

**MINUTES**  
**Technical Advisory Committee on Diesel-Powered Equipment**  
**New Stanton District Office**  
**April 12, 2017**

The Technical Advisory Committee on Diesel-Powered Equipment (TAC) held a regular meeting on April 12, 2017, in the Westmoreland Room at the DEP New Stanton District Office. The meeting began at 10 a.m.

VOTING MEMBERS PRESENT

Ron Bowersox  
Paul Borchick

DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION STAFF PRESENT

John Antoon, BMS  
Jeff Hamilton, BMS  
Jeff Kerch, BMS  
Jim Ross, BMS  
Peggy Scheloske, BMS  
Chas Washlack, BMS  
Chris Yeager, BMS

OTHERS PRESENT

Gene Davis, Davis Training & Consulting  
Ron Vlassich, Rosebud Mining

CALL TO ORDER AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m., Minutes of the January 18, 2017, meeting were distributed and reviewed. There was discussion regarding the Brookville 25T174D Locomotive specifications.

The manufacturer's recommended maximum exhaust back-pressure (IN. WC) is listed as 30 IN. WC. Should it be listed as 40 IN. WC? The members requested that the Department obtain clarification and report at the next meeting. TAC members Ron Bowersox and Paul Borchick approved the minutes pending clarification from the Department regarding the Manufacturer's recommended exhaust back pressure.

Royal Hydraulics Diesel Powered Rockduster (#001) with a Deutz Engine Package

December 14, 2017	The request was received from the manufacturer
February 1, 2017	The Bureau requested the TAC to review and comment
February 15, 2017	The Bureau and TAC performed an inspection
February 16, 2017	The TAC issued their report recommending temporary approval
February 22, 2017	The Department issued temporary approval
April 12, 2017	The TAC issued formal approval

*New Business:*

Rockduster #002 to be presented at a future meeting.

Discussion regarding approved Rockduster #001. The Department will request a stall test procedure from the manufacturer and add it to the approval.

Mike Caprini EMC filter test, have not received any information.

A discussion ensued regarding the request for approval of a Diesel Powered Badger, the TAC is awaiting further information.

There was discussion regarding the use of ceramic filters as the flame arrestor. A formal application has not been received.

With no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 10:40 a.m.

The next meeting will be at 10 a.m. on July 12, 2017 at the DEP New Stanton Office, Westmoreland Room.