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**NJ CLEAN AIR COUNCIL MEETING RECORD
NJ DEP
401 East State Street
7th Floor Large Conference Room
Trenton, NJ 08625**

July 11, 2012

CALL TO ORDER: Chairman Toby Hanna opened the meeting.

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT: All of the Council members were present with the changes noted below.

EXCUSED: John Elston, Manuel Fuentes-Cotto

PUBLIC: Ann Arnold, NJDEP; Scott Ross, NJ Petroleum Council; Willa Williams, NJDEP; Andy Swords, NJDOT; Marybeth Brenner, NJBPU; Laura Scatena, NJDEP; David Glass, NJDEP

Meeting Record

The roll call was taken. Meeting records for the month June 2012 were tabled.

Administrative Report

Presented by Bill O'Sullivan, Division of Air Quality

1. USEPA Proposed Revision of fine particulate National Ambient Air Quality Standards (NAAQS) – On June 14, 2012, USEPA proposed that the annual fine particle health standard be lowered from 15 ug/m³ to between 12 and 13 ug/m³. NJ air monitors are now less than 12 ug/m³, but 2 monitors in Pennsylvania exceed 12 ug/m³ in our common air quality control region with Penn. EPA's final standards are due to be issued by 12/14/12, pursuant to court order.
2. NY request for longer time to attain 75 ppb ozone NAAQS - NYDEC on 6/20/12, requested that USEPA "bump up" the NY/NJ/Conn metropolitan air quality control region from marginal to moderate classification. That would change the attainment date from December 2015 to December 2018. NJDEP has not supported a bump up because of NJ emission reduction measures which will be in place in the summer of 2015, and the desire to attain the health standards as soon as possible.
3. Woodbridge Energy Center - A public hearing was held on July 9, 2012 for this 700 MW combined cycle gas fired power plant proposed by CPV Shore in Woodbridge. There were no commenters at the hearing.
4. Newark Energy Center – A public meeting was scheduled for 7/12/12, and a public hearing for 7/26/12, for a 655 MW combined cycle gas fired power plant proposed by Hess in Newark. The public comment period closed on 8/10/12.
5. Diesel exhaust recognized as causing cancer – The World Health Organization (WHO) upgraded the cancer rating of diesel exhaust to a Group 1 carcinogen, changing from "probably carcinogenic to humans" to "carcinogenic to humans". Only 17 hazardous air pollutants are Group 1 carcinogens. NJDEP has regulated diesel particulate as a carcinogen for over 10 years.
6. Clean Air Council Liaison – Heidi Jones has replaced Willa Williams as Clean Air Council Liaison. Willa is now OPRA lead for Assistant Commissioner Kozinski. Ann Arnold will continue as CAC report editor.

NEW BUSINESS/OLD BUSINESS

- The Chairperson Toby Hanna called for motion to adjourn the meeting. Ferdows Ali made the motion to adjourn, seconded by James Requa. The meeting was adjourned at 12:00 p.m.

ARTICLES OF INTEREST

News Articles

NEXT MEETING

No Meeting for August

September 12, 2012
Chamber of Commerce
216 West State Street
Trenton, NJ