

Premium Standard Farms
Princeton, Missouri
Community Advisory Panel
Meeting Minutes: 7/27/06

Members Present: Ed Rhoades, Jack Tucker

Also Present: From PSF – Bill Homann, Jason Helton

The meeting began at approximately 7:15 p.m. Ed Rhoades agreed to serve as chairman.

Approval of Minutes

After review, Jack Tucker moved to approve the minutes of the previous meeting, seconded by Ed Rhoades and approved.

Presentation

Jason Helton, Manager of Communications and Public Affairs, provided an overview of his department. He explained the staff and budget, responsibilities, and activities of his department. He discussed public communication opportunities including newsletters, toll free number, donations, presentations, and website; employee events and activities; company store; media relations; the employer assisted housing program; and other company events. A number of questions were asked during the discussion.

Hotline Report

One call to the hotline during this period dealt with a realtor seeking to sell a parcel of land to the company. A call received directly by the transportation department concerned a neighbor of the Valley View farm in Sullivan County reporting complaints of trucks going past his house. The transportation manager and the farm production manager visited in person with the caller and it was determined that the trucks were cattle trucks and not company trucks.

Incident Reports

Fourteen incident reports (three from March 2006, three from April 2006, six from May 2006, and two from June 2006) were presented to the group for review and discussion. Bill explained that this was the second and final session of working through a backlog of reports that have accumulated as the incident review committee was properly investigating and reporting each incident. This meeting also contains current reports. The group will continue to work provide a more timely review to the CAP.

Bill stated there were no notices of violation in the reports. After review of the reports, a question was asked about DNR's reaction to reportable incidents that were contained. Bill responded that DNR typically sends an investigator and all protocols and inspections are still followed. Bill discussed the importance and purpose of conducting "learning after doing" session with company and contracted personnel.

Operations Update

Bill provided a brief overview of market prices and conditions as well as company statistics. He discussed PRRS status at Terre Haute, Coffey, Badger Wolf and Wade. He also discussed the impact of heat on people and animals. He noted that progress was being made at the Crystal Peak fertilizer plant and that organic certification had been received on the high phosphorus product. Fresh water needs are increasing at some locations. Bill also outlined recently announced changes in company senior management.

Questions/Other Issues

None.

Meeting adjourned at approximately 9:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Jason Helton