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

Meeting Summary Wednesday, May 14, 2014 12:00 P.M.

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The Department of Natural Resources

Office of Conservation

**Environmental Division Staff** 

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

Commissioner of Conservation, designee – John Adams
Driller, Louisiana Ground Water Association – Herschel Bourque
Secretary of the Department of Health & Hospitals, designee – Jake Causey
Commissioner of Conservation, Driller at Large – Gary P. Hill
Driller, Louisiana Ground Water Association – Harold Leleux
United States Geological Survey representative – John K. Lovelace
Driller, Louisiana Ground Water Association – Terry Suire
President of the Louisiana Engineering Society, designee – Roy A. Waggenspack

## Call to Order

John Lovelace, Chairman of the Advisory Committee, called the meeting to order at 12:00 p.m. with welcoming remarks. The Roll was called and a quorum was established. Mr. Lovelace introduced Gary P. Hill as the newest member of the committee.

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

- 1. The application for Spencer W. White of Pinnergy was reviewed by the committee. Roy Waggenspack made the motion to accept the application; seconded by Herschel Bourque. The motion passed unanimously.
- 2. The application for Zack L. Dial, III of Terracon Consultants, Inc. was reviewed by the committee. Herschel Bourque made the motion to accept the application; seconded by Terry Suire. The motion passed unanimously.
- 3. The application for Edward J. Laizer of The Beta Group Engineering & Construction Service, Inc. was reviewed by the committee. Herschel Bourque made the motion to accept the application; seconded by Roy Waggenspack. The motion passed unanimously.
- 4. The application for T. J. Haley of Lighthouse Environmental Services, Inc. was reviewed by the committee. The motion to accept the application was made by Harold Leleux; seconded by Herschel Bourque. The motion passed unanimously.
- 5. The application for Paul Ray of SoilTech Consultants, Inc. was reviewed by the committee. The motion to accept the application was made by Herschel Bourque; seconded by John Lovelace. The motion passed unanimously.
- 6. The application for Raymond Plesscher, Jr. of National Services, Inc. of Michigan 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 19, 2014 Meeting Summary**

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

## **Current Events Update**

There was no update.

#### **Public Comments**

Herschel Bourque made positive comments on the Louisiana Ground Water Association (LGWA) convention and how well they are working with the agency staff. Staff commented that due to the effectiveness of the classes during the convention the staff was receiving more phone calls from water well contractors to obtain correct information. Joel Walton stated that the water well contractors were pleased as well. Terry Suire stated that it would benefit the water well contractors to have a representative of the Louisiana Department of Health and Hospitals (L DHH) attend the next LGWA convention scheduled for January 7, 2015 in order to answer questions regarding the LDHH water well requirements. Jake Causey offered to have pamphlets prepared by LDHH containing pertinent information for the contractors as well as water well owners.

## **Date for the Next Meeting**

The next meeting of the Advisory Committee is scheduled for **Wednesday**, **August 13, 2014**, at 12:00 p.m. in the Griffon Room on the 1<sup>st</sup> floor of the LaSalle Building in Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

#### **Adjourn**

There being no other business before the Advisory Committee, Herschel Bourque made the motion to adjourn; seconded by Roy Waggenspack. The motion passed unanimously and the meeting adjourned at 12:58 p.m.