

**MINUTES**  
**Technical Advisory Committee on Diesel-Powered Equipment**  
**Meeting**  
**October 8, 2025**

A virtual meeting of the Technical Advisory Committee on Diesel-Powered Equipment (TAC) was held on October 8, 2025, using Microsoft Teams. The meeting began at 10:01 AM.

**TAC MEMBERS PRESENT**

Ron Bowersox  
Todd Homet

**DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION STAFF PRESENT**

Rich Wagner, Bureau of Mine Safety (BMS)  
Chas Washlack, BMS  
Arthur Brower, BMS  
Nicholas Dady, BMS  
Jeff Hamilton, BMS  
Dan Lambert, BMS  
David Lowery, BMS  
Margaret Scheloske, BMS  
Laura Campbell, Policy

**OTHERS PRESENT**

David Carter  
Rachel Gleason, Pennsylvania Coal Association  
Trent Machamer, Research Analyst, Pennsylvania Senate

**CALL TO ORDER AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

The meeting was called to order at 10:02 AM. Minutes of the April 9, 2025, meeting were reviewed. TAC members Ron Bowersox and Todd Homet approved the minutes.

**Todd Homet Retiring**

Ron announced that this is Todd Homet's last meeting and thanked him for extending his participation after his July 7, 2025, appointment expiration date. Director Wagner expressed his appreciation for Mr. Homet's work on the Committee and wished him well in his retirement on behalf of the Bureau. Rachel Gleason informed the attendees that the PCA is working on a new appointment for this vacancy.



## **PUBLIC COMMENT**

None.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **Brookville MOD BOTE-DEES 20-24**

This was an in-kind replacement. There was discussion regarding temperature of the engine; Art Brower explained that this was replacing the catalyst; so only the emissions were tested.

July 28, 2025	Request was received from the manufacturer
August 13, 2025	The Bureau granted temporary approval for testing of the alternate diesel catalyst
September 10, 2025	The TAC and DEP traveled to Enlow Fork Mine to evaluate the engine
September 15, 2025	The TAC issued their report recommending temporary approval if requested
October 8, 2025	The TAC issued formal approval

## **OTHER BUSINESS**

### **2026 Meeting Dates**

Mr. Bowersox announced the 2026 meeting dates.

January 14, 2026  
April 8, 2026  
July 8, 2026  
October 14, 2026

## **ADJOURNMENT**

With no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 10:09 AM. The next meeting will be at 10 AM on January 14, 2026, at the DEP New Stanton Office, Westmoreland Room.