



# San Gabriel Valley Council of Governments

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## Energy, Environment, and Natural Resources Committee Solid Waste Working Group

### MINUTES

September 27, 2010

#### 1.0 Preliminary Business

**1.1** Meeting was called to order at 10:03am

**1.2** Self-Introductions

S. Pedroza	City of Claremont
S. Gallant	City of Monrovia
A. Ho	City of Monterey Park
H. Morris	City of Pomona
C. Vasquez	City of West Covina
M. Mohajer	La Co IWM Task Force
C. Agu	La Co Public Works
N. Morell	La Co Sanitation Dist
C. Anderson	Waste Management

**Guests:**

T. Kim, NEPCO

**COG Staff:**

M. Creter

O. Pena

#### 2.0 Discussion Items

**2.1** Presentation on Styrofoam Recycling

Tommy Kim of NEPCO provided a general overview of expanded polystyrene, or Styrofoam, recycling. Mr. Kim illustrated how Styrofoam is crushed and reduced by a factor of 80:1 thereby creating a material known as an ingot. This product can be used as feedstock for new consumer products such as picture frames.

**2.2** Discussion on Inclusion of Private Firms to the Working Group

The group discussed the possibility of inviting private firms to be a part of the working group. After considerable discussion the group arrived at a consensus that firms would be invited as needed but the line of communication should remain open and consistent.

**2.3** Legislative Item Update

The group discussed the status of solid waste legislation from the previous year. Mr. Mohajer suggested minor edits be made to the description of AB 737 to substitute "mandate" for "establishes a requirement" in the opening sentence.

#### 3.0 Items for Future Meetings

Discussion on working with local legislative delegation

#### 4.0 Set next meeting date

Next meeting will take place on October 25th

#### 5.0 Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 11:12am