

Final Minutes
Sewage Handling and Disposal Advisory Committee Meeting
September 16, 2004

The Sewage Handling Disposal Advisory Committee met on Thursday, September 16, 2004 at 10:30 am, at the Madison Building, Fifth Floor Conference Room, Richmond.

The following committee members were present: Donald Alexander, Rick Blackwell, Mike Lynn, Karl Rudolph, Jeff Howeth, Robert Mayer, Chair. Donna Tiller was also present as Secretary to the Committee.

The following visitors were present: Tom Ashton, American Manufacturing; Bennette Burks and Dennis Campbell, Consolidated Treatment System; M. Christine Belenger, Premier Tech; Chris Beatley, Delmarva Septic; John Aulbach, P.E., Allen Knapp and Dwayne Roadcap, VDH/OEHS.

The meeting was called to order at 10:30 am by Robert Mayer, Chair.

Minutes from May 20, 2004 were approved with two changes: 1) Amend John Aulbach being present as a committee member to being a visitor; and 2) Amend Bio-Microbics, Inc. approval to read: *The committee reviewed a request made by Bio-Microbics, Inc. to allow use of their RetroFast Model 0.25 and RetroFast Model 0.35 for flows up to 250 and 350 gallons per day respectively. These units had been tested under the EPA's Environmental Testing and Verification program and not under the NSF Standard 40 testing protocol. The committee recommended approving the units for the flows requested on the condition that no consideration be given for water saving fixtures or other conditional permits. Therefore, the Model 0.25 could be used for 1 bedroom homes and the Model 0.35 could be used for 2 bedroom homes.*

The agenda was approved with one addition: Under "New Business" add "Existing Systems Policy".

The discussion then centered on the secondary effluent policy (GMP #C). There was much detailed discussion on this and no agreement could be reached. Because of conference room scheduling, a continuation of this meeting was voted on and agreed to be October 29, 2004 at 10:00 am.

Don mentioned to the committee on the policy VDH is currently working on involving existing septic systems.

Meeting adjourned at 2:15 pm