

**Minutes of the
June 15 Meeting of the
Water Resources Advisory Committee (WRAC)**

The regular meeting of the WRAC was called to order at 9:35 a.m. by Chairperson Rob Traver on Wednesday, June 15, 2011 in Room 105 of the Rachel Carson State Office Building, Harrisburg, PA.

The following committee members were present:

Don Bluedorn, Babst, Calland, Clements, Zomnir
Rob Cavett, Merck
Art Gazdik, Ross Township
Jeff Hines, York Water Company
Gary Meritt, NSG
Steve Rhoads, Shell Gas
Edith Stevens, League of Women Voters, PA
Paul Swartz, Susquehanna River Basin Commission
Rob Traver, Villanova University
Chuck Wunz, Wunz Associates

The following committee members were not present:

Myron Arnowitt, Clean Water Action
Jim Davis, Waste Management, Inc.
Matthew Ehrhart, Chesapeake Bay Foundation
John Jackson, Stroud Water Research Center
Cory Miller, University Area Joint Authority
Jennifer Reed-Harry, PennAg Industries Association
John Schombert, 3 Rivers Wet Weather

The following DEP staff members were present:

Duke Adams, Policy Office
Tom Barron, Bureau of Water Standards & Facility Regulation
Heidi Biggs, Bureau of Water Standards & Facility Regulation
Kaitlyn Chajkoski, Bureau of Water Standards & Facility Regulation
Ron Furlan, Bureau of Water Standards & Facility Regulation
Rod Kime, Bureau of Water Standards & Facility Regulation
Marcus Kohl, Executive Deputy Secretary for Programs' Office
Rod McAllister, Bureau of Water Standards & Facility Regulation
Bonita Moore, Bureau of Water Standards & Facility Regulation
Michelle Moses, Office of Chief Counsel
Tom Starosta, Bureau of Water Standards & Facility Regulation

The following guests were also present:

Jes Alexant, Stantec Consulting
Harry Campbell, Chesapeake Bay Foundation

Teresa Copenhaver, Triad Strategies
Nate Curtis, Chesapeake Energy
Gene Dice, Buchanan Ingersoll
Jim Erb, API
Steve Frank, GenOn Energy
Josie Gaskey, PCA
Denise Hakowski, EPA Region 3
Kimberly Long, Exelon
Sarah Miller, IRRC
Matt Osteen Buchanan Ingersoll
Jake Smeltz, EPGA
Nathan Sooy, Clean Water Action
Stephanie Wissman, PA Chamber

Approval of Minutes:

The minutes of the April 13, 2011 meeting were approved on motion with corrections as final.

New Business:

Implementation Guidance for Ch. 95 Revisions (TDS) -

Tom Starosta (tstarosta@state.pa.us) and Ron Furlan (rfurlan@state.pa.us), Bureau of Water Standards and Facility Regulation, presented an overview of implementation guidance for Ch. 95 revisions including the public comments received. Concern was expressed by some members of WRAC over the guidance, especially requirements of a Radiation Protection Action Plan, conditional exemptions, and its consistency with the regulation.

Secretary Krancer

DEP Secretary Michael Krancer stopped by the WRAC meeting to introduce himself to the members.

Chapter 93, Water Quality Standards Triennial Review (25 Pa. Code, Chapter 93) –

Tom Barron (tbarron@state.pa.us), Bonita Moore (bmoore@state.pa.us), and Rod Kime (rkime@state.pa.us), Bureau of Water Standards and Facility Regulation, held a second discussion with WRAC on the proposed Triennial Review of Chapter 93. At this point, DEP's expectation is to ask WRAC for a formal vote on the Triennial Review at the August meeting. Ms. Moore presented an overview of the requirements and procedures and how DEP develops its human health criteria. WRAC members expressed some concerns with the review. It was requested that a discussion on 10^{-6} vs. 10^{-5} criteria be on the agenda for the July meeting, including DEP's rationale in using the 10^{-6} criteria. Questions on the discussion documents were also asked.

Two motions with regard to the Triennial Review were made:

Don Bluedorn motioned that WRAC does not endorse the proposed water quality criteria for molybdenum and suggests that DEP delete that criteria from the regulatory package before moving forward. This motion passed on a vote of five in favor, with four members opposing.

Don Bluedorn motioned that WRAC does not endorse the proposed water quality criteria for magnesium and suggests that DEP delete that criteria from the regulatory package before moving forward. This motion failed on a vote of four in favor, with five members opposing.

General Discussion

None.

Public Comment

None.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:55 p.m.

The next scheduled meeting of WRAC is scheduled for July 13 beginning at 9:30 am in Room 105 of the Rachel Carson State Office Building.