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**MINUTES OF SWANA CALIFORNIA LEGISLATIVE
TASK FORCE TELEPHONE MEETING**

October 2, 2008

By: Mark Urquhart, Secretary

The Legislative Task Force (LTF) telephone meeting started at about 9:00 AM. A quorum was not present as there were only seven voting members present, including alternates. A list of people that participated is in Attachment A. The agenda is Attachment B. The items from the agenda below were not all discussed in the order listed.

I. BUSINESS ITEMS AND LTF ACTIVITIES

Approval of Minutes from Sept 4, 2008 LTF Telephone Meeting

A quorum was not available on the call and therefore the minutes were carried over to the next meeting.

Next Meeting Date

The next meeting will be the annual workshop on November 13 and 14, 2008 in Monterey.

Treasurer's Reports for August

Nancy Ewert not on the call and therefore the treasurer's report was carried over to the next meeting.

Annual LTF Workshop

Heidi Sanborne (Executive Director of Product Stewardship Council) will not be available to attend and speak at the LTF annual workshop regarding product stewardship. Mike Mohajer said that the Council plans to introduce legislation simultaneously in California, Oregon, and Washington states. It was discussed that language is not available yet. Allison Hudson said she will attend the LTF annual workshop and make a presentation on the issue. She is a member of the council as her agency, San Joaquin County, is one of the founding members.

II. LEGISLATIVE MATTERS

Priority Legislation

Tressa Wallace discussed that AB501 was vetoed by governor because he believed it was too limited to be efficient and the costs of implementation are not shared among stakeholders. She said that SB1972 regarding plastic bags, which the LTF was opposed, was signed by the governor. Even though the governor vetoed a record number of bills, in general he signed other bills that LTF was in favor of. She discussed that Paul Yoder is believes that for next year that best defense will be a good offense. This would entail that the LTF will be defining measures that the LTF supports or opposes to the legislature in a proactive manner.

III. REGULATORY MATTERS

CIWMB Landfill Gas Update

Larry Sweetser discussed the landfill gas probe issue. There was discussion that the CIWMB will be strict in the probe networks, even though there are unusual cases and flexibility allowed in the regulations to use judgment in applying prescriptive standards. It was decided to send examples of CIWMB disapprovals of what landfill owners feel are appropriate site specific flexibility requests to Larry Sweetser. The LTF may take this issue up with the CIWMB staff.

CARB Landfill Methane Capture

There was a workshop in September and one (probably the last one prior to rulemaking) planned for October. This will probably be followed by the 45-day rulemaking comment period. CARB staff appears to be flexible to expanding the originally proposed 25-foot spacing to 100 feet. Some options, including 500 ppm rather than a 200 ppm threshold limit, are being considered at this time. Larry Sweetser mentioned that Californians Against Waste is opposed to reducing the original draft language regarding 200 ppm threshold limit and the 25-foot spacing elements.

IV. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned about 11:25 AM.

**ATTENDANCE LIST
SWANA LEGISLATIVE TASK FORCE PHONE MEETING
OCTOBER 2, 2008**

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2008 SWANA ANNUAL WORKSHOP AGENDA
Embassy Suites, Monterey

FRIDAY, November 14th

- 8:00 am – 9:00 am** Settling in—coffee served (Laguna Grande Room, Section E and F)
- 9:00 am – 10:00 am** Regular Legislative Task Force Business
- Welcome & Introductions
 - Approval of Minutes (Attachment)
 - Approval of Treasurer’s Report (Attachment)
 - Proposed 2009 Budget (Attachment)
 - 2009 Western Symposium
 - Election of Officers for 2009
 - 2009 Meeting Schedule
 - Other
- 10:00 am – 11:00 am** Review of 2008 Legislation
- 11:00 am – 12:00 pm** Review of 2008 Regulations
- 12:00 pm – 1:00 pm** Lunch (Laguna Grande Room, Section G)
- 1:00 pm – 3:15 pm** Product Stewardship Presentation/Review Mission Statement / Identify Priorities/Outreach to CA Chapters’ Members
- 3:15 pm – 3:30 pm** Break
- 3:30 pm – 5:00 pm** Prioritization of Issues/2009 Work Plan
- 7:00 pm** Dinner

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SATURDAY, November 15th

- 8:30 am – 9:00 am** Settling in—coffee served (Laguna Grande Room, Section E and F)
- 9:00 am – 10:00 am** Prioritization of Issues/2009 Work Plan
- 10:00 am – 10:15 am** Break
- 10:15 am – 12:00 pm** Finalize 2009 Work Plan
- Noon** Adjournment