

ACEC of Tennessee Environment and Energy Committee

Quarterly Meeting

October 18, 2011

ACEC of Tennessee Offices, 1:30pm

1. Call to Order
2. Attendees
 - a. Gary Mryncza, Jim Cox, Kent Evetts, Nancy Skinner, Stacey Morris, Liz Porter, Amy Spann
3. Old Business
 - a. Dry cleaner board request for nominations
 - b. Presentations available from annual meeting
 - c. Discussion from annual meeting regarding storm water
 - i. Desire for express permitting to expedite projects where multiple agencies are involved, quick review and/or co-review procedures including consolidation of submitted information when used for each submittal.
 - ii. Pursue incentives for storm water reduction/management at sites to allow for permitting "credits", reduced fees, or other design considerations when implementing new technology or alternative options.
 - iii. Explore the possibility of electronic submittals. We are still interested in pursuing this, looking at e-mail formats, interactive forms, and database uploads with regulatory agencies; look to other agencies for comparable programs.
 - d. Determine committee's role in presenting our ideas to the Division and creating open discussion with each agency.
4. New Business
 - a. Liz Porter to report on recent permitting experience. Discussed the project with stream and wetlands impacts, streamlined permitting activities as implemented by TDEC, and deferment of jurisdiction by TVA.
 - b. Next steps for committee actions
5. Open Discussion – Next Steps for Committee
 - a. Present an example project to agencies highlighting what worked and discuss how it can be replicated via the type of project, features at the site, specific regulators, etc
 - b. Target TVA to open discussions on jurisdictional authority and decision making for permitting
 - c. Make contact with specific agencies, strengthen relationships to promote EEC and identify regulatory concerns on the horizon which can be developed into future meetings, TSPE Day on the Hill advocacy, or feedback to engineering community.
 - i. Committee assignments for agency contacts:
 1. TDOT Environment Division – Stacey Morris and Nancy Skinner
 2. TVA – Kent Evetts
 3. TDEC/CORP including 401/404 Permitting – Liz Porter and Gary Mryncza
 4. TDEC WPC – Jim Cox
 5. TDEC APC, SWM – Amy Spann
 6. Brownfields/VOAP – Kent Evetts
6. Date of Next Meeting: January 17, 2012
7. Adjournment