



**Metropolitan North Georgia Water Planning District
Wastewater Technical Coordinating Committee Meeting Summary
November 17, 2011**

The Metropolitan North Georgia Water Planning District's Wastewater Technical Coordinating Committee met on Thursday, November 17, 2011, at 11:00 a.m. in the Amphitheatre, on "C" level of the R. Charles Loudermilk Center for the Regional Community in Atlanta, Georgia.

Attendance

Nick Ammons, Fulton County
Bruce Coyle, Paulding County
Ernest Earn, Cobb County Water System
Jennifer Flowers, City of Gainesville
Catherine Fox, FOX Environmental, LLC
Dieter Franz, Brown and Caldwell
Mary Gazaway, GA EPD
Horace Gee, City of Gainesville
Steve Green, Douglasville-Douglas Co WSA
Tonja Halton-Mincey, Henry County WSA
Keith Higgs, Douglasville-Douglas Co WSA
Chris Hindman, City of Fayetteville
Brad Holtzinger, City of Stockbridge
Donna Joe, Gwinnett County

Russell Kelly, Paulding Co. Water
David Kubala, Cherokee County WSA
Chris Kumnick, GA DHR
Linda Liu, Coweta Co WSA
Myers Jackson, College Park
Tim Pugh, Paulding Co. Water
Jim Scarbrough, Gwinnett DWR
Ed Strong, Newnan Utilities
Tracy Thigpen, Coweta County
Keisha Thorpe, Peachtree City
Michelle Vincent, GA EPD
Keith Watkins, CCWA
James Webb, Fulton County
Emily Wingo, GA EPD

Corey Babb of the Metro Water District staff opened the meeting, initiated introductions and reviewed the meeting agenda with the group.

Public Comment Period

No Public Comments.

Energy Benchmarking

Bob Freeman, EPA Region IV presented an overview of their energy management initiative for water/wastewater utilities. This included a history of the process, why these utilities were the focus of the initiative, an overview of the recent work conducted with the Region 4 Tennessee Energy Management Initiative Team, initial results and cost savings from other EPA regions who have undertaken this process and the proposed next steps for the process in Tennessee and elsewhere in Region 4.

Energy Audit of Douglasville-Douglas County WSA Facilities

Keith Higgs, Douglasville-Douglas County Water and Sewage Authority presented an overview of the stimulus-funded Industrial Energy Assessment conducted for the South Central Water Pollution Control Plant. This included a review of the treatment processes used at the facility as well as facility components, overview of the findings of the Industrial Energy Assessment, overview of a peak shaving trial conducted by utility staff and concerns regarding potential upset to the treatment process if energy saving alternatives are implemented.

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2011 Implementation Survey Results

Corey Babb presented an overview of the DRAFT 2011 Implementation Survey Results. Overall, the implementation results from 2011 do not vary significantly from 2010 and the group was asked to consider if changes should be made to next year's implementation reporting method or presentation of results. The group explained that they would like to see the report be used to meet Georgia EPD's reporting requirements for implementation progress.

Other

Mr. Babb provided an update on the Georgia Environmental Protection Division's proposed changes to the State's Anti-degradation Policy.

TCC members were asked to submit any major achievements that their jurisdiction would like to see highlighted in the Metro Water District's 2011 Annual Report which will focus on a decade of progress.

The meeting was adjourned.