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NJ CLEAN AIR COUNCIL MEETING RECORD

**NJ DEP
401 East State Street
6th floor
Trenton, NJ**

June 12, 2013

CALL TO ORDER: Joe Constance opened the meeting.

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

EXCUSED: John Elston, Manuel Fuentes-Cotto, Pam Mount, Kenneth Thoman, Allen Weston

REPRESENTED: Sara Bluhm by Scott Ross, NJ Petroleum Council

PUBLIC: Ann Arnold (NJDEP), Pete Handley (Bayway), Kim Scarborough (PSEG)

Meeting Record

Roll call was taken. Discussion of report for Commissioner was worked on.

Administrative Report

Presented by Bill O'Sullivan, Division of Air Quality

1. Ozone – So far in 2013, there has been 2 days of ozone health standard exceedance in NJ. There have been several in Connecticut which is part of the NJ/NY/Conn air quality control region.
2. Sulfur dioxide in Warren County – elevated sulfur dioxide levels continue to be detected at the Warren County air monitor when the coal units at the Portland Power Plant operate. This should be the last summer of operation of these units with the agreement to shut down these coal units by 6/1/14.
3. Student monitoring project – Trenton and Patterson students are expected to complete a black carbon monitoring project in June. This is one of 3 different student monitoring projects funded by the USEPA. We will evaluate the different projects and make recommendations for future educational monitoring efforts.
4. Annual Air Monitoring Network Plan – The comment period for this years planned changes to the air monitoring network is from 5/28 to 6/28.
5. Enviroflash – Heidi sent instructions on how to sign up for these PC/smart phone notifications of air quality.
6. Passaic Valley Sewage Commission – Frank Steitz, Assistant Director for Air Quality Permitting will chair a public hearing on 6/20/13 at Newark City Hall on the proposed operating permit renewal for this major sewage treatment facility.
7. EPA ozone rule – On 5/29/13, USEPA proposed its implementation rule for plans to achieve the 75 ppb ozone health standard. NJDEP and other states in the Ozone Transport Region will need to submit updated RACT (reasonably available control technology) state implementation plans by 7/20/14. We expect this to include a certification that the 2009 NOx and VOC rules, which tightened standards for 14 source categories, are still RACT. NJ will also need to address 4 Control Technique Guidelines (CTGs) and review all Alternative Emission Limits (AELs).
8. PJM Capacity Auction Results – On May 24, PJM completed an auction for electric capacity for the June 1, 2016 to May 31, 2017 electric generation year. All new projects with air permits cleared the auction, including BL England, LS Power Phase 1, Hess Newark Energy Center, and CPV Woodbridge. All are combined cycle natural gas with high efficiency and low emissions.
9. Clean Vehicles – Over 160,000 very clean vehicles were delivered for sale in NJ in 2012.
10. Ozone Transport Commission (OTC) – On 6/12 and 13, Assistant Commissioner Jane Kozinski and Assistant Air Director Chris Salmi attended the annual meeting of the OTC, where 4 agreements were approved. These concerned (1) cleaner vehicles and fuels (2) lower solvent content paints and consumer products (3) operation of air pollution controls on electric generating units, and (4) principles for the control of transported air pollution from one state to another.
11. Rutgers annual air workshop – was held on 6/11 and 12. Focus was on permits, and there were also training sessions on Emission Statements and enforcement. Clean Air Council members can consider attending next year.
12. Gas stations – Air staff are meeting with representatives of gas station operators to obtain information to determine the future of stage 2 emission control systems in use at gas stations. These systems are becoming less effective as more cars with onboard vapor recovery enter the fleet of vehicles.

13. Diesel – Staff of the air diesel program are outreaching to towns and counties for the last phase of the mandatory particulate control device retrofit program which is being implemented over the next 2.5 years.

ARTICLES OF INTEREST

News Articles

NEXT MEETING

**NJ DEP – Presenting to Commissioner
401 East State Street
1st Floor, Public Hearing Room
Trenton, NJ**

THURSDAY, September 19th

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