# Dry-Cleaning Solvent Cleanup Act (DSCA) Program Stakeholder Update December 2014

The following DSCA Program Stakeholder Work Group update covers October-December 2014.

Meeting Minutes

The September 16, 2014 Stakeholder meeting minutes are located on the DSCA website at <a href="www.ncdsca.org">www.ncdsca.org</a>, under the DSCA Stakeholder Work Group link. If you have corrections or comments, please email Pete Doorn at <a href="mailto:peter.doorn@ncdenr.gov">peter.doorn@ncdenr.gov</a>.

Staffing News

The DSCA Program has had no staffing changes this quarter; however we have had the following noteworthy accomplishments among the program staff:

Eric Swope, Compliance Unit Supervisor, completed the State's Certified Public Managers Program which includes an intensive 14-month curriculum. On October 6<sup>th</sup>, 2014, a ceremony was held for this class of graduates and was attended by the Secretaries of DENR, DOT, DPS, DOL, and others. Candidates are nominated by their Department and each participant develops and implements a project designed to measurably improve the quality of service in the participants work unit.

The DSCA Remediation Unit was recognized during this year's Division of Waste Management Employee Recognition Event in October. The Remediation Unit staff received the Team Award. In addition, Delonda Alexander, the Remediation Unit Supervisor was one of four nominees for employee of the year at DWM's Employee Recognition Event.

#### Fund Statistics

A summary of the fund statistics for July 1, 2014 through September 30, 2014 is available on the DSCA website at <a href="www.ncdsca.org">www.ncdsca.org</a>, under the DSCA Stakeholder Work Group link. Fund receipts for the first quarter of FY 2014-15 (July 2014 – September 2014) were \$2,026,008.08, while disbursements for the same period were \$2,728,675.48. As of December 23, 2014, the DSCA Fund balance is \$7,680,363.77, with \$1,810,647.42 encumbered in environmental engineering contracts, with additional encumbrances pending.

Regulatory Issues Affecting DSCA

Rules Review

As part of the Administrative Procedures Act (G.S. 150B-21.3A), each Agency is required to review their rules at least once every 10 years following the procedures described in

the Act. The DSCA Program rules (15A NCAC 02S) are currently going through this review process. On November 12, 2014, DSCA went before the Ground Water Committee of the Environmental Management Commission (EMC) to report that no public comments on the agencies initial determinations had been received during the 60-day comment period. At the EMC's meeting on January 8, 2015, DSCA will request approval of the Rules Review Report for submission to the Rules Review Commission in February 2015.

## Remediation Program

#### Closures

Since the September 16, 2014 Stakeholder meeting, three additional clean-up sites were granted "No Further Action" (NFA) status, bringing the total number of closed DSCA sites to 47. The latest NFA letters were issued for Knightdale Cleaners in Raleigh (DC920009), Rainbow Cleaners in Raleigh (DC920003), and Shore's Cleaners in Winston-Salem (DC340002). A complete list of closed DSCA clean-up sites can be found at <a href="https://www.ncdsca.org">www.ncdsca.org</a>, under DSCA Active Dry-cleaning and Remediation Site Inventories.

An additional 32 DSCA sites are undergoing preparations for closure, which include a detailed human health risk assessment, preparation of a site-wide risk management plan, and a period to solicit and collect public comments on the site management strategy. Sites that are in public comment can be found at <a href="www.ncdsca.org">www.ncdsca.org</a>, under the link for Public Notices and Announcements.

### Vapor Intrusion

The Division of Waste Management's Vapor Intrusion Guidance Document has been finalized and posted on the DWM website at <a href="http://portal.ncdenr.org/web/wm/dwm-new-vapor-guidance">http://portal.ncdenr.org/web/wm/dwm-new-vapor-guidance</a>. The document provides guidance for environmental professionals and internal staff to assist in the investigation and evaluation of vapor intrusion at contaminated sites.

At the 40<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of the Association of State and Territorial Solid Waste Management Officials (ASTSWMO) in Reston VA, Pete Doorn gave presentations about the development of the NC Drycleaning Solvent Cleanup Act (DSCA) Program and on the DSCA Program's vapor intrusion studies. ASTSWMO invited member states of the State Coalition for the Remediation of Dry-cleaners (SCRD) to present issues related to dry-cleaning contamination.

#### Next Stakeholder Work Group Meeting

The next meeting is scheduled for **10:00 am** on <u>Tuesday, March 10<sup>th</sup>, 2015</u>, in the 1<sup>st</sup> Floor Training Room in the DENR Green Square Building located at 217 West Jones Street in Raleigh. An agenda will be made available prior to the March meeting.