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MEETING MINUTES¹

Meeting Date: October 23, 2003
Meeting Time: 1:30 P.M.
Meeting Place: State House, 200 W. Washington St., Room 130
Meeting City: Indianapolis, Indiana
Meeting Number: 1

Members Present: Sen. Beverly Gard, Chairperson; Sen. Lindel Hume.

Members Absent: Rep. Ron Herrell; Rep. Cleo Duncan.

Senator Gard called the meeting to order at 1:40 p.m.

Jim Mahern, IDEM, presented a report (Handout #1) on the status of the IDEM Compliance and Technical Assistance Program (CTAP) under the Office of Pollution Prevention and Technical Assistance. The goals of CTAP are to assist regulated entities in achieving compliance and to promote cooperation between IDEM and regulated entities.

Mr. Mahern provided the panel:

1. A CTAP report (Handout #2)
2. A CTAP pamphlet (Handout #3)

Mr. Mahern discussed the status of CTAP, including services offered, future expansions of outreach and assistance, the number and nature of small business assistance contacts,

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CTAP staffing, and use of CTAP services by business sector, by county, and by contact type. Strict procedures are in place for prevention of disclosure of the identity of a participating business, including a restriction against IDEM departments other than CTAP from accessing the computer data base. CTAP has received positive feedback from its customer satisfaction survey. The program serves mostly small businesses, and the primary area of assistance is pollution prevention and recycling. Through a new site visit survey program, CTAP has cataloged potential compliance problems discovered and addressed and pollution prevention activities implemented based on CTAP recommendations.

Marc Hancock, IDEM, addressed activities under a recently completed memorandum of understanding between the Clean Manufacturing Technology Institute and the Small Business Assistance Program. The activities targeted certain business sectors with educational presentations and brochures and on-site technical assistance visits, and included follow-up to assess the effectiveness of assistance.

Karen Teliha, IDEM, addressed a proposed memorandum of understanding between the Clean Manufacturing Technology Institute and the Small Business Assistance Program for an additional term of two years. The project will cover almost six hundred facilities in certain business sectors, and will require on-site visits and follow-up.

In response to a questions from the panel, the presenters discussed how CTAP targets certain industries and geographic areas, the adequacy of staffing levels, and the actions taken when either voluntary or involuntary noncompliance is discovered through the program. Senator Gard suggested that cooperation between CTAP and the Purdue University Technical Assistance Program could be beneficial.

Senator Gard and Senator Hume expressed interest in legislation to have the Environmental Quality Service Council act as the Air Pollution Compliance Advisory Panel, or to make the Panel a subcommittee of the EQSC.

Senator Gard adjourned the meeting at 2:40 p.m.