

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

Minutes of March 22, 2007

County of Los Angeles
Department of Public Works
3rd Floor Annex, Large Conference Rom
900 South Fremont Avenue
Alhambra, California

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:

Alex Helou, City of Los Angeles Bureau of Sanitation
Kay Martin, Bioenergy Producers Association
Eugene Tseng, Eugene Tseng and Associates
P. Christine Urbach, Los Angeles County Department of Public Health
Michael Theroux, Theroux Environmental Consulting

COMMITTEE MEMBERS NOT PRESENT:

Fernando Berton, California Integrated Waste Management Task Force
John McTaggart, Los Angeles County Integrated Waste Management Task Force
Mike Mohajer, Los Angeles County Integrated Waste Management Task Force
Jeff Yann, Hacienda Heights Improvement Association

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:

Dorothy Austin, Alternative Resources, Inc.
Jim Binder, Alternative Resources, Inc.
Chip Clements, Clements Environmental
Ben Gibson, Cerrell Associates
Sue Higgins, Alternative Resources, Inc.
Nancy Pfeffer, Network Public Affairs
Mark Wittenberg, Cerrell Associates

I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 10:03 a.m.

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM FEBRUARY 15, 2007

Due to the lack of quorum, approval for the minutes of February 15 will take place at the April meeting.

III. RECAP ON CONVERSION TECHNOLOGY EVENTS/MEETINGS

Mr. Skye noted that he will be a speaker at the BioCycle West Coast Conference the week of April 15, 2007, in San Diego, CA. Mr. Skye will also be a speaker at the SWANA Western Regional Symposium happening the first week of May in San Luis Obispo, CA. Mr. Theroux mentioned that the Bioenergy Conference, sponsored by the University of California, Davis and the California Energy Commission, will be taking place April 18-20, 2007 in Napa, California. Focus will be on technologies using biofuels in the farm and food processing industries. The Biomass Collaborative Annual Forum will be held March 27 through March 29 in Sacramento, CA, related to advanced bioenergy technologies and biofuels derived from municipal wastes. Details will be forwarded to all Subcommittee members by email.

In addition, requests from outside interests have been received to make presentations to the Subcommittee. With the Subcommittee's consent, presentations will be scheduled for the April/May meetings.

IV. RECAP OF FACILITY REFERENCE TOURS

Michael Theroux, Eugene Tseng, Kay Martin, Coby Skye, and City of Los Angeles representative Nicole Bernson toured the Ntech/Wastec facilities in Great Britain and Poland during the week of March 5, and the ArrowBio facility in Tel Aviv, Israel, the week of March 12. Participants are scheduled to tour Interstate Waste Technology facilities in Japan and the Changing World Technology facility in Carthage, Missouri during the month of April.

V. UPDATE ON FACILITATION CONTRACT

Ms. Higgins provided an update regarding the facilitation contract. Currently, priority is focused on coordinating facility tours and documenting related information gathered during site visits. In April and May, priority will shift towards preparing the final evaluation report, which will lay the groundwork for successful partnership negotiations between a participating MRF facility and technology vendor.

VI. MRF EVALUATIONS

A revised draft of the MRF Evaluation Criteria was provided. The criteria included important pre-requisites, such as MRF space availability and adequacy of utilities, as well as evaluation criteria including line items such as feedstock quantity, quality, and site zoning. MRF criteria will be distributed to all Subcommittee members by email for final comments and prioritization. Feedback should be provided to Mr. Clements no later than March 29, 2007.

VII. UPDATE ON PUBLIC OUTREACH CONTRACT

Draft materials for the Public Outreach Plan were provided and included samples of website design, logos, and a template for the e-newsletter. Constructive feedback was received and a general consensus reached was that materials are developing well. Based on comments submitted, final versions will be sent to Subcommittee members for approval by the end of the Month.

VIII. OPEN DISCUSSION

Mark McDannel reported on a presentation given to CSD staff by Bear Stearns, a global investment banking, securities trading and brokerage firm, regarding their interest in developing a waste to fuels partnership between CSD and Fulcrum Energy for renewable energy derived from solid waste. It was confirmed by Mr. Skye that waste delivered to solid waste facilities owned and operated by the County and/or CSD is only under County/CSD control once it is delivered to these facilities.

IX. NEXT MEETING DATE

The next meeting is tentatively scheduled for April 19 at 10 a.m. Subcommittee members recommended an earlier start time to allow for additional discussion and

coordination with other scheduled events. Staff will investigate options and send an email to all Subcommittee members for confirmation.

X. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 11:06 a.m.