

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

Minutes of September 15, 2011

County of Los Angeles
Department of Public Works
Conference Room B
900 South Fremont Avenue
Alhambra, California

SUBCOMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT

Jacques Franco *, Department of Resource Recycling and Recovery (CalRecycle)
Wayde Hunter, North Valley Coalition
John Kaddis, Los Angeles County Public Health
Mark McDannel, County Sanitation Districts of Los Angeles County (LACSD)
Mike Mohajer, Los Angeles County Integrated Waste Management Task Force
Eugene Sun, Council Member, City of San Marino
Eugene Tseng, UCLA Solid Waste Program
Jeff Yann, Hacienda Heights Improvement Association

SUBCOMMITTEE MEMBERS NOT PRESENT:

Rafael Garcia, Republic Services
Alex Helou, City of Los Angeles Bureau of Sanitation
Kay Martin, Bio Energy Producers Association

SUBCOMMITTEE MEMBERS REPRESENTED BY OTHERS:

Paul Alva, represented by Coby Skye, Los Angeles County Department of Public Works
Ron Goodman, represented by Gary Bautista, Southern California Gas Company

OTHERS PRESENT:

Traacey Anthony, Alternative Resources Inc (ARI)
Sakuma Hidaki, JFE Engineering
Susan Higgins*, ARI
Michael Hinrichs*, Cerrell Associates
Tobie Mitchell, Los Angeles County Department of Public Works
Paul Vogel, Western Australia Environmental Authority

*designates participants over the telephone

I. CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Coby Skye called the meeting to order on behalf of Mr. Paul Alva at 10:05 a.m.

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF JULY 2011

The minutes were amended to correct Item VII to reflect that the motion to request staff to return in 1-2 months with a work plan that would revise the current public outreach strategy to focus on conversion technology legislation was adopted with the exception of Mr. Paul Alva who voted no. In addition, Mr. Mike Mohajer request to note on the minutes that Ms. Kay Martin was not present.

A motion was made to approve the minutes of July 21, 2011. The motion was passed unanimously with Mr. Mohajer's amendments.

III. CONVERSION TECHNOLOGY EVENTS/MEETINGS

Mr. Skye reported on WASTECON 2011, this event was well attended and he stated that the largest interest and focus of the event was on conversion technologies. He also stated that the Waste Conversion Technology Congress West Coast will be held on San Jose, California on December 6 and 7, 2011.

IV. UPDATE ON PUBLIC OUTREACH PLAN

Mr. Michael Hinrichs announced that Mr. Matt Gallagher has taken a position in Washington D.C and Michael has now taken over Cerrell's Energy and Environmental Section. Mr. Hinrichs stated that he is been working with his team members to continue the strategy for the outreach work plan update, as requested by the Subcommittee. He also mentioned that their stakeholder database of upcoming conferences and forums has expanded and they are expecting additional contacts to be added into the email list for the e-newsletter and general information.

Mr. Mohajer requested to include work plan as a monthly agenda item until this subject is addressed.

V. UPDATE ON PHASE III & IV CONTRACT

Ms. Traacey Anthony provided an update to the Subcommittee on Phase III & Phase IV efforts. CR&R continues to pursue the permitting process for their anaerobic digestion project in Perris, CA. At this time it appears that the CEQA requirements for this project will be a Mitigated Negative Declaration. Ms. Anthony reported that 35 technology vendors and 11 financial responses were submitted in response to Public Works' Requests for Expressions of Interest. ARI is currently reviewing the responses. The companies that meet Public Works' minimum criteria

will be included in a publicly-available database. Ms. Anthony added that they are considering reaching out to companies that ARI is familiar with but did not respond.

VI. NAVY WASTE TO ENERGY FORUM UPDATE

Dr. Eugene Tseng provided a summary of the July, 29 2011 Department of the Navy Waste-to-Energy Industry Forum that he attended in Washington D.C. The purpose of this forum was to facilitate the exchange of information and to aid in future proposals for waste-to-energy plants for both on and off Department of the Navy sites. Dr. Tseng is currently developing a study on conversion technologies for the Navy, and will provide a copy of the report to Subcommittee members when it is released.

VII. OPEN DISCUSSION

There was no open discussion.

VIII. NEXT MEETING DATE

The next meeting is tentatively scheduled for October 20, 2011, 10 a. m.

IX. ADJOURNMENT

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