# Houston Small Business Advisory Committee Minutes June 20, 2013

## FISCAL YEAR 2013 PRIORITIES

Provide input on TCEQ rules and policies to represent small businesses and strengthen partnerships with local elected officials.

#### WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

The meeting was called to order at 10:10 AM by Co-Chair J. Kelly Mowry. Each of the participants introduced themselves and the business/organization they represented.

### **REVIEW ACTIONS ITEMS FROM March 28, 2013 MEETING**

Danielle L. Doss briefly discussed minutes from the March 28, 2013, meeting and commented that no action items were outstanding.

### TCEQ AUSTIN UPDATE

Danielle Doss provided the SBAC with information regarding House Bill (HB) 2615 increased potential fines for failure to file annual water-use reports. HB 252 requires water systems to report if they're within 180 days of running out of water (currently voluntary and the source of the "180-day list"). HB 3604 clearly requires entities to implement their DCPs if the Governor declares a disaster due to drought and clearly makes it a violation if they don't. HB 1600 The economic regulation of water utilities will be moving from TCEQ to the Public Utility Commission.

#### **ACTION ITEMS**

The members present at the SBAC meeting asked to possibly hold one meeting a year at one of the SBAC member's business. Members asked Matthew Lee of TR Pipe if the next meeting could be held at his business. He agreed that the committee could come out to his facility for a tour.

Next SBAC Meeting: Thursday September 19, 2013 at the HGAC office at 10 AM.