

MINUTES OF THE TMACOG * AIR QUALITY COMMITTEE *

The meeting was held on October 19, 2011 at 8:00 a.m. at TMACOG.

Attendees: Tim Brown, Mark Budge, Carol Eggert, Ken Fallows, Bill Herr, Don Lieder, Bill Rupert, Mike Stormer, David Gedeon, and Marc VonDeylen

- 1. Welcome and Introductions** — Tim Brown welcomed everyone to the meeting and introductions were made around the room.
- 2. Approval of Agenda** — The agenda was approved on a motion by Don Lieder, seconded by Bill Herr.
- 3. Approval of June 15, 2011 Minutes** — The minutes were approved on a motion by Bill Herr, seconded by Don Lieder.
- 4. 2011 Monitor Readings** – Carol Eggert reported the ozone and PM_{2.5} number for the 2011 season. Each of the four monitors in the Lucas and Woods County areas reported fourth highest ozone numbers below the limit of 75 parts per billion. The closest to the standard was Low Service that exceeded the standard 3 times and had a fourth highest figure of 74. The 3 year average at all four stations is below 75 ppb and do not violate the ozone standard. The figures for PM_{2.5} are also reporting in below the limit of 15 ppb with the highest being 12.8 at the water treatment plant. The limit for the 24 hour average value is 35 ppb and the water treatment plant is again the highest at 26.7 but is still well below the limit. Carol noted that none of these figures have yet to be deemed official by the EPA.
- 5. Ozone Standard Update** – David Gedeon reported that President Obama has delayed any changes to the ozone standard until after the next presidential election. This means the current standard will remain in place until at least early 2013. Dave also noted that all of the climate bills circulating through Congress have been stalled as well.
- 6. Assessment of 2011 Ozone Action Season Marketing Efforts** – David Gedeon distributed a handout that reported the various efforts to promote the ozone season including radio, billboards, television commercials, newspaper ads and Facebook advertising. Suggestions for next season included utilizing the electronic billboards around town, advertising around the Casino, and advertising on signage at Fifth Third Field.
- 7. Gas Cap Replacement Program** – Carol Eggert reported on the 2011 Gas Cap Replacement Program. The final report was submitted to TMACOG and has been posted on the TMACOG website. Overall, 709 gas caps were tested at 29 sites. A total of 70 faulty or missing gas caps were replaced. The committee reviewed the report and questioned as to whether the statistic of losing two tanks of gas each year from a faulty cap is correct. Dave will try to verify the statistic.
- 8. Other Business** – None.
- 9. Adjourn** – There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned.