

**Propane Education & Research Council  
February 3, 2011  
Conference Call**

**MINUTES**

Chairman Bill Platz called the meeting of the Propane Education & Research Council (PERC) to order at 2:06 p.m. Eastern Standard Time.

Mr. Platz, Delta Liquid Energy (Paso Robles, Calif.), welcomed the Council members in attendance:

Eric Benson, J.S. West & Co. (Modesto, Calif.)  
Gregg Dighero, EnCana (Denver)  
Sam Hawley, Enterprise Products Operating LLC (Houston)  
Theodore Jeffcoat, Inergy (Rutland, Mass.)  
Sam McTier, Propane Technologies (Lake Forest, Ill.)  
Gerry Misel, Georgia Gas Distributors (Sandy Springs, Ga.)  
Tom Redd, Martin Midstream Partners (Kilgore, Texas) — *Secretary*  
David Regan, Targa Resources Inc. (Houston) — *Vice Chairman—Producers*  
Doug Rinke (Columbia, Mo.)  
T.J. Rinke, Conway NGL Storage & Fractionation, Williams Midstream (Tulsa, Okla.)  
Mike Sheehan, Sheehan's Gas (Bird Island, Minn.)  
Paula Wilson, AmeriGas (Valley Forge, Pa.)

**President's Report**

PERC President and CEO Roy Willis offered updates on the formation of a task force on vehicle conversion safety and training, on a recent meeting about the industry's breakthrough innovation priorities, and on the upcoming North American-European summit of the World LP Gas Association in Washington.

Mr. Willis asked the Council for authorization to create and fill a staff engineer position to support the growing number of engine-based projects in the Council's research and development portfolio. Doug Rinke made a motion to approve the request, and the motion was adopted unanimously.

**Consent Calendar**

Mr. Platz directed councilors' attention to the consent calendar in their briefing materials, noting that the Council would consider the two grant funding requests and one state rebate requests on the consent calendar en bloc rather than taking them up one at a time. He advised councilors that one funding request — **Docket 17111** — would be considered later in the meeting.

Ms. Wilson moved to approve the consent calendar. The motion was adopted unanimously and the requests were thereby approved (as follows).

<b>Docket:</b>	<b>17086</b>
<b>Principal Contractor:</b>	Buck's Engines
<b>Short Title:</b>	Development and EPA/CARB Certification of 8-Liter Engine
<b>Amount Requested:</b>	<b>\$120,000</b>

**Action:** **Approved**

**Docket:** **17117**  
**Applicant:** American Petroleum Institute  
**Short Title:** 2010 API Survey and Report  
**Amount Requested:** **\$189,337**  
**Action:** **Approved**

**Docket:** **17110**  
**Applicant:** New England PERF  
**Short Title:** 2011 CETP Rebate Program  
**Amount Requested:** **\$200,000**  
**Action:** **Approved**

#### **Engine Fuel Market Report**

PERC Vice President Brian J. Feehan introduced **Docket 17111**. Mr. Misel moved to approve the funding request; after discussion, the motion was adopted and the funding request was thereby approved (as follows).

**Docket:** **17111**  
**Applicant:** Club Car  
**Short Title:** Club Car Product Development  
**Amount Requested:** **\$650,000**  
**Action:** **Approved**

#### **New Business**

The Council took up the matter of the use of state rebate funds for testing fees associated with the Certified Employee Training Program administered by the National Propane Gas Association. By unanimous consent, the Council agreed to take up the matter again at the next meeting.

Mr. McTier offered a report on a program to commercialize propane-fueled cabinet heaters.

Mr. Platz announced that the Council would next meet on April 15, 2011, in Atlanta.

By unanimous consent, the Council adjourned at 2:50 p.m. EST.