## SOLID WASTE LICENSING COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES May 20, 2015

A regular meeting of the Solid Waste Licensing Committee was held on Wednesday, May 20, 2015, at 10:30 a.m., in Room 1E09 of the Arkansas Department of Environmental Quality, 5301 Northshore Drive, North Little Rock, Arkansas.

The meeting was called to order by William Wright, Chair, who called the roll. Members present included Gussie Robinson, Neil Washburn, Phillip Davis, Elizabeth Hoover, Rosemary Rogers, Angela Sparks, and William Wright. Others in attendance included Kenny Nutt, Rickey Cole, Cassie Kent, Jane Schwartz, Susan Speake, and Ben Jones. Bill Burroughs, Warren Atkins, and Randy Harper were absent.

The minutes from the prior meeting were reviewed and approved.

Elizabeth Hoover provided the Department report. She said that Jane had mailed out the renewals notices for the Operators and IDCOs and would begin renewing licenses as renewal requests start to come in. Elizabeth led a discussion of the three proposed update modules and explained the process that the Department went through in the development of the module concept. Neil Washburn voiced concerns about whether the module concept might eliminate approval of AEF conferences and workshops. After general discussion, Ben Jones explained that the modules had not been finalized and could still be adjusted if needed.

The Academy report was given by Kenny Nutt. He said that between January 1, 2015, and March 31, 2015, they had 274 training hours, 295 students, and 23 training locations. Between July 1, 2014, and May 15, 2015, they had 912 training hours, 681 students, and 64 training locations.

There was discussion about testing, and it was decided that AETA and ADEQ would set up a meeting for further discussion about how the AETA could assist with some of the testing.

The group also discussed the Department reaching out to licensees and other stakeholders to see what they like and/or don't like about the Licensing Program and possible ways input could be solicited.

The next meeting date was set for Wednesday, August 13, 2015. Having no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

William Wright, Chairman