



**Minutes of Advisory Committee on
Control of Emissions from Motor Vehicles**
Held on January 21, 2009 at 10:00 am
At the Clark County Public Guardian Building
515 Shadow Lane, Las Vegas, NV. 89106

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**THIS MEETING WAS PROPERLY NOTICED AND POSTED IN THE FOLLOWING
LOCATIONS ON JANUARY 15, 2009.**

Department of Motor Vehicles 555 Wright Way Carson City, NV. 89711	Nevada State Library 100 N. Stewart St. Carson City, NV. 89701	Department of Motor Vehicles 2701 E. Sahara Las Vegas, NV. 89104	Clark County Department of Air Quality Management 500 Grand Central Pkwy Las Vegas, NV. 89106
Department of Motor Vehicles 305 Galletti Way Reno, NV. 89512	Washoe County District Health Department 1001 E. 9 th St. Reno, NV. 89512	Department of Motor Vehicles Website www.dmvnv.com	

1. Call to Order & Introductions

- A. Chairman Sig Jaunarajs called to order the meeting of the Advisory Committee on Control of Emissions from Motor Vehicles at 10:08 am.
- B. Committee introductions took place along with the public that was present.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

- Andy Goodrich, WC-AQMD
- Dennis Ransel, CC-DAQEM
- Glenn Smith, DMV/CED
- John Pietrzycki, DMV/CED
- Lloyd Nelson, DMV/CED
- Randy White, CC-DAQEM
- Rebecca Cripe, NDEP-BAQP
- Robert Tekniepe, Ph.D., CC-DAQEM
- Shannon Rudolph, NDOA
- Sig Jaunarajs, NDEP-BAQP - Chairman
- William Striejewske - NDOA

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Daniel Inouye, WC-AQMD
Dennis Taylor, NDOT
John Koswan, CC-DAQEM
Leif Anderson, NDOT
Michael Elges, NDEP-BAQP
Ralph Felices, DMV/CED
Roxanne Johnson, USEPA – Ex-Officio
VACANT, TMRP
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INTERESTED PARTIES:

Allan Lal, DMV/CED
Dawn Leaper, DAQEM
Jeffrey Buss, USEPA

2. Approval of Agenda Order

- A. The agenda was approved in the order it was prepared.

3. Approval of Minutes from 10/15/08 Advisory Meeting

- A. The Chairman opened up the October 15, 2008 meeting minutes for discussion, comment and approval. The Committee approved the minutes without any changes.

4. Pollution Control Account Update

- A. Lloyd Nelson with the DMV informed the Committee that the Pollution Control Fund was a little more than 1% more than last fiscal year.
- B. Clark Counties reserve funding request for \$600,546.00 was approved and the Department is making that distribution.
- C. Approval of the Counties request for dedicated funds was approved. Clark County is receiving a quarterly distribution of \$263,525.00 and Washoe County is receiving \$69,690.00.
- D. There was discussion brought forth by Clark County at the last meeting concerning what enhancements might be requested from the pollution control account by State agencies receiving funding. The Committee was informed that Governors budget is now public information and may be reviewed at nevadaspending.com. Lloyd Nelson with the DMV stated that the DMV did enhance their budget to include funding for the Smoking Vehicle Ad Campaign for the next two years, and the addition of one CED sergeant position in the Southern region.

- E. In the past there were discussions between Troy Dillard with DMV and Clark County concerning advertising of the smoking vehicle program. Troy requested that Clark County did not apply for funding to advertise for this program because the DMV was interested in taking it over. Since the initial request made by Troy there has been no further discussion on the progress of the program. Clark County requested that an update be placed on a future meeting agenda.
- **Q.** Dennis – I know that you were not prepared to discuss this but you stated that you are requesting money to fund the smoking vehicle program, what is the money going to be used for and is it for the North or the South?
 - **A.** Lloyd – It is my understanding that the funding will be used to advertise in both the North and the South if approved.

 - **Q.** Sig – Does the smoking vehicle hotline fall under county? If someone was to call in a vehicle in Lyon County, what would happen?
 - **A.** Lloyd/Glenn – The program is statewide, it affects all vehicles. If a vehicle is reported by a reliable source such as another State or County agency the vehicle would be required to come into the emission lab and be tested for visible smoke. If a vehicle is reported by a member of the public, the Department sends a letter requesting the owner of the vehicle to fix the vehicle if it does smoke.

 - **Q.** Robert – I have another question pertaining to the pollution control account. This January meeting is when we generally discuss the excess reserve and what may be applied for. Due to the recent action of the legislature I am assuming that there is not going to be any letter sent by DMV on available funds?
 - **A.** Lloyd – I am not sure what is, if anything will be available in the reserve this year. I will have to report that back to you. I tried to have an answer for you today on that, but I could not get one. I will have an answer to both of counties by February.

5. Update on Functions for Vehicle Information Database (VID)

- A. Lloyd Nelson with the DMV updated the Committee on the progress of the Departments Vehicle Information Database (VID). The VID has been in full operation since May 01, 2008 and all deployments have been good. There have been several enhancements discussed and deployed that the Department would like to share with the Committee and Public, such as the Air Quality quarterly reports that were sent in past to the counties. These reports are now being designed and built by the programmers to mimic the annual report that sent to USEPA only the counties will receive it on a quarterly basis. This should be available real soon. Just recently the diesel tests were added to the VID, which now gives the diesel motoring public the capability to renew online, a capability that they did not have up until this point. Another project in the works is the failover system. Currently the VID is mainframe dependent. The mainframe is housed and operated by the State Department of Information Technology. If they go down or if they are doing maintenance on the Mainframe, then the Networks VID is not operable. So the Department is developing failover systems that will failover to a series of servers if the mainframe is down. This will keep the VID available as long as there is internet connection 24 hours a day. Additionally the programmers have built a terrific covert application.

- **Q.** Robert – Lloyd the annual vehicle registration report that we have worked on together in the past, are you planning on getting that report for CY2008? Do we need to go through the same process as last year?
- **A.** Lloyd – No, let me see if I can get that for you because we already need it to figure our compliance rate for the EPA report. It is preferred that the report is ran only once a year because it costs the Department a lot of money to run due to the amount of CPU time used. I will get that report for CY2008 and share the information with you Robert.

B. Lloyd wanted to inform the industry present that a new message system has been designed and implemented. It is currently being tested and should be deployed within the next month. This new messaging system will not only allow messages to be sent to the emission inspector as in the past, but we will also be able to send them to the station managers.

- **Q.** Sig – What type of messages are being sent?
- **A.** Lloyd – Any type of correspondence that is currently sent through the mail for instance, Notices of workshop and hearings, Clean Air Bulletin's, maintenance updates, and so on.

6. Proposal to amend regulations to reduce number of manager advisory committee meetings each year.

- A. Regulations currently state that the Committee must hold 4 mandatory meetings, one for each quarter. In addition to that, the Chairman of the Committee may call meetings more frequently if it is felt necessary. Considering the current economic challenges that the State is being faced with, Lloyd requested the Committees opinion on reducing costs by reducing mandatory meetings, providing the option be left for the Chairman to call a meeting if needed.
- B. Dennis with Clark County suggested that the Committee explore the option of holding the meetings twice a year via videoconference before making any changes to NAC. William with the Nevada Department of Agriculture also suggested the use of WebEx, which is essentially a conference call, but everyone is in their own location and all presentations are done online. The Committee agreed to every other meeting via videoconference to help ease the cost of travel.

7. Public Comments

- A. As a result of an audit performed by the DMV on the excess reserve, there was discussion on changing the reporting requirements to twice annually as opposed to the quarterly. Clark County had also suggested reporting only once annually to coincide with the reporting requirements of the dedicated grants. Robert with Clark County was wondering if there was any further determination on how to proceed with these suggestions. Lloyd with the DMV advised the Committee that the DMV has developed and implemented a new reporting technique based on the outcome of that audit that tracks the counties

reporting on their reserve grant funding on a quarterly basis. This new internal tracking mechanism is proving to provide the DMV with the information necessary to update the auditors on a quarterly basis if needed on the counties funds. Lloyd is pleased with the way this tracking mechanism is working, but will address the suggestions put forth by Clark County with the Chief of the Compliance Enforcement Division.

- B. The DMV updated the Committee on the change in management of the Department. Ginny Lewis, Director of the DMV retired in early December along with Clay Thomas who was the Departments Deputy Director in late December. Edgar Roberts, the previous Administrator of the Motor Carrier Division has been appointed as the Departments new Director.
- C. Sig with NDEP notified the Committee that he found 3 BDR's on the Legislative website that pertain to the I/M program. BDR R—5, Assemblyman Ohrenschall, makes various changes concerning regulation of air quality and motor vehicle emissions standards. There is currently no language under this BDR; it looks like a place holder. BDR 540, Senator Beers, Revises provisions governing the motor vehicle equipment and emission standards for replica vehicles and then BDR 40--821, Assemblyman Claborn, Makes various changes to the emissions inspection of vehicles powered by diesel fuel. This bill is the one that Peter Krueger put forth based on the recommendation of this Committee to increase the LDD annual testing weight requirement from 10,000 GVW to 14,000 GVW.

8. Next Meeting and Adjournment

- A. The next meeting will be held in Reno on Wednesday, April 08, 2009 at 10:00 am. Lloyd Nelson will secure the next meeting location.
- B. The Meeting adjourned at 11:31 am.