

Summary Minutes of the
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)
Advisory Council on Clean Air Compliance Analysis
Public Teleconference
May 24, 2005

Council Members:

Dr. Trudy Cameron, Council Chair
Dr. Charles T. Driscoll, Ecological Effects Subcommittee (EES)Chair
Ms. Lauraine Chestnut
Dr. Chris Walcek
Dr. Wayne Gray
Dr. V. Kerry Smith
Dr. James K. Hammitt

Ecological Effects Subcommittee Member:

Mr. Keith Harrison

Date and Time: 2:00pm – 4:00pm, 5-24-05

Location: teleconference

Purpose: The purpose of this meeting was to discuss the EES Draft Advisory posted at: http://www.epa.gov/sab/pdf/ees_3-3-05_draft_advisory.pdf

SAB Staff: Dr. Holly Stallworth, Designated Federal Officer

Other EPA Staff: Jim DeMocker (OAR), Anne Rea (OAQPS), Matt Heberling (NCEA)

Other: Maura Flight, Industrial Economics Inc.(IEc)
Jim Neumann, IEc.

Meeting Summary

The discussion followed the issues and general timing as presented in the meeting agenda.

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Dr. Holly Stallworth, Designated Federal Officer (DFO) for the Advisory Council on Clean Air Compliance Analysis, opened the meeting. Dr. Trudy Cameron, Council Chair, reviewed the agenda.

Dr. Charles Driscoll, Chair of the Ecological Effects Subcommittee, presented a brief synopsis of the EES Draft Advisory. One Council member pointed out some measurements of land area in the Advisory may need to be checked. Another Council member asked about whether the EES was concerned with the availability of economic data. Council members discussed the tradeoff between choosing a case study with the best ecological information versus a case study that would lend itself to economic benefits assessment. Council members also debated whether the Council needed to be more specific in its advice to EPA on which particular case study would be best for assessment the economic benefits of air pollution controls. A suggestion was made to put any additional advice in the transmittal letter to the Administrator. The Chair volunteered to draft this transmittal letter and share it for comment.

Mr. Jim Democker of the Office of Air and Radiation (OAR) briefed the Council on the expected progress of the forthcoming *Second Prospective Analysis*. Since the 812 Team expected to have the emissions inventory and cost projections completed in the early fall, Mr. Democker said the Council and its Air Quality Modelling Subcommittee might get involved at that point, possibly in October or November. Mr. Democker also raised the possibility of having the Council look at OAR's decisions on particular analytic choices, e.g. the role of computable general equilibrium modeling, choice of discount rate, and regulatory specifications. Members discussed whether teleconferences or a face-to-face meeting would be appropriate for this forthcoming review.

Respectfully Submitted:

/s/

Holly Stallworth, Designated Federal Officer

Certified as True:

/s/

Trudy Cameron
Chair

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