

Minutes
Environmental Protection Committee
Middle Georgia State College
Professional Sciences Conference Center
Room 211
100 College Station Drive
Macon, GA 31206

May 20, 2015

Attending:

Committee Members

William Bagwell, Chairman
Dwight Evans, Vice Chairman
Walter Hudson
Phyllis Johnson
Rob Leebern
Aaron McWhorter
Mike Phelps
Ray Lambert, Jr., Board Chair, ex-officio

Board Members

Nancy Addison
Duncan Johnson, Jr.
Mark Mobley
Paul Shailendra
Bodine Sinyard
Brother Stewart
Philip Wilheit
Dee Yancey

Visitors

Chris Manganiello, Georgia River Network
Ronny Just, Georgia Power
Andrew Schock, The Conservation Fund
Matthew Smith, Georgia Farm Bureau
Alex Bradford, Georgia Farm Bureau

Staff Members

Mark Williams
Trip Addison
Walter Rabon
Dave Crass
Dan Forster
Eddie Henderson
Becky Kelley
Spud Woodward
Steve Friedman
Kyle Pearson
Mary Kathryn Yearta
Cathy Barnette
Taylor Brown
Zachary Harris
Doralyn Kirkland
Terry West
John Martin
John Bowers
Keith Bentley
Jeff Weaver
Thomas Barnard

The May 20, 2015 meeting of the Environmental Protection Committee was called to order by Chairman Ray Lambert.

Chairman Lambert called on William Bagwell, Chairman of the Environmental Protection Committee, who called on Keith Bentley, Chief of the Air Protection Branch, to present the proposed amendments to the Rules for Air Quality Control, Chapter 391-3-1, pertaining to permit fees.

Mr. Bentley stated the Permit Fee provision is being revised to specify the dollar-per-ton rate and reference the fee manual for Calendar Year 2014 fees. He further stated the dollar-per-ton rates remain the same as the previous year at \$37.34 for coal-fired power plants and \$35.50/ton for all other facilities. He added all other aspects of the fee manual remain unchanged from the previous year.

Mr. Bentley stated the Board was briefed on the proposed amendments in March and a public hearing was held in April. He further stated the public comment period ended April 29, 2015 and no comments were received for the rule revision.

Mr. Bentley stated he would request the Committee recommend that the Board approve this item as presented.

Ms. Addison will be recusing herself from all EPD related matters for this meeting and all future meetings.

A motion was made by Mr. Evans, seconded by Mr. McWhorter and carried unanimously that the Committee recommend that the Board adopt the Resolution to approve the proposed amendments to the Rules for Air Quality Control, Chapter 391-3-1, pertaining to permit fees, as presented.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.