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**Draft Minutes of the
Park-Euclid Water Quality Assurance Revolving Fund (WQARF) Site
Community Advisory Board (CAB) Meeting – 34th meeting**

February 20, 2008, 6:30 - 8:30 p.m.
State of Arizona Regional Office Complex
400 W. Congress, North Building, Conference Room 158
Tucson, Arizona

CAB Members Present: Keith Bagwell, Richard Byrd, Freya Eddy, Mark Marikos, Jonathan Salvatierra, Jacky Turchick, Steven Turner, Mario Villarreal, Josefina Zapata

CAB Members Absent: Donald Davis, Ira Haskell

ADEQ Staff Present: Tina Le Page, Project Manager; Eileen Palese, ADEQ Community Involvement Coordinator

Members of the Public Present: Joseph Drazek, Bob Boudra, Jasenka Zbozinek, Tiffany Downey, Jeff Rackow, Don Bock, Justin Berkompas, Don Moore

The meeting began at 6:40 p.m.

1. Call to Order/Introductions

Co-chair Jacky Turchick conducted introductions of the CAB and public participants.

2. Approval of Minutes for 11/14/07 CAB Meeting

Mark Marikos motioned to approve the minutes from the November 14, 2007, CAB meeting. Richard Byrd seconded the motion. The CAB voted; all were in favor, none were opposed.

3. Discussion and Vote on New Member Application: Justin Berkompas

Jacky Turchick introduced Justin Berkompas who reviewed his background for CAB members. He said he is a Master's student in the Environmental Sciences Department at the University of Arizona. His thesis is on finding a way to assess the effectiveness of monitored natural attenuation at the Park-Euclid WQARF site. The CAB asked questions about the data he has collected thus far. Jacky Turchick asked if he thought he could attend the meetings on a regular basis, and said he could for the next year. Josefina Zapata motioned to approve the application of Justin Berkompas, Steven Turner seconded the motion. The CAB voted; all were in favor, none were opposed. He was invited to join the CAB at the table.

4. Site Update

Tina Le Page reported that a contract was signed with GeoTrans in November to take over as the consultant for the Park-Euclid WQARF site. She said they took the first round of groundwater samples and elevations the second week of December. They checked all of the wells and did maintenance on some of the wells. She said she just received a copy of the sampling report and she will provide the results to the CAB by mail or email after review.

She introduced the staff of GeoTrans attending the meeting: Jasenka Zbozinek, Tiffany Downey and Jeff Rackow. She said they all had a meeting today with Mission Linen to introduce themselves. She said they are attending the meeting so that the CAB can ask questions about GeoTrans and the planned work at the site. Tina Le Page said she is very happy to have them onboard and that they also work on other state WQARF sites.

The consultants introduced themselves and provided their education and backgrounds. Mark Marikos asked if there is a projected time-line for completion of the Feasibility Study (FS). Tina Le Page said that they are now working on a projected model for the FS, and hopes it will be completed by the end of the year.

Jacky Turchick asked if the new consultants could provide more visuals at the meetings, such as current plume maps and data reports. Tina Le Page said that this can be done with the new consultants. Freya Eddy asked if they have a more accurate description that they could present at the meeting on how fast the plume is moving, or how fast they can facilitate the cleanup as compared to some of the other sites they are working on.

Jasenka Zbozinek said that they do not have anything to report yet because they are still looking at the data, reviewing the Remedial Investigation (RI) report and all of the supporting data to be sure it is correct. After this is done, there will be more to present, especially when the modeling has been done. Tina Le Page said that GeoTrans will also be looking at data gaps--where more information is needed for the FS--so they can start working on the FS as soon as possible. They have also done 3-D modeling to see if anything is missing. She said she hopes to be able to install additional regional monitor wells in the future.

Jonathan Salvatierra asked what GeoTrans thought about the current technologies being applied at the site and what other technologies would be applicable. Tiffany Downey said the previous consultant put the data into graphic software, but GeoTrans uses a GIS database to get a more comprehensive picture, and the data will be easier to manipulate. She said they will create 3-D cross-sections. She said more analysis of this type will be needed to complete the modeling.

Jeff Rackow said that a Soil Vapor Extraction (SVE) system was installed at the facility, which was successful at removing quite a bit of the contaminant mass from the vadose zone, and he believes that it had an effect on the contaminants in the perched aquifer. He said Mission Linen is installing a Multiphase Extraction System which is a technology that has proved to be effective in this type of setting. He said there are a lot of other technologies that could be employed, but these types of systems have been demonstrated to be effective with the type of geology that exists at the site.

Jacky Turchick informed the consultants that several members of the CAB live within yards of Mission Linen--they have a personal interest in it and have served on the board for many years. She said the new consultants are welcome to knock on their doors if they need to.

5. Mission Linen Update/Open House Discussion

Joe Drazek said Mission Linen is in the process of constructing the Multiphase Extraction System at the facility. He said all of the wells, trenches and piping have been hooked up in the northeast corner of the plant where the system is located. He said that a large black tank will contain treated water. A curbing will also be installed to contain any spilled water. He said they plan to start to complete the construction and start-up the system by April.

He said ADEQ provided their mailing list for the site. Eileen Palese said the list includes all of the CAB members and anyone who has requested to be added to the list in the past. Joe Drazek said they plan to prepare a newsletter to be mailed to this list, which will include a history of the site and what will happen in the start-up procedure related to the air quality permit. He said that Mission Linen would like to hold an Open House in mid-May. It would be held on a Saturday so that more residents could attend. He asked for any recommendations from the CAB on the Open House format.

Jacky Turchick said the annual meeting of her Barrio San Antonio neighborhood association will be March 29. She offered to hand out any information about the event that would be available at that time. The CAB discussed the mailing list and ways to mail the newsletter through the City of Tucson. Josefina Zapata offered to provide the names and addresses of the officers of the Miles Neighborhood Association to be added to the ADEQ mailing list.

6. Call to the Public

Richard Byrd asked if a model was put together by the former consultants. Tina Le Page said yes, but it will have to be redone because it was a model based on only one situation. They only looked at monitored natural attenuation. They did not look at any possible remediation systems down the line. Their model did not recommend doing anything with the plume, but to just monitor it, keeping track of where it is located. She said that GeoTrans has been going through all of the data to get a better subsurface idea of what is happening. She said the new information will be combined with the existing data. She said her perception of what happened with the poor work product by the previous consultant was that a lot of project managers left Miller Brooks at the time the reports were being compiled. She said there were five project managers in six months for the site, but she said things are back on track now that the new consultant has been selected.

She said that ADEQ did realize there was a problem, but we had to decide how to best cut our losses. ADEQ hoped that by keeping them onboard, we might get a good work product, but that was a mistake. It also takes a very long time to bring a new contactor on though the government contracting process. She said ADEQ had not had this problem before, so it was hard to decide the best recourse. She said she would stop the contract right away if it happened again.

Joe Drazek said from Mission Linen's perspective, he understands ADEQ's objective is to

ultimately get it right, so he is glad to be working with GeoTrans. Mark Marikos said that the model is very important because it has to be correct or remediation won't work right. Jacky Turchick said the more information the CAB has; they can do a better job of moving the process forward.

7. CAB Membership Discussion

Jacky Turchick said she is pleased that Justin Berkompas joined. She had been concerned that the CAB would not have enough members to reach a quorum. She said she has been working on asking people if they wish to remain on the CAB. She emphasized that attendance is important for voting. She said it is also important for the people who make this commitment to attend the meetings. She asked other CAB members to comment. Mark Marikos said that this reflects his view and how important a quorum is for voting. Freya Eddy suggested the CAB choose a more consistent date. The CAB said they need to have the flexibility of meeting when the reports are available.

8. CAB Outreach Reports

Jacky Turchick asked the CAB for input. Steven Turner said he speaks to people all of the time, but he says there is a lack of concern. Mark Marikos explained what happened during the installation of a replacement well at 4th and Park at the University of Arizona where water ran down Euclid. No storm sewer was nearby, so it flowed through the neighborhood and caused complaints, which was noted in a newspaper article.

9. Other Administrative Business

Eileen Palese notified the CAB that a Workshop for co-chairs will be Wednesday, May 7, at ADEQ in Phoenix. She said that if the co-chairs could not attend, then a regular member could be designated to go in their place.

10. Next Meeting Date/Agenda Discussion

The next meeting of the Park-Euclid Community Advisory Board will be held on Thursday, June 26, 2008, from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. It will be held at the State of Arizona Office Complex, 400 West Congress, North Building, Room 158, Tucson, Arizona. Call Eileen Palese, ADEQ Community Involvement Coordinator, at (520) 628-6712 for more information.

11. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 8:50 p.m.

This meeting was recorded on a digital device as a record of the proceedings. To listen to a recording, or for additional documents mentioned in these minutes, contact ADEQ's Southern Regional Office, Community Involvement Office, 520/628-6712.