

**MINUTES**  
**Technical Advisory Committee on Diesel-Powered Equipment**  
**Fayette County Health Center**  
**July 11, 2007**

The Technical Advisory Committee on Diesel-Powered Equipment (TAC) held a regular meeting on July 11 in the Mine Safety Training Room at the Fayette County Health Center in Uniontown. The meeting began at 10:10 a.m.

Attendance:

Members Present:

Ron Bowersox  
Paul Borchick (speakerphone)

Others Present:

Stan Geary, PA Coal Association  
Mike Gais, DBT  
Jim Cole, DBT  
William Bookshar, DEP, BMS  
Alan L. Martin, DEP, BMS  
Mike McCaffrey, DEP, BMS  
Joseph Scaffoni, DEP, BMS  
Dennis Walker, DEP, BMS  
Allison D. Gaida, DEP, BMS

Paul Borchick attended the meeting by calling from Virginia and being put on the speakerphone. Minutes of the April 11, 2007, meeting were distributed and reviewed. TAC members Ron Bowersox and Paul Borchick approved the minutes with no changes.

Old Business:

Diesel-Powered Equipment in Shaft and Slope Construction Operations: Bill Bookshar made changes to the TAC's recommendations that needed clarification. He will provide to the TAC members for their review to be discussed prior to the next meeting.

A.L. Lee Model 225-4WD Personnel Carrier Request for Alternate Test Procedure: The TAC did not approve this request, as there was no need for the 90-second test. TAC sent a letter to the Bureau on May 18 recommending approval of the five-minute test. The TAC determined it was not necessary and was, therefore, not involved in the Bureau's approval.

DBT 488 Scoop at Dana Mining: The TAC will be traveling to DBT manufacturer to evaluate at a new scoop to see if it meets PA standards.

Sandvik EJC-935 Non-Permissible Scoop at Dana Mining: TAC recommended final approval of the Sandvik scoop and 90-second alternative test.

**New Business:**

None

With no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 10:40 a.m. The next meeting is scheduled for October 10.