

**KINGS COUNTY LOCAL ASSESSMENT COMMITTEE (LAC) FOR THE PROPOSED  
CHEMICAL WASTE MANAGEMENT, INC. (CWMI), KETTLEMAN HILLS FACILITY  
HAZARDOUS WASTE FACILITY EXPANSION PROJECT**

**CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT NO. 05-10**

**MINUTES**

Vern Grewal, Chairperson  
Aletha Ware, Vice-Chairperson  
David Block.

Jim Verboon  
Mary Lynn Starrett  
Kelly Deming

**July 10, 2008**

**CALL TO ORDER:** The Special Meeting of the Kings County Local Assessment Committee was called to order by Chairperson Vern Grewal at 6:05 p.m. on July 10, 2008, in the Board of Supervisors Chambers, Administration Building, Kings County Government Center, Hanford, California.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Vern Grewal, Aletha Ware, Kelly Deming, Mary Lynn Starrett, David Block, Jim Verboon

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** One Vacancy

**STAFF PRESENT:** Bill Zumwalt, Chuck Kinney, Terri Yarbrough, and Kyle Sand (County Counsel)

**CONSULTANTS PRESENT:** Mike Hogan (Hogan Guiney Dick LLP)

**VISITORS PRESENT:** Paul Turek, Robert Henry, Jan Kahn, Helen Luibel, Ashley Foshay, Carol Carollo, Ana Martinez

**SUMMARY OF THE AGENDA:**

Mr. Zumwalt introduced Mr. David Block and announced that Mr. Ceil Howe had resigned from the Committee. Mr. Zumwalt summarized the agenda.

**UNSCHEDULED APPEARANCES:** None

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** A motion was made and seconded (Starrett/Deming) to approve the May 22, 2008 and May 29, 2008 meeting minutes. Motion carried with Mr. Block and Mr. Verboon abstaining.

**OLD BUSINESS**

None

**NEW BUSINESS**

- 1. Forum for citizen participation concerning the measures that should be taken by the Kettleman Hills Facility to protect the public health, safety, welfare and environment of the County, and the special benefits the Kettleman Hills Facility will provide the County as compensation for the local costs associated with operation of the proposed project.**

No speakers came forward for the open forum portion of the meeting.

- 2. Request for a Technical Grant.**

Mr. Chuck Kinney recommended that the Committee members direct staff to request a Technical Assistance Grant from the Board of Supervisors to hire a consultant to assist the committee in reviewing

and evaluating documents prepared for the project with regard to land use decisions and permits and to advise the LAC in its meeting discussions with the facility proponent to seek an agreement of terms the project would be acceptable to the community. If the LAC would like to request a Technical Assistance Grant they may want to direct staff to coordinate with the Governor's Office of Planning and Research to see if they would assist with potential consultants, direct staff to prepare documents necessary to request a grant from the Board of Supervisors, direct staff to prepare and release documents for the RFP to hire a consultant, and authorize staff to set an agenda when the applications are ready for review and/or approval by the Committee. Mr. Zumwalt recommended that the Committee select a subcommittee to review proposals that would make a recommendation to the full committee.

A motion was made and seconded (Verboon/Starrett) to request a Technical Assistance Grant from the Kings County Board of Supervisors. Motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made and seconded (Deming/Ware) to appoint a subcommittee to facilitate the process. Motion carried unanimously. The subcommittee members were identified as Mary Lynn Starrett, Kelly Deming and David Block.

**3. Review of recommendations/requests which have been made by the public for the Local Assessment Committee to consider when entering in to dialogue with the applicant.**

A summary list of request/recommendations from the community was provided to the committee. Mr. Zumwalt stated that committee members should contact staff if they would like to add anything to the list. Mr. Grewal directed staff to put this item on the next agenda.

**MISCELLANEOUS** - None

**FUTURE MEETINGS**

Mr. Grewal asked if there was any desire to set any special meetings at this time. The committee agreed to wait until a consultant was hired. The next regular meeting of the LAC is scheduled for Thursday, August 14, 2008 at 6:00 p.m. in the Kings County Board of Supervisors Chambers.

**CORRESPONDENCE:**

None

**STAFF COMMENTS:**

None

**COMMITTEE COMMENTS:**

None

**ADJOURNMENT**

With no further business before the Committee, the meeting was adjourned at 6:45 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,  
**KINGS COUNTY LOCAL ASSESSMENT COMMITTEE**

  
**William R. Zumwalt, Committee Secretary**