

Alternative Technology Advisory Subcommittee
Los Angeles County Solid Waste Management Committee/
Integrated Waste Management Task Force

Minutes of March 20, 2008

County of Los Angeles
Department of Public Works
Conference Room C
900 South Fremont Avenue
Alhambra, California

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:

Wayde Hunter, North Valley Coalition*
Mike Mohajer, Los Angeles County Integrated Waste Management Task Force
John McTaggart, Los Angeles County Integrated Waste Management Task Force*
Eugene Tseng, Eugene Tseng and Associates*
P. Christine Urbach, Los Angeles County Department of Public Health*
Kay Martin, Bioenergy Producers Association*
Michael Theroux, Theroux Environmental Consulting*
Fernando Berton, California Integrated Waste Management Board*
Jeff Yann, Hacienda Heights Improvement Association*

COMMITTEE MEMBERS NOT PRESENT:

Dave Hauser, Browning-Ferris Industries of California, Inc.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS REPRESENTED BY OTHERS

Paul Alva, represented by Coby Skye, County of Los Angeles Department of Public Works
Alex Helou, represented by Miguel Zermeno, City of Los Angeles, Bureau of Sanitation*
Ed Wheless, represented by Mark McDannel, County Sanitation Districts of Los Angeles
County*

OTHERS PRESENT:

Sue Higgins, Alternative Resources, Inc.*
Virginia Jauregui, Los Angeles County Department of Public Works
Tobie Mitchell, Los Angeles County Department of Public Works
Peter Zorba, City of Lancaster

*designates call-in attendee

I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 10:33 a.m.

II. UPDATE ON CONVERSION TECHNOLOGY EVENTS/MEETINGS

Mr. McDannel commented that representatives from CSD were invited to view a demonstration of Utilitarian Enterprises' waste conversion unit during the month of March. The unit processes approximately one to two tons of waste per day and will be shipped to Ireland to process compost material. On March 14, Mr. Skye was in Sacramento for a meeting with the author of SB 1016, regarding the possible modification from a diversion rate measurement system and into a disposal based system that would exclude giving biomass diversion credit. Mr. Skye also spoke with Los Angeles Chamber of Commerce staff who at present are developing policies for their energy, water, and environment committee. The committee is expected to support conversion technologies.

III. UPDATE ON PUBLIC OUTREACH CONTRACT

Mr. Skye provided an update on the public outreach contract. During the month of March, Cerrell Associates met with various legislators in Sacramento regarding conversion technologies. Of note, Mr. Skye met with staff to California legislators Brownley and Fuentes who expressed interest on conversion technologies.

IV. UPDATE ON FACILITATION CONTRACT

Ms. Higgins provided an update on the facilitation contract. Because of the availability of the remaining MRF sites for co-location, questions were raised by participating technology vendors on the possibility of submitting offers with MRF sites not previously identified in the County's shortlist for CT co-location. Staff had previously circulated three options for Subcommittee consideration regarding this issue. The first option would be to continue the course as previously identified. The second option would allow a technology vendor to submit an offer with a MRF site not previously identified. This would require the technology vendor to evaluate the MRF location identified in their proposal using the County's previously identified criteria. The third option would allow the technologies to submit an offer without identifying any MRF location, and tailor their submittal to fit a generic site. Following discussion, Mr. McTaggart made a motion to approve Option 1, and to direct staff to establish a Round 2 process in order to allow the Subcommittee to consider additional

proposals from identified technology vendors. The motion passed unanimously. Staff will develop additional options for Subcommittee consideration for the next meeting.

DISCUSSION FOR SCOPE OF WORK

(Sue Higgins was not present during this item) It was noted that the current contract with ARI is set to expire soon. Because of the limited funds available and the RFO submittal date, members of the Subcommittee and Staff will need to review and develop a recommendation for consideration by the Board of Supervisors. The next scope of work for the facilitation project is expected to be finalized by the April meeting. Once the scope of work is finalized, an RFP will be developed for the next phase of the project.

V. OPEN DISCUSSION

No discussion ensued.

VI. NEXT MEETING DATE, TBD

The next meeting date is scheduled for April 17, 2008.

VII. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 11:40 a.m.