

ENACT meeting  
November 14, 2006  
Community Center

1. Members of ENACT will be attending a celebration and fundraiser sponsored by Toxics Action Center on Thursday, November 16, at the Slater Mill in Pawtucket. TAC has been very helpful to ENACT in giving advice and in helping to organize events. The evening will feature short speeches by leaders of other community groups around Rhode Island who are working on similar campaigns, and will be a good opportunity to share ideas and to network. Everyone is invited. If you would like to attend but would need a ride, please contact Gail.

2. A community group in southern Rhode Island who have been fighting air and water pollution for the past four years have recently won a big settlement in their case. Bradford Dyeing Associates has been fined and has agreed to pay for environmental monitoring for the surrounding community. The newspaper stories that have covered this settlement have all quoted people who are angry that DEM failed to protect the environment. Read more at [http://www.projo.com/news/content/projo\\_20061110\\_mil.3338dac.html](http://www.projo.com/news/content/projo_20061110_mil.3338dac.html).

3. Fuss & O'Neil are reviewing the work plans filed by Southern Union for the 6 properties where they have agreed to do limited cleanup or more testing. Fuss & O'Neil is preparing a critique of the plans and is pulling together a memo outlining why Southern Union's plans are inadequate. Once they've completed their critique, it will be filed with DEM, to get DEM to force a stronger cleanup plan. Stay tuned for more information on this.

4. Southern Union has been busy! In the past week, there has been a great deal of stock activity, and they have been selling off more assets. They have sold off their interests in the Transwestern Pipeline, and are transferring land they held through a subsidiary in Pennsylvania to a conservation group. These deals total more than \$1B.

5. Thanks to all of you who have been calling our elected officials and the bureaucrats at DEM! We've heard from a few of our contacts at RI DEM and RI DOH that they (and their bosses) have gotten your phone calls and now understand how angry and upset the neighborhood is. It's important that you keep calling, and let them know that even though the election is past, they cannot forget about us! The campaign is won, but the work is just beginning! All you have to do is call one of the people on the list below and ask them, "when will my property be cleaned up? What is taking so long!?" If you have questions, contact Gail or Gary.

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We need everyone to contact our elected/appointed officials and let them know that we are disappointed and disgusted with the recent settlements and concessions they have made to the gas company. The past several months have been a long, concerted effort by the gas company to see if they can drive ENACT apart and make us give up our

campaign for total cleanup. It is time for us all to step up our efforts to remind our officials that there is a whole neighborhood of real people here, and that we are all still waiting for an effective response from them. Please take a moment to call the following people and tell them you are still awaiting a responsible plan that will hold the gas company accountable, protect the health of our community, and restore our peace of mind!

Mike Sullivan, RIDEM Director	401-222-4700, x2409
Atty. General, Patrick C. Lynch	401-274-4400
Terrence Tierney, Attorney General's office	401-274-4400
Mike Rubin, Attorney General's office	401-274-4400
Tom Getz, RIDEM Ombudsman	401-222-4700, x2417
Governor Carcieri	401-222-2080
Mark Adelman, Governor Carcieri's office	401-222-8132
David R. Gifford, M.D., MPH, Director, Dept of Health	401-222-2231
Dr. Bob Vanderslice, RI Dept of Health	401-222-3424

Please make every effort to call these people and tell them your story! They need to know how this is affecting your life! Let them know we will not wait any longer—it's time for action!

Together we will succeed!