Notice of Regulatory Workshop & Agenda State Environmental Commission Rules of Practice February 7, 2012

The State Environmental Commission (Commission) is proposing to modify its Rules of Practice as codified under Nevada Administrative Code (NAC) 445B.875 through 445B.899.

Background: The regulations found in NAC 445B.875 through 445.895 govern practice before the Commission in contested cases under NRS 233B.121. The purpose of the workshop is to solicit comments from interested persons on the following general topics that may be addressed in the proposed regulation, R135-11: (1) appeal to be based on the standard of review grounds set forth in NRS 233B.135(3); (2) briefing requirements; (3) witness and exhibit identification; (4) prehearing conferences; (5) evidence limitations; (6) dismissal of appeals; and (7) state bar status of attorneys in contested cases.

Workshop Date, Time & Locations: The workshop to solicit comments on proposed regulation will be conducted as a video conference in Carson City and Las Vegas. The workshop location in Carson City is the Bryan Building, 901 South Stewart Street (4nd floor south, conference room). In Las Vegas the workshop will be held at the Nevada Division of Environmental Protection office, which is located at 2030 E. Flamingo Rd. Suite 230. The workshop will be held on February 7, 2012 beginning at 10 a.m.

Workshop Materials: Proposed changes to the Commission's Rules of Practice (Regulation # R135-11) are attached to this notice as well as available on the SEC website at: http://www.sec.nv.gov/main/hearing_0212.htm. A copy of the proposed regulation may also be obtained at the workshop or by contacting Mr. John B. Walker at offices of the Commission (901 S. Stewart Street, Suite 4001, Carson City, NV 89701-5249; or by calling (775) 687-9308; or email to jbwalker@ndep.nv.gov.

Workshop Agenda

The following items may be taken out of order and/or items may be combined for consideration. Public comment may be limited to ten minutes per person at the discretion of the chairperson.

- 1. Introduction of Commissioners and staff in attendance
- 2. Public comment
- 3. Presentation of proposed regulation R135-11
- 4. Public questions and comments regarding proposed regulation R135-11
- 5. Closing comments by staff

Members of the public who are disabled and require special accommodations or assistance at the workshop are requested to notify Mr. John B. Walker no later than 5:00 p.m. on February 1, 2012.

Notice of this workshop has been sent to all persons on the Commission's mailing list for administrative regulations and posted at the following **at least 15 days** before the workshop:

- Department of Conservation and Natural Resources, 901 S. Stewart Street, Carson City
- Nevada State Library and Archives, 100 S. Stewart Street, Carson City
- Nevada Division of Environmental Protection, 2030 E. Flamingo Road, Suite 230, Las Vegas
- Nevada Department of Wildlife, 1100 Valley Road, Reno Nevada