



**Commission for Environmental Cooperation (CEC) of North America**

**Tenth CEC Regular Session of the Council and Joint Public Advisory Committee (JPAC) Meetings**

**23-25 June 2003**

**Renaissance Mayflower Hotel**

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**Preliminary Program of Public Events (as of 12 June 2003)**

**Sunday, 22 June 2003**

**18:00–20:00 Accreditation of participants**

**Monday, 23 June 2003**

**7:30–20:00 Accreditation of participants**

**8:30–17:30 Public Plenary Session on CEC North American Environmental Enforcement and Compliance Cooperation Program *Grand Ballroom (Promenade Level)***

8:30–8:45 Opening remarks

- Gustavo Alanís-Ortega, Chair of the Joint Public Advisory Committee
- Jose Campillo, Attorney General for the Protection of the Environment, Profepa, and Chair of the EWG
- Tim Whitehouse, Head of the CEC Law and Policy Program

8:45–9:30 Brief overview of country enforcement priorities

- Phyllis Harris, Deputy Assistant Administrator, Office of Enforcement and Compliance Assurance, US EPA
- Daniel Couture, Deputy Director of Enforcement Branch, Environmental Protection Service, Environment Canada
- Gabriel Calvillo, Director of Federal Environmental Crimes and Litigation, Profepa

9:30–10:15 Question period

10:15–10:30 Break

10:30–11:30 Presentation of the North American Working Group on Environmental Enforcement and Compliance Cooperation (EWG)

- General overview of the EWG, by Alejandra Goyenechea, Director for International Affairs, Profepa, and alt-Chair of the EWG
- Presentation on the Illegal Traffic of Ozone-depleting Substances, by Bruce Pasfield, Assistant Chief, Environmental Crimes Section, Environment and Natural Resources Division, US Department of Justice

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- Presentation on the Environmentally Sound Management and Tracking of Hazardous Wastes, by Rick Picardi, Office of Solid Waste, US EPA
- Presentation on Wildlife Enforcement, by Yvan Lafleur, Director of Wildlife Enforcement, Environment Canada, and Co-chair of the North American Wildlife Enforcement Group (NAWEG)
- Presentation on Environmental Management Systems, by Lorenzo Thomas, Director of Environmental Auditing, Profepa

11:30–12:30 Question period

**12:30–14:00 Lunch** (not provided)

### **Public Plenary Session on CEC North American Environmental Enforcement and Compliance Cooperation Program (cont'd) *Grand Ballroom (Promenade Level)***

14:00–15:00 Long-term Strategic Plan for the CEC North American Environmental Enforcement and Compliance Cooperation Program

- Alejandra Goyenechea, Director for International Affairs, Profepa, and alt-Chair of the EWG
- Phyllis Harris, Deputy Assistant Administrator, Office of Enforcement and Compliance Assurance, US EPA
- Daniel Couture, Deputy Director of Enforcement Branch, Environmental Protection Service, Environment Canada
- Gabriel Calvillo, Director for Federal Environmental Crimes and Litigation, Profepa

15:00–17:30 Participants' input

17:30 End of plenary session

**17:30–18:00 Break**

**18:00–19:30 Welcoming Reception: Official Opening of the 10<sup>th</sup> Regular Session of the Council and launching of Itinerant Exhibit: Janos and the Grasslands of North America *State Room (Promenade Level)***

<b>Tuesday, 24 June 2003</b>
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**8:00–17:00 Accreditation of participants**

**8:30–11:45 JPAC Workshop on CEC Assessments of Transboundary Air Issues *Grand Ballroom (Promenade Level)***

8:30–8:35 Opening remarks by Gustavo Alanís-Ortega, Chair of the Joint Public Advisory Committee

8:35–9:20 Presentations of the CEC North American Air Working Group (NAAWG) Representatives

9:20–9:30 Overview of CEC Assessments of Transboundary Air Issues by Paul Miller, CEC Program Manager, Pollutants and Health

9:30–10:15 Public input on how to conduct a comparative study of air management systems across North America

10:15–11:00 Public input on how to conduct a survey to obtain information on the comparability of North American environmental standards for power plants

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11:00–11:45 Public input on how to identify, explore and address issues related to how emissions trading systems might evolve in North America

## Preliminary Program of Public Events

- 11:45–12:00**     **Break**
- 12:00–13:15**     **Opening of JPAC Regular Session 03-02 \*\* Part I *Grand Ballroom (Promenade Level)***
- Approval of the provisional agenda
  - Report from the National and Governmental Advisory Committee representatives
  - Review of Council Resolution 00-09: Matters related to the Articles 14 and 15
  - Review Council’s responses: JPAC Advice 02-12, 03-01 and 03-02
  - Observers’ comments
- 13:15–14:15**     **Lunch** (not provided)
- 14:15–16:15**     **Public Portion of the Council Session *Grand Ballroom (Promenade Level)***
- Opening of the Public Session
    - Welcoming Remarks by Christine Todd Whitman, Administrator US Environmental Protection Agency
    - Introduction on the conduct of the Session by Gustavo Alanís-Ortega, Chair of the Joint Public Advisory Committee
  - Oral statements by pre-selected presenters grouped under the four CEC program and Specific Obligations under NAAEC, followed by comments from the three Council members:\*
    - Environment, Economy and Trade
    - Conservation of Biodiversity
    - Pollutants and Health
    - Law and Policy
    - Specific Obligations under NAAEC
  - Closing remarks by Christine Todd Whitman, Administrator US Environmental Protection Agency

**Wednesday, 25 June 2003**

- 8:00–13:00**     **Accreditation of participants**
- 9:00–12:30**     **JPAC Regular Session 03-02 \*\* Part II *Grand Ballroom (Promenade Level)***
- 9:00–10:30     Discussions and approvals of potential Advice to Council
- Discussion and approval of a potential Advice to Council on Environmental Enforcement and Compliance Cooperation (EWG) and a long-term strategic plan for the working group
  - Discussion and approval of a potential Advice to Council on Emerging Air Quality Issues in North America
- 10:30–11:00     Break
- 11:00–12:30     Follow-up and observers’ comments
- Follow-up of the Tenth CEC Regular Session of the Council
  - JPAC working groups: Member appointments and rotation
  - Next JPAC meetings
  - Observers’ comments
- 12:30**            **End of the sessions**

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\* See the registration form for details on the procedure for the selection of oral statements

\*\* Session open to the public as observers