MEETING NOTICE
AIR QUALITY FORUM
Tuesday, November 13, 2018, 10:00 – 11:30 a.m.
MARC Offices, 600 Broadway, Suite 200, Kansas City, MO 64105

Members and Alternates in Attendance
Andy Savastino, City of KCMO
Angela Markley, UG/WyCo (KS Co-Chair)
Carol Adams, KCMO EMC
Chris Brame, Weather or Not
David Albrecht, MEC
Dennis Murphey, KCMO OEQ
Doug Watson, KDHE
Gina Bowman, B2G
Jaclyn Brown, U. G. DAQ

Jason L. Osterhaus, Johnson County BOCC
John Neuberger, Sierra Club
Josh Wood, City of Olathe
Mike Boothe JOCO, Health + Env
Richard Rocha, Bayer
Rollin Sachs, U.G. DAQ
Scott Burnett, JACO
Sean Partain, MoDOT
Todd Rogers, JCDHE

Others in Attendance
Jenny O’Brien
Tom Jacobs, MARC
Catherine Reid, KCMO Aviation
Paul David Lampe

1. Introductions and Determination of Quorum
   Introductions were made. Quorum was met.

2. Approve August and September Meeting Summaries*
   Summary approved.

3. 2018 Ozone Season Summary
   Chris Brame of Weather or Not provided an ozone season summary for 2018. Although the season had near normal temperatures outside of 3 months, we had 12 exceedances—the most we’ve seen since 2012. There were 56 missed forecast and 14 of those were missed within 3ppb. Overall accuracy was 77.6%. From March through June, hot and dry days set us up for exceedances early in the season. From July through October cooler air from the region helped us lower ozone production. There were 15 days that produced ozone anomalies and the source that is producing the pollution is still unknown.

4. 2018 Green Commute Challenge Wrap-Up
   Jenny O’Brien gave a wrap-up of the Green Commute Challenge. The challenge took place over 90 days and encouraged alternative transit options for commuting. This year there were 44 employer teams with 631 members who reduced driving miles by 500,000, saved $102,000 dollars, logged 45,000 trips, and prevented almost 400,000 pounds of emissions. Also, participants burned nearly 2 million calories. The top finishing teams were City of Kansas City as
#1 in the large team category and KU Med Center finished in the same category at #2. The Kansas City Public Library was #1 in the small category and Confluence was #2. The top mode of the challenge was walking followed by riding the bus, carpooling, teleworking, riding a bike, vanpooling and lastly, riding the Streetcar. Social media was vital in promoting the challenge and sponsors helped provide prizes and visibility. This is the 11th year of the challenge and it has reduced over 11 million miles of driving. Due to its work and continuous success, the Green Commute Challenge was awarded the Kansas City Industrial Council’s 2018 Sustainability Stewardship Award.

5. KCMO Greenhouse Gas Emissions Inventory Update

Dennis Murphy presented the 2017 Greenhouse Gas Inventory Update. These has been a 21% decrease of GHG since 2000 with commercial buildings producing the most emissions. There is a goal of reducing GHG emissions by 30% by 2020. A significant amount of reduction seen between 2013 and 2017 have taken place in the commercial energy sector. Also in this timeframe the transportation sector emissions have increased. Fuel source emissions have reduced in electric and stay the same in natural. Emissions from gasoline fuels have remained the highest. Comparison to past inventories emissions intensity shows a decrease over the years. Comparison to past inventories emissions & degree days show a similar trend. Overall there has been steady progress since 2005 with a significant reduction in building energy use. This has happened because of major changes by KCP&L to a cleaner fuel mix, reduction in energy consumption (especially in commercial buildings), and milder weather in 2017, etc. Comparison to past inventories for the emissions off municipal operations have decreased by 40% since 2000. This reduction number has surpassed the target goal for 2020. Dennis finished with providing a comparison information of Kansas City, Mo and its other peer cities. The only peer city that is doing a lot better than KC, MO with emissions per capita is Minneapolis, MN.

6. Long Range Transportation Plan GHG Strategies Discussion

Tom Jacobs stared a discussion for the Long Range Transportation Plan and GHG emission reduction. As a focus of the LRTP, Jacobs posed question to think about like, what kind of process would we need to embrace for accessing strategies for the best progress via the Transportation sector? Preliminary thoughts and recommendations for processes will be posed for a larger discussion in December.

7. State Rules In Progress

Doug Watson provided an update on the Kansas side of the VW settlement. They are asking for a withdrawal from the trust in the near future to have money ready for their budget. By spring of 2019 there will be a line item in the budget to incorporate the VW money. The overall process has been slowed by they are moving forward to fund projects as quickly as possible.

Amanda Graor shared an update from MDNR. The Missouri Air Conservation meeting being moved up from December 6th to December 29th to accommodate for role making requirements. This meeting will take place in Jefferson City. Also, they are formally requesting re-designations for the St. Louis area. More info is available on the MDNR website.

8. Next Meeting – Tuesday, December 11, 2018, 10:00 a.m.

9. Other Business
Tom Jacobs shared some staff updates for MARC. Amanda Graor has taken a new position as the Chief Innovation officer as of November 1st. Karen Clawson, who was previously working on transit planning, has now taken over the Air Quality program.

10. Adjourn

Meeting adjourned.