



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

Call #7, May 3, 2007, 2:00pm – 4:00pm

Attendance:

1. Technical Working Group members:
Jeff Chaffee Bison Engineering
Patrick Judge Montana Environmental Information Center
Steve Loken Center for Resource Building Technology
Dave Ryan National Center for Appropriate Technology
2. Center for Climate Strategies (CCS) staff:
Alison Bailie
Michael Lazarus
David Von Hippel
3. Montana Department of Environment Quality (MT DEQ) Liaison and Attendees:
Brian Green
4. Public Attendees: None
5. Observers: None

Background documents:

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

1. Agenda
2. Summary of RCII TWG Call#6, 4/03/07
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
CCS staff started the meeting 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. This is an important call in terms of preparing options for consideration and potential approval by the CCAC at their May 11 meeting.

3. Review of RCII Call #6 Summary

TWG members had no comments on the Summary for RCII Call #6, and the Summary as written was accepted.

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

CCS staff led a discussion of the high-priority RCII Options. The discussion included:

- A review of the changes made following RCII TWG Call #6 to RCII-1 through RCII-3, for which analysis of option costs and benefits had been provided previously, and RCII-6, which will not be evaluated quantitatively. TWG members offered several suggestions for augmenting and editing the text of these options.
- Reviews of options RCII-4 and RCII-10 through 13, for which analysis of costs and benefits was recently prepared. TWG members offered text changes for most of these options, and in agreed to provide additional draft text and comments by e-mail for input to the Options Descriptions revisions prior to the May 11 CCAC meeting.
- Alison Bailie described work by the Energy Supply TWG on options that the RCII and ES TWGs are considering jointly (options RCII-7 and RCII-8, which are analogous to ES-4, and ES-8, analogous to RCII-9).
- Financing of programs suggested in RCII options was noted by several RCII members as being a significant issue, and RCII members asked if there was a way to bring the discussion of this issue before the CCAC. CCS will discuss options for considering these mechanisms as part of the CCAC process.

The CCS team will incorporate the group's ideas and comments in draft text to be added to the existing Options descriptions and used in Options analyses.

5. There were no members of the public present on the call, and thus no public input.

Next steps and agreements:

1. CCS will revise the current version of the RCII TWG Options Description document based on input from the call, prepare a revision of existing analyses as needed and further quantification of remaining options, and will circulate the revised document for TWG review concurrent with CCAC review for its May 11 meeting.
2. TWG members and others will provide text updates and materials of relevance to the TWG's work to CCS and DEQ, and CCS will circulate those materials to the TWG as a whole as needed.
3. The next TWG meeting will likely be held in late May. Tentative dates will be circulated to the TWG following the CCAC meeting on May 11th.