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Minutes of the January 26, 2021, meeting of the South Carolina Board of Health and Environmental Control

The South Carolina Board of Health and Environmental Control met on Tuesday, January 26, 2021 at 1:00 p.m., in the Boardroom (#3420) at the South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control, 2600 Bull Street, Columbia, South Carolina. (Attachment 0-1)

The following members were in attendance:

Mark Elam, Chairman Jim P. Creel, Jr., Vice-Chairman Seema Shrivastava-Patel, 2nd District Richard V. Lee, Jr., 5th District Alex A. Singleton, 6th District

In attendance via video conference J.B. (Sonny) Kinney, 1st District Charles M. Joye, II, P.E., 3rd District Robert Morgan, MD, 4th District

Also, in attendance were W. Marshall Taylor, Acting Director; Rupinderjit S. Grewal, Legal Counsel; M. Denise Crawford, Clerk of the Board; Department staff; and members of the public. The meeting was also available via Livestream.

Chairman Elam called the meeting to order and stated notice of this meeting had been provided to all persons, organizations and news media, which have requested notification, as required by Section 30-4-80(e) of the South Carolina Code of Laws.

Item 1: Determination of COVID-19 vaccine allocation

Dr. Brannon Traxler, Interim Public Health Director, presented this matter to the board.

Due to demand significantly outweighing the supply of vaccine in South Carolina, the Department requested the Board determine the method of allocation of vaccine until such time as a vaccine becomes widely available and easily assessable.

The Board was presented with two (2) models. Model A (per capita) used the population size for each county and a reserve to determine allocations. Model B (per capita, Social Vulnerability Index (SVI), and people over the age of 65) used the population size along with the SVI and the proportion of people 65 and older in each county.

After discussion, Mr. Lee moved, seconded by Ms. Shrivastava-Patel, for staff to address any concerns and prepare a logistical plan for Model A and report back at the February 11, 2021 meeting of the Board. The Board voted and by a vote of six (6) to two (2), the Motion carried.

Being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

All referenced attachments are made a permanent part of these minutes.

Respectfully submitted,

Charles M. Joye, II, PE

Minutes approved this 11th day of February 2021.

ATTEST:

Mark R. Elam, Chairman