

**Minutes
Regular Meeting
of the
Louisville Metro Air Pollution Control Board
November 18, 2009**

The regular meeting of the Louisville Metro Air Pollution Control Board was called to order on November 18, 2009, at 10:00 a.m. in the Board Room of the Louisville Metro Air Pollution Control District, 850 Barret Avenue, Louisville, Kentucky, by the Chairman, Dr. Robert Powell. Other Board members present were Dr. Nadir Al-Shami, Mr. Ronald Thomas, Ms. Vanessa Ruffin, and Ms. Bonnie Biemer. A quorum was present.

The following Louisville Metro Air Pollution Control District staff members were present: Lauren Anderson, Joseph Schweinhart, Matt Stull, Paul Aud, Terri Phelps, Rachael Hamilton, Cynthia Lee, Larry Garrison, Steven Gravatte, Craig Butler, Shannon Hosey, Karen Thorne, Starlet Raj, Devin Cassell, Stewart McCollam, Deborah Vavrek, Daniel Durrett, Emily Tyler, Diana Prentice, Michelle King, Erin Vachon, Dee Lynch, and Monica Little. Also present were Assistant County Attorneys Stacy Fritze Dott and Thomas Patteson and County Attorney staff member Tammy Brown.

The following guests were present: Tim Corrigan, GLI; Brad Dillon, GD&M; Barbara Hall, Ford-Kentucky Truck Plant; Carl Hilton, West Jefferson County Community Task Force; Tim Hooker, LFI; Sarah Scheetz, E.On U.S.; Luran Sturm, Stites & Harbison; Paige Mosser Theriac, Theriac Environmental Consultants, Inc.

Introductions

Ms. Anderson introduced new District employees Deborah Vavrek, Air Pollution Tech II; Daniel Durrett, Air Pollution Tech II; and Stewart McCollam, Engineer I.

Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the Public Hearing and regular Board meeting held on October 21, 2009, were approved as written.

Staff Reports

Director

Ms. Anderson advised that the Courier-Journal published an article on November 15, 2009, on the District's idling proposal. The proposal is currently being reviewed by Metro Council.

Ms. Anderson said she recently returned from a trip to Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. She was invited to Pittsburgh to attend a conference to speak on the issue of air toxics regulations, sponsored by the Graduate School of Public Health at the University of Pittsburgh and the Allegheny County Health Department. Ms. Anderson said the city of Pittsburgh is discussing how to implement regulations to improve air quality. She also said a reporter from Pittsburgh visited Louisville several weeks ago and met with her to discuss our air toxics program. A series

of news stories about Pittsburgh's air quality, which included many references to Louisville's program, was viewed at the Board meeting.

Ms. Anderson said that the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) recently proposed revisions to the sulfur dioxide standard. She also said that EPA, in conjunction with the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA), has proposed to regulate greenhouse gases in vehicle exhaust, while NHTSA has proposed improved fuel economy standards. Ms. Anderson said that when tailpipe emissions of greenhouse gases become regulated under the Clean Air Act, state and local permitting authorities will be responsible for addressing greenhouse gases in permits. She said that EPA has proposed a "tailoring rule" to limit the number of regulated sources to those that emit 25,000 tons per year or more of carbon dioxide or equivalent gases.

Ms. Anderson said the Lawn Care for Cleaner Air (LCCA) rebate program, which the District started in 2003 to improve air quality, has been very successful. She said the rebate program encourages local residents to trade in gas powered lawn equipment for either electric or human powered lawn equipment. Matt Stull presented information on the LCCA program which was created to reduce ozone in the community. He said the program is funded through APCD penalty funds and that urban areas are the focus of the rebate program. Mr. Stull said paid advertising is used to promote the program, and he described the lawn care equipment eligible for a rebate. He also reviewed the number of emissions saved in 2009, the number of rebates issued, and the amount of funds paid to rebate participants.

B. Air Quality Data

Dr. Powell said that 2009 was historically the best year for fine particulates and there were no exceedances.

The air quality monitoring reports were submitted for filing. A copy of each report is attached to the original minutes.

C. Enforcement Status Report

Ms. Anderson said the District has now received the \$41,250 penalty payment from the Louisville Paving Company.

The enforcement report was submitted for filing. A copy is attached to the original minutes.

D. Excess Emission Report

The October 2009 *Excess Emission Report* was submitted for filing. A copy is attached to the original minutes.

E. Permit Application Reports

Ms. Anderson said permitting staff are processing the last Title V permit which will be issued to General Electric. The permit is expected to be finalized in early 2010. Ms. Anderson said permitting staff are also focused on renewing Title V operating permits that have expired.

The permit application reports were submitted for filing. A copy is attached to the original minutes.

F. Lawn Care for Cleaner Air Awards

The list of this month's *Lawn Care for Cleaner Air Award* recipients was submitted for filing. A copy is attached to the original minutes.

Next Meeting

The next regular Board meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, December 16, 2009, at 10:00 a.m.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 10:33 a.m.

Robert W. Powell, M.D. .
Chairman

Joseph E. Schweinhart
Secretary-Treasurer