



Metropolitan Washington Air Quality Committee
July 25, 2007

1. Public Education and Outreach Programs

- ***Air Quality Curriculum*** – Piloting of the air quality curriculum has been completed. COG will be issuing a Request for Qualifications for a part-time education coordinator to expand the dissemination and use of the curriculum by teachers and to conduct outreach presentations as needed in FY 2008.
- ***Public Awareness Campaign*** – The radio campaign concludes the end of July. The print ads are under development and will run in August/September.

2. Voluntary Business Emissions Reduction Campaign

- ***Auto Parts Washer Rebate Program*** – Clean Air Partners is continuing to work with the Montgomery County Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) on the County's auto parts washer rebate program.

3. Administration

- Tracye Funn, with Washington Gas, will serve as Chair in FY 2008. Ms. Funn has been involved with Clean Air Partners since its inception, more than 10 years ago.
- The next Board meeting will be held at COG on September 13, 2007.

4. Special Projects

- The 10-Year Anniversary signature event was held on June 5, 2007 at the Belair Mansion in Bowie, Maryland. Speakers included The Honorable Frederick Robinson, Mayor of Bowie; Mr. Terry McCallister, President and Chief Operating Officer of Washington Gas; Mr. Charles Wilson, Director, Prince George's County Department of Environmental Resources; The Honorable David Craig, Chair of the Baltimore Metropolitan Council (BMC); The Honorable Penny Gross, Vice Chair of COG; Larry Klimovitz, Executive Director of BMC; and David Robertson, Executive Director of COG.
- Clean Air Partners will be working with the Prince George's County Department of Environmental Resources to help develop and implement Phase I of the County's Air Quality Strategic Outreach Plan. The objective of Phase I is to increase County employee awareness of and participation in air quality improvements. Specific tasks include surveying County employees to assess their basic level of air quality awareness, developing and customizing messages using survey results, and proposing employee participation programs that encourage the adoption of voluntary measures. Clean Air Partners may also be asked to assist with the implementation of some of these voluntary measures, contingent on the availability of funding.