

East River, Louisiana Pacific Community Environmental Liaison Committee Meeting December 10, 2003, Minutes

Attendees: Sharon LeBlanc (Facilitator/Interim Chair), Kerry Keddy, Peter Joules, Rod Fry (Envirem Rep.), Melissa MacIntyre (LP Environmental Manager), Chris Melvin, Marshal Hector

Opening – Sharon LeBlanc opened the meeting at 7pm.

Quorum was declared by Sharon LeBlanc

Minutes – Kerry Keddy motioned for the October 10th minutes to be adopted and Peter Joules seconded the motion. The minutes were reviewed.

ITEM

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1. Rod Frye provided an overview of the Compost Facility.
 - Prior compost material stockpiles (Good-Earth compost piles) have been removed from the top of the hill and other areas on the site
 - Modifications (forced aeration piping) to the initial (indoor) composting phase has been completed by Envirem, with some improvements being observed to date
 - Screening and blending activities for the manufacturing of a compost growing media (land-fill cap material) had been completed recently, and a topsoil stockpile was present on-site,
 - Envirem grinding equipment was currently on-site producing carbon amendment material from LP waste board
 - Topsoil marketing activities have commenced for topsoil sales expected in the Halifax-Dartmouth region next summer.

The tour was conducted, with minimal questions or concerns from the CELC members, most members had expected more odors inside the compost building than was observed during the tour. There was a question about the potential for other organic compounds getting into the compost from the mill feedstock. It was explained that initial feedstock are tested for potential contaminants and that the blending of bark amendment, in combination with the bio-remediation effects of compost processes act to ensure the finished products are acceptable. Finished compost products are tested according to NS Dept. of Environment guidelines prior to sale or re-use as a topsoil-manufacturing ingredient.

2. Discussion regarding a website:

- LP Corporate have been contacted and are in the process

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of developing the website.

- Should be established in the early part of the New Year.
- Melissa will update the group at the next meeting.

3. Community Bulletin:

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- Proposed to be located next to test fence. There was agreement within the group that this location was sufficient. With the location on LP property there would be more control over the information.
- Melissa will discuss with Phil Ellwood.
- Possibility for a community bulletin area, parking, etc.
- The location would need to be plowed over the winter months.
- The location could turn into an interactive pavilion, showing plant process and products. This helps with Mill transparency within the community.
- Voted on this topic: motioned by Chris Melvin and seconded by Kerry Keddy. Motion passed.

4. Environmental Compliancy Form:

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- The form regarding compliancy inquiries will be called The LP Environmental Inquiry form.
- The form was reviewed.
- Suggested additions were: a checklist for area of compliancy or subject that the inquiry is about and the location of the occurrence.
- Voted on this topic: motioned by Peter Joules and seconded by Kerry Keddy. Motion passed.

5. Rod reviewed the RRFB Report. His comments were issued in a previous email and handed out in hard copy at the meeting.

6. Meeting adjourned: motioned by Peter Joules and seconded by Rod Frye. Motion passed.

7. Next meeting scheduled for Feb. 4, 2004 at 7pm.

Minutes Reported by Melissa MacIntyre.