



## **Kansas City Ozone Informational Meeting #3**

The University of Kansas - Edwards Campus

Regnier Hall - Room 153

12600 Quivira Road

Overland Park, KS 66213

Thursday, November 6, 2008

10 a.m. – noon

### **Staff Members Present:**

Tom Gross

Douglas Watson

Julie Coleman (NEDO)

### **Others Present by Attendance Record:**

Shane Krull, Miami County

Tiffany Campbell, MDNR-APCP

Richard Moppin, Leavenworth County Health Dept.

Mike Boothe, Johnson Co. Environmental Dept.

Milo Renberg, AGC Flat Glass

Dean Onoke, Leavenworth County

Bruce Andersen, Unified Government DAQ

Mike Robert, Hallmark Cards, Inc.

Don Gansert, Trinity Consultants

Ryan Hamel, KS Small Business Environmental Assistance Program

Amanda Graor, MARC

Ed Mize, Southern Star

Jennifer Logan, Johnson Co. Environmental Dept.

Evan Clark, Panhandle Eastern Pipeline

Tiffany Le, KCBPU

Jess Hudnall, Panhandle Eastern Pipeline

Paul Ling, KCPL

Marlene Nagel, MARC

Rollin Sachs, Unified Government DAQ

## Summary

Tom Gross and Douglas Watson met with city and county officials and stakeholders in Kansas City for the third and final meeting concerning the new ozone standard and the designation process.

22 people were in attendance, including: county and local officials, and many industry reps -- KCPL, Panhandle Eastern Pipeline, Hallmark Cards, AGC Flatglass, Southern Star and KCBPU.

Tom Gross began the presentation with a short review of the ozone designation process and how KDHE had proceeded with developing its recommendations to EPA for the Kansas City MSA. He also went into detail on the tool (Multi-Criteria Integrated Resource Assessment Tool - MIRA) that BAR used to assemble and guide the decision making process. He also shared some of the issues and internal deliberations caused by an extremely cool summer and very low ozone readings across the metropolitan area. He then shared a slide that showed the county rankings (in order from most to least nonattainment) as determined by the MIRA tool. Doug Watson then discussed the county by county breakdown of the criteria information that was developed for each county and the recommendation that KDHE would submit to the EPA for that county. KDHE will only recommend that Johnson and Wyandotte Counties be classified as “nonattainment” for the new ozone standard.

The "take home" messages were:

- 1.) This ozone season has been extremely cool and thus ozone readings were low.
- 2.) Draft technical document will be posted to website and KDHE will accept comments on document through December 31, 2008.
- 3.) Recommendation to be submitted to EPA by March 12, 2009.
- 4.) EPA will review recommendation and provide comments back to KDHE.
- 5.) EPA will provide a further opportunity for “official” comment on recommendation.
- 6.) Final EPA designations – March 12, 2010

The meeting was very successful and the interaction was appreciated by the participants.