

# Alliance for Water Efficiency

## Water Efficiency Research Committee Meeting Notes



**Tuesday, June 30, 2009**  
*1:30 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. Central*  
**Via Conference Call**

### **Attendees:**

Laura Shenkar  
Dave Bracciano  
Kim Wagoner  
Ike Casey  
Holly Welsh

### **Attendees:**

Dan Muir  
Stephanie Tanner  
John Koeller  
Bill Christiansen

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### **Welcome and Introductions**

Dave Bracciano began the call with brief introductions as people joined the call, and took roll during this time. Dave also gave a brief overview of the last meeting.

### **Discussion of Summary of Committee Related Activities at the AWWA Annual Conference and Exposition (ACE)**

Dave Bracciano discussed some of the conservation related activities at ACE 2009 in San Diego. He stated that Glen Pleasance passed out the AWE Water Efficiency Research Committee project list at his AWWA committee meeting. He also identified that Glen could send the list out via email to his committee members and noted that many utilities fiscal year ends September 30. John Koeller noted the one page project summaries contain the most up-to-date information.

### **Discussion of WaterSense Pre-Rinse Spray Valve Scope**

Holly Welsh gave an overview of the WaterSense Pre-Rinse Spray Valve Scope of work. It should be posted in mid July. Dave Bracciano asked, "Who will do the work?" Stephanie Tanner said WaterSense is looking for a sponsor. For example, utilities could run the study in their service area.

John Koeller recommended the same entity run all of the sites because water and energy use are being metered. This will ensure consistency.

John Koeller said SBW consulting did something similar to this proposed study in California.

Dave Bracciano asked if Energy Star is funding this project. Stephanie Tanner said they are not. Laura Shenkar asked if vendors can provide funding. John Koeller said yes.

Dave Bracciano pointed out that manufacturers can contribute to a project but not control and run the project.

Laura Shenkar said she would call IBM about this project.

Dave asked how EPA would deal with funding the project if AWE is not involved.

It was stated the project will move faster if AWE is the banker.

Laura Shenkar said she will call Wal-Mart and Starbucks to see if they are interested.

John Koeller said there are a lot of opportunities. We need to get commitments and then work out the logistics.

### **Discussion of Currently Incomplete Action Items**

Bill Christiansen briefly discussed the incomplete actions items. This is being done just to keep a tally of what the committee is working on and the associated progress. The items discussed were: (1) Creating one page descriptions for each research project on the list, (2) Creating a historical briefing about the project list, and (3) Soliciting AWE Membership via Global Email to provide lists of ongoing research and for funding. These are all works in progress at this point.

### **Other Business**

John Koeller mentioned that the Plumbing Efficiency Research Coalition (PERC) has a meeting with the Navy regarding the Drainline carry project. The meeting will focus on the field testing portion of the project. In the near future the PERC is going to approve a request for proposal (RFP) for each of the three components of the study: lab work, modeling, and field testing. John Koeller said these RFPs can be linked into our project list and one-pagers.

### **Next Committee Meeting via Conference Call**

The next committee meeting will be held Wednesday August 5th at 1:30 p.m. Central.

## **Adjournment**

The meeting adjourned at 2:30 p.m. Central