

SMALL BUSINESS COMPLIANCE ADVISORY PANEL
THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 13, 2011
2:00 PM

Present:

Kevin Hooper, Shoppes at Telegraph Square
Brad Overmoe, Red Hanger Cleaners
Paul Glauser, Staker & Parson Company
John Wise, Cabinetry by Karman

Paul Harding, OPAA, Business Assistance
Stacey Adams, OPPA
Rusty Ruby, Air Quality

Approval of Minutes Kevin Hooper Kevin welcomed all those in attendance.

Brad Overmoe made a motion to approve the June 2011 minutes.... Rusty Ruby seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

PM 2.5 SIP Public Process Paul Glauser and Stacey Adams: Paul Glauser serves as the representative for the Small Business Compliance Advisory Panel for the PM2.5 State Implementation Plan (SIP) development process.

Paul reported back to the group on the first round of meetings which focused on presenting information emissions inventory modeling data and in a general a background about the air quality problem along the Wasatch Front and Cache County. The group looked at where the problem was including point sources or large industry, area sources or small business such as auto repair and painting shops as well as commercial and residential heating, and mobile sources or automobiles.

Stacey Adams presented a slide of the Hawthorne School air quality monitor which serves as the baseline for emissions modeling in the Wasatch Front nonattainment which includes Box Elder, Davis, Weber, Salt Lake, and Tooele counties. She discussed major contributing factors to PM 2.5 are VOC and NOX emissions. Reducing car emissions does have a significant impact on air quality. There will likely be more focus on VOC emissions. Removing area sources will likely have the biggest impact in reduction of PM 2.5.

John Wise said he is participating in the process through working with the Utah Manufacturing Association (UMA). John emphasized the importance of keeping politics out of the discussion and giving everyone a voice.

Paul Glauser said his takeaway from the initial meeting was that control strategies need to be developed and they should include ways to reduce the consumption of fuel and the associated engine emissions. If stakeholders don't give input on control strategies someone else will. Paul said his group has been asked to develop five priorities that will make a difference. Control measures will be developed for each industry (control strategy worksheet). An example of a possible control strategy would be the replacement of paint or finishing products with a lower VOC product. One challenge will be in reaching area sources which aren't regulated.

In discussing area sources John Wise indicated that about 1000 small cabinetry and furniture finishing businesses are located along the Wasatch front between Weber County to the north and Utah County to the south. He stated that a larger part of the VOC issues associated with finishing products is generated through consumer use of products purchased through retailers, about 78% of these VOCs.

Brad Overmoe discussed Red Hangers efforts to reduce emissions from his dry cleaning business through the conversion of his facilities from PERC to a hydrocarbon based solution. In 2008 he started converting his facilities. The hydrocarbon based solution is less volatile than PERC and with the new method his facilities are able to clean three times the clothes per gallon as opposed to PERC. The cost to convert a facility to the hydrocarbon machines is about \$150,000 investment. John Wise indicated that from his recollection the dry cleaning sector was estimated to be contributing 4% of the VOC emissions. A discussion followed as how this estimate is likely elevated because models haven't accounted for new technologies in the industry. Kevin Hooper asked Brad about his estimate for the payback period and Brad indicated that it was partly offset because he was replacing 15 year old PERC machines which were nearing the end of their useful life with hydrocarbon machines.

Paul Glauser intends to report back to the group as the stakeholder groups conduct future meetings but he encouraged the CAP to remain active in the process. For more information, please visit www.airquality.utah.gov.

DAQ Update on Organizational Changes Paul Harding: Paul Harding discussed the changes in the Division of Air Quality including the appointment of Brock LeBaron as Deputy Director of DAQ. The current organizational chart was distributed.

Other Business Paul Harding: The retirement of Marie Marshall from the CAP was announced as well as that of Rose Kenworthy, DEQ administrative assistant in OPPA who had been attending meetings and taking the minutes.

Next Meeting

Meetings should be held quarterly (four times per year). ***The next meeting is scheduled for December 7, 2011.***

The meeting was adjourned.