MEETING NOTES

SOUTH CAROLINA ELECTRIC & GAS COMPANY SALUDA HYDRO PROJECT RELICENSING FISHERIES AND WILDLIFE RESOURCE CONSERVATION GROUP WATER QUALITY RESOURCE CONSERVATION GROUP JOINT MEETING

Saluda Shoals Park, Irmo, SC December 7, 2005

ATTENDEES:

Bill Argentieri, SCE&G Alan Stuart, Kleinschmidt Associates Alison Guth, Kleinschmidt Associates Steve Summer, SCANA Services Shane Boring, Kleinschmidt Associates Randy Mahan, SCANA Services Steve Bell, Lake Murray Watch Dick Christie, SCDNR Gina Kirkland, SCDHEC Bob Seibels, Riverbanks Zoo Malcolm Leaphart, TU Tom Bowles, SCE&G George Duke, LMHOC Steve Leach. SCDNR Joe Logan, Midlands Stripers Hal Beard, SCDNR Jeff Duncan, National Park Service Bill Hulslander, Congaree National Park Bill Marshall, SCDNR & LSSRAC Mary Kelly, League of Women Voters (Cola area) **Glen Siebels** Patrick Moore, Coastal Conservation League Gerrit Jobsis, American Rivers Mike Summer, SCE&G Ron Ahle, SCDNR Joy Downes, Lake Murray Assn. Amanda Hill, USFWS Bill East, Lake Murray Assn. Bud Badr, SCDNR Jim Goller, Midlands Striper Club Bob Keener, Lake Murray Assn./LMSCA Reed Bull, Midlands Striper Wade Bales, SCDNR Dan Tufford, Univ. of SC Tony Bebber, SC Parks, Rec. & Tourism J. Charles Floyd, Lake Murray Homeowner's Assoc. Andy Miller, SCDHEC Norm Ferris, TU Richard Mikell, Adventure Carolina Pamela Greenlaw, Sierra Club - John Bachman Group Jim Ruane, REMI Andy Sawyer, REMI Ray Parker, Lake Murray Assoc.

ACTION ITEMS:

• Review list of study requests.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING:

February 1 (Water Quality) and 2nd (Wildlife and Fisheries) at 9:00 a.m. at SCE&G's Lake Murray Training Center¹.

¹ Due to conflict with the Catawba-Wateree Relicensing, dates were subsequently changed to February 21^{st} and 22^{nd} for the Water Quality and Fish and Wildlife RCG's, respectively.



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These notes serve to be a summary of the major points presented during the meeting and are not intended to be a transcript or analysis of the meeting.

Alan Stuart opened the meeting at approximately 9:30 AM, noting that the Water Quality and Fish &Wildlife Resource Conservation Groups (RCG)s had been combined for this meeting due to several common requests for presentations to provide background information relevant to the relicensing of Saluda Hydro. He added that, because the meeting consisted almost exclusively of presentations, the meeting would be mostly educational in nature and would likely not include significant discussion of relicensing issues. Following Alan's introduction, the following presentations were given (click on presentation title to view):

Water Quality Standards and §401 Water Quality Certification Process for Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) Hydro Relicensing, Gina Kirkland, South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control (SCDHEC).

Water Quality Update: Lower Saluda River and Lake Murray, Andy Miller, Watershed Manager - Saluda and Santee Basins, SCDHEC.

Developing a Site-Specific Dissolved Oxygen Standard for the Lower Saluda River, Shane Boring, Kleinschmidt Associates.

(Note: This presentation was a recap of the presentation given by A. Stuart, J. Ruane, Dr. G. Chapman (Paladin Water Quality Consulting), and G. Hauser (Loginetics, Inc.) at the July 30th, 2003, Public Information Meeting for establishment of the Saluda site-specific DO standard.)

Water Quality Data Analysis and the CE-QUAL-W2 Modeling for Lake Murray, Jim Ruane and Andy Sawyer, Reservoir Environmental Management, Inc. (REMI).

(NOTE: Some portions of this presentation are not available through the website due to virtual memory, software and animation requirements.)

Alan Stuart closed the meeting at approximately 4:00 PM, noting that the next Water Quality and Fish and Wildlife RCG Meetings would be held at the SCE&G Training Center on February 1st and 2nd, 2006, respectively². In closing, he urged group members to review the compiled list of study request and to be prepared to discuss them.

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