INDUSTRIAL STAKEHOLDER GROUP
JUNE 2, 2017 MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

Preliminary Matters

1. Introduction of Attendees
2. Next Meeting date is Friday, September 1, 2017 (before Labor Day weekend)
3. Suggestions for Agenda Items and Input from Stakeholders are encouraged. Submissions may be made via the website at: http://www.state.nj.us/dep/aqpp/isg.html. Active participation by Stakeholders will result in a more meaningful discussion.

Agenda Items

I. Grant Funding: The ongoing New Jersey Clean Construction Program was described. This Program provides grants to decrease the particulate matter, carbon monoxide, and total hydrocarbon emissions from off-road diesel engines. $4.8 million is available for construction engine retrofits and $3.5 million is available for construction replacements. The four-step process to apply for the grants was outlined. The funds are available to private businesses, municipalities, and ports and other public entities.

II. Sustainable Business Programs Three programs include: (1) SBI speakers Program; (2) Waste Wise; and (3) Sustainable Business Registry. The Speakers Program and Waste Wise initiatives are educational meetings that take place about two times per year. The Waste Wise program offers Continuing Education credits to individuals in the field of Waste Management. The Sustainable Business Registry provides publicity to those Stakeholders who meet the conditions of the program. To be listed in the NJ Sustainable Business Registry, companies must meet several requirements, including sharing information about five sustainable business practices, identifying one cost savings from the practice, and identifying one measurable environment benefit from the practice. A list of eligible practices was provided, which included waste reduction and promoting employee commuting options.

III. Emission Credit Update: An update was provided on the Department’s current efforts to address a possible shortfall of emission credits in Northern New Jersey. The action Items to address potential shortfall includes: the NJ/NY reciprocity agreement, use of reverted credits, and working with facilities to identify potential credit generating activities and banking. For further details, please refer to the presentation posted on the ISG web site. Note that the current NJ/NY reciprocity agreement remains valid through December 19, 2017 allowing for a transfer of 195 TPY of NOx credits (155 out of 350 TPY of NOx credits have already been used.)

In addition, updates were provided regarding the Department of Treasury’s a recent auction of State owned NOx and VOC credits. The Department is soliciting feedback from stakeholders concerning the auction process and ways to increase participation.

IV. Update on General Permits and General Operating Permits

An update on general permits was given. Specific GPs and dates can be found on the presentation available on line.
New Registration forms will be used for Space Heaters is being issued for used oil space heaters. Several large auto malls have filed registration forms for their used oil space heaters. However, some of these facilities did not qualify for a registration since the cumulative gross heat input of all heaters exceeded 500,000 BTU/hr. These facilities need to obtain an APC permit to install and operate the heaters.

V. Stack Testing Update The Department emphasized the importance of submitting and gaining approval of stack test protocols for Federal stack testing requirements. The three main steps in the Department’s review of a stack test which ensure adequate Quality Assurance/Quality Control are:
  1) Protocol Review and Approval;
  2) Stack Test Observation;
  3) Final Test Result Review

Stakeholders raised user concerns about the Electronic Reporting Tool (ERT). Stakeholders were reminded that multiple in-person training sessions were held by DEP. The EPA website also offers webinars.

VI. Rules Update

- The CTG/NOx RACT rules appeared in the January 3, 2017 New Jersey Register, with comments due by March 4, 2017. The Department received comments from seven individuals/entities. The Department anticipates adopting the rule by August, 2017.

- PM2.5/SSM (Startup/Shutdown/Malfunction) rules appeared in the March 20, 2017 New Jersey Register, with comments due by May 19, 2017. The Department received comments from one individual/entity. The Department anticipates adopting the rule by September, 2017.

- The rule proposal to remove Stage II and repeal N.J.A.C. 7:27-34 “TBAC Emissions Reporting” will be published for public comment in the July 3, 2017 New Jersey Register.

- The Resiliency and Air Toxics Rule is scheduled to be issued for public comment in July or August.

VII. SOTA Update The Department outlined its current initiative to update its State-of-the-Art (SOTA) Manuals. Three manuals will be withdrawn, five will remain in effect as written with their effective dates updated, and seven will be revised. A new SOTA manual being written to address the emissions from Municipal Waste Landfills. ISG stakeholders were requested to contact the Department if they were interested in participating in providing input. The list of these manuals was in the presentation given at the ISG meeting and is available online on the ISG website.

VIII. Emissions Statement Follow Up At a prior meeting, the Stakeholders raised an issue wherein they noted that there was a difference between the method of calculating emissions as set forth in the Rule versus the Guidance document. The Department has reviewed the concern and has updated the Guidance document to mirror Table 3 of the Rule.

All presentations were posted on the ISG Meeting webpage.

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