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NJ CLEAN AIR COUNCIL MEETING RECORD

February 11, 2009, 9:30 a.m.

Princeton University
Multi-Purpose Room
Frist Campus Center

CALL TO ORDER: Toby Hanna opened the meeting.

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT: All of the Council members were present with the changes noted below. (**See Attachment 1 – Attendance Sheet**)

EXCUSED: Jorge Berkowitz, John Elston, Manuel Fuentes-Cotto, Richard Lynch, Joseph Spatola, Irwin Zonis

SPEAKERS: Chris Salmi, Assistant Director, Air Quality Management; Marjorie Kaplan, Manager, Office of Climate and Energy

VISITORS: Kelly Moretta, Schering-Plough Corp., David Vriezema, Diane Ducharme, Gerald LaTournie, Environmental fuel Solutions of New Jersey; Sue Angyal, Environmental Resources Mgt.; Dan Cunningham, PSEG; Howard Geduldig; Steve Anderson, NJDEP

Meeting Record

Roll call was taken. Chairman called for motion to approve the January minutes. In the name of Irwin Zonis, Chairman made the motion to approve January minutes with inclusion of paragraph about the Carbon Sequestration Webinar. John Maxwell seconded the motion. The January minutes were approved by a unanimous vote.

Administrative Report

Presented by Chris Salmi, Assistant Director, Air Quality Management:

1. Health Study—The New England Journal of Medicine last week found that reductions in ambient levels of fine particulate matter (PM 2.5) emissions resulted in increased life expectancy. The researchers found that a decrease of 10 ug/m³ was associated with an average increase in life expectancy of about five months.
2. Federal Actions: Many actions in the past months.

Previous Administration:

- Proposed approval of portions of New Jersey's 8-hour Ozone SIP
- Denied New Jersey's petition for reconsideration of New Source Review (NSR) record keeping requirements for modifications of major air pollution sources. The State is considering appealing the decision.

New Administration:

- three Notices of Violation were issued to coal-fired power plants located in Pennsylvania, Portland, Shawville, and Keystone.
- actions under review from end of previous administration:
 - Reconsideration of California's waiver request for enforcement of GHG emission standards;
 - NSR Aggregation Interpretation published in January 15 Federal Register;
 - Final Nonattainment Area Designations for 24-Hour PM standard;
 - New Jersey 8-Hour Ozone Attainment Demonstration (expect disapproval);
 - Flexible Permitting Rule; and
 - Withdrew the request before the U.S. Supreme Court regarding the Clean Air Mercury Rule

3. Stimulus Package—Includes \$300 million for Diesel Emission Reduction Act (DERA) activities. The State is expected to receive \$1.1 – 1.7 million, directly and additional funds will be available through the competitive funding process.

4. Rules—The RACT proposal contains provisions for portable degassing equipment.

5. Fees—For fiscal planning purposes, be aware that an automatic fee adjustment for Air Preconstruction and Air Operating Permits will be effective on January 1, 2010. Plan to publish in NJ Register in November of 2009.

6 There were several questions regarding the GHG Reporting rule. A separate meeting will be set up to discuss the issue and concerns.

Green House Gas Reporting Rule; Draft GHG Recommendations Report; Regional Green House Gas Initiative--Status of and Expenditures of RGGI Auction Funds

Presented by Marjorie Kaplan, Manager, Office of Climate and Energy
(PowerPoint presentation e-mailed to members)

Overview of Princeton Co-Generation Facility

Presented by Robert Ortego, Environmental Compliance Manager:
Presentation on file

NEW BUSINESS/OLD BUSINESS

- 2009 Public Hearing discussion: Brochure will be going to print next week; Speakers—Members reviewed speakers' list. Toby Hanna will update and distribute to members.
- Vice-Chairman called for motion to adjourn the meeting. Michael Egerton made the motion to adjourn, seconded by Jim Blando. The meeting was adjourned.

ARTICLES OF INTEREST

- News Clips

NEXT MEETING

March 11, 2009, 9:30 a.m., ConocoPhillips Bayway Office Building, 1400 S. Park Avenue, Seminar Room, First Floor, Linden, NJ 07036