# Minutes March 19, 2013

# DRY-CLEANING SOLVENT CLEANUP ACT (DSCA) PROGRAM STAKEHOLDER WORK GROUP MEETING

## I. Welcome and Opening Remarks

Pete Doorn opened the meeting with general comments. Attendees introduced themselves and the sign-in roster was circulated. The following individuals were present:

Christopher T. Edwards A Cleaner World

Mack Davis NCALC Rob MacWilliams URS

Laura Powers

Chan Bryant

Brian Bellis

Genna Olson

Kevin Sommers

Meghan Greiner

Withers & Ravenel

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ATC Associates

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Brian Ray AECOM
Bob Wyrick AECOM
Katie Watkins AMEC
Harold Thurston AMEC

Christie Zawtocki Hart & Hickman James Joyner Solutions – IES

Jim Bateson
Pete Doorn
NC Division of Waste Management – Superfund Section
NC Division of Waste Management - DSCA Program
Delonda Alexander
NC Division of Waste Management - DSCA Program
Patrick Watters
NC Division of Waste Management - DSCA Program

Nancy Dunn NC Attorney General's Office

Tony Pendola NCDENR EAP

Lou Zeller Blue Ridge Environmental Defense League

Sam Watts S&ME

Rick Kolb Dunklee & Dunham Laura Drey Durham resident

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Pete Doorn welcomed everyone to the meeting. The minutes from the September meeting and the December update were then brought up and approved.

#### II. Staff

Jim Bateson introduced himself as the new Section Chief.

#### III. DSCA Fund Statistics

The Fund Statistics handout, current through December 2012, was passed around and briefly discussed. Mr. Doorn stated that the September through December receipts were down roughly 9% from the previous quarter primarily due to lower sales tax collections. The solvent tax revenue was down 10% for the quarter and interest was also down by 17% from the previous quarter. Disbursements have increased 300% mostly due to first quarter payment delays. Mr. Doorn also stated that the fund balance is \$13 million and we are on pace to spend \$9 million by the end of this fiscal year. Currently, \$6.5 million is encumbered with another \$4 million pending. The DSCA Annual Report has been approved and is available on the DSCA Program's website.

## IV. Site Work

Mr. Doorn updated the group on closures and indicated that DSCA has 30 closures with 3 in the public comment period and 1 that just finished the comment period. Mr. Doorn then stated that the decision on awarding the two new DSCA contracts is in the hands of the State Construction Office and the final selection will be made at the next State Building meeting. That meeting will take place on March 26<sup>th</sup>. Mr. Doorn then gave an update on Prestown Cleaners. A public information session was held in Belmont last month for residents and any other interested parties. There was a good turn out and many questions were related to the hot spot in the neighborhood and the potential for vapor intrusion. Enough data was collected prior to the meeting that indicated no vapor intrusion concerns in the neighborhoods. Also, information was provided indicating that a sewer line extends from the cleaners and passes through the neighborhood. This could be a potential cause of the hot spot and will be investigated. The City of Belmont is planning to upgrade the sewer system in this area.

Brian Ray of AECOM gave a presentation on the soil blending project at Southern Cleaners in Jacksonville.

## V. Compliance

Mr. Doorn discussed an enforcement action that was issued in February 2013, with a penalty just over \$12,000. The significant violations were failure to have spill containment for the machine and for the waste solvent storage; as well as NESHAP violations. The penalty was issued after the operator ignored repeated compliance visits and notices to comply.

## VI. Other Issues

Mr. Doorn offered to have DSCA staff attend and present at the NCALC's annual meeting in May. Mr. Doorn also indicated that DSCA will be looking for ways to expand outreach efforts. He will be looking into getting in front of realtor groups and shopping center owners. He indicated that he was open to suggestions from the group. Chris Edwards spoke about the Charlotte Breakfast Club that he has met with and Christie Zawtocki suggested the Environmental Bankers Association. A discussion ensued of other approaches for outreach. Laura Drey requested that people state their name and affiliation prior to speaking. It was decided that would be done the first time a person spoke. Laura Drey also requested that the address of the parking deck be put on the map, not just the building address. The parking deck address is 120 West Edenton Street.

## VII. Next Work Group Meeting

The next stakeholder meeting was set for Tuesday, September 17th at 10:00 am and the meeting was then adjourned.