

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

**Minutes of October 18, 2012**

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

SUBCOMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:

Suk Chong, Los Angeles County Department of Public Works  
Jacques Franco, Department of Resource Recycling and Recovery (CalRecycle)\*  
Wayde Hunter, North Valley Coalition  
John Kaddis, Los Angeles County Department of Public Health  
Mark McDannel, County Sanitation Districts of Los Angeles County (LACSD)  
Mike Mohajer, Los Angeles County Integrated Waste Management Task Force  
Coby Skye, Los Angeles County Department of Public Works  
Mike Schwartz, Waste Management  
Eugene Sun, Council Member, City of San Marino  
Jeff Yann, Hacienda Heights Improvement Association

SUBCOMMITTEE MEMBERS NOT PRESENT:

Ron Kent, Southern California Gas Company  
Kay Martin, Bioenergy Producers Association  
Eugene Tseng, UCLA Solid Waste Program

OTHERS PRESENT:

Traecey Anthony, Alternative Resources Inc. (ARI)  
Macaria Flores\*, Cerrell Associates  
George Gomez, Los Angeles County Department of Public Works

\*designates participants over the telephone

## **I. CALL TO ORDER**

Mr. Suk Chong called the meeting to order at 10:05 a.m., and introduced Mr. Mike Schwartz representative from Waste Management, as the new member of the Alternative Technology Advisory Subcommittee (ATAS).

Mr. Chong announced that Mr. Coby Skye was recently promoted to Senior Civil Engineer and Programs Development Section Head of the Environmental Programs Division. In addition Mr. Chong announced Mr. Skye will be taking over as the ATAS' new Chairman.

## **II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM JUNE 21 AND SEPTEMBER 20, 2012 MEETINGS**

The ATAS unanimously approved the June 21, 2012 minutes as presented on a motion by Mr. Mike Mojaher, seconded by Mr. Wayde Hunter. Mr. Mike Schwartz Mark abstained.

Mr. Mohajer made a motion to approve the September 20, 2012 minutes. Mr. Jeff Yann seconded the motion and Mr. Mark McDannel and Mr. Mike Schwartz abstained.

## **III. UPDATE ON PHASE III and IV**

Ms. Tracey Anthony provided the following updates:

- The County of Los Angeles was not successful in obtaining funding from the California Energy Commission (CEC) in the PON-11-601 grant opportunity. ARI is currently exploring other options including foundation grants.
- A new County-issued Request for Expression of Interest (RFEI) is scheduled to be released in the upcoming months.
- ARI and the County are developing a survey for stakeholders and vendors that would provide us with information on what would be helpful for them to move forward with a conversion technology project in the County.

#### **IV. CALRECYCLE PROPOSAL REGARDING MRF STANDARDS**

Mr. Skye mentioned that at the last month's meeting the ATAS requested the Task Force send a letter to CalRecycle regarding this issue. The Task Force members requested additional information and a presentation from CalRecycle. Ms. Nancy Carr will be providing this presentation at this afternoon's Task Force meeting.

#### **V. UPDATE ON CONVERSION TECHNOLOGY OUTREACH ACTIVITIES**

Ms. Macaria Flores provided the following updates:

- Supervisor Knabe's September 25, 2012 motion was mentioned on five different publications, and highlighted on local business weekly updates.
- Cerrell is currently preparing to have an information booth at the California State Association of California's Annual Meeting. This event is scheduled for November 27-30, 2012 in Long Beach California.

#### **VI. 2012 BIOENERGY ACTION PLAN**

Mr. Jacques Franco provided a PowerPoint presentation on the formulation of the 2012 Bioenergy Action Plan and why it is important to the furthering the development of bioenergy and in helping the State reach 75% recycling goals under AB341. ([Presentation attached](#))

#### **VII. CONVERSION TECHNOLOGY ACTION PLAN**

Mr. Skye stated that the staff received several comments from Mr. Mohajer shortly before the meeting, and staff is currently working on the suggested changes. Mr. Skye asked the ATAS to defer this item to next month's meeting.

Mr. Skye's request passed without an objection.

#### **VIII. RECAP ON CONVERSION TECHNOLOGY EVENTS/MEETINGS**

Ms. Tracey Anthony informed the ATAS that the Southern California Waste Management Forum Annual conference will be held on November 7, 2012 in Pomona, CA. For additional information please visit [www.scwmf.org](http://www.scwmf.org)

Mr. Skye informed the ATAS that the Waste Conversion Congress will be held on November 28-29, 2012 at Long Beach, CA. Also on November 26, 2012, the Department of Public Works will be hosting a CalRecycle Workshop where MRF Standards, CTs and AB 341 matters will be discussed.

**IX. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

No public comments.

**X. NEXT MEETING DATE**

The next meeting is tentatively scheduled for November 15, 2012, at 10:00 a.m.

**XI. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 11:04 a.m.