

**Meeting Minutes  
May 1, 2025**

**DRY-CLEANING SOLVENT CLEANUP ACT (DSCA) PROGRAM  
STAKEHOLDER WORK GROUP MEETING**

10:00am – 12:00 pm Main Work Group Meeting

- I. Welcome and Opening Remarks
- II. NCALC updates/meeting recap – Spring meeting was in Durham – went over stats and reminded cleaners to return petroleum checklists
- III. Rules & Legislation

Readoption of 02S rules goes in front of EMC on 5/8 – this is to approve the schedule moving forward – this includes drafting of final rule, preparation of fiscal note and approval, rule published in register, address comments, develop hearing officer report, adoption by EMC. Likely key dates are publish in register for comment August 2026 and adoption May 2027.

We are deciding on repeal of the 2 rules we previously deemed unnecessary. We did receive one comment that those should not be repealed during the previous comment period regarding necessary/unnecessary rules. (showed slides on unnecessary rules – see website for slides) For discussion, does anyone have any comments, objections, etc. on repealing these 2 rules? No comments

- IV. Fund & Site Statistics

Reviewed fund statistics – revenue is holding steady at \$2-2.4 million per quarter; number of sites subject to inspection continues to decline steadily as people switch to other solvents; fund balance is approx. \$14 mil which will be encumbered into contracts in the coming weeks; approx. \$34 mil encumbered in contracts – this is due to the existing contracts that are maxed out in funding and when new contracts were finally procured, funds which were building up could be encumbered into the new contracts

- V. Remediation Unit Updates/Issues

Billy Meyer gave an update on several remediation sites and mentioned that DSCA is now putting data into the online data management system known as EQuIS

- VI. Compliance Unit Updates/Issues

No issues to report – continued low return of petroleum self-inspection checklists. May want to discuss discontinuing in the future and all sites will still remain subject to regular inspection. Working on one site where we are at the penalty phase – in lieu of

the penalty, owner is conducting assessment to determine if nearby properties impacted and if so, will enter DSCA remediation program

- VII. Annual Legislative Report Summary – see website for slides
- VIII. PFAS Study Overview – see website for slides
- IX. Other Issues – no issues
- X. Next Work Group Meeting - next meeting October 30, 2025 at 10 am

#### PURPOSE OF DRY-CLEANING WORKING GROUP:

Provide input and assist the Superfund Section in resolving issues, draft guidance and develop rules pertaining to the Dry-Cleaning Solvent Cleanup Act of 1997 (G.S.143-215.104).

#### GROUND RULES:

- Decisions by the working group and subcommittees will be by consensus if possible and by vote (called by Delonda Alexander) if the group is unable to reach consensus. All final policy decisions will be made by the Division with strong consideration given to input from the group as well as the Attorney General's office and Department management. If a final policy decision is contrary to the consensus/vote of the group, an explanation will be provided to the group.
- Dissenting opinions should be aired in the group meeting and given in writing to the group at the next meeting.
- Dissent will be resolved internally.
- Every effort will be made to make decisions based on the following criteria:
  - Legally and environmentally sound
  - Results in sound regulations that can be reasonably enforced
  - Makes business sense for the regulated industry
  - Technically feasible