



North Carolina Pretreatment Consortium, Inc.

**Membership Meeting
March 18, 2010**

A. The North Carolina Pretreatment Consortium Meeting was called to order at approximately 10:30 am, on March 18, 2010, by Donald Smith, Chairman, at Lake McIntosh, Burlington, North Carolina.

B. **Members in Attendance were:**

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| JoEllen Gay | Angela Boswell | Andy Hicks |
| Tyrone Battle | Tim Downs | Karen Reece |
| Amy Varinoski | David Hardin | Sharon Miller |
| Stephanie Brixey | Donald Smith | Shannon Sypolt |
| Dawn Padgett | Shannon Bergeron | Regina Fortune |
| Sherry Bagwell | Martie Groome | Bill Gintert |
| Vicky Payseur | Steve Haller | Scott Pickard |
| Mark Lovitt | Jon van Hoff | Frank Skee |
| Jeff Williams | Victor Quick | Melinda Ward |
| Debra Collins | Jamie Levis | John Ritchie |
| Chad Thompson | Jennifer Doll | John Copeland |
| Lawanda Waite | Mesha Covington | Brenda Bordeaux |
| Candace Henderson | Ryan Faw | Burrell Brock |
| Mark McIntire | Johnny Rogers | Kenneth Waldrop |

C. Minutes from the previous meeting were approved.

D. **Updates**

1. **Certification**- Sharon Miller stated based on registrations received that the attendance would be low this year. A meeting will be held today after the membership meeting.
2. **Conference Planning Committee**- Shannon Bergeron informed us that the Conference dates are October 3 – 5, 2010, at the Sheraton in Atlantic Beach. Regular rooms will be \$99.00 (excluding tax). A meeting will be held today after the membership meeting.
3. **Additional Updates**- No additional updates at this time.

E. Announcements

1. Donald Smith passed around a sign-up sheet that had an additional column for members to check if interested in joining the League of Municipalities list serve. Donald will submit the contact information for those interested.
2. The Executive Committee has decided to look into establishing a couple of meetings in May 2010 for those with five years or less of pretreatment experience. This would allow those to meet some of their peers and ask pretreatment questions they may have in an informal setting. There will be one meeting held in the eastern part and one in the western part of NC. Look for the announcement soon with details.
3. Martie Groome informed the group that on March 2, 2010, a meeting was held with twenty-five of the larger municipalities to discuss forming a Wastewater Advocacy Organization in NC. Nineteen of the twenty-five have agreed to start this organization. The topics would include the Triennial Review, 303(d) list concerning copper and zinc issues, etc. This organization will not affect the NCPC but be another organization that could work together. If interested, email Martie and she will inform you about the next scheduled meeting.

F. Jeff Poupart, NC-DWQ, Point Source Branch Supervisor

Mr. Poupart presented a power point presentation on the Triennial Review Dissolved Metal Standards Impact on NPDES Permits and Pretreatment. DWQ has contacted other states (FL, MI, OR) to find out how acute standards were determined. EPA requires daily maximum and monthly average limits. Acute standards will be the daily maximum limit and the chronic standards will be the monthly average in permits. Biological assessments supersede stream metal sampling results.

DWQ last collected stream hardness data in 2001 but they have data back to 1969. Upon permit renewal, new standards for metals will be used to calculate limits. Per 40 CFR 122.45 (c), permits are, have and must be written as total metals. The State will use a “translator” to convert dissolved metal standards to a total metal standard. The metal translators may offer permittees relief in some water bodies.

Default Partition Coefficients (DPC) is a type of translator used when there is insufficient data for calculating stream segment’s dissolved fraction. DPC are total suspended solid dependent.

Mr. Poupart and staff believe there will be few over allocations with the changes. The earliest date he foresees these new limits in NPDES permits will be in 2013.

This presentation is available on the NC-PC website.

- G. Donald Smith presented a Triennial Review Update. The update included an explanation of what the Triennial Review is, the development, proposed water quality standards, time table, primary changes, hardness calculations, potential SIU impacts, and fiscal note development.

Donald expressed the need for everyone to stay involved and continue to communicate with DWQ. Stay tuned to the NC-PC website for updates. The updates will be posted under “Hot Topics”.

This presentation is available on the NC-PC website.

Donald Smith and JoEllen Gay have been working on a Fact Sheet that should help anyone wanting to write comments to DWQ. The information will be sent out to the members once completed.

- H. Meeting was adjourned at approximately 12:00 pm

The next meeting of the NC-PC will be Thursday, May 27, 2010, at the Lake MacIntosh Clubhouse, Burlington, NC.

Respectfully submitted,
Stephanie Brixey
2010 Secretary NC-PC

Meeting Minutes Approved May 27, 2010 at the NC-PC Membership Meeting, Lake MacIntosh, Burlington