

**Minutes**  
**September 17, 2013**

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

**I. Welcome and Opening Remarks**

Peter Doorn, Special Remediation Branch Head welcomed everyone and opened the meeting with general comments. The previous meeting minutes were approved without any comment. A sign in roster was circulated for all those in attendance. The following individuals were present:

Christopher T. Edwards	A Cleaner World
Brian Bellis	Withers & Ravenel
Rita Foley	White Star Cleaners-NCALC
Cathy Cralle Jones	Law Offices of F. Bryan Brice, Jr.
Katie Watkins	AMEC
Susan Johnson	AMEC
Brian Ray	AECOM
Laura Powers	Withers & Ravenel
Rob MacWilliams	URS
Mike Ranck	URS
Genna Olson	ATC Associates
Cate Landry	BB&T Risk Management
Sam Watts	S&ME, Inc.
Christie Zawtockki	Hart & Hickman
Timothy Klotz	Hart & Hickman
Pete Doorn	NC Division of Waste Management - DSCA Program
Delonda Alexander	NC Division of Waste Management - DSCA Program
Scott Stupak	NC Division of Waste Management - DSCA Program
Dianne Thomas	NC Division of Waste Management - DSCA Program
Billy Meyer	NC Division of Waste Management - DSCA Program
Jay King	NC Division of Waste Management - DSCA Program
Mike Cunningham	NC Division of Waste Management - DSCA Program
Al Chapman	NC Division of Waste Management - DSCA Program
Eric Swope	NC Division of Waste Management - DSCA Program
Patrick Watters	NC Division of Waste Management - DSCA Program
Tony Pendola	NC DENR – Small Business Environmental Assistance Program
Fred Miller	NCALC
Mitch Gillespie	NC DENR
Elias Ruhl	Froehling & Robertson
*Lou Zeller	BREDL

\*participated via phone

## **II. Staff**

The DSCA Compliance Group has a vacant inspector position that we expect to be posted in the near future. This individual will be responsible for inspecting operating drycleaners for compliance with Minimum Management Practices. To help improve our educational outreach and compliance assistance efforts, the program hopes to hire a Korean speaking inspector to better assist the Korean dry-cleaning community across the State.

## **III. Fund Statistics**

A DSCA Fund Statistics handout was provided to all attendees. The fund balance currently stands at \$11,433,752 with \$6,054,168 of that encumbered in contracts. A considerable amount of the fund was spent on clean-ups, as well as indoor air vapor mitigation projects and waterline connections.

## **IV. Site Work**

Great progress has been made on site closures. Three additional NFAs were issued – Carolina Cleaners in Chapel Hill, Ho Cleaners in Matthews, and the former American Dry Cleaning Company in Charlotte. We expect an NFA to be issued for \$2.50 Krystal Cleaners in the coming months. Risk Management Plans are out for public comment for Medlin-Davis at Kidds Hill Plaza in Raleigh and for Columbia Cleaners in Greensboro. Check the DSCA website ([www.ncdsca.org](http://www.ncdsca.org)) for public notices and a list of No Further Action determinations.

In line with department and division customer service initiatives, the program is continuing its efforts to provide the public with site location information and site records. Scott Stupak (DSCA Project Manager) provided the attendees an overview and demonstration of the DSCA website location map (<http://portal.ncdenr.org/web/wm/dsca/map>). In an effort to make public access to site information easier, DSCA site reports have been uploaded into a document management system accessible through the internet via CARA<sup>3</sup> (<https://edm.nc.gov/DENR-Portal/>). Instructions on using CARA<sup>3</sup> are available on the DSCA webpage.

Christy Zawtocky of Hart & Hickman gave a presentation about soil remedies at two DSCA sites where the remedial actions were driven by different risks. The soil remediation at Hollywood Cleaner site in Durham was driven by vapor intrusion risks. Contaminated soil beneath the building floor was excavated to remove the source of vapors threatening the indoor air. Following the indoor excavation, a passive venting system was installed at the top of the backfill and beneath the building's new interior floor slab to divert vapors to the outside air before they enter the indoor air. The soil remediation at A Cleaners in Charlotte was driven by an unstable contaminate plume in conjunction with down-gradient water supply wells and to protect against future vapor intrusion risks. The surficial soils were excavated and characterized for disposal, while deeper contaminated soil was treated by a process called soil blending which included mixing soil with chemical oxidants for treatment, and Portland cement for subgrade stability. A copy of the presentation is located at (<http://portal.ncdenr.org/web/wm/dsca-stakeholder-work-group>) .

## **V. Compliance**

Eric Swope, DSCA Compliance Unit Supervisor, indicated that 299 dry-cleaners were inspected from January through September 2013. Notices of Violation were issued to 49 facilities during this period. Of that, 16 facilities were recommended for enforcement and two facilities were actually enforced on and assessed civil penalties for continued violations. It was also noted that 393 dry-cleaning facilities were using PCE in during 2013, and that number is expected to decline during 2014.

## **VI. Other Issues**

Several members of the group suggested that additional efforts should be made to expand public outreach and increase participation. This would include meetings with environmental clubs with diverse membership, municipal entities, and government departments to provide good feed-back and interaction. Continued development of the DSCA website will also be very useful in communicating the Program's benefits.

## **VII. Next Working Group Meeting**

The next stakeholder meeting was set for Tuesday, March 11<sup>\*</sup>, 2014 at 10:00 am.

*\* Due to room limited room availability, the next meeting is scheduled for:*

***March 12, 2014 at 10:00 am***