

NEW JERSEY CLEAN AIR COUNCIL

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New Jersey Clean Air Council Meeting Record

Chamber of Commerce
216 West State Street, Trenton

September 10, 2014

CALL TO ORDER	Joseph Constance opened the meeting.
COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT	All of the Council members were present with the changed noted below.
EXCUSED	Howard Geduldig Nicky Sheats Joseph Spatola
REPRESENTED	Sara Bluhm by David Brogan, NJBIA
PUBLIC	Kimberly Scarborough, PSE&G Peg Hanna, NJDEP Chris Salmi, NJDEP Francis Steitz, NJDEP Nancy Belonzi, Department of State

Meeting Record

- Peg Hanna talked about the joint meeting with SBI and there was discussion to move the date. New joint meeting date set for Friday, November 14th in NJDEP Public Hearing Room.
- Joseph Constance agreed to serve one additional year as Chair. All members present unanimously approved.
- Votes were taken for Vice-Chair. All members present voted, Heidi Jones counted the votes privately and reported that Richard Opiekun had be chosen for the position of Vice Chair. Mr. Opiekun accepted and the decision was unanimously approved by all members present.
- Joseph Constance called for a motion to approve July minutes. Richard Opiekun made the motion to approve minutes as submitted; James Requa seconded the motion. The January minutes were approved by a unanimous vote.
- Pam Mount mentioned some “new business” about BPU Grants & Loans article. Asked if we could get someone to give an update.

Administrative Report

Presented by Chris Salmi, Division of Air Quality

1. Attainment – USEPA expects to designate all of New Jersey as attaining the annual fine particulate (PM_{2.5}) standard of 12 ug/m³. The designations are expected to become final in December 2014.
2. SIP - On July 21, 2014, the Department noticed for public comment a proposed State Implementation Plan (SIP) revision to fulfill three air quality planning requirements under the Clean Air Act:
 - a. Reasonably Available Control Technology evaluation for the 75 ppb Ozone National Ambient Air Quality Standard;
 - b. 2011 Air Emissions Inventory for New Jersey;
 - c. Final Maintenance Plan for Carbon Monoxide National Ambient Air Quality Standard.The public hearing was held Thursday, September 11, 2014 as requested by the Sierra Club and the Ironbound Community Corporation.
3. SIP – On July 23, 2014, the public comment period closed on the Department’s proposed Infrastructure State Implementation Plan (SIP) revision. Comments were received from the Sierra Club and the Connecticut Department of Energy and Environmental Protection and focused on the need to adequately address Clean Air Act “good neighbor” provisions.
4. Urban Air Toxics - The Second Integrated Urban Air Toxics Report to Congress was released on August 21, 2014, by the USEPA. The report shows the substantial progress that has been made to reduce air toxics across the country since 1999.
5. Bayshore - The Bureau of Air Permits (BAP) approved a pre-construction permit for BRSA to install a new carbon adsorption system for the control of mercury emissions and to upgrade existing air pollution control equipment on one of their two existing sewage sludge incinerators. An expedited review was done to enable BSRA to qualify for New Jersey Environmental Infrastructure Trust (NJEIT) funding.
6. Middlesex County Utility Authority - The Bureau of Air Permits (BAP) has issued construction approval authorizing the installation two new scrubbers used to control odors from the dewatering building at the sewage treatment plant in Sayreville.
7. Gloucester County Utility Authority - Gloucester County Utilities Authority (GCUA) informed the Department of a plan to replace two sewage sludge incinerator (SSI) Units with anaerobic digesters connected to combined heat and power (CHP) equipment.
8. Newark Energy Center - On August 29, 2014, a facility in the Ironbound Section of Newark, submitted a modification application to their current Title V Air Operating Permit to increase the amount of additive added to the cooling tower water. This action will not increase emissions.

9. DERA - The USEPA awarded \$144,577 to New Jersey as part of the FY14 DERA budget. These funds will be used to purchase and install diesel retrofit devices on non-road construction equipment such as excavators and dozers which are used on publicly funded projects.
10. Mandatory Diesel Retrofit - From the end of July through the end of August, the Mandatory Diesel Retrofit Program and the Office of Government Relations undertook another round of outreach for non-compliant municipalities, per the Commissioner's direction. The Mandatory Diesel Retrofit Program will continue to provide step-by-step assistance by phone or in person to the municipalities.
11. Low Emission Vehicle Program - All seven manufacturers required to comply with the Zero Emission Vehicle program in New Jersey have opted into an alternative compliance path designed to provide flexibility and smooth the transition into more stringent 2018 and subsequent model year requirements.

PRESENTATION

Given by Frank Steitz on Air Fees Rule Proposal –
Major and Minor Facilities
(Presentation on file and will be posted on website)

ARTICLES OF INTEREST

Newspaper Articles

NEXT MEETING

October 8, 2014

NJDEP

401 East State Street, 5th Floor, Trenton

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Meetings through 2014:

Wednesday, October 8th at NJDEP

Friday, November 14th at NJDEP – SBI joint meeting – **lunch afterwards**

Wednesday, December 10th at IBEW