

**Exide Technologies Advisory Group Technical Working Session**

**Commerce Senior Center**

**April 28, 2016**

**4:00pm – 6:00pm**

**SUMMARY OF REQUESTED ACTION ITEMS AND QUESTIONS**

- 1. How should individuals be removed from the Advisory Group roster if they do not attend meetings?**  
DTSC staff will reach out to the individual and/or the organization to discuss their participation and remind them they can submit the name of an alternate for approval. Vacancies will be filled according to the criteria below. Nominations should be emailed to [susan.castro-valenzuela@dtsc.ca.gov](mailto:susan.castro-valenzuela@dtsc.ca.gov).
  - 1) *The prospective new Member will submit a letter of application to the co-chairs describing why their interest is unique and is not currently and adequately represented on the Advisory Group by existing Members.*
  - 2) *The co-chairs will review the application and will decide if the requested position is warranted to be added to the Group. Criteria for new Members will include but not necessarily be limited to the following questions:*
    - *Will the new Member add interests / perspectives not currently served on the Advisory Group?*
    - *Will the new Member add geographic representation not currently served by the Advisory Group?*
    - *Will the new Member provide some other form of diversity not currently served by Advisory Group?*
- 2. Co-chair Joe Lyou requested the following change in the SCAQMD co-chair descriptions:**  
From:  
“SCAQMD will be represented by the SCAQMD Executive Officer or the SCAQMD Deputy Executive Officer of Engineering and Compliance.”  
To:  
“SCAQMD will be represented by **a member of the SCAQMD Governing Board** or the SCAQMD Deputy Executive Officer of Engineering and Compliance.”
- 3. Advisory Group members requested a current list of the 40 member organizations and individuals.**  
A current list of member organizations and their representatives has been posted to the Exide website.
- 4. The Advisory Group members asked for a current list of schools, parks and daycare centers within the Preliminary Investigation Area as well as if they had been tested already.**

A current list of schools, parks and daycare centers has been uploaded to the Exide website. The results of the sampling is provided to the school district administration, city managers or daycare center proprietors.

**5. An Advisory Group member asked that all members be notified at the same time with new information or when to provide input on key decisions.**

A new bi-monthly E-newsletter and more frequent email communications will allow for better communication of important information to all members in a timely manner. If input is required on key decisions between the bi-monthly meetings, a conference call with Advisory Group members will be conducted.

**6. After a presentation on “Blood Lead Level Analysis” by Dr. Gina Solomon from the California Department of Public Health, the Advisory Group requested that further sampling be conducted out to a 4.5 mile radius. It was also suggested that the study include more than one year of data.**

In August 2015, DTSC presented the preliminary results from a study of 20,000 soil samples analyzed as of April 2015. DTSC estimates that Exide’s emissions may have contaminated soils of properties up to 1.7 miles away from the former Exide Facility.

In April 2016, DTSC received funding from Gov. Brown and the state legislation to expedite testing of the projected 10,000 residential properties, including schools, daycares and public parks, within a 1.7-mile radius of the former Exide Facility. The funding also includes cleanup of approximately 2,500 properties with the highest soil contamination and the greatest risk of exposure. DTSC has begun the ramp up of testing properties from 75 properties a week to 130 properties. DTSC anticipates that cleanups using the \$176.6 million in funding will begin in June 2017 after the environmental review and has been completed and the Cleanup Plan has been finalized. This proposed timeline is an aggressive timeline and assumes no delays due to external factors.

**7. A majority of the Advisory Group members recommended third party oversight of the residential cleanup in addition to the closure activities.**

Third party oversight is planned for the implementation of DTSC approved Closure Plan. For cleanup of residential properties – DTSC is taking extensive measures to establish third-party oversight. The Department will be requiring a third-party auditing of all expenditures, as well as a third-party quality assurance monitor for cleanup work.

**8. Multiple members expressed concern about the Spanish translation of the material.**

DTSC recently secured a new translator contract with [American Language Services](#) for Exide’s materials.