

Office Advisory Committee Update May 2012

Antarctic Infrastructure & Logistics

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AIL Staffing Update

- Vacancies
 - Facilities Engineering Program Manager
 - Construction Manager
 - Program Analyst
- On-going recruitment
 - Deputy Division Director
- Staffing Plan in development before beginning additional recruitments



Major Activities

- Blue Ribbon Panel site visits
 - Included Palmer Station
 - KGI flight
- Successful resupply of McMurdo Station in February 2012.
- Award of Antarctic Support Contract & successful transition.
 - Raytheon hand-off 01 April, 2012
 - On-going activities for next 18 months



International Logistics Activities

- Participated in first ever US-Russia Antarctic treaty inspection.
 - Inspected Dome C, Mario Zuchelli, & Scott Base
 - Part of larger cooperative agreement with Russia
- Hosted US-Korea joint meeting at NSF in March
 - Framework for future cooperation
 - Near-term collaborations
- Ongoing dialog with UK about Peninsula opportunities



Open Issues for 2012-13

- Icebreaker challenge for 2012-13 season
 - Active working group
 - Notice to community
 - Decision target 01 July 2012
- Condition of McMurdo ice pier and potential for modular causeway use.
- Airlift contingency planning
- Season airlift gap (C-17)



Near-term Focus Issues

- Procedures & policy updates
- Contract management activities (ASC)
- Improving population management
- Palmer Station Boating project
- Waste management
- International activities – quid pro quo discussions
 - NZ, Korea, Italy

