

NESCAUM Monitoring and Assessment Committee Meeting
May 16-17, 2006, Hyatt Regency Newport Hotel, Newport RI

Final Agenda

May 16 – 10:00 AM to 5:15 PM (Coffee and Muffins in meeting room at 9:30)

10:00 Welcome, Introductions, etc.

10:15 State and Nescaum Updates - 5 minutes each (additional details can be in handouts)

11:30 EPA Regional Updates (Norm Beloin, Mazeeda Khan)
EPA OAQPS reorg and details

12:00 Updates on the various (2004) and new (2005 RFA) air toxics monitoring grants in R1 and R2
Phil Lorang (OAQPS): when to expect the 2006 RFP? Will there be a 2007 RFP, and how much \$?
Discuss who's thinking of submitting this round? (All)
Cr⁺⁶: method status, is it worth it? (Dirk Felton, Phil Lorang)

12:30 Lunch, on your own

1:45 Meeting and report summaries:
S/A-EPA NMSC meeting summary (C.Pietarinen/D.Felton/P.Lorang)
S/A-EPA National Monitoring Conference plans (Pete Babich); Nescaum State Presenters?
Summary of Marama speciated PM_{2.5} data report (CP)
Nescaum OWB report and industry reaction (George Allen)

2:15 Mercury News and Issues:
April 2006 Northeast Regional Mercury Science & Policy Conference Summary (A.Vanarsdale)
Mercury Trends Tekran Network Plan - NADP, CASTNET? (Dirk Felton, Phil Lorang)

3:30 Break

3:45 Issues with EPA contract-supplied FRM filters (Tom McGrath)

4:00 Exceptional event rule summary (Dirk Felton)
PM reg (NAAQS and Monitoring) package comment review summary (CP, GA)
EPA's PM-reg comment review process (Phil Lorang)
Dec 2005 "draft" of the National Air Monitoring Strategy": comment process? (GA, all)

5:15 End of day

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Agenda - Day 2

May 17 – 8:30 AM to 2:30 PM (coffee and muffins at 8:00 AM in meeting room)

- 8:30 Budget issues: short and longer term (EPA OAQPS and Regional; all).
Phil Lorang - FY07 and beyond air program budgets; network design change issue summary;
PM-monitoring regulation implementation timing (NCore gases, PM-coarse)
How much of new regulations will likely end up in court and will this delay network implementation?
ICR renewal FR notice
National Performance Audits Program and PEP?
Update on 103 and 105 grant monitoring funds from the Regional Perspective (Norm, Mazeeda)
- 10:30 Break
- 10:45 ICPMS vs. XRF for elements off of Teflon filters (Dirk Felton)
- 11:00 CASTNET-Marga and NOW-x-y-z update (George Allen, Phil Lorang)
- 11:20 Update on continuous PM monitor inter-comparisons in Canada (Tom Dann)
- 11:45 Lunch (on your own)
- 1:00 Back to basics: QA and Validation for PM and NAAQS gases (Kendall Perkins, Paul Sierzenga)
- 2:00 Review of old and new action items (Chair, all); cost of PM_{2.5} measurements questionnaire?
- 2:15 Report back to Directors Meeting (June 27-29): key topics
Next meeting (post-PM regulation promulgation): when/where:
NMC in Las Vegas, Nov 6-9
- 2:30 Adjourn