**ADVISORY COMMITTEE FOR THE REGULATION**

**AND CONTROL OF WATER WELL CONTRACTORS**

**(DRILLERS) IN LOUISIANA**

**Meeting Summary**

**Wednesday, May 9, 2012**

**12:00 P.M.**

Prepared by:

The Department of Natural Resources

Office of Conservation

Environmental Division Staff

**Advisory Committee members in attendance:**

Commissioner of Conservation, designee - John W. Adams

Louisiana Ground Water Association, Domestic Driller – Herschel Bourque

Secretary of the Department of Health & Hospitals, designee – Jake Causey

Louisiana Ground Water Association, Irrigation Driller – Courtney Chabreck

Secretary of the Department of Natural Resources, designee – Patrick Courreges

Louisiana Ground Water Association, Industrial Driller – Larry W. La Borde

United States Geological Survey representative – John K. Lovelace

Driller at Large – Michael McGrath

President of the Louisiana Engineering Society, designee – Roy A. Waggenspack

**Call to Order**

Chairman of the Advisory Committee, Courtney Chabreck, called the meeting to order at 12:00 p.m. with welcoming remarks. The Roll was called and a quorum was established.

**Review of New Applicants for Louisiana Driller’s License**

1. The application for Scott Slaughter of Tierra Tech, LLC was reviewed by the Advisory Committee. Herschel Bourque made the motion to accept the application; seconded by Mike McGrath. The motion passed unanimously.
2. The application for Gary Matthew of Matthews Contract Drilling was reviewed by the Advisory Committee. Herschel Bourque made the motion to accept the application as a change in contact; thus, no test was needed. The motion was seconded by Roy Waggenspack. The motion passed unanimously.
3. The application for Kevin LeBlanc was reviewed by the Advisory Committee. Mike McGrath made the motion to accept the application; seconded by Roy Waggenspack. The motion passed unanimously.

**Adoption of the February 8, 2012 Meeting Summary**

Herschel Bourque made the motion to accept the meeting summary with a minor correction and was seconded by John Lovelace. The motion passed unanimously.

**Current Events Update**

Environmental Division staff reminded members of the close of the comment period (May 20, 2012) for the agency’s Louisiana Register Potpourri announcement of intent to propose a regulatory amendment for water well drillers to ensure that well owners have complied with water well notification requirements prior to commencing well installation activities.  Also discussed was the opportunity for water well drillers to receive six (6) hours of continuing education credit during the SONRIS to Sunset conference scheduled for August 2012 in New Orleans.

**Public Comments**

There were no public comments.

**Date for the Next Meeting**

The next meeting of the Advisory Committee is scheduled for Wednesday, August 8, 2012 at 12:00 p.m. in the Griffon Room of the LaSalle Building in Baton Rouge.

**Adjourn**

There being no other business before the Advisory Committee, Herschel Bourque moved to adjourn; seconded by Roy Waggenspack which passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 1:15 p.m.