

**Minutes of the
May 18, 2006 Meeting
of the Small Water Systems Technical Assistance Center (TAC)
Advisory Board**

The regularly scheduled quarterly meeting of the TAC Board was called to order at 10:00 a.m. by the Chairperson, John Hood, on May 18, 2006, in the 1st Floor Conference Room of the Rachel Carson State Office Building, Harrisburg, PA. These are the minutes of a split session of the TAC Board commencing on May 18, 2006, and concluding on July 12, 2006.

Due to the split session, attendance is noted as (1) for May 18th, (2) for July 12th, or (Both).

The following board members/alternates were present:

Korah Abraham, U. S. Department of Agriculture, Rural Utilities Service (Both)
Stanley Brown, Public Utility Commission (Both)
Jennifer Case, Pennsylvania Municipal Authorities Association (Both)
Dr. Charles Cole, State Board for Certification of Drinking Water and Wastewater System Operators (Both)
David Collura, Pennsylvania Association of Conservation Districts, Inc. (Both)
Dr. Betty Connor, The League of Women Voters of Pennsylvania (2)
Serena DiMagno, The Water Works Operators Association of Pennsylvania (Both)
Mary Gaiski, Pennsylvania Manufactured Housing Association (1)
Amy Gimbel, Center for Rural Pennsylvania (2)
John Hood, Pennsylvania Rural Water Association (Both)
Christine Hoover, Office of Consumer Advocate (1)
Brion Johnson, Pennsylvania Infrastructure Investment Authority (Both)
E. Lee Koch, Pennsylvania Municipal Authorities Association (2)
Marilyn Kraus, Office of Consumer Advocate (2)
John McReady, Pennsylvania Rural Water Association (Both)
John Mitchell, Pennsylvania Builders Association (Both)
John Poklembo, The Water Works Operators Association of Pennsylvania (Both)
Beverly Reinhold, Pennsylvania Infrastructure Investment Authority (Both)
Mike Sienkiewicz, Pennsylvania Manufactured Housing Association (Both)
Herb Spencer, American Water Works Association, Pennsylvania Chapter (Both)
Daniel Standish, American Water Works Association, Pennsylvania Chapter (Both)
Donald Schwartz, RCAP Solutions, Inc (Both)

Members/alternates from the following organizations were not present:

Department of Environmental Protection
Department of Community and Economic Development
County Commissioners Association of Pennsylvania
Pennsylvania Association of Realtors
Pennsylvania State Association of Township Supervisors

The following DEP staff was present:

Marylou Barton, Regulatory Counsel, Office of Chief Counsel
Kelly Heffner, Office of Policy
Jeff Gordon, BWSFR, Division of Operations Monitoring & Training
Lisa Daniels, BWSFR, Division of Operations Monitoring & Training
Deb Rotz, BWSFR, Division of Operations Monitoring & Training
John Steinrock, BWSFR, Division of Operations Monitoring & Training
Dawn Hissner, BWSFR, Division of Operations Monitoring & Training
Jeff Allgyer, BWSFR, Division of Operations Monitoring & Training
Dennis Lee, BWSFR, Division of Technical and Financial Assistance
Foster Diodato, BWSFR, Division of Technical and Financial Assistance
Veronica Kasi, BWSFR, Division of Technical and Financial Assistance

The following non-members were also present:

Sarah Miller, Independent Regulatory Review Commission
Scott Schalles, Independent Regulatory Review Commission
Steve Hoffman, Independent Regulatory Review Commission
Jeff McNelly, ARIPPA
Erik Ross, LLGM
Michael Metcalf, Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission
Bob Manbeck, United Water of Pennsylvania

General TAC Business

Chairperson John Hood called the meeting to order at 10:00 and had all present introduce themselves.

Ray Braun reminded the board that they must spell out the name of their organization when signing in.

Motion made by Mike Sienkiewicz to accept the minutes of the November 17, 2005, TAC Board meeting as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Chapter 109 Public Notification (PN) Revisions

Deb Rotz, BWSFR, Division of Operations Monitoring and Training, led discussion of the Pre-draft PN revisions to Chapter 109 dated 4/14/2006.

Board members raised several concerns regarding the Public Notification (PN) requirements promulgated in response to the December 2005 fluoride spill at the PA American Water Company facility in Mechanicsburg. Discussion continued until the end of the time allotted in the agenda, at which point Serena DiMagno made motion to table the discussion and to continue the meeting on July 12, 2006. Motion carried unanimously.

Meeting reconvened at 10 a.m. on July 12, 2006 by chairperson John Hood.

Discussion lead by Lisa Daniels and members of her staff (Deb Rotz, John Steinrock, and Jeff Allgyer), continued on PN requirements and the lack of specific chronic MCL's for fluorides and other approved water treatment chemicals and compounds. Jeff Allgyer presented the results of his study of potential PN costs using an outside contractor to automated dialing services to meet the proposed PN requirements.

Discussion continued without resolution of a number of key issues. A motion was presented by Serena DiMagno to form a work group to meet monthly with Department staff to develop acceptable direct delivery language. Motion passed unanimously with a caveat that Serena chair the work group meetings. The following volunteered to participate on the work group: Serena DiMagno, John McReady, John Mitchell, Daniel Standish, John Hood, Mike Sienkiewicz, and David Collura. After further discussion, it was determined by consensus the work group would meet more frequently, with the first meeting to occur on August 29, 2006 at 9:30 a.m. If necessary, two additional meetings are tentatively scheduled for September 15th, and October 24th.

Motion was made by Serena DiMagno to endorse the comments presented by DEP staff with the exception of 408.c and 701(3)(iii). Motion carried unanimously. Additional discussion ensued regarding 701(3)(iii) followed by a motion from Dave Collura to accept that section as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Mike Sienkiewicz made a motion to task the work group to address the specific issues related to the PN requirements. Motion carried unanimously.

Draft GUDI Guidance (May 18, 2006)

Tom Franklin presented the draft guidance package, and requested a letter of support from the Board. Motion made by Daniel Standish. Passed unanimously.

New Business

Proposed meeting dates for 2007:

February 15

May 17

August 16

November 15

Motion made by Daniel Standish to accept the proposed dates. Motion carried unanimously.

Agenda items for the proposed November 16, 2006 meeting

None were presented.

Motion to adjourn by Daniel Standish at 2:45.m.