Action Summary Minutes San Joaquin Valley Unified Air Pollution Control District

CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Central Region Office, Governing Board Room 1990 E. Gettysburg Avenue, Fresno, CA

Tuesday, December 7, 2010 10:00 a.m.

The Citizens Advisory Committee Meeting was held via video teleconference (VTC): Central Region Office, Governing Board Room, 1990 E. Gettysburg Avenue, Fresno, the Southern Region Office, VTC Room, 2700 M Street, Bakersfield and the Northern Region Office, VTC Room, 4800 Enterprise Way, Modesto. The CAC Meeting was webcast.

- 1. <u>Call to Order</u> The Acting Chair, Chris Savage, called the meeting to order at 10:02 a.m.
- 2. Roll Call was taken and a quorum was present to hold a meeting.

County	Member Name/Interest Group	Location
Fresno	Kevin Hamilton/EIG (P) *	Central
	Amarpreet Dhaliwal/CIG (P)	Central
Kern	Brent Green/CIG (P)	Southern
Kings	Kelly Deming/EIG (P) **	Central
	Dennis Tristao (CIG)(P)	Central
Madera	Donald Horal/IAIG (P)	Central
	Lee Smith/EIG(P)	Central
Merced	Richard Jantz/CIG (P)	Northern
San Joaquin	Wade Broughton/CIG (P)	Northern
	David Phippen/IAIG (A)	Northern
Stanislaus	Chris Savage/IAIG	Central
	Richard Gibson/EIG (P)	Northern
	Pamela Nerohna/EIG (A)	Northern
Tulare	Derek Williams/IAIG (P)	Central
	Mike Santana/CIG (P) ***	Central
	Greg Shelton/CIG (A) ****	Central

^{*} Mr. Hamilton arrived at 10:22 a.m.

(P)=Primary, (A)=Alternate, IAIG=Industry/Ag Interest Group, EIG=Environmental Interest Group, CIG-City Interest Group

^{**} Ms. Deming arrived at 10:06 a.m.

^{****} Mr. Santana arrived at 10:20 a.m.

^{*****} Mr. Shelton arrived at 10:31 a.m.

<u>Staff Present in Central Region Office (Fresno)</u> – Seyed Sadredin, APCO; George Heinen, Supervising Air Quality Engineer; Tom Jordan, Senior Policy Advisor; Scott Nester, Senior Projects Manager; Cathy Blevins, Network Systems Analyst; Michelle Franco, Deputy Clerk of the Boards; Karen Meeker, Operations Support Supervisor; Jaime Holt, Chief Communications Officer:

<u>Staff Present in the Northern Region Office (Modesto)</u> – Karen Morris, Office Services Manager

<u>Staff Present in the southern Region Office (Bakersfield)</u> – Emily Gonzalez-Demont, Office Services Manager.

- 3. <u>Approve Minutes of September 7, 2010 and October 5, 2010</u> Minutes were approved with no changes.
- 4. Public Comments None
- 5. <u>Chair Comments</u> Chris Savage, Industry/Agricultural Primary Member from Stanislaus County chaired the meeting in Mr. Cunha's absence.
- 6. Executive Director/APCO Comments – Seyed Sadredin, Executive Director/APCO gave an update on recent actions by the Governing Board at their October meeting. He reported that the Board approved the proposed amendments to Rule 4570(Confined Animal Facilities) which strengthened the Rule by applying it to smaller dairies and poultry facilities and added additional control measures. He noted the amended Rule will apply to most dairies in the San Joaquin Valley. He stated it was a very expensive Rule, in light of the current economic situation faced by dairy owners, and commended the dairy industry for their support of the amended Rule. He also reported the Board approved the use of a \$12 per year motor vehicle fee for equitable application of the Section 185 Non-Attainment Penalty recently levied on the Valley by the EPA for exceedances of the 1-Hour Ozone Standard. Mr. Sadredin noted although the Board approved the fees, they expressed their desire to pursue legislative changes to repeal Section 185, and decided if the penalties go away, the motor vehicle fees will go away as well. Lastly, Mr. Sadredin reported on items to be heard before the Air Resources Board and District Governing Board at their December meetings.
- 7. Environmental Justice Advisory Group (EJAG) Business
 - a. EJAG Highlights: Pamela Neronha, CAC and EJAG member from Stanislaus County gave an report on the items discussed at their October 26th meeting. She reported that they reviewed the progress made on their six goals and objectives as part of EJAG's Action Plan for 2010, including their objective of working collaboratively with CAC to create a strong working relationship.

She noted the CAC/EJAG Collaboration Workshop held on November 10th at the District was an important step in the right direction. Ms. Neronha summarized that EJAG members are satisfied with the progress made on 2010's Action Plan and noted they will soon begin working on their Action Plan for 2011. Lastly, she reported EJAG's December meeting was moved to December 14th to accommodate the holidays and winter vacations.

Mr. Williams noted that at their last meeting, EJAG formed an Ad-Hoc Committee to review the effects of AB32 on EJ Communities and to look at the best ways to use funds that will be available to EJ Communities from the motor vehicle fees approved by the Board. He reported that he, Ms. Celedon-Castro, and Mr. Dean volunteered to serve on the Ad-Hoc Committee. He noted that he was asked to serve as Chair of this committee.

- 8. Rules Under Development George Heinen, Supervising Air Quality Engineer, gave an update on various rules under development, including the recent Board-adopted amendments to Rule 4570 (Confined Animal Facilities) and Rule 4612 (Motor Vehicle Coatings). He reported, at their December meeting, the Board will consider adopting a Negative Declaration for Rule 4681 (Rubber Tire Manufacturing) and will receive a report on the District's Indirect Source Review Rule. Lastly, he reported on various rule updates which will be considered by the Board in 2011.
- 9. <u>Verbal Report from California Air Resources Board (ARB)</u> There was no verbal report from the California Air Resources Board (ARB).
- 10. Verbal Report on CAC/EJAG Collaboration Workshop Mr. Sadredin thanked the CAC members who attended this workshop held on November 10th. He introduced Scott Nester, District Special Projects Manager, who provided a report on the joint EJAG/CAC Collaboration Workshop, which was facilitated by Carolyn Penny of UC Davis Extension, Common Ground Center for Cooperative Solutions. He reported the goals of the workshop were to articulate steps to achieve a more productive working relationship between the EJAG and CAC, and enhance the members' individual and group relationships. Various CAC members that were present at the workshop provided positive comments indicated that the workshop was very constructive, and that they looked forward to a better working relationship between CAC and EJAG. Mr. Nester noted that Ms. Penny provided a written summary of the workshop which is being distributed to CAC and EJAG members.
- 11. Appointment of Economic Analysis Advisory Group Mr. Sadredin reported at the District's September 2010 Governing Board Study Session, the Board authorized the APCO to convene a stakeholder workgroup to identify opportunities for improving the economic analysis conducted by the District in relation to new and modified regulations. Acting Chair Savage suggested that staff should bring this item before the CAC at their January meeting when more

members will be present. He also asked staff for a one-page charter to be sent to CAC members prior to the meeting, outlining what the workgroup's intentions will be. He also suggested the Chairs from each of the Interest Groups could submit the name of one volunteer from each of their groups willing to serve in this capacity, at the next meeting. Mr. Tristao and Ms. Neronha volunteered to serve on this workgroup.

- 12. Outreach and Communication Report – Jaime Holt, Chief Communications Officer gave a report on various District outreach efforts. She reminded CAC members that in the midst of Check Before You Burn season, many Valley residents still believe that rain will improve air quality enough to allow woodburning. She noted that rain in the Valley does not mean air quality will improve enough to allow residents to burn in their fireplaces, as a significant rain system is needed to really see an improvement in air quality. She also gave information on ways to "Check Before You Burn" including the District's website, 800 number, Facebook, Twitter and local media. Ms. Holt reported that the District is still offering its Burn Cleaner Program, the woodstove changeout program which is continuing from last year. She also reported the 2011 Kid's Calendar will be available to the public in mid-December. In addition, she noted the Elementary School Curriculum has been updated to reflect the Healthy Air Living Program. Lastly, Ms. Holt reported the District's Clean Green Yard Machine program launched in Mid-November and was hugely successful, selling out in 3 to 4 days. She noted the District has added more funds to the program and plan to re-launch it in early 2011
- 13. Member Comments and Suggestions to be Included in the Presentation of the CAC Report During the Governing Board Meeting on December 16, 2010 The Acting Chair, Chris Savage, welcomed Greg Shelton, City Interest Alternate Representative from Tulare County to his first CAC meeting. Mr. Shelton expressed interest in helping increase public participation at future CAC meetings.

Public Comment: The following persons provided testimony during this portion of the meeting:

- Elizabeth Jonasson, Coalition for Clean Air
- 14. <u>Volunteer to Present Report During Governing Board Meeting</u> Manuel Cunha, Chair of the CAC will present the report at the December 16th Governing Board meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 11:42 a.m.

Next Meeting – The next meeting is scheduled on January 4, 2011. The meeting will be held via video teleconference (VTC), with the Central Region Office (Fresno), the Northern Region Office (Modesto) and the Southern Region Office (Bakersfield) participating.