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GIEC Steering Committee Meeting

January 15, 1997

Those Present:

Ray Osborne

Jim Baker

Larry Bradbury

Jim Burson

Danny Duggar

Paul Sims

Terry Snell

Russ Schlecht

Larry Neal

Leonard Ledbetter

Candy Ross

Russ Schlecht convened the meeting at 8:33 a.m. Russ asked Chairperson Ray Osborne for any opening remarks. Mr. Osborne welcomed the group and thanked them for their attendance and work for GIEC.

A motion was made and unanimously approved to accept the August 27th meeting minutes.

Russ Schlecht called on Larry Bradbury for a workgroup update on the EPD/Industry Interaction. Mr. Bradbury noted due to scheduling conflicts, there were no updates. However, he noted we need to regain our momentum with EPD. After some discussion, Ray Osborne agreed he would give David Word a call and ask for a copy of the Performance Partnership Agreement. Also, it was suggested that another industry representative be designated to assist Larry and that Russ Schlecht provide support to the workgroup behind the scenes, as needed.

Russ Schlecht then called on Jim Burson for the Air Workgroup report. Mr. Burson reported to the group the air group had been reorganized within the state. He informed the group that PSD is a major issue. MACT decision is expected late March or early April. Mr. Burson will send the GIEC office a copy of the new EPD organization for the air staff. The Title V permit was discussed. We need to communicate this information to the general membership. Mr. Burson will ask David Orr to send issues for a Flash Bulletin to be issued to the membership.

Mr. Burson brought the possible need for a Water Quality Workgroup before the committee.. Specifically, the recently issued Georgia Water Quality rules changes regarding TMDLs for river basin was discussed.. He noted, that EPD would issue standards for the Chattahoochee River before June 27th. The other river basins are scheduled to be completed by the year 2000. Further discussion of the need for Water Quality Workgroup was tabled until the discussion of the 1997 goals for GIEC later in the meeting.

Russ Schlecht asked Terry Snell to update the committee on the RCRA Workgroup activities. He reported the RCRA Corrective Action for SWMUS guidance document was final on November 3rd. GIEC's comments to the draft had no impact. It was agreed that this issue needed to be discussed with David Word. GIEC provided a service to EPD and it wasn't used. It was discussed that outside for us often play a part of EPD's decision making process. Terry informed the committee that he will be attending a RCRA Correction Action seminar in Washington, D.C. and will send information to the general membership upon his return.

Russ Schlecht called on Paul Sims for a HSRA Workgroup update. Paul gave an overview of the activities that have occurred since the last Steering Committee Meeting. Those were:
workgroup met and decided to hire an expert for information and support of the lead rule. Proposals were submitted by Gradient Corporation, PTI, and Chem-Risk. Gradient was selected. A workshop was held for GIEC members on October 8th with Gradient educating the group on the Bowers Model. On October 9th a session was held with selected GIEC members, EPD and a Region IV representative from EPA. The workgroup held a conference on October 14th and it was agreed the seminar/workshop was beneficial. EPA sponsored a conference on the IEUBK model in Chapel Hill, North Carolina. GIEC asked if representatives could attend and observe. EPA granted the request. Ray Osborne and Larry Neal attended the conference. EPD needs time to evaluate information received at EPA's conference and, as a result, things seem to be moving slowly. Ray Osborne gave the group some detail information on a conversation with David Word. The workshop issue was how to validate (IEUBK - EPA Model). The Bowers Model, O'Flaherty Model (which is the best state of the art model). Larry Neal reported that EPD met on January to make a decision on adopting some version. He understands they will be meeting again on January 13. Lead in ground-water in Georgia has some problems. Mr. Neal noted a three dimension model set-up. Dillution, attenuation and contamination getting 8 80-90

analysis of dilution attenuation. Larry Bradbury told the group of the Herndon Home testing that was taking place. The Sommers and Help models were being used for this testing.

Russ Schlecht gave a financial updated on the year ending 1995-96. He noted since the fiscal year end changed an extra month of expenses was incurred. He updated the group on the projected 1996-97 budget. Some discussion occurred and questions were addressed.. Mr. Schlecht informed the group that the tax form had been prepared, reviewed by Ray Osborne and himself and mailed to the IRS for the January 15th deadline.

Membership dues were discussed. Mr. Schlecht noted three members remain unpaid. It was asked if reminders had been sent. Assistant Candy Ross noted they had been (12/2/96). Larry Neal suggested sending the same letter sent to Union Carbide in 1995-96 to them again this year. The membership recruiting list was then discussed. It was noted some potential members did not have an assigned GIEC person to be the contact. After discussion, the group decided to each invite one of the potential members to the Annual Meeting as their guests. Further membership information was tabled until the strategy discussion later in the meeting.

The Annual Meeting was discussed by Russ Schlecht. He noted that it might be convenient for four members make the meeting coincide with the Georgia Water Pollution Control Association Conference in March. The dates for the conference are March 25-26. He informed the group that GIEC would have an exhibit at the conference and would again be a co-sponsor for the conference. Mr. Bradbury asked that we table this discussion until the strategy of GIEC was held later in the meeting.

Russ Schlecht reported on upcoming events. The Georgia Water Pollution Control Conference on March 25-26, 1997 in Gwinnett County. It was noted that a large number of industry normally attend this conference.

Larry Bradbury asked the status of BFI membership. Candy Ross noted several conversations with Mr. Lamberton. BFI has a new contact and Mr. Bradbury will be speaking with that person and ask the status of their interest in becoming a member.

The group discussed how to obtain more members. After considerable discussion, a motion was made for each member to invite a potential member to the annual meeting. The motion was seconded.

The discussion then turned to the question of where is GIEC going and what goals should be set for 1997?

Future issues for the Air Workgroup were discussed. Ozone and particulates are now an issue with the National Chamber of Commerce. It was decided that GIEC would not get involved in these issues other than to keep the membership informed.

Jim Burson told the group that water is becoming a big issue. He will gather more information. The possibility of the need for a Water Quality Workgroup exists and it was noted that someone would have to take the lead as Chairperson of the workgroup. Larry Bradbury made a motion that if the interest was there for a Water Quality Workgroup it be formed within GIEC. The motion was seconded by Terry Snell and approved by the Steering Committee.

For the RCRA Workgroup, it was decided to poll the membership to see what other issues are of interest aside from Subpart S. We would also ask for the membership to keep the workgroup informed on their experiences with EPD and the new correction action process.

The HSRA Workgroup plan to have a meeting in the near future. Ray Osborne will talk with David Word and ask for the meetings previously planned to have an exchange ideas. Comments need to be carried to EPD from the past.

There was discussion on possibly inviting the Dry Cleaning Association to become a member. It was decided no to pursue this issue.

The Annual Meeting was further discussed. The group agreed if it could be arranged to have the day before rather than the day after the Georgia Water Pollution Control Association Conference. It was strongly expressed that we need a good speaker for the meeting. We need to briefly discuss the past activities of GIEC have brief workgroup updates but focus more on the future plans for GIEC. Round table discussions on selected environmental issues may be a good

forum for information exchange. We need to let potential members know what we can offer them.

The group feels GIEC is at a crossroad, but it was agreed that we need to continue the organization.

It was discussed to possibly put GIEC on the Internet with a Home Page. Russ Schlecht will investigate this request.

There being no further discussion, the meeting was adjourned at 1:43 p.m.