

Technical Subcommittee
May 12, 2009

Attendance: Sara J – NH; Lee L – NY; Terry P – WV; Susan F – PA; Audrey Z; Linda S – TN; Leslie C – GA; Tony P – NC; James – SC; Jackie S, Erin C and Annette F – IL; Kim G, Aneka S – MN; Renee B – WI; Sara Walls – TX (NCAP); Barb J – KS; Joni C – CO; Rebecca – OR; Lester F, Deanna M – SBO team; Jan, Sharon – EPA OAQPS

Minutes:

1. Sharon – EPA updates
 - rule deadlines – motion for extensions unopposed
 - aluminum, copper, nonferrous – June 15 signed
 - Asphalt Roofing, Paint Allied Prod, Feeds, Chem Prep
 - proposal maybe next couple weeks, definitely June
 - Final AUGUST 17!!
 - Chemical Manufacturing – also FINAL AUGUST 17 (Sharon corrected from earlier statement on call)
 - Industrial/Commercial Boilers and Sewage Sludge Incin – still in negotiations, nothing expected in 2009
 - question on reopening of dry cleaner rule
 - why EPA renegotiating?
 - Time table?
 - Sharon will look into
 - Renee may not have shared articles...will forward if so
2. Gas Dispensing Rule and state equivalency
 - MI learned, after lengthy deliberation by regional office, that their state rule was not equivalent
 - equivalency is going to be hard to meet since some extra testing requirements in rule were not present in state rules
3. Petition form for 6H
 - GA has started to use their form but still not sure on EPA's position
 - had been lengthy discussion about it
 - EPA can't "approve" any form without ICR
 - Sara J said she's finding MSDS that have chromium when supplier claimed "compliant" – check reds
 - MN has compliance checklist that TN has borrowed for a "opt out" checklist
 - be sure and send Audrey and Renee links to forms that others might find helpful - we can post on New Rule page
4. Posting training firms for 6H painter training?
 - should we consider posting information from training firms that charge a fee for the painter training requirements under 6H?
 - Iowa's Waste Reduction Center has requested that we post information about their online training that also includes laser painting
<http://www.sprayitright.com/>

- they are connected with our Iowa SBEAP – is that different than commercial firms?
 - should we list what we can find, to be fair?
 - states are doing different things
 - TN is researching training options to decide whether to post information
 - CO can't provide list of fee based training
 - a number of states know of or are working with their community colleges to add the environmental curriculum to painting sources
 - Joan and Angela need to discuss whether OK to post on EPA hosted site
 - OK if include caveats that not certifying or endorsing, and may include fees for service?
 - What's up with DVD?
 - finishing up Spanish version
 - planning big kick off event in early June
 - NC meeting with Holly soon, so may have more to share – maybe in KY
5. States issues with implementing large sectors
- because there are so many rules and so many sources, states don't have resources to deal with all of them in timely fashion
 - Jim C wanted to know if EPA is going to offer struggling states any guidance on implementation and enforcement?
 - Sharon – OECA workgroup is working with regions and states to develop area source guidance and providing implementation options; also sent out priorities to regions in July 2008
 - TN is using small business audit policy – for those who find out after deadline, they can self-notify EPA and still have short time to comply with any missed submittals or deadlines
 - Renee – slipped my mind about that OECA group; I do have documents I could share – maybe on the Message Board/Web Forum;
6. National Conference
- talk about topics – R3 nominations and informal process; EPA rule participation process – Joan's idea, looks good to get us involved earlier, at least informally;
 - send Renee other ideas
 - Renee will see if call in line will be option for those who can't come
7. Other issues
- Sara W – TX
 - asked TX program manager for issues
 - petroleum storage tanks, out of operation but need to be pulled – any funding to help states clean up?
 - maybe Stimulus money for Brownfields?
 - leak test on dry cleaners, and incompatibility with newer machines
 - Renee – that was in SBA R3 nominations in 2008 and is supposed to have rule changes in the works right now (Sharon will check on status)
 - Joni – CO knows retrofit is difficult and test even seems unnecessary since nearly all pass; have been trying to work with manufacturers to certify machines directly but

translation from Italian and Japanese/Chinese? causing problems

8. Chair or Co-chairs

- Renee would really appreciate help from one or two willing to take over completely
 - the Region 5 grant project wasn't originally in my plans, but now I'm only one managing grant administration...its too much
- Annette nominated Joni C and Tony P as co-chairs
 - Tony said not possible – asked supervisor
 - Tony suggested Terry P
- consider others to nominate and send to Renee, we can vote

Anyone else concerned their program is in jeopardy because of really tight budgets?

- We really need some strong support from EPA to get states to maintain programs we have and get back those we've lost (others with long standing vacancies – not technically lost...yet).
 - NC looking at Title V funding spent in programs outside of their air program office – like Tony's
 - Let Renee know if others in similar situation