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

Meeting Summary Wednesday, February 13, 2013 12:00 P.M.

Prepared by:

The Department of Natural Resources

Office of Conservation

**Environmental Division Staff** 

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

Commissioner of Conservation, designee - John W. Adams

Driller at Large – Scott Bergeron

Driller, Louisiana Ground Water Association – Herschel Bourque

Department of Health and Hospitals – Jake Causey

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

Louisiana Ground Water Association, Industrial Driller – Larry LaBorde

United States Geological Survey representative – John K. Lovelace

Driller at Large – Michael McGrath

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

## Call to Order

Scott Bergeron, 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.

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

1. The application for Michael Kosydor, of Geotechnology, Inc. was reviewed by the Committee. Herschel Bourque made the motion to accept the application; seconded by Jake Causey. The motion passed unanimously.

# **Changes in Contacts**

The committee members discussed the changes in contacts listed on the agenda. Roy Waggenspack made the motion to accept the changes; seconded by Herschel Bourque. The motion passed unanimously.

- a. Roddy Qualls is now with Roddy Qualls Environmental Drilling (WWC 786). His former employer was Strata Core Drilling (WWC-720) who will have a change of contact to William Fields who is currently a licensed driller (WWC-719).
- b. Jeff Tally is now the contact for John Talley Well Service (WWC-006) and Keithville Water Well Services (WWC-018).
- c. Daniel Aucutt is now with C. H. Fenstermaker and Associates (WWC-782). His former employer, Aquaterra, the license has been suspended (WWC-396).
- d. Joseph Tillman is now with Rutherford (WWC-783). His former employer, Greater Southern Engineering (WWC-743), has a new contact Robert Morgan who obtained his license on November 14, 2012.
- **e.** James Smith is now with Terracon (WWC-300). His former employer, Nodarse (WWC-741), was purchased by Terracon.
- f. Tracey A. Knight is now employed with Hamilton Investment Group (WWC–784). His former employer was Fas-Line (WWC-754).

- g. Floyd Gilliland is now with Fas-line (WWC-754). His former employer is Parco whose license has been suspended (WWC-751).
- h. David S. Bardsley is now employed with National Exploration, Wells, & Pump (WWC-785). His former employer was WDC (WWC-537). WDC is no longer in business.

# Adoption of the November 14, 2012 Meeting Summary

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

## **Current Events Update**

Staff reminded the committee members of the recent rule change which requires a water well driller to clarify with the well owner that the owner has received approval from LDNR before drilling a new water well. Staff informed the members that the LDNR staff would attend the Baton Rouge Metro Council that afternoon to discuss the modeling efforts by USGS on the Southern Hills Aquifer. Also discussed was how to address the ad hoc committee requests. Staff agreed to send an email stating any legislative instruments in 2013 Legislative Session concerning ground water. Members were informed as to where to find Title 51 and Title 56 on the Internet.

#### **Public Comments**

There were no public comments.

# **Date for the Next Meeting**

The next meeting of the Advisory Committee is scheduled for Wednesday, May 8, 2013 at 12:00 p.m. in the Griffon Room of the LaSalle Building in Baton Rouge.

## <u>Adjourn</u>

There being no other business before the Advisory Committee, Herschel Bourque moved to adjourn; seconded by Roy Waggenspack which passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 12:32 p.m.