

**City of Newport  
Georgia Pacific Task Force  
SUMMARY NOTES  
Meeting of March 5, 2009**

Meeting Time: 5:30 P.M.

**ATTENDANCE**

Members: John Clark, Tim Johnson, Roger Hart, Franz Cosenza, Sandy Roumagoux, Charlie Plybon, Gil Sylvia (via telephone), George Ragsdale (via telephone), Dan McCarthy (via telephone).

Also present: City Councilor Lon Brusselback; City staff Peggy Hawker and Gary Firestone; Tom Picciano, G-P Public Information Officer; public – Diane Henkels (via telephone), Nyla Jebousek, and Jenny Stokes.

**DISCUSSION**

Cosenza noted that he believed that the city water lines were above the effluent lines, but this conflicts with what was contained in the notes from the last meeting. Ritzman will clarify before the next meeting.

It was agreed to limit public comment to ten minutes at the beginning of the meeting, and ten minutes at the end of the meeting.

Brusselback presented a letter from Carla Perry for the record.

Jenny Stokes presented a document regarding zero discharge. It is available on-line at [www.rfu.org](http://www.rfu.org).

Cosenza and Ragsdale noted that this discussion only pertains to the south line, and that G-P is not willing to diminish the north line rights.

Nyla Jebousek took exception to the public comment period time. She suggested: (1.) recycle materials; (2.) stop using Nye Beach as an outflow.

The Task Force began discussing particular components of the draft information. Regarding environmental issues, it was the consensus of the group to wait until the DEQ response to the Surfrider request.

Option #3: Table until the DEQ response. The sole purpose of the outfall is for mill effluent and nothing else.

Option #5: A discussion ensued regarding general liability insurance. It was noted that G-P has insurance and a self-insured retention that is higher than the limits suggested in the options. A review of the G-P records was suggested. McCarthy and Ragsdale will work together on a solution that is agreeable and bring their conclusion to the Task Force.

Option #8: It was noted that Surfriders does not favor abandonment in place. It was agreed that a report would be provided showing the abandoned lines for the next meeting. It was noted that the lines built from 1963 forward to not contain asbestos. It was noted that concerns could be eased if G-P presented a formal standard operation procedure for abandoned lines.

A discussion ensued regarding the confidentiality of as-built drawings. Firestone noted that the preference would be to make these documents public if ordered. Firestone, McCarthy, and Ragsdale will discuss this issue and make a recommendation to the Task Force.

Further discussion ensued regarding signage, and the potential of video line inspection. Firestone will seek technical input regarding the video line inspection. An educational component was discussed and encouraged.

Nyla Jebousek suggested that the insurance indemnification include beach clean-up and formerly abandoned lines. She suggested reviewing the previous standard operating procedures for abandoning lines. She recommended Melinda McComb as a resource.

Having no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:13 P.M.