



**MINNESOTA**  
Climate Change  
Advisory Group



# Minnesota Climate Change Advisory Group

RCI Technical Work Group Meeting #5  
August 23, 2007

Minnesota Department of Commerce  
Minnesota Pollution Control Agency  
The Center for Climate Strategies

# Today's Agenda

- Call to order
- Roll Call of TWG members and public
- Review and approval of summary of TWG Meeting #4 (July 17, 2007)
- Review of Outcomes from MN CCAG Meeting
- Discussion of Process for Developing Straw Proposals
- Continued Review of MN GHG Inventory & Forecast
- Proposed agenda, time and date for NEXT meeting
- Public input and announcements

# Roll Call

- Call to order
- Roll Call of TWG members
- Roll Call of MN State Agency Staff
- Roll Call of Members of the Public

# Prior Call Summary

- Review and Approval of the RCI Meeting/Call #4 Summary (July 17, 2007)

# Stepwise Planning Process

1. Develop inventory and forecast of emissions
2. Identify a full range of possible actions
3. Identify initial priorities for analysis
4. **Develop straw proposals**
5. Quantify GHG reductions and costs/savings
6. Evaluate externalities, feasibility issues
7. Develop alternatives to address barriers
8. Aggregate results
9. Iterate to final agreements
10. Finalize and report recommendations

# Review of MN CCAG Outcomes

From August 2nd

- CCAG reviewed prioritization of the options from TWG
- CCAG made the following changes and/or suggestions:
  - Re: RCI-2: Improved Building Codes: should include enforcement and training component;
  - Re: RCI-5: High GWP Gases Program: should include leak prevention and capture of high GWP gases;
  - Re: RCI-6: Develop non-utility strategies for energy efficiency and GHG reductions: include coal-fired installations in the group's thinking
  - Re: RCI-9: Promote technology-specific applications to reduce GHG emissions: include photo-voltaics and research & development
- CCAG passed all suggested options back to TWG for development of straw proposals.

# Sample Policy Option Template

## RCI-1 Maximize Savings from Utility CIP

- **Policy Description**
- **Policy Design**
  - **Goals:**
  - **Timing:**
  - **Parties Involved:**
  - **Other:**
- **Implementation Mechanisms**
- **Related Policies/Programs in Place**

# Further Review of Draft RCI GHG Inventory and Forecast

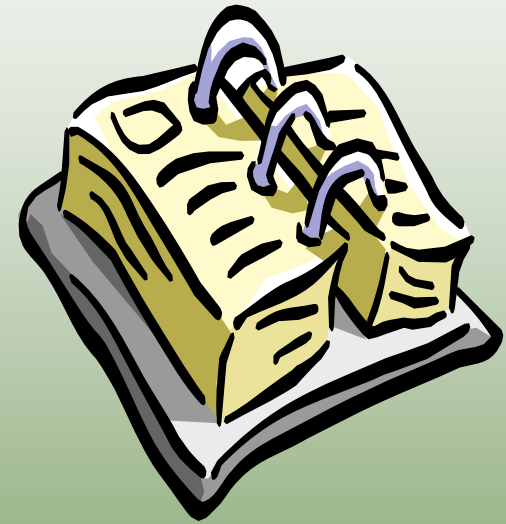
- GHG inventory and forecast spreadsheets available on the RCI TWG website
- During MCCAG process will:
  - Extend forecast to 2025
  - Incorporate revisions recommended by TWG as approved by MCCAG
  - Incorporate effects of “Next Generation Energy Act of 2007”, as applicable to RCI sectors

# Next Steps

- Develop Initial Straw Proposals

# Next TWG Meeting

- Teleconference #6
- Agenda:
  - Presentation of Straw Proposals by TWG
  - Discussion of Straw Proposals
- Next Call: September 13th from 3 to 5 PM
- Future Teleconferences:
  - October 9th from 3 to 5 PM
  - October 23rd from 3 to 5 PM
  - November 28th from 3 to 5 PM
  - December 6th from 3 to 5 PM



# Public Input, Announcements