

New Jersey's Clean Energy Program
Energy Efficiency Committee Meeting
Thursday, February 28, 2008
Hosted by TRC - CSG/Iselin

Attendees:

In person – Mike Winka (NJ BPU), Greg Coleman (TRC), Karen Paine (TRC), Scott Markwood (Honeywell), Tom Donadio (JCP&L), Bruce Grossman (SJG), Sharon Wolfe (NJ BPU), Cameron Johnson (OCE), Mary Uschak (NJ HMFA), Chris Siebens (JCP&L), Joe Gennello (Honeywell), Deane Evans (NJIT), Mike Ambrosio (AEG), Mona Mosser (NJ BPU), Fred Hauber (Eastern Energy Services), Elaine Bryant (PSE&G), Anne-Marie Peracchio (NJNG), Joe Carpenter (NJ DEP), Darren Port (NJ DCA), Jamal Garner (NJ BPU), John Zarzycki (NJ BPU), Julie DeSeve (CSG), Ben Adams (MaGrann), Chris Granda (VEIC)

Via Phone – Dave Nichols (Rate Counsel), Rick Marx (EAM), Lance Miller (NJ BPU), Kimberly Hoff (CSG)

Announcement

Mary Uschak (NJ HMFA) has an open position for a Green Homes Coordinator - details on the position are listed on website.

Meeting Minutes

Presentation of Straw Proposal for the NJCEP 2009 – 2012 Funding Levels & Comprehensive Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy Resource (Mike Winka):

- Mike noted that this proposal was prepared by Staff in order to start discussions.
- Comments on the straw proposal **are due by Friday, March 7**
- Note that the referenced Board Proceedings are on rate impact, not ratemaking.
- Energy Master Plan (EMP) is not yet public.
- EMP draft calls for the following, not anticipated to be funded under SBC:
 - 2200 WM of demand response (DR)
 - 1500 WM of Combined Heat and Power
- The utilities are working together under a Board-mandated Demand Response Working Group (DRWG) to set up utility-based DR programs. Their initial proposal to the Board was linked to the PJM DR programs, which have closed for Summer '08. Board staff is continuing to work with the DRWG on next steps.
- *New Jersey Global Warming Response Act* allows utilities to propose additional energy efficiency and renewable energy programs. In response to the EMP goals of 20% by 2020 the OCE has suggested an “all hands on deck” approach to meet those ambitious goals.
- Renewable energy portion of the Straw Proposal was previously discussed with the RE Committee and was bypassed in this meeting.
- EE goals in Straw Proposal basically derived at this draft stage through a straight line progression of previous costs and savings — a starting point.
- Noted that 2007 actual and 2008 projected results are anticipated to be different than 2001 through 2006 results from utilities' programs.
- Given ambitious goals, the issue of how to balance program focus between higher value savings targets and diverse focus among all ratepayer classes needs to be evaluated and discussed.
- Straw Proposal presents potential rate impacts of different funding levels associated with different savings targets.

- Northeast Energy Efficiency Partnerships (NEEP) is in final contract discussions to begin their Board support for CRA. A final report from NEEP is anticipated by June '08. They will be meeting with Market Managers, utilities, and energy service companies as soon as possible.

EE Committee, Market Managers', & Program Coordinator CRA Logistics (Mike Ambrosio):

- Next Clean Energy Council Meeting is scheduled for Thursday, March 27, 2008 @ 1:00 pm., BPU Board Room. The revised Straw Proposal will be presented at this CEC meeting.
- Contracts with Market Managers (TRC, Honeywell) & Program Coordinator (AEG):
 - TRC and Honeywell on the same time schedule with the initial period expiring 12/31/2008 (these contracts included three one year extensions).
 - Extensions will be looked at prior to 9/2008.
 - AEG is on a different time schedule.
- 2009 budget process needs total funding levels by June '08 with detailed, by program, breakdown to follow to the Board by September '08.

Regional Green House Gas Initiative (RGGI) (Mike Winka):

- Auction starts in 2009 /quarterly starting 3rd quarter 2008.
- Draft allocation of RGGI estimated funds of \$49M to \$70M.
- 60% EDA – Combined Heat & Power, Large Industrial, Institutional, Municipal initiatives
- 20% BPU – Comfort Partners
- 10% DEP – Forest Management, Wetlands Management
- 10% DEP – Municipal Programs (trees, land-use planning)
- \$49M assumes allowance price of \$2/Ton CO₂.

EE Committee Activities (Mike Ambrosio):

- Need program descriptions from utilities ASAP to inform the OCE process.
- How to factor in the “whole community” effects, behavior modification, etc.?
- What other factors are we missing?

Education of Green Initiatives

- Education of zoning boards, municipalities, Twp committees and planning boards on green initiatives.
- Greg Coleman noted TRC is working with NJ League of Municipalities for an “Energy Track” at their fall conference.

Presentation of Gas Companies' Programs

- SJNG & NJNG offered Power Point presentations on their new program initiatives after close of meeting.

Presentation on Residential Renewable (CSG):

- Home Performance with Energy Star proposal sent to OCE staff.
- Offers “kicker” of \$0.25/W for solar installs (<10kW) in conjunction with Home Performance.
- \$200,000 of CORE budget will be reallocated for this program.
- Mona will coordinate with Scott.

Next EE Committee Meeting Date: Tuesday, April 15, 2008, 9:30 am. Location TBD.