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TO: Members of the Environmental Review Commission

Interested Parties

FROM: George F. Givens, Commission Counsel

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RE: Notice of Commission Meeting

Notice of Planning Meeting Schedule of Future Meetings

Meetings of Interested Parties (605 Working Groups)

Additional Information

COMMISSION MEETING -14 FEBRUARY 2006:

The Environmental Review Commission (ERC) will meet at 9:30 a.m. Tuesday 14 February 2006 in Room 544 of the Legislative Office Building in Raleigh. The Commission will <u>not</u> hold a business meeting on Wednesday 15 February 2006. This date may be utilized, however, as an alternative meeting date in the event of inclement weather.

At the 14 February meeting, the Commission will begin or continue studies for which the Commission is responsible, hear reports from State agencies, discuss topics to be considered at future meetings, and attend to other matters. Listed below are potential agenda topics for this meeting. More specific information regarding the agenda for the 14 February meeting of the Commission will be developed at the staff planning meeting discussed below.

POSSIBLE AGENDA TOPICS:

Air Quality:

- Issues related to the implementation of a low emission vehicle program that would require motor vehicles sold in this State to meet the same motor vehicle emissions standards required for vehicles sold in California
- Annual report on increasing the use of alternative-fueled and low-emissions light-duty cars and trucks in privately owned fleets (G.S. 143-215.107C(c))
- 3) Annual report on development and implementation of a plan to reduce vehicle miles traveled by State employees and vehicle emissions resulting from job-related travel, including commuting to and from work (G.S. 143-215.107C(d))

4) Annual report on development and implementation of a plan to reduce vehicle miles traveled by private sector employees and vehicle emissions resulting from job-related travel, including commuting to and from work (G.S. 143-215.107C(e))

Solid and Hazardous Waste Management:

- 5) Measures to reduce the quantity of mercury that is released into the environment that impacts natural resources and that harms the public health of the citizens of the State
- 6) Annual report on the mercury minimization plan prepared by DENR (G.S. 130A-310.57)
- Annual report on the Dry-Cleaning Solvent Cleanup Program (G.S. 143-215.104U)
- 8) Semiannual report on agency litter enforcement, litter prevention, and litter removal efforts (G.S. 147-12(b))

Water Quality:

- 9) Discussion of issues related to the evaluation of alternative animal waste management technologies to determine whether those technologies are environmentally superior and economically feasible
- 10) Annual report on permitting and inspecting animal waste management systems/Animal Waste Compliance Report (G.S. 143-215.10M)
- Annual report on the compliance/enforcement of water quality laws for facilities that discharge into surface waters (G.S. 143-215.9A)
- 12) Semiannual report on the effectiveness of the pilot program to inspect animal waste management systems by the Division of Soil and Water Conservation (S.L. 2003-340, Sec. 6.2)
- Report on whether to continue or expand the pilot program to inspect animal waste management systems by the Division of Soil and Water Conservation (S.L. 2005-276, Sec. 12.7(c))
- 14) Annual report on fish kills within the preceding year (G.S. 143B-279.7(c))
- 15) Annual report on Basinwide Water Quality Management Plans (G.S. 143-215.8B)

General/Miscellaneous:

- 16) Issues related to actions available to governmental agencies to respond to violations and noncompliance by licensed environmental professionals and consultants
- 17) Other matters related to the Commission's powers and duties under G.S. 120-10.43

PLANNING MEETING:

To facilitate development of the agenda for the 14 February meeting of the Commission, to plan for subsequent meetings of the Commission, and to receive input from interested persons regarding the work of the Commission, the Commission Counsel will hold an informal planning meeting at 2:00 p.m. on Monday 6 February 2006 in Room 605 of the Legislative Office Building. Persons who wish to participate in the development of the agenda for meetings of the Commission, or who are interested in any matter before the Commission, are invited to attend.

SCHEDULE OF FUTURE MEETINGS:

Below is a schedule of meetings of the Environmental Review Commission for February through May 2006. This schedule is tentative and subject to adjustment. For planning purposes, however, please reserve these dates. Please note the following:

- 1. This schedule has been developed in anticipation of the need for at least one full-day business meeting each month to address the regular workload. In addition, it allows for at least one joint meeting with other oversight entities, including the Joint Legislative Commission on Seafood and Aquaculture, the Joint Legislative Transportation Oversight Committee, and the Joint Legislative Utility Review Committee. It includes enough days to allow for the possibility of one or more optional field trips and for cancellations as a result of hazardous weather conditions.
- 2. Commission meetings normally begin at 9:30 a.m., include a lunch break, and run until midafternoon. Please plan on meeting from 9:30 a.m. until at least 3:30 p.m. Unless otherwise announced, the Commission will meet in room 544 LOB.
- 3. To facilitate development of the agenda for meetings of the Commission and to receive input from interested persons regarding the future work of the Commission, the Commission Counsel holds informal planning meetings for staff and interested parties. Commission members are not expected to attend these meetings. Only one staff planning meeting is scheduled per month, regardless of the number of scheduled meetings of the Commission. Unless otherwise announced, public staff planning meetings will be held in room 605 LOB.
- 4. The 2006 Regular Session is scheduled to begin at 12:00 noon on Wednesday 9 May 2006. The Commission may meet shortly after the beginning of the session to complete work and to consider any legislative proposals and recommendations.

Commission Meeting

Tuesday 14 February 2006 Tuesday 14 and Wednesday 15 March 2006

Tuesday 11 and Wednesday 12 April 2006 Wednesday 3 May 2006 Monday 8 May 2006

Staff Planning Meeting

2:00 p.m. Monday 6 February 2006 10:00 a.m. Thursday 2 March 2006 (Please note change in date and time) 2:00 p.m. Monday 3 April 2006 10:00 a.m. Thursday 27 April 2006

MEETINGS OF INTERESTED PARTIES (605 WORKING GROUPS):

The Commission Counsel will hold meetings of interested parties on specific topics as indicated below:

Risk-Based/Limit Liability for Environmental Cleanups Working Group 2:00 p.m. Monday 13 February 2006 – 605 Legislative Office Building 2:00 p.m. Monday 6 March 2006 – 605 Legislative Office Building

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

If you have questions related to the Commission, please feel free to contact the Commission Counsel or other Commission staff at (919) 733-2578.