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**SUMMARY OF TELECONFERENCE MEETING #4
CROSS-CUTTING (CC) ISSUES TECHNICAL WORKING GROUP (TWG)
August 15, 2007**

Attendance:

1. TWG Members:
Duke Bascom, Bill Droessler , J. Drake Hamilton, Scott Harrison, Greg Jason, Nancy Lange, Jeff Muffat, Mike Robertson, Bob Schulte, Sheldon Strom
2. Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (PCA):
Todd Biewen, Anne Claflin, Colleen Coyne, Lisa Herschberger, Bill Sierks
3. Minnesota Department of Commerce:
Ed Garvey (Agency Staff Lead)
4. Center for Climate Strategies (CCS):
Ken Colburn, TWG Co-Facilitator
Randy Strait, TWG Co-Facilitator
Tom Looby, TWG Co-Facilitator
5. Other Attendees:
Jim Turnure (for David Sparby)

Background documents:

(all posted at: http://www.mnclimatechange.us/Cross_Cutting.cfm.)

1. Meeting Notice & Agenda (including provisions for public access)
2. Draft Summary of Call #3
3. PowerPoint© presentation for meeting
4. CC Draft Priority Policy Options for Analysis

Discussion items and key issues:

This was the fourth conference call of the CC TWG.

1. Randy Strait called the meeting to order, completed the roll call and reviewed the agenda and plans for the call.
2. Summary for Call #3 was approved by the TWG without any changes to the summary.
3. Dates and Times for Next TWG Call: See item #1 under “Next steps” at the end of this summary.
4. Review of results of MCCAG Meeting #3: Strait noted that the MCCAG provided strong approval of TWG’s recommended priority policy options, except for Adaptation and Vulnerability (CC-6). The MCCAG acknowledged the importance of adaptation and

vulnerability issues to MN, but agreed that this option should not be addressed as a part of this mitigation process.

5. Review goals for MCCAG Meeting #4: The MCCAG will meet on September 27, 2007 to review and approve each TWG's recommended straw proposal description and design characteristics for each of the priority policy options. Strait noted that the MCCAG will need to approve the draft policy descriptions and designs before the TWG prepares the proposed implementation mechanisms.
6. Next Steps for CC TWG: The next step for the CC TWG is to develop straw proposals using the CCS template to define the design characteristics for each of the 11 policy options approved by the MCCAG. The CC TWG should also include information in the template relevant to related policies and programs in place to identify existing programs related to each option. The current programs in place will be used primarily to help the TWGs define their baselines upon which the additional actions will be added.

The TWG agreed to organize "small groups" to develop the first draft of the design characteristics and related policies and programs in place for each of the straw proposals. The TWG members then went through each of the 11 priority policy options and volunteered to work on each option (see table at the end of this summary for the volunteers for each option). For the next meeting of the CC TWG, each small group will suggest to the full CC TWG a straw proposal for the design characteristics and related policies and programs in place for discussion.

Several TWG members asked for additional information from MPCA to help them develop their straw proposals. It was noted that CCS will assist the TWGs in preparing these straw proposals and MPCA and DOC will also provide assistance through CCS.

7. Call to the Public: There were no public participants.

Next steps:

1. The next CC TWG call (#4) will be held on **Wednesday, September 5 from 2-3:30 CDT**. CCS will notify the full TWG of the date and time for the call and send a reminder out several days before the call. The goals for the next TWG meeting will be to review and discuss the straw proposal descriptions, design characteristics (e.g., goals, levels, timing, parties involved), and related policies and programs in place for the priority policy option(s).
2. Draft Priority Policy Options for Analysis and Volunteers: CCS will provide the TWG with straw proposal templates in Word to use in developing draft design characteristics and documenting related policies and programs in place. CCS will also provide the TWG with the TWG members that volunteered to work on the straw proposals with their contact information.

Small Groups for Drafting CC TWG Policy Option Straw Proposals

Draft Option #	Draft Policy Option Name	Straw Proposal Volunteers
CC-1	GHG Inventories, Forecasting, Reporting, and Registry	Sheldon Strom,* Duke Bascom, Mike Robertson, David Thornton
CC-2	Statewide GHG Reduction Goals and Targets	The TWG will discuss this option later in the process after the quantification results of the priority policy options are completed by the other TWGs
CC-3	State and Local Government GHG Emissions (Lead-by-Example)	Bill Droessler,* Sheldon Strom, Bob Schulte
CC-4	Public Education and Outreach (Overlap with RCI-11 - Consumer education and professional training programs)	Sheldon Strom,* Bill Droessler, Scott Harrison, Will Steger
CC-5	Tax and Cap Policies (Overlap with ES-X - GHG Cap-and-Trade)	TWG to observe development of similar priority policy option by the ES TWG.
CC-7	Participate in Regional and Multi-State GHG Reduction Efforts	Nancy Lange,* Jeff Muffat, Jim Turnure
CC-8	Encourage the Creation of a Business-Oriented Organization to Share Information and Strategies, Recognize successes, and Support Aggressive GHG Reduction Goals	Mike Robertson,* Bill Droessler, Scott Harrison, Sheldon Strom
CC-9	Dedicate Greater Public Investment to Climate Data and Analysis	Duke Bascom,* David Thornton
CC-10	Facilitate the Development of an Effective Carbon Credit System for MN	Jim Turnure,* Bill Droessler, J. Drake Hamilton, Greg Jason, Jeff Muffat
CC-11	Create a Market Advisory Group	Duke Bascom,* Jeff Muffat, Greg Jason