

**Propane Education & Research Council**  
**February 13, 2014**  
**By Conference Call**  
**MINUTES**

Chairwoman Paula Wilson called the meeting to order at 2:02 p.m. Eastern Standard Time.

Ms. Wilson, AmeriGas (Valley Forge, Pa.), welcomed the Council members in attendance:

Michael E. Barnes, BP Energy Co. (Houston) — *Vice Chairman, Producers*  
Robert Barry, Bergquist (Toledo, Ohio) — *Treasurer*  
Sharon Beemer, DCP Midstream (Houston)  
Gene Bissell (Gladwyne, Pa.)  
Steven Breckon, Lone Star NGL (Houston)  
Robert Chalmers, JP Energy Partners (Irving, Texas)  
Drew Combs, CHS Inc. (Inver Grove Heights, Minn.)  
Gregg Dighero, EnCana (Denver)  
Roxanne Fowles, MarkWest Energy Partners LP (Friendswood, Texas)  
Sam Hawley, Enterprise Products Operating LLC (Houston)  
Gerry Misel, Georgia Gas Distributors (Sandy Springs, Ga.)  
David Regan, Targa Resources (Houston)  
Doug Rinke (Columbia, Mo.)  
Michael Sheehan, Sheehan's Gas Co. (Bird Island, Minn.)  
John Simcox, Thompson Gas & Electric Service (Hagerstown, Md.)  
Tom Van Buren, Ferrellgas (Overland Park, Kan.) — *Secretary*  
Richard Williams, Suburban Propane Partners LP (Whippany, N.J.)

**Chairwoman's Report**

Ms. Wilson discussed the severe winter of 2014 and thanked PERC for its leadership in working with the media to address customer and industry questions.

**President's Report**

PERC President and CEO Roy Willis discussed working collaboratively with the Gas Processors Association and the National Propane Gas Association as the industry dealt with supply and distribution issues this winter.

Mr. Willis approved the following funding requests and no-cost change orders after the December 2013 meeting of the Council:

- **Docket 19284** — NYPGA Disaster/Emergency Management Plan, \$25,000.
- **Docket 19351** — Modification of Chapter 11 on NFPA 58, \$92,830.
- **Docket 19229** — SRC 8.8-liter Certified Engine Development, \$100,000.
- **Docket 17449** — Yanmar 5kW Micro CHP Development and Commercialization (no-cost change order).
- **Docket 18160** — Performance and Durability Validation of Propane-Diesel Dual-Fuel Retrofit System (DFRS) (no-cost change order).
- **Docket 19139** — PERC Websites Consolidation (no-cost change order).

- **Docket 17443** — Commercial Mower Dealer Demonstration Program (no-cost change order).
- **Docket 19051** — Propane Basics for Propane Autogas Vehicle Operators Brochure (no-cost change order).
- **Docket 17584** — Spark Ignition Direct Injection (SIDI) Engine Investigation (no-cost change order).

**Chief Business Development Officer’s Report**

PERC Chief Business Development Officer Tucker Perkins introduced **Docket 19348**. Upon a motion duly made and seconded, the funding request was approved (as follows):

**Docket:** 19348  
**Principal Contractor:** United Parcel Service  
**Title:** Autogas Refueling Infrastructure Demonstration & Testing  
**Amount Requested:** \$780,000  
**Action:** Approved

**Consent Calendar**

Ms. Wilson asked the councilors to turn their attention to the consent calendar in the briefing materials.

Upon a motion duly made and seconded, the Council approved the funding requests that appear on the consent calendar (as follows).

**Docket:** 17257  
**Principal Contractor:** Battelle  
**Title:** Electronic Hand-Held Odorant Detector for Propane  
**Amount Requested:** \$385,000  
**Action:** Approved

**Docket:** 20004  
**Principal Contractor:** Gas Technology Institute  
**Title:** Carbon Management Information Center Consortium 2014  
**Amount:** \$50,000  
**Action:** Approved

**Industry and Public Comments**

Ms. Wilson invited industry and public comments. There were none.

**Old Business**

There was no old business.

**New Business**

Mr. Dighero requested research be conducted on propane fuel specifications. Mr. Willis said that he had referred the request to the GPA.

Ms. Wilson announced that the Council will next meet April 11, 2014, in Atlanta.

By unanimous consent, the Council adjourned at 2:30 p.m. EST.