### **MEETING NOTES**

# PASADENA CITIZENS' ADVISORY COUNCIL

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#### Tuesday, October 26, 2021

# Via Zoom Video/Teleconference

The 285<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Pasadena Citizens' Advisory Council (PCAC) was held on Tuesday, October 26, 2021, via Zoom Video/Teleconference. The meeting notes from September 28, 2021 were approved as amended with the following changes on page 2. [Stormwater discharge sampling procedure: sample ahead of any anticipated rain at sample points before the permitted outfall so they can see if storms result in any spills have entered the stormwater drainage system.; Fence line monitoring for benzene helps find the source of those emissions more quickly, and whether the source is the plant in or outside of the plant.] Tiffany Miller facilitated in Diane Sheridan's absence. Miller reviewed the ground rules and agenda, which were accepted as proposed.

#### **ATTENDEES** italicized

#### **PCAC Members**

Loretta McCarthy

Fllis Orozco

Andrew Aleman, City of Pasadena OEM Ruth Askine Diane Barnes, CTHS Raul Camarillo, Harris Co. Pct. 2 Emilio Carmona Azell Carter, City of Pasadena OEM Monica De La Portilla Tammy De Los Santos, City of Pasadena Parks and Rec. Ninfa Herrera, City of Pasadena Neighborhood Network Albert Gonzales Rick Guerrero, City of Pasadena Neighborhood Network Mike Jackson Chad Carson, Economic Alliance Houston Port Region Luz Locke

Ernesto Paredes
Margie Pena
Dominick Rezza
Giovanna Searcy
Leon Searcy
Richard Sims
Sue Sims
Joe Valdivia
Christina Womack, Chamber of
Commerce

#### Support

Jack Womack

Diane Sheridan, Facilitator Tiffany Miller, Secretary

#### Observers or Resources George Alger

Jerry Caraviotis, HCPCS

Matthew Giles, State Rep. Mary Ann Perez Office

MaryJane Mudd, EHCMA Michelle Partin Christopher Thomas, Occidental

David Wade, HCOHSEM
Blake White. HCOHSEM

#### **CAC Plant Members**

Afton Chemical, Hari Sundaram, Scott Kolb, Mario Troncoso
Air Products, \_\_\_\_\_
Albemarle, Doug Thompson for Lisa Fruge, Paul Hernandez
BASF, Wendel Langley
Chevron Pasadena Refinery, Matt
Postage, Becky Froedge, Rajni Yadav
Chevron Phillips, Andy Woods, Michelle
Pritchard, Ravi Kaggal

Enterprise Products, Mark Roberts, Heather Makarczyk Ethyl. Hari Sundaram for Antonio Salinas Evonik, Juan Soto for Nathan Locklar Gulf Coast Authority, Rachel Cunningham for Denise Ehrlich INEOS Phenol, Ana Partin for Amy Narvaez Intercontinental Terminals. KM Export Terminal, Robert Hammons for David Koetter KM Liquids Terminal, Robert Hammons, Dayu Zhang LyondellBasell Refinery, Clint Titzman, Roel Munoz OxvVinvls. Scott Halbrooks. Liliana Sarpong PCI Nitrogen, Sekisui, Jenna Timtiman for Jeff Thompson, Scott Stephens,

# **Annual Report of Air Emissions from PCAC Plants**

Scott Kolb of Afton Chemical presented the annual report on PCAC plant air emissions. (PCAC plants rotate serving as the presenter.) The annual report derives its data from two annual inventories: the Air Emissions Inventory (EI), which plants submit to the TCEQ, and the Toxics Release Inventory (TRI), which plants submit to the EPA. The presentation is posted on the Member page of <a href="www.pasadenacac.org">www.pasadenacac.org</a>. Highlights of the 2020 data on emissions follow on page 2. The report compared NOx and VOC emissions at PCAC plants to those reported in the Air Emissions Inventory in Harris County and in Texas overall. For this comparison, data from 2019 are the most current. In 2019, 0.6% of the state's NOx emissions came from PCAC plants; and 10% of the county's NOx emissions did so. In 2019, 3% of the state's VOC emissions came from PCAC plants, and 16% of the county's VOC emissions inventory did so.

# PASADENA CITIZENS' ADVISORY COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS OF 2020 DATA IN OCTOBER 2021 EMISSIONS REPORT

Full Emissions Inventory by Cause	Pounds in 2020	Compared to 2019
Routine Permitted Emissions	12,985,693	-10%
Maintenance Emissions	52,290	78%
Upset Emissions	88,637	-81%
Emissions Inventory of Selected Criteria Air Pollutants	Pounds in 2020	Compared to 2019
NOx – nitrogen oxides	2,620,207	-14%
All VOCs – volatile organic compounds	4,906,222	-6%
<ul> <li>Portion of pounds that are highly reactive (HRVOCs)</li> </ul>	256,153	-1%
SOx – sulfur oxides	2,373,396	-25%
CO – carbon monoxide	2,281,824	-1%
TSP – total suspended particulates	778,531	-10%
PM 2.5- TSPs less than 2.5 micrometers in diameter	610,596	-13%
Toxics Release Inventory (TRI)		
Total releases to the air	729,273	-5%
Portion from fugitive air sources	277,296	1%
Portion from point air sources	451,976	-8%
TRI total air releases from 1995 – 2019	4,732,013 in 1995	729,273 lbs. in 2020 down 85%
	In 2020	The year before
Number of Pasadena CAC Plants *	18	18
Plants reporting TRI	14	14
Plants reporting air emissions inventory	17	17
Plants reporting Highly Reactive VOCs	9	8
*PCAC has 18 plant members in October 2021.		

Green = decreased from 2019 to 2020 - Red = increased from 2019 to 2020

#### **UPDATES**

The Center for Petrochemical, Energy, & Technology (CPET) at San Jacinto College is having their first FREE community safety day on October 29. There will be all kinds of safety demonstrations for proper safety at home and at work.

#### **FACILITY UPDATE SUMMARY**

Acronym List on PCAC website

Plant representatives reviewed highlights of the written reports projected on the screen, and they responded to questions. The update summary was mailed to attendees before the meeting and then to the membership on October 27. Direct questions to Diane Sheridan facilitator, dbsfacilitator@gmail.com, 281-326-5253.

#### In a Nutshell:

- Updates were received from 17 of 18 plants (None from PCI Nitrogen)
- 1 had reportable environmental incidents (1 at Enterprise Products)
- **0** had OSHA recordable injuries.
- **16** had neither environmental nor safety incidents

#### 16 plants had no environmental incidents:

1.	Afton Chemicals	8.	Evonik	15.
2.	Air Products	9.	Gulf Coast Authority	16.
3.	Albemarle	10.	INEOS Phenol	
4.	BASF	11.	Intercontinental Terminals	
5.	Chevron Pasadena Refinery	12.	Kinder Morgan Export Terminal	
6.	Chevron Phillips	13.	Kinder Morgan Liquids Terminal	
7.	Ethyl	14.	LyondellBasell Houston Refinery	

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OxyVinyls Sekisui

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#### **FUTURE PCAC MEETINGS**

Meeting Login begins at 5:45 pm. Meetings are from 6:00 – 7:30 p.m. via Zoom video conference unless otherwise indicated.

# Thursday, December 2, 2021 – Effects of Pollution on Health

- Blythe Mansfield, MD, Kelsey Seybold Medical Director for Occupational Medicine, will talk about what air pollution is, kinds of exposure, and specifics about the EPA's criteria pollutants, benzene, and 1-3, butadiene.
- She also will describe environmental and occupational causes of health problems and a systematic
  approach to history taking and diagnosis of occupational and environmental illness. She also will describe
  EPA's actions to advance environmental justice related to the topic.

# *Tuesday*, January 25, 2022 – Plant Communication with Community When It Plans a Major Plant Maintenance Turnaround

- PCAC would like to know how plants keep the city and the public informed about a major planned
  maintenance turnaround and whether any consideration is given to road construction in the affected area
  when choosing the timing of a turnaround.
- PCAC members will describe the impacts a turnaround may have on the community. Examples include traffic congestion and impacts on residents, other businesses, the school district and opportunities for small businesses from turnaround purchasing as well as the influx of contractors.

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