

*Advisory Council on Drinking Water Quality and Testing Standards  
Minutes from February 18, 2005 Meeting*

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<b>Members Present:</b>	Ron Brecher	Michele Giddings
	Harold Richardson	Alex Hukowich
John Rudnickas	Ken Roberts	Jim Merritt
Robert Walton	Rod Holme	Mark Servos
Marilyn Lee		

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<b>Council Staff Present:</b>	Iris Biggar	
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<b>Regrets:</b>	Peter Huck	Robert Andrews
	Lesbia Smith	Scott Barrett

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<b>Ministry Liaison Staff Present:</b>	Pat Lachmaniuk, SDB	Fred Ruf, MOHLTC
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<b>Guests:</b>	Ian Smith, DWMD	Catherine Brown, SPB
	Renee Bowler, DWMD	

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**1. Call to Order:**

Chair welcomed members and opened the meeting at 9:35 a.m.

**Adoption of February 18, 2005 Agenda**

February 18, 2005 agenda was adopted by consensus.

**Adoption of January 21, 2005 Minutes**

January 21, 2005 minutes were adopted by consensus.

**Review of Outstanding Action Items**

None

**2. Reg 170 Review:**

Status release report release was discussed.

ROMA is Monday Feb. 21, 2005, and an opportunity for report release exists

Reg. 170 information session was postponed until after public release of report.

**3. Reg. 903**

Review and discussion on:

CELA request

Current Reg. 903

AWWA standard C654 Disinfection of Wells

• **Questions still remain and were given to MOE staff:**

- **Why were the terms “chlorine” and “approximate” used?**
- **When should disinfection action be taken?**
- **Why not require residual chlorine test and bacteriological testing?**
- **Why not use AWWA standard?**

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- **Requirement to use a Licensed Technician?**
- **Who can install pump equipment and does this require disinfection?**
- **Where is overlap between Reg. 903 and Plumbing Code?**

**Decision / Action:**

- **Current Regulation is not adequate with regards to disinfection**
- **Scope of Council's advice should not only be applied to CELA concerns**
- **Council to consider some of the measures in the AWWA standards**
- **Request that John Mayes attend the March 21, 2005 meeting**

**4. Justice O'Connor Priorities:**

Turbidity

- Council agreed that O'Connor recommendation #28 has been addressed.
- Council will review when final CDWG is posted.

Bacteriological testing

- Council agreed that O'Connor recommendation #29 has been addressed.
- Letter to the minister is ready for Chair to sign; awaiting Minister's Office staff feedback

DBPs

- THM review is currently underway
- Initiative is ongoing; Council will address as more information becomes available.
- Health Canada and the CDW are reviewing DBPs

Protozoa

- Council would like to have a presentation from the ministry outlining how they have addressed Justice O'Connor's recommendation.

**Decision / Action:**

- **Protozoa to be considered at the March 21, 2005 meeting.**

**5. Standards review**

Council reviewed draft protocol, the following suggestions were made:

- Add a step before "Find Guideline" to cover adoption as Ontario Standard
- Add optional "track" for substances not on national priority list
- Council could conduct own consultation
- Review priorities on an annual basis
- Ministry to prepare package for Council members that includes:
  - documentation
  - decision sought
  - citations when scientific documents referenced
  - presentation by MOE

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**Decision / Action:**

- **Chair and Executive Assistant to review protocol and prepare half page description for each stage**
- **Pat Lachmaniuk and Executive Assistant to revise list of parameters under review to follow the stages described in the draft protocol**
- **Review of Priority Parameters to take place at the June, 2005 meeting**

CDWGs update

**Decision / Action:**

- **chlorite/chlorate to be considered at March 21, 2005 meeting**

THMs update

- cost analysis of 100ug/L vs 80 ug/L being finalized
- information to be provided for next meeting

**Decision / Action:**

- **Pat Lachmaniuk to present summary of costs for Council to review.**

**6. Source Water Protection**

Presentation given by MOE staff and general discussion

**Decision / Action:**

- **Council will consider whether to comment on Report and Draft Act at the March 21, 2005 meeting.**

**7. Administrative Items**

Chair and Executive Assistant will draft table of contents for the Annual Report

- collect samples

**Decision / Action:**

- **Chair and Executive Assistant to draft table of contents for Annual Report and collect samples or report formats**

**8. Future Agenda Items**

**Decision / Action:**

- **Blue green algae to be presented by Michele Giddings and discussed at the May 27, 2005 meeting.**

**8. Next Meeting(s):**

March 21, 2005

April 15, 2005

May 27, 2005

June 17, 2005 (tentative)

**6. Adjourn.**

Meeting was adjourned by the Chair at 3:45 p.m.