

**MINUTES**  
**Technical Advisory Committee on Diesel-Powered Equipment**  
**New Stanton District Office**  
**October 9, 2019**

The Technical Advisory Committee on Diesel-Powered Equipment (TAC) held a regular meeting on October 9, 2019, in the Westmoreland Room at the DEP New Stanton District Office. The meeting began at 10:10 a.m.

**TAC MEMBERS**

Ron Bowersox  
Paul Borchick

**DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION STAFF PRESENT**

Chas Washlack, BMS  
Art Brower, BMS  
John Antoon, BMS  
Jeff Hamilton, BMS  
Jim Ross, BMS  
Margaret Scheloske, BMS

**OTHERS PRESENT**

None.

**CALL TO ORDER AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

The meeting was called to order at 10:10 a.m. Minutes of the July 10, 2019, meeting were distributed and reviewed. TAC members Ron Bowersox and Paul Borchick approved the minutes.

**OLD BUSINESS**

**Train the Trainer**

Jeff Hamilton reported that there are ongoing train the trainer classes being held at Consol. Chas Washlack reported that applicants have been approved by the Bureau of Mine Safety for diesel operator and diesel operator and maintenance.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **2020 Meeting Dates**

The TAC set the meeting dates for 2020 which are as follows:

January 8, 2020  
April 8, 2020  
July 8, 2020  
October 14, 2020

## **OTHER BUSINESS**

Paul Borchick announced that this was the last TAC Committee meeting for John Antoon, Electrical Engineer for the Bureau of Mine Safety. John will be retiring at the end of October. The TAC thanked him for all his work supporting the TAC.

### **Hydrostatic Mantrip and Dual Compression Car**

Art Brower reported that Royal Hydraulics is working on hydrostatic and dual compression cars. These will be modifications and he will notify the TAC when they are available for inspection.

### **Paper Filters**

A representative from Donaldson Company called in via conference call and the TAC Committee and Bureau of Mine Safety members discussed the process to use a new paper filter in Pennsylvania mines. He was advised to submit to, and obtain, MSHA approval prior to seeking PA approval.

With no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 10:55 a.m.

The next meeting will be at 10 a.m. on January 8, 2020, at the DEP New Stanton Office, Westmoreland Room.