



**Residential, Commercial and Industrial Sectors (RCI)
Technical Work Group (TWG)
Kansas Energy and Environmental Policy (KEEP) Advisory Group
Meeting #5: Conference Call Summary
February 26, 2009**

Participants

TWG Participants

Chad Althouse, Trane
Jim Boone, Northstar
Casey Cassias, BNIM Architects
Allen Dennis, Kansas City Power & Light
Bill Eastman, Westar (*substitute for Jim Ludwig*)
Shari Feist Albrecht, Kansas Department of Health and Environment (KDHE)
Bruce Snead, Kansas State University
Bill Wentz, Wichita State University

Kansas State Representatives

Andy Hawkins, KDHE
Miles Stotts, KDHE

CCS Staff

Tim Larson, Ross & Associates
Tom Looby, Center for Climate Strategies
Amy Wheelless, Ross & Associates

Public Participants

None

Meeting Summary

Meeting Materials

All materials for the Residential, Commercial and Industrial Sector Technical Working Group (RCI TWG) are available here: <http://www.ksclimatechange.us/RCI.cfm>. For this meeting, the following materials are available:

- Meeting Notice & Agenda
- Meeting Presentation
- Draft Meeting #4 Summary
- Straw Proposal Template with RCI TWG Information
- Full Proposal Template

Welcome, Introductions and Approval of Meeting #4 Summary

The summary for Meeting #4 was approved by the TWG with no changes.

Tom Looby from CCS joined the meeting briefly. As the TWG moves into developing and quantifying their policy options, there will be a need for more technical support and facilitation. CCS will be transitioning in a new facilitator, Ken Colburn, to assist the RCI TWG, beginning after this call. Further questions about this transition can be directed to Tom Looby at

tomlooby@colorado.net, and Ken Colburn will be in contact with the RCI TWG following this call.

KEEP Meeting #3 Review

Tim Larson briefly reviewed the discussions and recommendations of the KEEP to the RCI TWG priority options at their December meeting. The KEEP made one major recommendation relevant to the RCI TWG options for further analysis: adding residential buildings to the scope of RCI-8, which focuses on incentives and targets for retrofits of existing buildings.

In addition, both the RCI TWG and the Energy Supply TWG have identified Green Power Purchasing as a priority. In developing this option, the RCI TWG will work with the ES TWG to decide which TWG should take lead and what pieces of the policy option each TWG will develop prior to the next KEEP meeting in April.

A member raised a question about reviewing the Interim Report to the Governor and how reviewing from TWG members would work for the final report to the Governor. Tim Larson will pass that question along to the KEEP facilitators to ensure that the TWG's role in reviewing the final report is very clear.

Kansas Legislative Update

Shari Feist Albrecht, KDHE, provided an update on Kansas legislative activities related to the RCI TWG.

- Since the beginning of the session, a number of bills have been discussed in the Kansas legislature that address energy issues. Many of these bills were wrapped into a comprehensive energy bill that includes many components of policies that the RCI TWG has identified as priorities, including net metering, government lead by example energy efficiency measures, and renewable energy standards. The House just passed a version of this bill, and the Senate will be reviewing their version of it soon.
- The federal stimulus bill has a great deal of money for municipalities to distribute for weatherization and other energy efficiency measures.

Review of Straw Proposal Process

Tim Larson reviewed the process and scope for developing straw proposals for the next KEEP meeting.

- For the next KEEP meeting at the end of April 2009, each TWG is expected to develop the Policy Description and Policy Design sections of each of the policy options identified as priorities. This information will provide a starting point and foundation for the quantification work that will commence following the April KEEP meeting.
 - At the April KEEP meeting, KEEP members will review and comment on the straw proposals.
 - Following approval by the KEEP, the TWG members and facilitators will work on quantifying the costs and benefits of each of the policy options.
 - A full policy option template is available on the RCI TWG website.
- On this call and immediately after, RCI TWG members will volunteer for the policy options for which they are interested in drafting initial text. A subgroup of volunteers

will be formed for each option and these volunteers will work together to draft the Policy Description and Policy Design.

- A template with the RCI TWG options has been populated with text from the RCI TWG catalog and catalog description document to help assist the volunteer subgroups.
- The volunteer subgroups can develop the straw proposal text in any way that works for them. Subgroups will have roughly two to three weeks to organize, draft the straw proposal text and distribute it to the RCI TWG for review prior to the next call.
- On the next RCI TWG call (Meeting #6), RCI TWG members will review the draft straw proposals and make comments and suggestions for refinement. The subgroups will make any necessary revisions and the RCI TWG will send a package of straw proposal options to the KEEP at least a week prior to the April 30 meeting.

Creation of Volunteer Subgroups for Drafting Options

Following review of the process, RCI TWG members reviewed the RCI priority options and volunteered for options that they wanted to help draft. Below are the volunteer subgroups following this call. After this call, an email will be distributed to solicit further volunteers from those unable to make the call, and an updated listing of volunteers will be available on the public RCI TWG website.

List of Volunteers for Priority Policy Options for Analysis

Option #	Policy Option	Straw Proposal Volunteers
RCI-1	Utility Demand-Side Management Programs	Jim Ludwig*, Allen Dennis
RCI-2	Improve Building Codes for Energy Efficiency and Support Training for Their Successful Implementation	Jim Boone*, Bruce Snead, Casey Cassias
RCI-3	Consumer Education	Jim Ludwig, Bruce Snead*
RCI-4	Reduced-Cost or Free Residential Energy Audits	Jim Boone
RCI-5	Promote and Develop Incentives for Energy-Efficient Private-Sector Building Design and Construction	Casey Cassias, Jim Boone, Allen Dennis
RCI-6	Develop Incentives to Promote Implementation of Customer-Sited Renewable Energy Systems Through Effective Net Metering and Other Means	Bill Wentz, Allen Dennis*, Jim Ludwig
RCI-7	Develop Financial and Funding Mechanisms to Support Energy Efficiency Improvements in the RCI Sectors	
RCI-8	Incentives and Targets for Retrofit of Existing Residential, Commercial and Industrial Buildings	Jim Boone, Allen Dennis
RCI-9	Provide Reduced-Cost Energy Audits and Integrated Lean Manufacturing and Energy Technical Assistance for Industrial and Commercial Sectors	

Option #	Policy Option	Straw Proposal Volunteers
RCI-10	Require or Encourage New State Government Buildings to Have a Small Greenhouse Gas Emissions Footprint, and Encourage Existing Government Buildings to Improve Energy Efficiency	Chad Althouse, Casey Cassias*
RCI-11	Green Power Purchasing by Customers	Allen Dennis, Jim Ludwig, Bill Wentz

*Denotes individuals who have volunteered to lead a drafting team of TWG members for a particular policy option. Leads are responsible for ensuring that the team completes and distributes draft policy options in time for discussion on the upcoming TWG call and at the April KEEP meeting.

Public Comments and Announcements

There were no public comments or announcements.

The next meetings of the RCI TWG will be scheduled in late March or early April.

Announcements of this time and the meeting materials will be posted on the RCI TWG website prior to the call. Members of the public can listen-in to all RCI TWG meetings by calling (800) 704-9804, passcode 325 522.

The next KEEP meeting will be held in Topeka, KS on April 30, 2009. All TWG members are invited and encouraged to attend.