

Alternative Technology Advisory Subcommittee  
Los Angeles County Solid Waste Management Committee/  
Integrated Waste Management Task Force

**Minutes of March 10, 2008**

County of Los Angeles  
Department of Public Works  
3<sup>rd</sup> Floor Annex, Large Conference Room  
900 South Fremont Avenue  
Alhambra, California

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:

Wayde Hunter, North Valley Coalition  
Kay Martin, Bioenergy Producers Association\*  
Michael Theroux, Theroux Environmental Consulting  
Jeff Yann, Hacienda Heights Improvement Association

COMMITTEE MEMBERS NOT PRESENT:

Fernando Berton, California Integrated Waste Management Board  
Alex Helou, City of Los Angeles, Department of Sanitation  
Dave Hauser, Browning-Ferris Industries of California, Inc.  
John McTaggart, Los Angeles County Integrated Waste Management Task Force  
Mike Mohajer, Los Angeles County Integrated Waste Management Task Force  
Eugene Tseng, Eugene Tseng and Associates  
P. Christine Urbach, Los Angeles County Department of Public Health

COMMITTEE MEMBERS REPRESENTED BY OTHERS

Paul Alva, represented by Coby Skye, Los Angeles County Department of Public Works  
Ed Wheless, represented by Mark McDannel, County Sanitation Districts of Los Angeles County

OTHERS PRESENT:

Jim Binder, Alternative Resources, Inc.\*  
Virginia Jauregui, Los Angeles County Department of Public Works  
Ben Gibson, Cerrell Associates\*  
Kelvin Kasai, Los Angeles County, L.E.A.  
Mischelle Mische, County Sanitation Districts of Los Angeles County  
Tobie Mitchell, Los Angeles County Department of Public Works  
Peter Zorba, City of Lancaster

\*designates a call-in attendee

## **I. CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order at 10:02 a.m.

## **APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 13, 2008**

Due to the lack of quorum, this item was skipped.

## **II. UPDATE ON CONVERSION TECHNOLOGY EVENTS/MEETINGS**

Mr. Theroux commented that at present, he is working to develop a template that would bring energy efficiency, renewable energy, and conversion technologies to state and community colleges. Mr. Theroux will be meeting with representatives from CSULA regarding this issue. Mr. Skye attended the Biomethanation Networking Forum which was sponsored by Pacific Gas & Electric (PG&E) in San Francisco on March 5, 2008. Mr. Skye added that participants expressed interest in conversion technologies (CT) and the County of Los Angeles' CT project. It was noted that the City and County of Santa Barbara have received 10 responses to their request for offers for CT development.

## **III. UPDATE ON PUBLIC OUTREACH CONTRACT**

Mr. Gibson provided an update regarding the public outreach contract, and in particular current legislative efforts for conversion technologies. Representatives of Cerrell Associates met with the president of the California League of Conversation's voter's education fund, regarding Green California and legislative sponsorship and support. Cerrell representatives also spoke with staff to Congressman Javier Becerra regarding conversion technologies at the federal level. Discussion regarding prospective legislative language ensued.

## **IV. UPDATE ON FACILITATION CONTRACT**

Jim Binder provided an update on the facilitation contract. At present, ArrowBio is working with CR&R Waste and Recycling Services, and IES is working with Rainbow Disposal, to submit an offer for the facilitation project to the County. Because of the availability of the MRF locations, questions were raised regarding current and future

submittals, including technologies choosing MRFs not included in the current facilitation process for their submittals. An email will be sent to all subcommittee members before making a decision on this particular matter. Discussion related to the facilitation contract ensued.

**V. DISCUSSION ON DRAFT SCOPE OF WORK**

Mr. Skye provided an update regarding the draft scope of work. Staff has drafted and presented their preliminary draft for subcommittee review and comment. Mr. Skye estimated that the final draft of the scope of work should be made public by late summer.

**VI. OPEN DISCUSSION**

Mr. Theroux discussed a possible course of action to change legislative law to correct various inconsistencies present in language impacting conversion technologies. Discussion related to state law and conversion technologies ensued.

**VII. NEXT MEETING DATE, TBD**

The next meeting date is scheduled for a teleconference March 20, 2008. The time for the meeting is to be determined.

**VIII. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 11:00 a.m.