



**North Carolina Pretreatment Consortium, Inc.
NCPC Consortium Meeting
December 4, 2008
Minutes**

The North Carolina Pretreatment Consortium (NCPC) meeting was called to order at 10:47am on December 4, 2008 by Dawn Padgett, 2008 NCPC Chairman, at the Neuse River WWTP in Raleigh, North Carolina.

In Attendance were:

JoEllen Gay	Dolores Bradshaw	Beth Eckert	Dennis Hodge
Chad Ham	Tim Davis	Shannon Sypolt	Ryan Faw
Regina Cousar	Reggie Hicks	Michele Dawes	Mark Lovitt
Rose Sanchez	Jason Manning	Cheryl Douglas	Jeff Camp
Aaron Otten	Vicky Payseur	Shannon Bergeron	Laura Dellolio
Perry Joyner	Donald Smith	Chris Bortnick	G. Tyrone Battle
Chad Thompson	Jennifer Doll	Amy Varinaski	Bill Gintert
Dawn Padgett			

Guests:

Deborah Gore	Dana Folley	Sarah Morrison	Monti Hassan
Jeff Poupart			

Business:

- Minutes from the October 2008 meeting were approved as submitted.
- Dawn thanked current officers and introduced incoming officers. All officers will begin duties in January 2009.
- Everyone present introduced themselves.

Presentation:

- Dawn introduced Deborah Gore, acting PERCS supervisor since Jeff Poupart has accepted the Point Source Branch Manager position.
- Deborah distributed copies of topics of interest for the PERCS unit. Handout attached.

Comments/Current Issues:

- "Round table" discussion to talk about what members are working on, problem areas, etc was the rest of the meeting. Highlights of topics discussed:
 - UV Disinfection – Discussed lamps burning out and Hg as concern. Of those present that use UV for disinfection, no one knew had experienced problems with Hg as a result of using lamps;
 - Collecting Samples – Discussion about collecting clean/clean samples and low detection levels;
 - ISO Certification – Experiences with obtaining ISO certification, SOPs, etc. To be ISO certified, the program must consist of a good structure and methods to capture info.

Meeting adjourned at 11:37am. Lunch was served. Attendees ate lunch and discussed topics of interest in small groups.

Respectfully submitted,

Angela Boswell
2008 Secretary NCPC

12/14/08

Jeff Poupart has accepted the position of Point Source Branch Manager. Deborah Gore is acting supervisor, 919-807-6307 [Deborah.Gore@ncmail.net].

Staff assignments remain the same

Dana Folley, 919-807-6311 [Dana.Folley@ncmail.net]: Catawba, Chowan, Lumber, Roanoke and New

Monti Hassan, 919-807-6314 [Monti.Hassan@ncmail.net]: Hiwassee, Little Tennessee, Neuse, Yadkin

Sarah Morrison, 919-807-6310 [Sarah.Morrison@ncmail.net]: Broad, Cape Fear, French Broad, Tar-Pam

Continue to meet our goals for project review:

30 days for IUP

90 days for ERP, HWA, IWS, LTMP, SUO

Re-working HWA presentation to make more user-friendly and to include training on the 5 options.

We owe a letter approving the 5 options developed for BOD and TSS to be used for TP and NH3.

The IUP writing workshop committee has met twice and conference called once. The next meeting is scheduled for 12/11. First workshop planned for spring 2009.

December 8th meeting with Regional and Central Office pretreatment staff and Regional Supervisors. Topics include:

Inter-jurisdictional Wastewater Agreements

Rulemaking

Statewide enforcement plan for pretreatment

DWQ Re-organization.

Performance Transformation Project – A strategic plan for moving DWQ in new directions to meet the changing and challenging needs ahead. Transform to a more performance-based culture where goals are developed and evaluated against the results they produce. There are six topic areas called work streams: Strategic Planning, Performance Management, Recruitment and Retention, Leader Development, Communication and Talent Management. The overall intended results are:

- Reduced Time to Hire
- Improved Quality of Hires
- More Diverse Workforce
- Heightened Employee Engagement
- Improved Business Results
- Succession Planning
- Increased Emphasis on Development Planning

- Alternative Performance Management System
- Revised Strategic Plan
- Reflection of Metrics from Strategic Plan in Work Plans
- Increased Accountability
- Improved Recruitment Process
- Leadership Training Program
- Identification of High Performing and High Potential Employees
- Better Understanding of Law versus Policy

An update in September reported that 4 of the 6 work stream teams had met and the other two were scheduled to start up in October.

Nutrient Criteria Implementation Plan

Modify chlorophyll A standard to include a threshold level.

Prevent water bodies from becoming impaired.

Contacts Connie Brower at 919-807-6416 or Mike Templeton at 919-807-6402.

Metals update

Continue to express metals standards as “total” concentration.

Default hardness will remain 50 ug/l with ability to apply site-specific hardness

Standards will include both an acute and a chronic.

Remove “maximum permissible level” language from permit

Incorporate biology and chemistry in a holistic approach to improve the evaluation of ambient waters.

For copper: add language to allow Biotic Ligand Model

For iron: propose to remove due to naturally occurring high concentrations

Mercury and selenium: no updates recommended at this time.

EPA re-org