

P2 Roundtable Teleconference

May 25, 2006

Action item

Previous Items and Status

- Javier to discuss with RCC that there was no source reduction included in proposal
 - Javier will discuss with Melissa Gaylon. They will link to and from the P2Rx center.
- Dianne to look at industries in Oklahoma
 - Dropped, no action on this

New Action Items

- Thomas to mail rough version of measurement guidance manual to Susan, Javier and David Greer, Anyone
- Michelle will finalize the Charter Statements (Vision, Goals, Operating Principles)
- What are outcomes of roundtable? Thomas to send expected outcomes by June 7. (included in minutes)
- TV to e-mail MVP2 Nomination details
- Thomas will contact Lisa Price and 214-665-6744

Participants

Javier Ballf – EPA Region 6

Annette Smith – EPA Region 6

Pierre Lichaa – TCEQ

David James – TCEQ

Chris Wiley – WERC

Audree Miller – ADEQ

Susan Roothaan – Nurtured World

Thomas Vinson-Peng – Zero Waste (minute taker)

The roundtable discussed various logistical issues for the August roundtable. They committed to doing strategic planning as a region to achieve the following outcomes:

- Define regional priorities for possible inclusion in regional PPG and Source Reduction grants

- Identify projects where we can work together as a region to get the most from resources we have
- Use each other to gain financial and internal (Agency) support for participants.
- Identify external factors which may affect our work
- Finalize our vision and mission, and identify the first steps (projects) that will get us to the mission.

State Updates

EPA

Seven proposals received for the Pollution Prevention Grant

- ADEQ
- Lamar Univ
- NMED
- ODEQ
- Southwest Network for Zero Waste
- TCEQ
- TMAC

Total amount requested was \$642,982 Region 6 has \$394,100 available.

ADEQ

Work during the last month has been on developing ADEQ's EMS documentation: writing the management plans and establishing operational controls for each significant aspect; assigning responsibility for the collection and management of data, putting the data into graphs, reports, and even photographs; meetings to evaluate the bids for a new comprehensive recycling contract; meeting with the various EMS task groups; searching for legal requirements that relate to the significant aspects; working with the Public Outreach and Assistance Division to produce signs and electronic artwork for the EMS.

Audree attended a one-day U.S. Green Building Council (USGBC) LEED (Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design) certification training at the Heifer International headquarters. She also attended a meeting with the architects, construction company representatives, and consultants for the new building to discuss LEED points. She is looking for a way to compost the sheetrock scraps from the new building. She's working with the Recycling and Market Development branch of the Solid Waste Division. It is worth a LEED point if they can recycle the sheetrock scraps. Currently, no one is doing this in Arkansas.

New Mexico

- Michelle and Chris conducted a preliminary waste assessment at a defense contractor facility recently and were able to make some recommendations regarding water conservation and spray paint use.
- NMED and WERC will be presenting the pollution prevention/EMS class at the Ciudad Juárez Maquiladoras Association on June 30
- Waste assessments will continue at NM hospitals during June as a result of our H2E trainings
- WERC will be hosting the inaugural meeting of the NM Healthcare Environmental Advisory Council on June 22 as a direct follow-up to our H2E work in NM
- Michelle continues to work with a video production company on her P2/Green Zia video featuring facilities in Santa Fe and ABQ
- She is also continuing her recruitment of Green Zia applicants

Texas

Since January 2006 the following has been completed by TCEQ/UTB under the EPA Border Grant:

A) Three EMS workshops, two targeting manufacturing, government, education etc and one was on Stormwater.

B) Eight Site Assistance Visits, seven in the Lower Rio Grande Valley and one in Matamoros, Mexico

C) Five more border industries have demonstrated interest in our SAV program. Pierre was invited to participate in the October WRPPN's Conference where US-Mexico P2 and other initiatives will be discussed. Pierre will attend the conference depending on availability of travel funds.

Zero Waste

Thomas gave a presentation that made the connection between Lean Manufacturing and Environmental Protection at the May 2006 Manufacturing Extension Partnership (MEP) Conference. About two dozen engineers who routinely advise industry were in attendance. While there Thomas explored projects that would tie P2 programs to MEP's. He also received training on strategic planning. During the training he outlined a series of exercises for the August Strategic Planning Session in Little Rock.

Denzil Smith, the Zero Waste Webmaster, worked with the P2Rx web group during their annual meeting to incorporate changes to the website that will tighten our ability to share information on a national level. Zero Waste hosted the conference in Austin, arranged for logistics and coordinated user testing of P2Rx products by getting feedback from environmental professionals with TCEQ and the City of Austin Pretreatment Program.

