# ADVISORY COMMITTEE FOR THE REGULATION AND CONTROL OF WATER WELL CONTRACTORS (DRILLERS) IN LOUISIANA

Meeting Summary Wednesday, May 13, 2015 12:00 P.M.

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Office of Conservation

**Environmental Division Staff** 

#### **Advisory Committee members in attendance:**

Commissioner of Conservation, designee – John Adams

Commissioner of Conservation, Driller at Large – Scott Bergeron

Driller, Louisiana Ground Water Association – Herschel Bourque

Secretary of the Department of Health & Hospitals, designee – Jake Causey

Secretary of the Department of Natural Resources, designee – Patrick Courreges

Commissioner of Conservation, Driller at Large – Gary P. Hill

Louisiana Ground Water Association, Municipal & Industrial Driller – Harold Leleux

Representative of the United States Geological Survey – John Lovelace

Driller, Louisiana Ground Water Association – Terry Suire

President of the Louisiana Engineering Society, designee – Roy A. Waggenspack

### Call to Order

Harold Leleux, Chairman of the Advisory Committee, called the meeting to order at 12:01 p.m. with welcoming remarks. The Roll was called and a quorum was established.

#### Review of New Applicants for Louisiana Driller's License

- 1. The application for Jody Morgan of Lake Country Drilling, Inc. was reviewed by the committee. Herschel Bourque made the motion to accept the application and to take the test; seconded by Gary Hill. The motion passed unanimously.
- 2. The application for Hester Blissard of Total Service Company was reviewed by the committee. Herschel Bourque made the motion to accept the application; seconded by Roy Waggenspack. The motion passed unanimously.
- 3. The application for James Meins of Hagger Well Service, Inc was reviewed by the committee. Herschel Bourque made the motion to accept the application; seconded by Terry Suire. The motion passed unanimously.

#### **Adoption of the February 11, 2015 Meeting Summary**

Scott Bergeron made the motion to accept the meeting summary; seconded by Roy Waggenspack. The motion passed unanimously.

## **Current Events Update**

John Adams informed the committee that the proposed bill to limit the membership of boards charged with the responsibility to conserve groundwater was voluntarily deferred. Bob Romero informed the members that during the continuing education makeup session for the Louisiana Ground Water Association (LGWA) on Wednesday, April 15, 2015 in Marksville, drillers expressed the need to have the class 5 permit process streamlined. There was discussion on DHH's water well permitting process.

#### **Public Comments**

There were no public comments

# **Date for the Next Meeting**

The next meeting of the Advisory Committee is scheduled for **Wednesday**, **August 12**, **2015** at 12:00 p.m. in the Griffon Room on the 1<sup>st</sup> floor of the LaSalle Building in Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

 $\frac{\textbf{Adjourn}}{\textbf{There being no other business before the Advisory Committee, Herschel Bourque made the}}$ motion to adjourn; seconded by Jake Causey. The motion passed unanimously and the meeting adjourned at 12:43 p.m.