



## Clean Cities Coalition

### Minutes of July 22, 2009, Clean Cities Meeting

#### **Committee Members Present**

Bonnie Light, American Lung Association  
Andrew Heath, American Solar Hydrogen Inc.  
Marc Lappitt, Amphi School District  
Jack Haenichen, AZ Dept. of Commerce  
Ken Green, AZ Petroleum  
Jerry Kachenko, AZ Petroleum  
Larry Boch, Auto Safety House  
Kevin Callahan, Auto Safety House  
Bud Countryman, Auto Safety House  
Rhett Crowninshield, Clean Energy  
Colin Reed, ECOtality, Inc. (via conf. call)  
Blake Littauer, Clean Energy  
Stacey Sires, EDG Group  
Sara Hummel Rajca, Gabrielle Giffords Office  
Hal Burlingame, Green Fleets  
Michael Guymon, MPA  
Gina Murphy-Darling, Mrs. Green Goes Mainstream  
Keath Beifus, Pickens Plan  
Chris Walker, Pinal Energy/PetroAlgae  
Rick Reynolds, Reynolds Logistics  
Mark Cardenas, Reynolds Logistics  
Richard Cayer, City of Sierra Vista  
Mike Scott, TPG Altech-Eco  
Keven Birck, Triad Lubrication LLC  
Jennifer Cox, TEP  
Tom Amparano, UA

#### **Jurisdiction Representatives**

James Seeds, City of Tucson  
Vaughn Croft, Pima County  
Vincent Lorefice, Town of Marana

#### **Staff**

Colleen Crowninshield  
Zonia Kelley

#### **Public/Agencies**

Chris Bradley, AbTech Industries  
Amayea Maat, Beyond Bus Solutions  
Les VanDyk, Club Car Inc.  
Jerry Walker, Club Car Inc.  
Rene Piña, Olsa Ag/ESP  
Sue Livingston, Tanque Verde School District

#### **1. Call to Order and Introductions**

The meeting was called to order by Marc Lappitt at 2:03 p.m. and introductions were made.

#### **2. In-Kind Form**

In-kind form was routed among attendees.

#### **3. Approval of Minutes of May 20, 2009**

**Motion was made by Hal Burlingame to approve the minutes of May 20, 2009, seconded by Larry Boch, and approved unanimously.**

**4. Presentation by Ms. Debra Johnson, Eco-Edge, Achieving Economic and Environmental Sustainability – How you can make fleet and industrial operations cleaner and greener.**

Debra Johnson, Eco-Edge, presented Achieving Profitable and Sustainable Fleet Operations. Eco-Edge works with fleets and industrial operations to increase profits and reduce environmental impact. They mainly work with innovative technologies and some compliance technologies like DPS and DOC's but the focus is innovative solutions that are eco-efficient.

For more information please visit:

<http://www.pagnet.org/Committees/EnvironmentEPAC/CleanCitiesCoalition/AgendasMinutesandPresentations/tabid/538/Default.aspx>

**5. Presentation by Mr. Chris Bradley, AbTech, on the SmartSponge – Sponsored by Auto Safety House.**

Chris Bradley, AbTech, presented to the coalition on the benefits of using a SmartSponge. AbTech focuses on clean water and had worked mainly with stormwater applications. They are now working with Auto Safety with the fleet environment. AbTech is an environmental company and the project they manufacture is the SmartSponge. The SmartSponge is a polymer technology that is chemically selective toward hydro carbons. When it comes in contact with oil, fuels, grease etc. it readily absorbs it into the structure itself. The EPA does recognize this product as a Best Management Practice (BMP). Mr. Bradley gave a demonstration of the product to the Coalition.

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**6. Staff Updates, Handouts and Announcements**

Colleen Crowninshield wanted to mention a few items that are not listed below. The waiver, which has been in the process for over two years, from EPA to add E85 fueling sites to the Phoenix Metro area is for stage 2 vapor recovery. There are 17 sites in the Phoenix Metro area that are eager to open E85 fuel stations without stage 2 vapor recovery which adds a significant amount to the cost of adding E85 fuel.

Colleen Crowninshield informed the Coalition that Clean Energy has opened a new CNG station in Tucson. The station located at Campbell and Winsett (near Broadway) is now open for CNG. There will be a grand opening in October, but you can get CNG there now.

Colleen Crowninshield also mentioned that Springboard Bio-Diesel is looking for a local distributor; if anyone is interested in that please contact Colleen for information. They are looking for a retailer in Arizona to distribute their product.

- a) New Members: The Prospecting Group, Verdek LLC, American Solar Hydrogen, and Metro Pima Alliance.
- b) United Soybean Board Outreach/Education Grant is continuing. Colleen is working with TUSD to put bio-based clean products at a TUSD school. Colleen will keep the group informed as more information is developed.  
The new Coolidge E85 site will have its grand opening on July 31. They will be offering E85 gasoline for 85 minutes for 85 cents from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. The event should be very popular considering the price of E-85 is currently between \$1.85 to \$2.29 a gallon.
- c) GM's decision to discontinue the Governors Ethanol Coalition Program: The promotional Chevy Avalanche that the Clean Cities program manager, Colleen Crowninshield, has been driving will no longer be available.
- d) Solar Partnership - updates - no updates at this time.
- e) Clean Cities Annual Report continues to be available.
- f) Nissan North America – updates on funding; should have some information at the next Clean Cities meeting.
- g) New Energy Program Web pages: The Clean Cities Web site is being modified and will no longer be part of the Environmental program area at PAG. A new Energy Program is being developed and Clean Cities and Solar Partnership will be a part of the Energy Program.

Clean Cities will be doing some outreach during the next year. Clean Cities will be on the Mrs. Green Goes Mainstream radio show each week. If there are any Coalition members who would like to join in some outreach please let Colleen know as soon as possible.

## **7. Adjournment**

Gina Murphy-Darling moved to adjourn the meeting at 3:35 p.m. Larry Boch seconded the motion and it unanimously passed.