Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) Office of Air Tax Relief for Pollution Control Property Advisory Committee Meeting February 24, 2014 10:02 AM – 11:24 AM

### **Minutes**

### **Opening Remarks**

- Call to order
   Mr. Bob Adair called the meeting to order at 10:02 AM
- 2. Recognition of committee members present and absent. All members except Mr. Roland Bieber and Mr. Mike Nasi attended.
- 3. Public policy comment discussion.

  Mr. Adair re-stated the public comment policy. No action was taken.
- 4. Recognition of new committee members.
  Mr. Adair introduced new members Mr. Charles Allred and Mr. Mike Ford.
- 5. Request for general comments from committee members or staff. No comments were received.

# Election of 2014 chairman for the advisory committee

Mr. Adair opened the floor for nominations for advisory committee chair for 2014. Mr. Don Lee made a motion to nominate Mr. Adair and the committee elected him to serve another one-year term.

## Review of the advisory committee's 2013 Annual Report

Mr. Adair stated that the draft annual report was distributed the previous day. The annual report was approved pending minor edits and the receipt of additional information from TCEQ staff.

## Consideration of revisions to 30 TAC Chapter 17 Rules

Mr. Chance Goodin, TCEQ staff, explained the proposed rule revisions and provided the following rule timeline.

Proposal Agenda February 26

Comment Period March 14 – April 14

Public Hearing April 3 Adoption Agenda August 2014

The rule proposal has two purposes. The first is to implement House Bill (HB) 1897 and the second is to conduct the required triennial review of the Tier I Table and the Expedited Review List. HB 1897 requires the issuance of the final determination and the completion of the initial appeal, if one is filed, within one year of an application being

declared administratively complete. This requirement will be implemented by limiting the technical review process to 230 days. This will allow 135 days for the appeals process.

The Expedited Review List has been reviewed and no changes are proposed. Several edits are proposed to items on the Tier I Table. These edits will improve descriptions and correct grammar. Eight items are recommended for removal from the list. The two reasons for removals are:

- 1. The items are not required by an adopted environmental rule.
- 2. The use of the item generates a marketable product and is therefore ineligible for a 100% use determination.

There was discussion about the proposal to removal recycling related items from the Tier I Table due to the generation of marketable product. Further discussion will be held at the next meeting.

#### Other

### 1. Old business

None

#### 2. New business

In response to a question raised during the rule discussion, Mr. Goodin provided an update of the status of the HRSG applications. Second notices of deficiency letters have been issued and responses are being received.

There was a suggestion that the TCEQ provide training on how to complete a tax relief application. Staff will review the suggestion and determine how to proceed.

#### 3. General comments

No comments were received.

### **Action Items**

TCEQ staff will provide Mr. Adair with room availability for scheduling the next advisory committee meeting which will occur before the public hearing for the rule proposal.

TCEQ staff will provide committee members with examples of applications containing water recycling systems.

Committee members will review the rule proposal and be prepared for discussion and provide comments (if any) at the next meeting.

## Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at 11:24 AM