Distillate Board Meeting Minutes, January 31, 2019,

Members in Attendance:

James Vitali, Chairman Tuxis-Ohr's Fuel Inc. –***Yes.***

Paul Hoar Agrifuels LLC. – ***Yes.***

Randy Petroniro Musco Fuel & Heating, LLC. – ***Yes***. (retired)

Thomas Santa Santa Energy Corporation – ***Yes***

Michael Devine, Earth Energy Alliance - Yes

Thomas Devino, Mercury Fuel – ***Yes***

***Eli Pederson – Yes listening in***

Agenda

* + - 1. Call to order
      2. Review last year’s meeting minutes
      3. Review this year’s Board Report to the Energy Committee
      4. New business
         * Request from Paul Hoar for new members
         * Process for inclusion on the Board
      5. Adjourn

Minutes

1. The group was called to order by Chairman JimVitali and turned over to Frank Greene at @ 12:35 pm.
2. Minutes from 2018 were reviewed; a motion was made and seconded to accept the minutes, the motion passed on a voice vote with no opposition.
3. The report to the Energy and Technology Committee of the Connecticut General Assembly was reviewed. There was discussion on the New York law as it relates to the trigger requirement under the law but since the requirement was partial it did not appear to meet the law. It was agreed though to seek further advice from Department counsel on this issue. A motion was made and seconded to accept the report and forward to the Legislature, the motion passed on a voice vote with no opposition.
4. Request for new members, pursuant to a request from Paul Hoar resulted in a discussion on if it was permissible to add new members. The applicable section of the law was reviewed, e.g.,
   1. Section 16-21b. (e) (1) there is established a Distillate Advisory Board. Such board shall be located in the Department of Consumer Protection and shall consist of the following members appointed by the Commissioner of Consumer Protection: (A) Two representatives of the producers or suppliers of biodiesel in this state, (B) two representatives of the retail heating oil industry in this state, and (C) two representatives of the wholesale distillate supply industry in this state. Each member of the board shall serve at the pleasure of the commissioner and without compensation. No funds shall be allocated or made available to the board.
   2. Based on the above there doesn’t appear to be any requirement to add additional members beyond the legislative requirement but it was agreed that we will confirm that interpretation with Legal.
   3. An additional issue was determined during the discussion. Board member R. Petroniro has sold his retail heating fuel business but still operates a convenience store where motor fuel and diesel are sold. The member wishes to continue
5. A motion was made and seconded to adjourn. The motion passed on a voice vote.