Pollution Prevention Advisory Committee Minutes June 17, 2010 10:00 AM to 3:00 PM Bldg. A Room 328 12100 Park 35 Circle, Austin, TX 78753

Members in attendance

Catrennia Williamson, Co-chair Fred Kelly, Co-chair Jeremy DuMond John Howard Don Renchie Rachel Perry Ben Weinheimer (teleconferenced in) Lynne Nava

TCEQ Staff

Brian Christian, Director, Small Business and Environmental Assistance Ted Hazen, Manager, Pollution Prevention and Education (PPE) Mike Lindner, Team Lead, PPE Mary Kelley, PPE

10:00Welcome and Introductions

Catrennia Williamson opened the meeting with introductions.

10:10 Approval of last meeting minutes and current agenda

The minutes of the April 9, 2010 meeting were approved and seconded after making a name change from Jerry DuMond to Jeremy DuMond. The agenda for today's meeting was approved and seconded.

10:15 Welcome from the TCEQ

Brian Christian

Welcome and opening remarks.

Mr. Christian welcomed the committee members. He gave an overview of the Sunset review. The Sunset committee would need any comments to them by July 9th. Mr. Christian also noted the Sunset public hearing will be in early December.

10:30 Municipal Solid Waste Management and Resource Recovery Advisory Council (MSW Advisory Council)

Steve Hutchinson, TCEQ, Waste Permits Division spoke about the MSW Advisory Council's purpose and its mandates.

Chuck Rivette, Advisory Council President, pointed out that the Council also advises and makes recommendations on rules and the rule making process for Municipal Solid Waste (MSW). He also gave the makeup of the council members. Mr. Rivette commented on the MSW facilities used to be owned by municipalities but they now are managed and owned mostly by private entities.

Mr. Rivette then discussed the commonalities and difference of the MSW Advisory Council and the PPAC. He stated that the MSW Advisory Council is more focused on waste, where as the PPAC's focus is on pollution prevention. Mike Lindner read each committee's mandates for comparison's sake.

PPAC Committee as a whole agreed that since there are few overlaps that possibly the committees could provide ancillary support to each other. Mr. Rivette suggested that a representative from each group always attend the other group's meetings.

11:30 Pharmaceutical Disposal, SB 1757, and how it is moving forward

Jessica Huybregts, TCEQ, Water Supply Division, SB1757, its intent and objectives. She talked about the Pharmaceutical Disposal Advisory Group Survey and that it was created to establish a baseline. She informed the members it would be helpful if the PPAC would complete the survey. The Advisory group is charged with studying and making recommendations regarding the methods to be used by consumers, health care providers, and others for disposing of unused pharmaceuticals so that they do not enter a wastewater system.

12:00 – 1:00 Lunch

1:00 Discussion on how to get Clean Texas successes like 3M's communicated to other businesses.

Suggestions from the committee were:

To use Clean Texas to drive pollution prevention programs that aren't mandated. When recruiting, look at pollution prevention in terms of cost savings.

1:30 The Comptroller's 1st Choice/Environmental Purchasing Program

Elton Brock, Manager, Statewide Procurement and Contracts Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts Mr. Brock talked about these topics: The value of recycling

Texas laws and recycling Texas procurement requirements First Choice program TPASS recycle term contracts Texas State buildings and recycling

2:45 Future Agendas

Discussion of date and agenda for next meeting(s)

3:00 Meeting Adjourns