



Minutes for the AQMP Advisory Group Meeting Wednesday, May 9, 2007

1. Welcome and Introduction

Dr. Elaine Chang, Deputy Executive Officer, Planning, Rule Development and Area Sources, called the meeting to order at 9 a.m. and presented a brief overview of the agenda for the meeting. There were no comments on the April 2007 minutes.

2. AQMP Status and Update

Mr. Joe Cassmassi, Planning & Rules Manager, gave a summary on the recent activities related to the 2007 AQMP. CARB's revised state strategy was released on April 26. A Three-agency meeting to discuss the remaining issues was conducted on April 30. In addition, the San Joaquin APCD adopted their 8-hour ozone plan on April 30. The SCAG Regional Council took action on their portion of the 2007 AQMP on May 3.

As revised on April 26, CARB committed to 122 tpd of NO_x reductions in 2014 and 241 tpd of NO_x reductions (black-box) in 2023. This commitment resulted in 74 tpd NO_x shortfall for attainment PM_{2.5} in 2014, in which CARB estimated a maximum of only 36 tpd was feasible to obtain. As an alternative to heavily controlling NO_x, CARB suggested the District seek further reductions of directly emitted PM_{2.5} through controlling under-fired charbroilers, residential wood burning, and dust program. District staff revised the 2007 AQMP following CARB's recommendations and committed to another 1.4 tpd of directly emitted PM_{2.5} (equivalent to 11 tpd NO_x). On May 3, the SCAG Regional Council adopted a resolution to declare a regional health crisis and approved two additional TCMs into the 2007 AQMP: the "High Speed Electrified Rail Transport" measure would reduce 14 tpd of NO_x and the "Truck-Only Lanes" measure would reduce 8 tpd of NO_x by 2014. To address the remaining 41 tpd gap of NO_x for PM_{2.5} attainment, the 3 agencies committed to meet on an annual basis to discuss opportunities and progress.

In addition, the District has revised its socioeconomic analysis. The annual average benefit was estimated to be \$14 Billion; the premature deaths avoided was estimated to be 1,500; the average annual cost was estimated to be \$2.35 Billion, with half of the cost due to mobile source control measurers; and a net job gain was expected from the implementation of the 2007 AQMP. District staff released the Draft PEIR on March 2 for a 45-day public review, and received 10 comment letters. The main environmental issues were briefly summarized.

3. Update on CARB's State Plan

Mr. Kurt Karperos, Chief of Air Quality Transportation Planning Branch, and Ms. Sylvia Oey, Manager of the Southern California Liason Section, provided a brief summary on their revised April 2007 Plan which included revised inventory, strategies, and CARB's preliminary review of the South Coast 2007 Plan. CARB will be conducting a regional hearing in San Diego for the San Diego 2007 Plan, and a regional hearing on June 21-22 for the South Coast's 2007 Plan in the airport vicinity, potentially at the Marriot Los Angeles Airport.

4. Closing Remarks/Scheduling Next Meeting/Adjourn

There were no additional public comments. Dr. Chang announced that staff would conduct two more AQMP Advisory Group meetings, one in June and one in July, to discuss actions that might be directed by the Board members during the Public Hearing for the 2007 AQMP in June, and adjourned the meeting at approximately 12:00 p.m.

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MEMBERS PRESENT

Greg Adams, Los Angeles County Sanitation District
Stacy Alameida, Los Angeles County MTA
Ed Avol, University of Southern California
Wook Cho, Korean Drycleaners-Laundry Association
Curtis Coleman, Southern California Air Quality Alliance
Diane Forte, Coalition for Clean Air/Environment Now
Kim Fuentes, South Bay Cities Council of Governments
Rick Gould, City of Santa Clarita
Gretchen Hardison, City of Los Angeles
Bill LaMarr, California Small Business Alliance
Peter Okurowski, Association of American Railroads
Dave Jesson, U.S. EPA
Paul Ryan, P.F. Ryan & Associates
Gary Stafford, Calif. Furniture Manufacturers Association
Lucille Van Ommering, California Air Resources Board
Carla Walecka, Realtors Committee on Air Quality
Lee Wallace, SoCal Gas Company

OTHERS PRESENT

Scott Hartwell, Los Angeles County MTA
Lori Huddleston, L.A. County MTA
Charles Humphrey, SoCalGas/SDGE
Frances Keeler, Keesal, Young & Logan
Dan Monette, Toyota USA
Bruce Moore, LADWP
Chris Norton
Todd Priest, Curt Pringle & Associates
Arnie Sherwood, ITS, UCB, SCAG
Steve Simons, SoCalGas

MEMBERS ABSENT

Ralph Appy, Port of Los Angeles
Howard Berman, Environmental Mediation
Don Blose, American Lung Association of Inland Counties
Gerry Bonetto, Printing Industries of California
Art Brown, City of Buena Park
Shep Burton, Consultant
Nathan DeBoom, Milk Producers Council
Bob Dulla, Sierra Research
Bahram Fazeli, Communities for a Better Environment
Vernon Hall, Clean Air Now
David Hayes-Bautista, Center for the Study of Latino Health
Joe Garcia, City of Monrovia
David Gutierrez, City of San Gabriel
Bob Kanter, Port of Long Beach
Mee H. Lee, Lee Consulting Group
Steve Levy, Center for Continuing Study of CA Economy
Glenn Maddalon, American Lung Assn of Orange County
Adriano Martinez, Natural Resources Defense Council
Anastacio Medina, American Lung Assn. of Los Angeles
Clayton Miller, Construction Industry Air Quality Coalition
Sylvia Patsaouras, SCAG
Bill Quinn, CCEEB
Ty Schuiling, San Bernardino Associated Governments
Jeb Stuart, Consultant
Mike Wang, Western States Petroleum Association
Monte Ward, Orange County Transportation Authority
John Wohlmuth, Coachella Valley Association of Govts
Bob Wyman, Latham & Watkins

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