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June 4, 2025

TO ALL CONCERNED:

At the June 4, 2025, Commission meeting, the draft minutes of the March 13, 2025, Commission meeting minutes were approved as written. Please attach this notice to your copy of the March 13, 2025 minutes.

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**MINUTES OF THE
SUSQUEHANNA RIVER BASIN COMMISSION
March 13, 2025
#2025-01**

The meeting was held at the Susquehanna River Basin Commission Conference Center at 4423 North Front Street, Harrisburg, Pennsylvania and Commission Chair Suzanne Dorsey called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

ROLL CALL

Commissioners Present

Ms. Suzanne Dorsey, Deputy Secretary, Maryland Department of the Environment (MDE) *via Zoom*
Ms. Lauren A. Townley, Chief, Water Assessment and Implementation Section, New York State Department of the Environment *via Zoom*
Ms. Jill Whitcomb, Deputy Secretary, Office of Water Programs, PADEP *via Zoom*
Ms. Amy Guise, Chief, Planning Division, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) *via Zoom*

Other Commissioners and Alternate Commissioners Present

Mr. Jason Minnich – Program Manager, Interstate Water Resources Management Division (PADEP) *via Zoom*

Staff Present

Mr. Andrew Gavin, Deputy Executive Director
Ms. Marcia Hutchinson, Director Administration & Finance
Mr. Jason Oyler, General Counsel and Secretary
Mr. John Balay, Manager, Planning & Operations
Mr. James Shallenberger, Manager, Monitoring & Protection
Mr. Todd Eaby, Manager, Project Review

Mr. Brydon Lidle, Manager, Information Technology
Mr. Jeremy Hoffman, Manager, Compliance
Mr. Andrew Zerby, Assistant Counsel
Ms. Stacey Hanrahan, Communications and Outreach Specialist
Ms. RaChelle Coleman, Executive Assistant

Others Present

Mr. Brian Chalfant, PADEP *via Zoom*
Mr. Matthew Walderon, PADEP *via Zoom*
Mr. Joseph Chandler, USACE *via Zoom*
Ms. Megan Jadrosich, USACE *via Zoom*
Mr. R. Brian Paul, USACE *via Zoom*

1. Opening Remarks

Commission Chair Suzanne Dorsey formally opened the meeting by outlining the rules of conduct for the meeting. She noted that a public hearing was previously held on January 30, 2025, and the written comment period was open until February 10, 2025. The Commissioners introduced themselves.

2. Executive Director's Report

Mr. Andrew Gavin, Deputy Executive Director, reported on the following:

- The Commission is currently reviewing proposals under our CU Mitigation Grant Program which closed the end of January, with awards to be announced in April. This is the fourth year the Commission has been able to award these grant funds, and we plan to do the same next year given the success of the program. The current proposals represent over \$25 million in requested funds from over 60 applications. All look to provide benefits to our local watersheds, and include water conservation, groundwater recharge and other projects that will increase resiliency of our water resources during drought conditions and improve flows to the Chesapeake Bay.
- We are also close to announcing another round of awards under Maryland's Pay-for-Success program, established to help Maryland meet a portion of its Chesapeake Bay clean water goals. We're proud to be part of this innovative effort to assist Maryland in rewarding demonstrated nutrient reduction practices through competitive pricing. For this second round of awards, we're currently reviewing proposals that have the potential to deliver nitrogen load reductions that will meet Maryland's pollutant reduction goals for the Conowingo Watershed Implementation Plan, which is a critical component of the overall Chesapeake Bay clean-up plan.
- Lastly, we are keeping a very close eye on hydrologic conditions. As we will discuss in a minute, we ended 2024 dry and things haven't improved as much as we would like. We are continuing to monitor conditions and coordinate with state and federal agencies, and if needed, we will consider steps such as reaching out to project sponsors with drought mitigation measures, broadcasting water saving practices, and continuing to promote conservation.

3. Hydrologic Conditions Report

Manager of Planning and Operations John Balay provided an update on hydrologic conditions in the Susquehanna River Basin during the last quarter.

4. Minutes of March 13, 2025 Commission Meeting

On a motion by Commissioner Guise, seconded by Commissioner Whitcomb the minutes of the regular business meeting of March 13, 2025, were approved as written by a vote of 4-0.

5. General Permit GP-04 Into-Basin Diversion of Water (Resolution 2025-01)

General Counsel and Secretary to the Commission Jason Oyler presented General Permit GP-04 (*Resolution 2025-01*) which will provide a streamlined regulatory pathway for municipalities on or near the basin divide needing to bring drinking water supplies to the basin.

On a motion made by Commissioner Guise, seconded by Commissioner Whitcomb, the Commission approved Resolution 2025-01 as presented by a vote of 4-0.

6. Updated Dry Cooling Resolution (Resolution 2025-02)

General Counsel and Secretary to the Commission Jason Oyler presented a proposed update to the Dry Cooling Resolution adopted in 2015. The updated *Resolution* encourages the use of dry-cooling or hybrid dry-cooling technologies for other large scale water users, such as data centers and cryptocurrency mining operations.

Commission Chair Dorsey requested to table Resolution 2025-02 until the June regular business meeting. On a motion made by Commission Chair Dorsey, seconded by Commissioner Townley, the Commission agreed to table Resolution 2025-02 until the June regular business meeting by a vote of 4-0.

7. Docket Actions

Project Review Manager Todd Eaby presented a staff memorandum containing details and recommendations regarding the following list of project applications:

1. Beavertown Municipal Authority, Snyder County, Pa.
2. Bedford Township Municipal Authority, Bedford County, Pa. **Environmental Justice Area**
3. Blue Triton Brands, Inc., Schuylkill County, Pa.
4. Ephrata Area Joint Authority, Lancaster County, Pa. **Environmental Justice Area**
5. College Township Water Authority, Centre County, Pa.
6. Diversified Production, LLC, Tioga County, Pa.
7. DS Services of America, Inc., Lancaster County, Pa. **Environmental Justice Area**
8. EQT ARO, LLC, Lycoming County, Pa.
9. First Investors General, Inc., York County, Pa.
10. Fredericksburg Sewer and Water Authority, Lebanon County, Pa. **Tabled**
11. H&K Group, Inc., Lancaster County, Pa.
12. HP Hood, LLC, Steuben County, NY
13. Huntsinger Farms, Inc., Schuylkill County, Pa.
14. JKLM Energy, LLC, Tioga County, Pa.
15. McStern, LLC, Dauphin County, Pa.
16. Meadia Heights Golf Club, LLC, Lancaster County, Pa. **Environmental Justice Area**
17. Michael Foods, Inc., Schuylkill County, Pa.
18. Repsol Oil & Gas USA, Inc., Bradford County, Pa.
19. Susquehanna Nuclear, LLC, Luzerne County, Pa.
20. SWN Production Company, LLC, (Susquehanna River), Susquehanna County, Pa.
21. SWN Production Company, LLC, (Tunkhannock Creek), Susquehanna County, Pa.
22. Valley CC, LLC, Luzerne County, Pa.

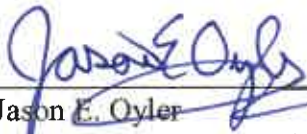
23. Weaverland Valley Authority, Lancaster County, Pa.
24. Westfield Borough, Tioga County, Pa.

Commissioner Townley moved and Commissioner Whitcomb seconded a motion that the Commission adopt the staff recommendations for the 24 project applications, including one tabled project. A vote of 4-0 approved the motion.

ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Whitcomb moved, and Commissioner Guise seconded a motion to adjourn the meeting, which passed with a vote of 4-0. Commission Chair Dorsey adjourned the meeting at 9:30 a.m.

June 4, 2025
Date Adopted


Jason E. Oyler
Secretary to the Commission