

**MINUTES**  
**Technical Advisory Committee on Diesel-Powered Equipment**  
**Fayette County Health Center**  
**July 10, 2013**

The Technical Advisory Committee on Diesel-Powered Equipment (TAC) held a regular meeting on July 10, 2013, in the Front Conference Room at the Fayette County Health Center in Uniontown. The meeting began at 10:00 a.m.

Attendance:

Members Present:

Ron Bowersox  
Paul Borchick

Others Present:

Gene Davis, Rosebud Mining  
Ron Vlassich, Rosebud Mining  
Jeffrey Kerch, PA BMS  
Arthur Brower, PA BMS  
Steve Gaida, PA, BMS  
John Antoon, PA, BMS  
Dennis Coffey, DEP, BMS  
Cathy Dunn, DEP, BMS

Minutes of the April 10, 2013, meeting were distributed and reviewed. TAC members Ron Bowersox and Paul Borchick approved the minutes with no changes.

Old Business:

Morgantown Machine Model DHPP-80 Hydraulic Power Pack: On February 1, 2013, Morgantown Machine submitted a request to DEP for the TAC to inspect this piece of equipment. On February 14, the Bureau Director requested the TAC to inspect this equipment. The TAC travelled to Morgantown, WV on April 17, 2013 to inspect this equipment, and sent their letter of approval to the Bureau on April 25, 2013. They recommended final approval at the meeting on July 10, 2013.

New business:

Division Chief Jeffrey Kerch raised the question of whether the TAC has ever taken a position on the necessity of the second operator on a machine in the same shift having to sign for his own operational exam under Section 414(b) and to sign that the pre-op was actually done for that shift. The TAC will take this matter under consideration and submit their opinion to the Bureau Director before the next TAC meeting. The TAC asked for written comments from industry and the DEP before July 31, 2013.

With no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 10:55 a.m. The next meeting will be on October 9, 2013.