**NSC Technical Subcommittee Call Minutes – August 17, 2021**

**Participation [by regions]:**

2: Ed Bakos - **NJ**

3: Jeremy Hancher, Lee Ann Briggs, Carrie Wintersteen, Luke Hershey – **PA**

4: Donovan Grimwood, Crystal Warren – **TN**, Trayce Moore-Thomas – **MS,** Tony Pendola - **NC**

5: Jennifer Feyerherm, Renee Bashel, Lisa Ashenbrenner-Hunt– **WI**; Emily Ohde & Jennifer Theodore – **MN**, Mark Stoddar, Jennifer Collins, Angela Taylor, Chrystal Wagner, Hani Sharaya– **IN,** Alexis Andrews – **OH,** Jenifer Dixon – **MI,** Brittany Strobel  **- IL**

7: Allison Crowther– **KS,** Jennifer Wittenburg - **IA**

8: Eleanor Divver - **UT**

9: Eric Florio – **NV.**

10: Belinda Breidenbach - **ID**

EPA: Rhonda Wright OAQPS, Chris Werner

Speaker: Bob Lingard - EPA OAQPS, Lisa Thompson – EPA OAQPS, and Melanie King – EPA OAPQS

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| **Tech-Subcommittee:** <https://nationalsbeap.org/sbeap/resources/subcommittees/technical>  **Determinations of Attainment by the Attainment Date Rules for 2008/2015 Ozone Nonattainment Areas**  **(20 - 25 minutes)**  Bob Lingard, EPA Office of Air Quality Planning & Standards (OAQPS)  Bob will be providing an update on the current EPA Determination of Attainment by the Attainment Date rulemakings for areas classified as Serious for the 2008 ozone NAAQS (National Ambient Air Quality Standards) and areas classified as Marginal for the 2015 ozone NAAQS  **\*\*Notes\*\***  This presentation was recorded. Also, the talking points with resources that Bob was using have been included with the minutes as a separate attachment.  This was a question for Bob Lingard that was emailed to him following the call: I believe he mentioned that areas in non-attainment for ozone pay a penalty. Where does the penalty go?  The Clean Air Act does not specify how states may spend or allocate the fees collected under a section 185 penalty fee program. Therefore, states have discretion on how to use the fees. The EPA believes that one beneficial approach would be to channel the fees into innovative programs to provide incentives for additional ozone precursor emissions reductions from stationary or mobile sources, or for other purposes aimed at reducing ambient ozone concentrations in the affected area. The section 185 fee program requirement apples to areas classified Severe or Extreme, and would not be triggered unless EPA determines an area fails to attain by its applicable attainment date (for 2008 ozone Severe areas the attainment date is July 20, 2027).  **Update on the progress of the Oil and Natural Gas Methane Rule**  **(5 – 10 minutes)**  Lisa Thompson, EPA OAQPS  Lisa will be providing a general update on the progress of the Oil and Natural Gas Methane Rule and the Small Business Advocacy Review Panel.  \*\***Notes\*\***  EPA has held at least three meetings of the SBREFA panel that was formed in relation to this rule. They have also been doing extensive outreach via listening sessions and other workshops. Next week is a workshop on Innovations to control methane from oil and gas production. Here is the information on that meeting: Methane Detection Technology Virtual Workshop: Abstracts Deadline Extended  The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is extending its abstracts deadline for the upcoming Methane Detection Technology Virtual Workshop, to be held August 23 and 24, 2021 in response to a number of requests. The new abstracts deadline is Friday, July 23, 2021.  The workshop will focus on methane-sensing technologies that are not currently approved for use in EPA’s New Source Performance Standards for the oil and natural gas industry, and how those applications could be applied in the oil and gas sector.  For more information and/or to submit an abstract to present at the workshop, or to register to attend, visit: [https://www.epa.gov/.../epa-methane-detection-technology...](https://www.epa.gov/controlling-air-pollution-oil-and-natural-gas-industry/epa-methane-detection-technology-workshop?fbclid=IwAR2rDtwvQSf9QEjfT-Y25jzPvf-mzaqjHKExunct415SHLj2FbpE9XcZVIQ). Registration Deadline - August 18, 2021  The workshop will also be livestreamed via YouTube for those that want to attend, but not actively participate. In general, the response from small businesses is to seek general exemption from the proposed changes. They also feel that some of the definitions, such as how frakking is used, is too broad. There has also been some confusion due to variations of information from other sources. In general, most small businesses feel that wells under 15 barrels/day should be exempt. There are also provisions in the rule for once equipment is removed and the well is simply in production that there should only be recordkeeping and reporting requirements.  **Proposed amendments to 40 CFR 63 Subpart ZZZZ and 40 CFR 60 Subparts IIII and JJJJ – Stationary Engines**  **(5 - 10 minutes)**  Melanie King, EPA OAQPS  Melanie will be providing a general overview of a proposal to amend the National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants (NESHAP) for Reciprocating Internal Combustion Engines (**RICE**) (**40 CFR Part 63 Subpart ZZZZ**), the New Source Performance Standards (NSPS) for Stationary **Compression Ignition** Internal Combustion Engines (**40 CFR Part 60 Subpart IIII**), and the NSPS for Stationary **Spark Ignition** Internal Combustion Engines (**40 CFR Part 60 Subpart JJJJ**) to add electronic reporting provisions.  While EPA has been adding electronic reporting to stationary source rules for some time and many businesses have become familiar with them through usage, small business owners with engines who have yet to work with EPA may require some time to gain familiarity with electronic reporting.  **\*\*Notes\*\***  Melanie clarified that electronic reporting would only be required of engines that have numeric emissions limits/values as per the rule. So it would not affect all engines as a requirement.  **Bios:**  **Bob Lingard**  **EPA OAQPS**  Bob leads the ozone standards implementation program within the EPA Office of Air Quality Planning and Standards, having focused on ozone implementation since joining EPA in 2015.  **Lisa Thompson**  **EPA OAQPS**  Lisa is an Environmental Protection Specialist in the EPA’s OAPQS. She has been a rule writer for six years working on projects throughout the Oil and Natural Gas and Electric Generation sectors. Prior to EPA, Lisa worked at the Department of Defense, managing renewable energy, energy efficiency, and smart metering programs.  **Melanie King**  **EPA OAQPS**  Melanie is an Environmental Engineer in the Energy Strategies Group at the U.S. EPA's Office of Air Quality Planning and Standards in Research Triangle Park, NC.  She is currently working on developing and implementing regulations for emissions from stationary internal combustion engines and combustion turbines. |
| **Future topics:**   * **September 21**: Industrial Storm Water Permitting Basics, Ryan Grant, Michigan EGLE * **October 19**: Paint tracker program, Jennifer Wittenburg, Iowa Waste Reduction Center * **November 16**: Newer printing technologies impacts on the environment, Marci Kinter & Gary Jones, Printing United Alliance * **December 21:** Multi-Sector General Permit for industrial stormwater discharges, Emily Halter, EPA Office of Water   **Next Call: September 21, 2021**  1 pm CST (2 pm EST) (3rd Tuesday of month) |