



AGENDA

Marine Vessels and Ports Sector Workgroup

Tuesday, February 14, 2006, 1:30 – 3:00 p.m. PT

Call-in Details:

Call-in Number: 415-947-8590, Passcode: 5006#

This call kicks off 2006 for the Marine Workgroup (entering the third year of existence!). The intent of the conversation will be to report on workgroup initiatives and news; open a dialogue about ship emissions trading; and get general updates on Collaborative activities.

1:30 Welcome and Agenda Review

1:40 Marine Workgroup Updates

- Executive dialogue report out
Over the past several months a sub-group has been focused on the window of opportunity to encourage clean air technologies for new ship builds. They are learning about the suite of technology options and have begun initiating dialogue with executives from leaders in industry, such as BP. A representative will report on progress and likely next steps.
- Faster Freight Cleaner Air highlights
Several Workgroup members attended the Faster Freight Cleaner Air conference in Long Beach, California at the end of January. The conference focused on reducing air emissions from the goods movement industry and the Marine sector was particularly featured. We will have a brief summary of highlights coming out of that conference and identify where this Workgroup can incorporate some of the follow-up opportunities.
- Clearinghouse update/reminder
In late 2005, a sub-group volunteered to refine and propose a clearinghouse concept to the full Workgroup. Ports and air agencies are in the process of drafting project profiles to load into a technically focused, pilot project clearinghouse to be located on the West Coast Collaborative website. The deadline for submission is March 1, 2006.

2:00 Ship Emissions Trading – Discussion of White Paper

Claire Schary, U.S. EPA Region 10

In order to have a more informed dialogue on marine emissions trading, the Marine Vessels and Ports Sector Workgroup requested background information be assembled and disseminated to the Workgroup. The Marine Sector Workgroup’s interest is partly based on the early success of an emission trading pilot project in Europe administered by the Shipping Emissions Abatement and Trading (SEAA) group, and an industry-based trading proposal from the Maritime Goods Movement Coalition (MGMC) in Los Angeles. Claire Schary has drafted a White Paper that provides a basic level of understanding of the types of emissions trading programs that are currently being used in the U.S., reviews the similarities and differences in current marine related trading proposals in Europe and California.

In our call, Claire will present the highlights of the White Paper and we will have an opportunity for clarifying questions and open discussion. The purpose of the session will be to gauge interest in trading and identify potential next steps, if any.

2:45 General Collaborative Update

Peter Murchie, U.S. EPA Region 10

- Collaborative RFP - \$3 million RFP is due on March 23,2006 – see <http://yosemite.epa.gov/R10/AIRPAGE.NSF/grants/WCC+RFP>
- President's FY07 Budget – the President's proposed federal budget includes \$50 million in funding for diesel reduction (compared to the \$200 million requested)

3:00 Adjourn