

**West Campus Cogeneration Facility (WCCF)  
Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes  
June 3, 2005**

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**Advisory Committee members present**

Karen Carlson, RNA  
John Harrod, UW-Madison  
Don Peterson, MGE  
Jeff Schimpff, RNA  
Steve Schultz, MGE

**Others present**

Dan Nagorsen, MGE  
Bob Stoffs, MGE

The meeting was called to order at 7:40 a.m.

**1. Review of previous meeting's minutes and review of today's agenda**

There are no changes to the May 6, 2005, minutes. The minutes will be finalized, e-mailed to the Committee, and posted on the Web site.

**2. Neighborhood concerns or issues**

No neighborhood concerns have been brought up to the WCCF or neighborhood representatives since the previous meeting.

**3. Cogen project updates**

• **Operational status**

The electric generation portion of the facility has been operational since April 26. The steam and chilled water systems are nearly complete. Facility staff are mostly waiting for weather conditions that will create enough steam and chilled water demand on campus to test full facility outputs.

• **Street reconstruction and landscaping status**

Sidewalks are mostly completed along the west and north of the facility, and the curb and gutter are in along the WCCF side of Herrick Drive. Some trees were cut to accommodate bike lanes along Walnut Street. Replacement trees will be planted during the landscaping and paving process later in June.

The laydown area has been cleared of materials and equipment except for the Alliant and MGE construction trailers. Reconstruction of the recreational field will begin as soon as the DNR approves a permit for the stormwater improvements. Information on the

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planned changes for the field will be posted on the WCCF Advisory Committee Web site (<http://www.cogenadvisory.com/advisory>).

**3. Emissions testing results**

Dan Nagorsen, MGE Air Monitoring Specialist, presented results of emissions tests that were conducted during the week of April 10. The tests, which were monitored by the Wisconsin DNR, indicated that both combustion turbines met emission limits for all regulated pollutants. The only process that did not comply with emissions standards was the particulate matter output from the diesel engine backup generator. This engine will not be put into service until it can be shown to operate within the emissions limits. Don Peterson indicated that new diesel engines often have higher emissions when they are first started up due to coatings and oil on the engine parts and loose scale and dirt in the exhaust stack. MGE will make adjustments to the engine and retest it for compliance.

A summary of the test results will be posted on the WCCF Advisory Committee Web page in the Air Quality Monitoring section.

**4. Discuss WCCF tours for neighborhood**

MGE asked for input on plans to offer informational tours of the new facility to the nearby neighborhood and Shorewood Hills. Neighborhood representatives indicated it would be best to offer three different times: late afternoon and early evening tours on workdays, along with a Saturday morning date. They thought the best time would be in September after school is back in session. MGE will continue planning for these events with an announcement to be included in an edition of the *Cogen Connection* newsletter to be mailed later in the summer.

**Agenda items for next meeting**

- Review any new neighborhood concerns
- Updates on WCCF and recreation field construction
- Update on WCCF water use mitigation projects

The next meeting will be held on September 9, 2005, at 7:30 a.m. at Blessed Sacrament Parish Center, 2116 Hollister Avenue.