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## Action Summary Minutes Citizens Advisory Committee (CAC) Meeting San Joaquin Valley Unified Air Pollution Control District Central Region Office, 1990 E. Gettysburg Avenue Governing Board Room, Fresno, CA. Tuesday, July 1, 2003, 9:00 a.m.

**Meeting held via video teleconferencing (VTC) at the Central Region Office (Fresno) with the Northern Region Office (Modesto) and the Southern Region Office (Bakersfield) participating via VTC.**

1. **Call Meeting to Order** – The Acting Chair, Les Clark, called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

2. **Roll Call was taken and a quorum was present.**

**(P) designates Primary Member and (A) designates Alternate Member**

<u>County</u>	<u>Member Name/Interest Group</u>	<u>Regional Office</u>
Fresno	(* ) Paul Betancourt, Industry/Agriculture (P)	Central
"	(* ) Kevin Hamilton, Environmental (P)	Central
Kern	Les Clark, Industry/Agriculture (P) <b>Acting Chair</b>	Central
"	(* ) Suzanne Noble, Industry/Agriculture (A)	Southern
Kings	Kelly Deming, Environmental (P)	Central
"	Dennis Tristao, City (P)	Central
Madera	Don Horal, Industry/Agriculture (P)	Central
"	Ron Flores, Environmental (A)	Central
"	Glenn Igo, City (P)	Central
Merced	(* ) Linda Falasco, Industry/Agriculture (P)	Northern
"	Carrie Tai, City (P)	Central
San Joaquin	(* ) Roger Hoffdahl, Industry/Agriculture (A)	Northern
"	Wade Broughton, City (P)	Northern
Stanislaus	(* ) Chris Savage, Industry/Agriculture (P)	Northern
"	John Honnette, Environmental (A)	Northern
"	Mike Burns, City (P)	Northern
Tulare	David Harrald, Industry/Agriculture (P)	Central
"	Ted Dinkler, Industry/Agriculture (A)	Central
"	Mike Smith, City (P)	Central

**(\* ) Arrived after Roll Call**

**Also present in the Central Region Office (Fresno)** – Dave Jones, Director of Planning, Rich Burt, Communication Systems Analyst, Joe Nazareno, Senior Air Quality Engineer, Dave Mitchell, Planning Manager, George Heinen, Supervising Air Quality Engineer, Josette Merced Bello, Public Education Administrator, Don Hunsaker, Supervising Air Quality Planner, Colby Morrow, Southern California Gas Company and Sissy Smith, Clerk to the Board.

**Also present in the Northern Region Office (Modesto)** – Ravi Ramalingam, California Air Resources Board (ARB) representative and ARB Liaison for the Valley Air District and Karen Morris, Administrative Analyst.

**Also present in the Southern Region Office (Bakersfield)** – Jerry Frost, Kern Oil Company and Linda Phillips, Administrative Analyst.

3. **Chair Comments** – No Comments.

4. **APCO Comments**, provided by Dave Jones, Director of Planning. Mr. Jones reported the Governing Board took the following actions at their June 19, 2003 meeting:

Approved and authorized the Chair to sign resolution establishing the District's 2003-04 Budget.

Approved the 2003 PM10 Plan.

Approved recommendations of the Phase VIII – Remove Program Evaluation Committee for Motor Vehicle Emission Reductions to fund thirteen (13) projects for \$1,210,648.

Received and filed Rule 4901 (Wood Burning Fireplaces and Wood Burning Heaters) and setting July 17, 2003 for the Public Hearing for the Board's consideration to adopt.

Received and filed some changes to Regulation III Fee Rules, primarily administrative in nature creating a two-tier late fee schedule and setting July 17, 2003 for the Public Hearing for the Board's consideration to adopt.

The Board approved two contracts with Atmospheric Analysis Consulting, Inc. to provide laboratory analysis of carbonyl samples for \$46,000 and non-methane organic compounds for \$136,500.

Mr. Jones reported on the District's Incentive Programs and noted since February 2001 we've received 1753 applications with 1400 currently active.

Mr. Jones mentioned some of the items that will be on the July 17, 2003

Governing Board Agenda: Public Hearings for Rule 4901 (Wood Burning Fireplaces and Wood Burning Heaters) and Rules 3010 (Fee Rule), 3070 (Other Charges), Rule 3080 (Atmospheric Acidity Protection Program Fee), 3090 (California Clean Air Act Fees) 3110 (Air Toxics Fees), 3150 (Fees for Portable Equipment Registration) and 3170 (Federally Mandated Ozone Nonattainment Fee). Mr. Jones pointed out the amendments to the Regulation III rules are not fee increases just administrative in nature

Mr. Jones reported there was a meeting last Friday with Administrator's from the Bay Area Air Quality Management District, Yolo-Solano Air Pollution Control District, Sacramento Metro Air Quality Management District and the Executive Director of the California Air Resource Board. Mr. Jones reported they were all discussing how in the future the Bay Area AQMD will work with the Valley and Sacramento on their Attainment Plan and assist them with reductions in the future.

Mr. Jones reported there is still some activity up North on the separate planning area issue. The San Joaquin County Board of Supervisors passed a resolution that asked the other two Northern Counties (Merced and Stanislaus) to possibly consider joining them and requesting that the Air District, EPA and ARB look at the idea of a separate planning area. Mr. Jones noted the resolution was originally to support the formation of a separate planning area and San Joaquin modified it to a resolution to request that the three agencies investigate the possibility of a separate planning area.

Mr. Jones reported the District is planning a workshop on the Ozone Plan. The tentative date is July 23 and the notices will go out early next week. Mr. Jones explained this is a initial workshops basically just introducing the changes to the inventory, where we are with the status to the modeling and what's happening with ARB and the CCOS. And, of course the control measures we've already committed to would be on the list and suggested control measures from other stakeholders and other plans that we are going to look at during plan development will be presented as these are the ones we're going to look at. Mr. Jones pointed out that it is not a draft plan workshop it is an informational technical issues workshop.

The CAC asked Mr. Jones if there was any update on the ERC issue.

Mr. Jones responded Mr. Sadredin is the one working on this issue. But, his understanding is that EPA Headquarters understands our proposal and it seems to be acceptable to them. Mr. Jones noted EPA's attorneys are taking a look at the issue.

The CAC asked Mr. Jones how much Carl Moyer Funding is available for the current applications the District has received.

Mr. Jones indicated the current funding for the District's Carl Moyer Program will keep that program going for another two years.

5. **Approve Minutes of Tuesday, June 3, 2003** – The Chair asked if there were any comments concerning the Minutes. Hearing no comments the Chair declared the Minutes of June 3, 2003 approved as submitted.
  
6. **Public Education** – Josette Merced Bello, Public Education Administrator, reported on the District's Spare the Air Program. Ms. Bello noted for people who like to keep track of the District's Spare the Air Days Pub. Ed. is currently working to get that information added to the District's web page and it will consist of a counter for how many Spare the Air days by county and also health advisories and that type of information. Ms. Bello pointed out that on the front page of the Fresno Bee the mascot in the upper right hand corner is now riding a bike on Spare the Air days. Ms. Bello noted some of the other small newspapers like Manteca and Merced are also now starting to join and listing the Spare the Air announcements. Ms. Bello explained that both of those were brought about by CAC involvement and Ms. Bello indicated she wanted to thank those members who went to their local newspapers and said to them this is very critical information and we need you to get this information out. Ms. Bello encouraged other CAC members to request the newspapers in their respective areas to participate.

Ms. Bello stated she would like to schedule a workshop with the CAC in September to discuss the theme messages and strategies for the upcoming wood burning season. Ms. Bello stated if the CAC recalls this program in the past was called Please Don't Light Tonight. Obviously, that's not going to work because we're calling for mandatory curtailment so we need to think about how we're going to get those messages out and what the theme and the name of the program will be. Ms. Bello noted she is very interested in getting some guidance from the CAC on this program. Ms. Bello explained that she will be bringing in the Public Education staff to do that with the CAC at the September meeting if they would be so kind to allocate twenty to thirty minutes for Public Education they would appreciate it.

7. **Rules Under Development** – Joe Nazareno, Senior Air Quality Engineer, reported on the following rules:

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| Rule 4351 | (Boilers, Steam Generators and, Process Heaters-Phase 1)   |
| Rule 4305 | (Boilers, Steam Generators, and Process Heaters-Phase 2)   |
| Rule 4306 | (Boilers, Steam Generators, and Process Heaters-Phase 3)   |
| Rule 4403 | (Components Serving Light Crude Oil or Gases at Light Crude Oil and Gas Production Facilities and Components at Natural Gas Processing Facilities) |
| Rule 4451 | (Valves, Pressure Relief Valves, Flanges, Threaded Connections and Process Drains at Petroleum Refineries and Chemical Plants)                     |

Rule 4452 (Pump and Compressor Seals at Petroleum Refineries and Chemical Plants)

Rule 4604 (Can and Coil Coating Operations)

Rule 4623 (Storage of Organic Liquids)

Rule 4701 (Stationary Internal Combustion Engines – Phase 1)

Rule 4702 (Stationary Internal Combustion Engines – Phase 2)

Rule 4901 (Wood Burning Fireplaces and Wood Burning Heaters)

8. **Timelines for utilities to convert diesel powered IC engines over to electricity** – Dennis Tristao stated he requested this item to be placed on the agenda because of the timeline involved for converting diesel powered IC engines over to electricity. Mr. Tristao wanted to know if there was a role that the Air District could play in encouraging the utilities to assign a higher priority to the conversion of diesel powered units to electricity. Mr. Tristao indicated information relayed to him by his constituents is that after an application for the conversion is submitted to the utilities it takes up to six months before that application is processed. Mr. Tristao noted the first step of submitting an application is just to get word back from the utilities engineering staff if it could be accomplished and then after that there is the actual period of scheduling for the changeover. Mr. Tristao explained that his constituents want the utilities to sign a higher priority to the conversion of diesel to electric and secondly the use of outside contractors to do these conversions if the utilities are unable to perform that function on a timely basis.

Mr. Tristao requested the CAC send a recommendation to the Governing Board to encourage the utilities to sign a high priority to these types of projects.

**Public Comment** – Colby Morrow, Southern California Gas Company, suggested the CAC contact the Public Affairs Manager for Pacific Gas and Electric Company in Fresno and the Public Affairs Manager for Edison in Visalia to attend a CAC meeting to discuss this issue.

Mr. Tristao stated he had two requests from the CAC:

- (1) The first request is that that we send a recommendation to the Governing Board from the CAC requesting that the District as a whole encourage the utilities to assign a high priority for diesel IC Engine conversions to electricity.
- (2) The second request is that the CAC invite the Public Affairs Managers (Pacific Gas and Electric Company and Edison Company) to discuss with the CAC the timeframes and the priority assigned for conversions.

**MOTION – Mr. Tristao indicated his requests (1) and (2) was a motion. Seconded by Kelly Deming and carried unanimously with the following Roll Call Vote:**

**Ayes:** *Paul Betancourt, Kevin Hamilton, Les Clark, Kelly Deming, Dennis Tristao, Don Horal, Ron Flores, Glenn Igo, Linda Falasco, Carrie Tai, Wade Broughton, John Honnette, Mike Burns, David Harrald and Mike Smith.*

**Absent:** *Joseph Rhodes, Pauline Larwood, Les Clark III, Riley Jones, Mary-Michal Erwin-Loschke, Ed Gable, David Brown, Chris Savage.*

**Roger Hoffdahl was inadvertently omitted from Roll Call**

**The CAC took the following action:**

- (1) Recommend to the Governing Board that the CAC is requesting that the District as a whole encourage the utilities to assign a high priority for diesel IC Engine conversions to electricity.**
- (2) The CAC will invite the Public Affairs Managers (Pacific Gas and Electric Company and Edison Company) to discuss with the CAC timeframes and the priority assigned for conversions.**

9. **ARB Comments** – Ravi Ramalingam, California Air Resources Board (ARB) representative and ARB Liaison for the Valley Air District. Mr. Ramalingam briefed the CAC on the health study update presented at the ARB May 22-23 Board Meeting. Mr. Ramalingam noted that several studies conducted across the United States and abroad were presented to provide evidence for the health benefits of air pollution control. Mr. Ramalingam's briefing focused on one study – the Children's Health Study, which has been ongoing in Southern California over the past 10 years.

Dave Jones noted that the ARB Board unanimously approved the District's 2003 PM10 Plan at there Board Meeting held in Fresno on June 26, 2003. Mr. Jones indicated the only real issue from the ARB Board to the District and to ARB staff was to come back with more discussion on the ammonia issue and to bring that back in a three to four month time period to brief the ARB Board on how ammonia and PM10 relate.

10. **CAC Member Comments** – Dennis Tristao stated there is a piece of legislation going through the legislature as we speak it's Senate Bill 999 by Senator Machado. Mr. Tristao pointed out he is not asking this body to take any action. Mr. Tristao noted what he is asking is that all of the committee should review this legislation in so much as what it is calling for is the addition of four state

appointed members to our Governing Board and a proposed reorganization of the Citizens Advisory Committee. Mr. Tristao stated that he would make it known here that he is opposing SB 999 and writing a letter opposing SB 999. Mr. Tristao indicated that he would not speak for the rest of the CAC but he did ask them to read SB 999 and take time to make their opinion known on SB 999.

Mr. Tristao noted that on the discussion on ammonia he would like at some point for this to be brought back to the CAC on the role of ammonia and particulate matter formulation. Mr. Tristao stated he thinks this is a topic that would serve us well to be more informed on.

**The Chair thanked Kelly Deming for substituting for him in making the CAC Report to the Governing Board at their June 19, 2003 Board meeting.**

**The Chair introduced Kevin Hamilton as the new Environmental, Primary Member representing Fresno County.**

**Mr. Hamilton introduced himself to the CAC. Mr. Hamilton stated he runs the Asthma Program for the Community Medical Center and is a member of the Medical Advocates for Healthy Air. Mr. Hamilton stated he appreciates the honor of being able to participate with the CAC and he hopes to bring something to the table and to learn something at the same time.**

**Mr. Tristao encouraged all of the CAC members to remain in attendance today for the remainder of the Orientation Meeting.**

11. **Public Comments and/or Reports** – Jerry Frost, Kern Oil, asked if it would be appropriate for the CAC to consider a vote or a recommendation to the Governing Board to write a letter in opposition to SB 999.

The Chair made the following recommendation: if SB 999 actually moves out of committee we will put an item on the CAC agenda to make a recommendation to the Board asking the Governor to support or not support.

Jerry Frost, Kern Oil, gave the CAC a “heads up” on a District Stakeholders public meeting on efforts to reduce permit applications backlog, June 23, 2003 (Wednesday) at 9:30 a.m., Governing Board Room with video teleconferencing (VTC) to the Southern and Northern Region offices.

**Colby Morrow, Southern California Gas Company**, noted that the California Council on Environmental and Economic Balance has taken an opposed position to SB 999 and their letter of opposition should be submitted today.

12. **Volunteer to present CAC Report, Thursday, July 17, 2003 at 9:00 a.m., Governing Board Meeting** – The Chair (Les Clark) volunteered to present the CAC Report at the July 17, 2003 Governing Board Meeting.

13. **Next Meeting – Thursday, July 31, 2003, 10:00 a.m.**, via video teleconferencing (VTC), Central Region Office (Fresno) with the Northern Region Office (Modesto) and the Southern Region Office (Bakersfield) participating via VTC.
14. **Adjourn** – The Chair adjourned the meeting at 9:55 a.m.

**The Chair, Les Clark, called the  
Orientation Meeting to order at 9:56 a.m.**

**Completed during the June 3, 2003 meeting:**

- Item 1. **Brief Overview of California Clean Air Act,**
- Item 2. **Brief Overview of Federal Act**
- Item 3. **How do two Statutes and Regulations overlap**
- Item 4. **Where does CARB fit in**
- Item 5. **Where does the District fit in**
- Item 6. **What is a SIP**
- Item 7. **Brief report on PM10 Study**
- Item 8. **Brief report on Ozone Study**
- Item 9. **How do the District Plans fit in**
- Item 10. **What is the status of the various plans**
- Item 11. **Title V**
- Item 12. **Title III**
- Item 15. **Toxics**

**The Chair noted Agenda Item # 18 – Overview of Governing Board adopted Legislative Platform has been removed from the Agenda and will appear on a future agenda as a Report Item.**

13. **Ozone** – Presentation made by Don Hunsaker, Supervising Air Quality Planner.
14. **Particulate Matter** – Presentation made by Dave Mitchell, Planning Manager
16. **Discussion regarding Rule Making Process** – Presentation made by George Heinen, Supervising Air Quality Engineer.
17. **Glossary of Key Terms** – Handout provided by Don Hunsaker, Supervising Air Quality Planner.
18. **(Removed from the Agenda)**
19. **Organization of the Citizens Advisory Committee (CAC) and (A.) Where does the CAC fit in will appear on the July 31, 2003 CAC Agenda as a CAC Ad Hoc Subcommittee Report**



20. **District's Identification of the "hot" topics** – Presentation made by Dave Jones, Director of Planning.
21. **Adjourn** – The Chair adjourned the meeting at 11:52 a.m.

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Sissy Smith, Clerk to the Board  
Citizens Advisory Committee (CAC)  
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