues that may affect Tribal governments.

Reverend Leo Woodberry, Pastor, Kingdom Living Temple and Executive Director, New Alpha Community Development Corporation

Rev. Leo Woodberry was born and raised in New York City, where he started organizing at an early age. He became involved in environmental work in the 1990s with the South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control around the issue of mercury emissions.

In 1994, he joined the newly-formed African American Environmental Justice Action Network (AAEJAN), which was instrumental in uniting people of color across America, and in influencing foundations to support communities of color disproportionately impacted by environmental hazards.

Rev. Woodberry has worked in the areas of water, air, and renewable energy with a host of organizations, including the Southern Organizing Committee (SOC), The Deep South Center for Environmental Justice, The Environmental Protection Agency National Environmental Justice Advisory Council, The National and SC Wildlife Federations, Sierra Club, Coastal Carolina League, South East Climate Network, Green Faith. He's one of the partners of the South Carolina Environmental Justice Network.

In 2001, Woodberry attended the United Nations Conference on Racism and Xenophobia and contributed to the environmental statement added to the United Nations Declaration of Human Rights and subsequently signed by 161 countries.

He's has been recognized by the South Carolina State Senate for his years of community service. The boards of 7 National Organizations, 1 Regional Organization board. He's the regional Organizer of Justice First.

Adrienne L. Hollis, PhD, JD

Dr Hollis is both an environmental toxicologist and an environmental attorney. She has more than 20 years of experience in the environmental justice and public health arena. First, by working in the federal system as a section chief at the Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry, where she worked on developing public health assessments for Superfund sites. Later, she served as an associate professor in the Institute of Public Health at Florida A&M University, where I developed the Environmental and Occupational Health track. After law school she worked as a law clerk in New Jersey District Court and the Third Circuit Court of Appeals. Dr. Hollis has also worked as a project attorney at Earthjustice and as the Director of Federal Policy at WE ACT for Environmental Justice. Most recently, she was the Senior Climate Justice and Health Scientist at the Union of Concerned Scientists (UCS). In that position, she worked at the intersection of public health, environmental justice and climate change and leads the work on methods for accessing and documenting the health impacts of climate change on communities of color and other traditionally disenfranchised groups.

Currently, Dr. Hollis is the founder and President of Hollis Environmental Consulting Services where she works with environmental justice communities to identify priority health concerns related to climate change and other environmental assaults and evaluate climate and energy policy approaches for their ability to effectively address climate change and benefit underserved communities.

Dr. Hollis has expertise in environmental justice, toxicology, public health, environmental law, and risk assessment. Her work focuses on the intersection of public health, environmental justice and climate science, diversity, equity, inclusion and justice (DEIJ), community science and environmental health. She has presented at more than 20 meetings, authored more than 20 blogposts, written a number of articles and been featured in numerous articles for her work. Dr. Hollis is an Associate Editor and reviewer for the Environmental Justice journal, a member of the EPA Clean Air Act Advisory Council (CAAAC), a member of the Lancet Countdown U.S. Brief Working group, an Expert Reviewer for the Government and Expert Review of the First Order Draft (FOD) of the WGII contribution to the Sixth Assessment Report (AR6) of the IPCC. She is a professorial lecturer at the Milken School of Public Health in the Environmental and Occupational Health Program and an adjunct professor of Law at New York University Law School where she co-teaches an Environmental Justice seminar. She is an invited speaker this summer for the U.S. Global Change Research Program's (USGCRP) Sustained Assessment Working Group (SAWG). SAWG is a federal effort to lead the USGCRP sustained assessment process, with particular focus on the National Climate Assessment (NCA). Dr. Hollis is an invited author of the NCA5 report and a member of the National Institutes of Science, Engineering and Medicine's Community, Climate Change and Health Equity Planning Committee and its Deep Decarbonization Committee.

Dr. Hollis is a member of the American Public Health Association (APHA) and its Environment Section and Environmental Justice Subcommittee, a Special Advisor to the Center for Disease Control and Prevention's National Environmental Health Partnership Council (NEHPC) and its steering committee, and co-chair of NEHPC's Environmental Justice/Health Equity Workgroup and its Communication Workgroup. She is also a member of numerous other committees, including the US EPA Clean Air Act Advisory Committee, the Endangered Species Coalition Board and the Title VI Alliance.



Reverend Brendolyn Lovette Jenkins Boseman was born and raised in Barnwell, South Carolina and presently resides in Aiken, South Carolina. She and Bobby are the proud parents of three beautiful, talented and gifted daughters; Razzie, Remy, and Rozlyn. Tragically, their son, Corey, predeceased them on June 27, 2015. Her prayer is that “they will arise and call her blessed”.

On June 25, 2015, she was ordained and appointed as Pastor and Lead Servant of Hudson Memorial Christian Methodist Episcopal Church in Augusta, Georgia at the Annual Conference of the 6th Episcopal District by Bishop Kenneth W. Carter. She has served as Lead Pastor and Shepherding Pastor of Abundant Life Fellowship in Camden, South Carolina under the leadership of Bishop Dr. A. D. Givens; Assistant Pastor of Second Baptist Church, Aiken South Carolina under the leadership of Rev. Dr. Douglas A. Slaughter; New Jerusalem Baptist Church, Jamaica NY as a Charter Member and Trustee. She was baptized at the Second Mt. Olive Missionary Baptist Church in Kline, SC. At twelve years old, she was among the first black students to desegregate the public schools of Barnwell, SC. She has attended South Carolina State College; American Academy McAllister Institute of Funeral Service; New York Institute of Technology; and Erskine College Seminary. She is currently pursuing a Master of Divinity at the Phillips School of Theology at the Interdenominational Theological Center, Atlanta, Georgia.

Reverend Boseman is the Founder and Executive Director of The Imani Group, Inc., a community based non-profit organization. She works tirelessly in the areas Criminal Justice, Environmental Justice, Social Justice and Youth Leadership Development. Under her leadership, The Imani Group serves as a Community Partner for the Environmental Protection Agency and the Department of Energy. A member of the Board of Directors of the Harambee House/Citizens for Environmental Justice where she serves as member of the Council of Elders for the Black Youth Leadership Development Institute. A member of the *NAACP* having served two terms as past president of the Aiken Branch and as an Executive Committee member of the SC Conference. As the first female national co-chair of the African American Ministers Leadership Council and African American Ministers in Action she brings to the consciousness of other faith leaders their duty to be prophetic voices speaking to not only speaking “truth to power” but in speaking “truth with power”. She made a major transformative career and lifestyle change after almost four decades as a funeral service professional in New York and South Carolina. She is the former owner of Morningside Funeral Service in New York City and Jenkins Memorial Chapel in Aiken and Elko SC. Her motto for those she serves is that “we’ve come to wash your feet”, because for her it was a *Ministry of Service*.

Reverend Boseman always credits her mother, the late Mrs. Johnnie Ruth Jenkins, for passing the mantle of spirit and duty of activism and advocacy. Likewise, she credits her father, the late Deacon Willie Matthew Jenkins, Sr. for her understanding of servant leadership to God’s people. She has coined a phrase “*full circle activism*” that means moving from education, to empowerment, to economic benefits and employment that transforms entire communities. She seeks the elimination of *SCARs* (Sexism, Classism, Ageism and Racism) from the global community. Clearly, Reverend Brendolyn Lovette Jenkins Boseman is committed to the people that she serves and to the citizens of her community in any way that serves to uplift and empower us all. Advocacy and Activism is not what she does, but it is who she is. It is with full conviction and commitment that she believes that we achieve all that we are willing to work hard at accomplishing. She believes that:

*"Now is the accepted time, not tomorrow, not some more convenient season.
It is today that our best work can be done..." W. E. B. DuBois*

Manna Jo Greene, Environmental Action Director, Clearwater

Manna Jo Greene, Clearwater's Environmental Action Director since 2000, was formerly the Recycling Coordinator/Educator for the Ulster County Resource Recovery Agency for more than 10 years and a registered Critical Care Nurse for 22 years. She holds an AAS in Nursing, a BA in biology (pre-med) from SUNY/New Paltz, and has completed course work toward a Masters in Environmental Sciences at Bard College. A lifelong environmental professional and community activist, Manna got her start organizing in the Civil Rights movement, where she served as a founder and Secretary of the Bridgeport CT Chapter of the Congress of Racial Equality (CORE) at age 18 in the early 1960's and helped bring Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King to Bridgeport to grow the chapter, which worked mainly on housing discrimination issues. At Clearwater she helped coordinate a unique [Environmental Justice contention](#) in the relicensing procedure for Indian Point. In 2010 she facilitated a groundbreaking [Community-Based Environmental Justice Inventory](#) for the City of Peekskill and then [four Climate Justice inventories](#) for Hudson River waterfront cities. Manna avidly supports collaborative land use planning and problem solving. Working to promote sustainable agriculture, green building and landscaping practices and other climate solutions, she teaches communities how to integrate environmental preservation, economic prosperity (based on quality of life indicators), and social equity using effective communication. Manna also serves as Ulster County Legislator, where she chairs the Energy and Environment and Climate Smart Committees.

Dr. Mustafa Santiago Ali, Vice President of Environmental Justice, Climate & Community Revitalization, National Wildlife Federation

Dr. Mustafa Santiago Ali is the Vice President of Environmental Justice, Climate & Community Revitalization for the National Wildlife Federation (NWF), Chief of Programs at the Union of Concerned Scientists and the Founder and CEO of Revitalization Strategies. Before joining the NWF, Mustafa was the Senior Vice President for the Hip Hop Caucus (HHC), a national nonprofit and nonpartisan organization that connects the Hip Hop community to the civic process. Prior to joining the HHC, Mustafa worked 22 years at the EPA and 2 years on Capitol Hill working for Congressman John Conyers chairman of the Judiciary Committee.

Mustafa began working on Social Justice issues at 16 and joined the EPA as a student, becoming a founding member of the EPA's Office of Environmental Justice (OEJ). He most recently served as Senior Advisor for Environmental Justice and Community Revitalization and Assistant Associate Administrator. He led the Interagency Working Group on Environmental Justice (IWG) which brought together 17 Federal Agencies & Departments and various White House offices to strategically leverage resources to uplift vulnerable communities across the country.

Mustafa is frequently seen on TV, has been featured or cited in over 250 news publications and has been a guest lecturer at over 100 colleges and universities. Mustafa currently serves as a commissioner or board member on Robert Wood Johnson Foundation, National Children's Campaign, Climate Power, TREE, One Million of Us, The Weather Channel, Green Sports Alliance & The American Academy of Arts and Sciences (AAAS).

June L Lorenzo, Attorney and Consultant; Multicultural Alliance for a Safe Environment

June L Lorenzo, JD & PhD, Laguna Pueblo/Dine (Navajo) is an attorney and consultant in New Mexico. She is part of the Multicultural Alliance for a Safe Environment in New Mexico, which works to address uranium legacy issues in the Grants Mineral Belt. She is also a human rights advocate, working with Indigenous NGOs and others in various venues in the United Nations and Organization of American States.

Matthew S. Tejada, PhD, Director, Office of Environmental Justice, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency

Matthew S. Tejada joined EPA in March of 2013 as a career senior executive and director of the Office of Environmental Justice. As director, Matthew leads Environmental Justice Program's cross-cutting work throughout the EPA and federal government. This includes directly supporting communities and working with other EPA divisions, federal agencies, academic partners, business and industry, and state, local and tribal partners to further the mission of the EPA and its efforts to integrate environmental justice considerations in all policies, practices, and programs. Before his career at EPA, Matthew spent over five years in the non-profit world as executive director of the advocacy Air Alliance Houston, which focuses on environmental justice issues affecting the many overburdened communities in the Houston and Texas Gulf Coast area, particularly related to air pollution issues such as toxic hot spots and diesel particulate matter. Matthew was centrally involved in advocating for these justice issues in local, state and federal level legislative and policy arenas. Matthew received his master's and doctoral degrees from the University of Oxford where he was a member of St. Antony's College. His research and dissertations largely focused on environmental and energy policy, international relations, politics and the development and role of civil society in a democracy. Matthew received a BA in English from the University of Texas at Austin, then served two years in the Peace Corps in Bulgaria as a high school teacher of English as a foreign language. Matthew is a native of Ft. Worth, Texas and the proud father of Nia Tejada.



Heather Westra, Consultant, Prairie Island Indian Community

Consultant to the Prairie Island Indian Community, with over 30 years working in Indian Country, focusing primarily on regulatory and legislative matters related to spent nuclear fuel storage, transportation and disposal. In addition, Ms. Westra has trained hundreds of tribal representatives in the areas of emergency management planning, emergency management operations, and hazard mitigation through the Emergency Management Institute. Ms. Westra proudly served as a Peace Corps volunteer in Guatemala from 1984 to 1987.

Dr. Edwin Lyman, Director of Nuclear Power Safety, Union of Concerned Scientists

Edwin Lyman is the Director of Nuclear Power Safety at the Union of Concerned Scientists in Washington, DC. He earned a doctorate in physics from Cornell University in 1992. From 1992 to 1995, he was a postdoctoral research associate at Princeton University's Center for Energy and Environmental Studies (now the Science and Global Security Program). From 1995 to 2003, he worked for the Nuclear Control Institute. His research focuses on nuclear power safety and security. He is a co-author (with David Lochbaum and Susan Q. Stranahan) of the book *Fukushima: The Story of a Nuclear Disaster* (The New Press, 2014). He is the recipient of the 2018 Leo Szilard Lectureship Award from the American Physical Society.



NUCLEAR ENERGY INSTITUTE

Ellen C. Ginsberg

Sr. Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary



Ellen Ginsberg is senior vice president, general counsel and secretary of NEI. She has held those positions since 2005, previously serving as NEI's deputy general counsel.

Ms. Ginsberg is responsible for legal matters affecting the commercial nuclear energy industry. She directs and manages NEI's federal litigation on behalf of its members. NEI frequently participates as a party or amicus curiae in matters before the U.S. Supreme Court, federal courts of appeals, and state courts. She also represents NEI in proceedings before federal regulatory agencies, including the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) and the Department of Energy (DOE).

Under her leadership, NEI and the National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners (NARUC) successfully argued to the D.C. Circuit that DOE's termination of the used fuel disposal program should relieve nuclear generators of the related fee. Since 2014, this action has saved electricity consumers \$750 million dollars per year in fees. Ms. Ginsberg's team recently prevailed in a contentious contract dispute over non-member access to member benefits.

Prior to joining NEI, Ms. Ginsberg practiced with the Washington, D.C., law firm of Swidler & Berlin. From 1984 to 1986, she served as a law clerk to the NRC's Atomic Safety and Licensing Board Panel (ASLBP).

Ms. Ginsberg is a 1980 magna cum laude graduate of Tufts University and was awarded a bachelor's degree with special honors in history and received her law degree from American University. She also has successfully completed the Reactor Technology Program for Utility Executives at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

She is a member of the New York state and District of Columbia bars.



Diane Curran, Counsel, Harmon, Curran, Spielberg & Eisenberg, LLP

For the past four decades, Diane Curran, a nationally recognized expert in the field of nuclear safety and security regulation, has represented state and local governments and environmental organizations across the United States in legal proceedings before the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission and federal courts. Applying health and environmental protection statutes such as the Atomic Energy Act, the National Environmental Policy Act, the Safe Drinking Water Act, the National Historic Preservation Act, and other laws, Diane has won significant improvements to the NRC's regulation of public health and safety, security and environmental protection. In 1997, she won one of the first environmental justice victories in the U.S., defeating a proposed uranium enrichment plant in Louisiana. In 2020, she won an NRC decision that conditioned renewal of the Seabrook nuclear plant's operating license on significant new monitoring requirements for the plant's deteriorating containment. Diane's court victories include a groundbreaking 2006 decision by the Ninth Circuit U.S. Court of Appeals requiring the NRC to address the environmental impacts of terrorist attacks in its licensing decisions; and a 2012 decision by the D.C. Circuit vacating the NRC's decades-old "Waste Confidence Rule" and ordering NRC to prepare an environmental impact statement on long-term storage of spent reactor fuel.