

**MINUTES**  
**DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY**  
**LIQUEFIED PETROLEUM GAS COMMISSION**  
**WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 27, 2013**

The Liquefied Petroleum Gas Commission held its regular meeting at 2:00 p.m. Wednesday, December 19, 2012 at 7919 Independence Blvd., Conference Room A, Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

The meeting was called to order by the Chairman, Mr. James Hopson, with the following members present:

Mrs. Carol Ann Cleveland, Commissioner  
Mr. Charles Cain, Commissioner  
Mr. Henry "Darty" Smith, Commissioner  
Attorney Paul Schexnayder  
LTC R. Adam White

Present also was John W. Alario, Executive Director, and various industry representatives.

On motion by, Mr. Cain seconded by Mrs. Cleveland, the minutes of the December 2012 meeting were adopted as transcribed and the register of attendance was signed.

The latest expenditure and revenue reports ending December 31, 2012 were reviewed.

The statistical reports for the period ending December 31, 2012 were reviewed.

The accounting total reports for December 2011 and December 2012 were reviewed.

Report of fires and accidents for December 2012 were reviewed.

The compliance audits for December 2012 were reviewed.

Dates for the next meetings were set for February 26<sup>th</sup> & February 27<sup>th</sup> Baton Rouge, La.

Mr. Alario informed the Commission that he would make the following citations for appearance at the February 2012 meeting and that others may be added prior to distribution of the AD letter:

- 1. Citations – Regular –**  
None as of January 22, 2013
- 2. Citations – Insurance –**  
None as of January 22, 2013
- 3. Citations – Permit Renewals –**  
None as of January 22, 2013

Mr. Alario presented the Commission with the Market Development Fund (MDF) balance of \$692,143.82 as of January 9, 2013.

Discussion by the Executive Director: According to Mr. Alario, the Market Development board recently approved a proposal with Louisiana Public Broadcasting (LPB) for a cooking block for \$5,750.00. On motion by LTC White, seconded by Mr. Smith \$5,750.00 was approved. All agreed.

Mr. Alario informed the Commission of Ms. Ruth Thompson notice of intent to retire May 24, 2012. He thanked Ms. Thompson for her years of service to the agency.

On behalf of the Louisiana Propane Gas Association (LPGA), Mr. Randy Hayden approached the Commission. Mr. Hayden provided updates regarding the Home shows. According to Mr. Hayden, caps and propane tank stress balls will be disturbed this year. Home show participants will receive shirts. Mr. Hayden provided shirts to the Commission.

Mr. Hayden briefly discussed the direct mail campaign for the rebate program. According to Mr. Hayden, there are approximately 6,000 contractors in Louisiana. The first mail campaign will begin the first week in February. Mr. Hayden also stated funding for the high school rodeos has started. Mr. Hayden also informed the Commission that the junior finals will begin the end of May or the beginning of June. The plan is for LPGA to provide cooking for judges. The propane dealers will sponsor pictures for the finals and news releases. Mr. Hopson recommended that LPGA try to get Mr. Shivers to participate in the rodeo. He is a well-known bull rider.

There being no other business, LTC White motioned to recess until 8:30 a.m., Thursday, January 28 2013, Mrs. Cleveland seconded the motion and the meeting was adjourned.