

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

**Minutes of October 20, 2005**

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

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:

Paul Alva, County of Los Angeles Department of Public Works  
Alex Helou, City of Los Angeles Bureau of Sanitation  
Kay Martin, Bioenergy Producers Association  
John McTaggart, Los Angeles County Integrated Waste Management Task Force  
Mike Mohajer, Los Angeles County Integrated Waste Management Task Force  
Michael Theroux, Theroux Environmental Consulting  
Jeff Yann, Hacienda Heights Improvement Association  
Ed Wheless, County Sanitation Districts of Los Angeles County

COMMITTEE MEMBERS NOT PRESENT:

Fernando Berton, California Integrated Waste Management Task Force  
Chris Mastro, County of Los Angeles Department of Health Services  
Eugene Tseng, Eugene Tseng and Associates

OTHERS PRESENT:

Shapoor Hamid, URS Corporation  
Virginia Jauregui, County of Los Angeles Department of Public Works  
Coby Skye, County of Los Angeles Department of Public Works

## **I. CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order at 10:02 a.m.

## **II. APPROVAL OF THE SEPTEMBER 15 AND OCTOBER 6, 2005 MINUTES**

The minutes of September 15th and October 6, 2005 were approved.

## **III. DESIGNATING ALTERNATES FOR SUBCOMMITTEE MEMBERS**

Because the Subcommittee is a Brown Act body, public agency representatives must be provided a designated alternate. Mr. Alva asked that Mr. Skye be assigned as his alternate, and Mr. Helou stated that Miguel Zermeno be designated an alternate for the City of Los Angeles. Mr. Alva stated he would bring these choices in front of the Task Force for formal approval.

## **IV. COORDINATING CORRESPONDENCE & PRESENTATION REQUESTS**

Mr. Alva discussed coordinating correspondences and presentation requests from outside entities. He recommended that correspondences be forwarded from staff to subcommittee members, and if meriting discussion, be put on the agenda at a member's request.

## **V. POTENTIAL FUTURE TOURS AND SITE VISITS**

The issue of arranging facility tours and site visits was raised by Mr. Alva. After much discussion, Mr. Skye suggested that the subcommittee consider using the Task Force's policy of designating a representative for tours or meetings as a model for Subcommittee policy.

## **VI. SCOPES OF WORK FOR THE PUBLIC OUTREACH PLAN AND DEMONSTRATION FACILITY**

Mr. Skye asked the Subcommittee for a final review of both scopes of work. Mr. Skye approximated that a contractor will be assigned to the facility contract six months after approval, and six or more months for the public outreach contract.

Questions were raised regarding the language used in the scopes of work, and potential funding of a conversion facility. Because the source of funds will likely be a combination of both private and public monies, Mr. Theroux recommended that gap financing be recognized and clarified in the scope of work.

Mr. Wheless stated that the Sanitation Districts will not contribute funds toward building a demonstration facility, however CSD would consider funding a pilot plant. Because wording of the scope of work is critical, the terms used will likely impact CSD financing. Therefore, Mr. Mohajer moved to make a motion for the Sanitation District to clarify, in writing, their official position and obligations toward constructing a "pilot" facility and "demonstration" facility based on the CUP requirements. The motion passed.

#### **VII. BIOPRODUCERS ASSOCIATION BROCHURE**

The Subcommittee authorized Mr. Skye to proceed with printing of 3,000 BPA brochures using Subcommittee funds.

#### **VIII. OPEN DISCUSSION/PUBLIC COMMENT**

No open discussion took place.

#### **IX. NEXT MEETING DATE, TBA**

The next meeting date is tentatively scheduled for the week of November 14, 2005, depending if a facility tour is scheduled.

#### **X. ADJOURNMENT**

Meeting was adjourned at 11:22 a.m.