Model Aquatic Health Code
STEERING COMMITTEE

MEETING MINUTES
JULY 13, 2007 CONFERENCE CALL
2:30 – 4:00 PM (EDT)

Members Present: Michael Beach, Chip Cleary, Steven Goode, Joe Hunsaker, Amanda Long – Assistant to the Director, David Ludwig, Chuck Neuman, Charles Otto, Doug Sackett – Director
Members Absent: Bart Bibler, John Linn

Model Aquatic Health Code (MAHC) Project Outline Discussion
• Standards vs. codes.
• Discussion about whether entities adopt entire model codes, or if they use parts of model codes when convenient.
• Determine a host for the model code document.
• Research process – what does the MAHC have to go through to be published?
• Keep process simple.
• Develop strawman/ flow chart outlining project process.
• Incorporate Conference for Food Protection ideas in process for updating and revising code.
• Limit model code to items directly related to public health/ safety.
• Keep the model code language basic and clear.
• Define "performance based".
• Develop a strawman of instructions for technical committees.
• Determine how to respond to comments from the public.

Steering Committee meetings
• Meeting will be in Atlanta on August 1-2, 2007.
• Fly in evening of Tues. July 31st, leave late afternoon Thurs. August 2nd.
• Mr. Cleary, Mr. Neuman, and Mr. Hunsaker will look into booking a hotel near the airport to hold the meeting.

Model Code Discussion: Format, Language, Process, Basic Tenets
• Keep code language simple.
• Look at Vessel Sanitation Program manual.
• Determine low hanging fruit – members should each develop a list of their top 5 priorities for modules regarding public health.

CDC Team Web Forum
• Members now have usernames and initial logon passwords and should explore and start to use the web forum.