Rule 304—Plan Fees Public Workshop February 17, 2005

Comments and Responses

1. The County has registered geologists review geologic evaluations. Will registered geologists be reviewing the geologic evaluations?

Geologic evaluations that are submitted to comply with the requirement of the Asbestos ATCM will be reviewed by District staff, none of whom are registered geologists at this time. The purpose of reviewing the geologic evaluation is to ensure compliance with the specifications of the ATCM, not to verify the geologist's analysis.

Staff has contacted the County of Sacramento's Departments of Environmental Review and Assessment, Engineering, and Municipal Services Agency. None were familiar with the use of registered geologists for reviewing submittals to their agencies.

If the APCO determines that the services of a registered geologist are needed for sampling or other purposes, the fee established in Section 303.3 will be used to recover those costs.

2. How will the Consumer Price Index adjustment occur?

If the APCO determines that fees need to be adjusted in accordance with changes in the CPI, the adjustment will be proposed to the Board of Directors with the annual budget. Public notice of budget hearings will take place and will specify changes to the fees. If Rule 304 is adopted as proposed, anyone who has paid a fee under the rule will be notified of any proposed fee changes as part of the notification process for budget hearings. Upon Board approval, the APCO may adjust fees.

As of April 7, 2005, no further comments have been received.