



MEETING SUMMARY
MONTANA CLIMATE CHANGE ADVISORY COMMITTEE (CCAC)
Residential, Commercial, Institutional, and Industrial Sector TECHNICAL WORK
GROUP
(RCII TWG)

Call #5, February 13, 2007, 2:00pm – 4:00

Attendance:

1. Technical Working Group members:
 - Jeff Chaffee Bison Engineering
 - Andy Epple City of Bozeman
 - Pat Judge MT Environmental Information Center
 - Steve Loken Center for Resource Building Technology
 - Gina Rau Graymont Limited (for Wayne Kenefick)

2. Center for Climate Strategies (CCS) staff:
 - Alison Bailie
 - Michael Lazarus
 - David Von Hippel
 - Carrie Lee

3. Montana Department of Environment Quality (MT DEQ) Liaison and Attendees:
 - Brian Green
 - Lisa Peterson

4. Public Attendees: None

5. Observers: Nathan Bartow (Bison Engineering)

Background documents:

(all posted at http://www.mtclimatechange.us/Residential_Commercial.cfm)

1. Agenda
2. Summary of RCII TWG Call#4, 1/26/07
3. Powerpoint presentation for meeting,
4. RCII Technical Working Group, Preliminary Draft Option Descriptions

Discussion items and key issues:

1. Call to order and Introduction of TWG members

David Von Hippel officially started the meeting at 2:05 pm on February 13, 2007 with attendee roll call and introductions of TWG members and other attendees.

2. Review of Agenda

Michael Lazarus and David Von Hippel reviewed the agenda for and purpose of the Call, referring to the PowerPoint presentation prepared for the teleconference.

3. Review of Summary of RCII Call #4 Summary

TWG members had no comments on the Summary for RCII Call #4, and the Summary as written was accepted.

4. Discussion and review of draft Options Description text for the RCII GHG reduction options.

Michael Lazarus led a discussion of the RCII Options. The discussion included:

- Soliciting input and discussion on several RCII options in Bin A, B, and C. TWG members discussed several important issues related to the options, and offered to share information related to preparation of options descriptions. Discussion focused on policy options in Bin A and B, and TWG members agreed to start the next call with a discussion of the options in Bin C.
- Several TWG members offered to research additional aspects for some of the RCII options, and to provide the information to the CCS facilitators to compile and provide to the entire TWG. Further information was requested and will be provided by TWG members on the following topics: current non-energy GHG emissions from Montana state industries (RCII-1), estimates of the number of households in need of low income energy programs and identification of programs with the greatest interest (RCII-11), and opinions from industrial-sector consumers on effective incentives for improvement of industrial energy efficiency/reduction of GHG emissions (RCII-10). CCS will provide a review of current use of rate structures (RCII-13), a review of current measures in use to reduce energy use in new construction in comparison to incentives used by other states for “Beyond Code” programs (RCII-5), and, in consultation with a TWG member, an identification of the current use of and potential for combined heat and power generation in MT (CCS) (RCII-7).

Michael, Alison and David will incorporate the group’s ideas and comments in draft text to be added to the existing Options descriptions. Revised policy options descriptions will be prepared in advance of the March 1 CCAC meeting. The revised draft document will be circulated for review, comment, and elaboration to the TWG prior to the upcoming CCAC meeting.

Next steps and agreements:

1. CCS will revise the current version of the RCII TWG Options Description document, and will circulate the revised document for TWG review and elaboration.
2. TWG members and others will provide materials of relevance to the TWG’s work to CCS and DEQ, and CCS will circulate those materials to the TWG as a whole.

3. The TWG will work toward having drafts of the “Policy Design” sections for each RCII option available for review by the CCAC at its March 1 meeting.
4. The TWG will continue developing design options and begin option analyses in March.
5. The next TWG meeting will be held in late March / early April.