VA Department of Environmental Quality Office of Small Business Assistance

Compliance Advisory Panel Quarterly Meeting

Apr. 28, 2008 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon

DEQ Fredericksburg Satellite Office 806 Westwood Office Park, Fredericksburg, VA 22401

Meeting Minutes

Attendance

Members present: John Dwyer, Thomas Digges, Patricia Carroll, Kelly Harris-Braxton and Richard

Rasmussen

Members not present: Howard Rogers and Mrs. Dyane B. Pergerson,

DEQ Staff: Rodney Sobin and Dana Brancolini

Discussion

2008 National Meeting

Due to budgetary concerns, DEQ has placed restrictions on staff travel. All out-of-state travel must be approved by the Secretary.

Diesel Grants

OSBA has been asked by James Golden and Mike Dowd to apply for and manage two diesel grants. \$49.2 million of EPA monies has been allocated for diesel grants. The intent of the grant monies is to fund retrofitting of diesel engines or installing emission mitigation technologies. The grant monies are divided into different types of grants: regional EPA grants and state programs grants. DEQ has submitted a letter of intent for a state grant and will apply for the Region III Diesel Emissions Reduction Grant.

2008 Auto Body Self-Certification Program

While we increased the number of shops to which we marketed the program, the number of submissions was low: 29 submissions, 13 of which are recertification. Many shops had difficulty with the water section questions. The CAP suggested that we need to "sell" shops on the program. Perhaps marketing the program as a "green" program may be beneficial.

Dry Cleaner Outreach

The Program provided presentations at two Dry Cleaner Workshops Sponsored by the MidAtlantic Cleaners Association. The workshop on April 12th and was attended by 27 attendees folks. The workshop on the 13th in Richmond was attended by 24.

Cap Appointments

The appointments to the CAP will expire on June 30th, 2008 for John Dwyer, Kelly Harris Braxton, Pat Carroll, and Howard Rogers. Contact with Delegate Armstrong's office will be made to replace Dyane Pergerson whose term expired in June of 04.

The next meeting will be announced at a later time. It had been originally slotted for July 15th, 2008 with the 4th quarter meeting schedule for October 14th, 2008. Due to the shifting of the earlier meeting dates John Dwyer and I will get together to reset the dates for the next two meetings..