

Commercial Member Steering Committee Meeting

Meeting Summary – Wednesday July 8, 2009

EDA Offices

9:30 AM – 11:30 AM

Members in Attendance

Ven Seshadri, Brian Hollywood, Peter Black, George Kelly, Chuck Mossman, Bob Mason, Paula Zarnett, Peter Vickery, Jim Mason, Paul Grod, EDA staff support Teresa Sarkesian, EDA staff support Tanya Fobear

Regrets:

Bart Burman, Andy Molnar, Brad Lagasse

- **Welcome and Call to Order**

At approx. 9:39 am, Chair Ven Seshadri called the meeting to order.

- **Items from Last Meeting**

As a follow up from the May 13th meeting EDA staff updated the committee on the selection process for ENERCOM and EDIST advisory committees. The EDIST committee has been selected and all seats are currently accounted for. Three commercial members are currently on the committee, AESI, E360Inc. and Costello Associates. Regarding ENERCOM, the committee is selected in July and is comprised of LDCs and Energy Sector Executives. The individual's role on the committee is to provide access to executives and help with the introduction of speakers from the energy industry from other jurisdictions within Canada and the USA. Tanya Fobear advised the group based on the selection criteria for ENERCOM if someone from the steering committee can fulfill requirements to advise her and she would put forth the name(s) to MEARIE staff.

Takeaway - Following the update, the steering committee recommended the Chair or Vice Chair have a permanent seat on the ENERCOM and EDIST committees. The committee asked EDA staff discuss this recommendation with MEARIE staff. Staff will report discussion at next meeting.

Jim Mason provided an update to the Steering Committee on the CUEE advisory committee. He asked the committee to provide him with suggestions on program ideas for the 2010 CUEE show to escalate the agenda to get senior executives to attend.

- **EDA Activity Update**

Teresa Sarkesian provided an update on the Green Energy and Green Economy Act and EDA advocacy activities.

Areas of focus include:

- Conservation (definition of conservation, new targets and the Environmental Commissioner)
- FIT/MicroFIT programs – LDC training sessions are being put on by OPA across province in July.
- Renewable Energy Facilitation Office

The committee expressed interest in allowing commercial members to attend the OPA Fit/MicroFIT training seminars or to host a session for project proponents or suppliers.

Takeaway - Teresa Sarkesian to discuss with OPA the opportunities to attend said meetings.

Status Update - Teresa Sarkesian has contacted the OPA. The OPA will be scheduling and are planning to host sessions for project developers, suppliers and the interested public subsequent to the LDC sessions after the rules are finalized. The OPA has encouraged Commercial Members to subscribe to the OPA FIT website for updates. The link can be accessed at: <http://www.powerauthority.on.ca/FIT/>

Develop Revised Priority Matrix for Steering Committee

The committee reviewed the priority items from the updated priority matrix. Please refer to attached spreadsheet for updated recommendations based on committee discussion.

Develop New Subcommittees

The committee decided at this time not to develop new subcommittees rather to continue discussions as a group and reserve the subcommittees for an as needed basis.

- **Other Business**

Tanya Fobear informed the group of upcoming district meetings.

Northeast and Northwest Joint Annual Meeting

September 8 to September 10, 2009
Water Tower Inn, Sault St. Marie, ON.

Western District Annual Meeting

September 15, 2009
Links of Kent Golf Course, 120 Indian Creek Rd. Chatham, ON

Upper Canada and Georgian Bay District Joint Annual Meeting

September 16 to September 18, 2009
Clevelands House, Minett, ON.

Niagara Grand Annual Meeting

September 30th to October 1, 2009
Marriott Fallsview Hotel, Niagara Falls, ON.

Niagara Grand & Western Districts Joint Metering Exhibition & Workshop

November 18 & 19, 2009
Holiday Inn Burlington Hotel & Conference Centre, Burlington, ON

The next meeting was discussed and is scheduled for

- **October 2, 2009 at 9:30am-11:30am**

- **Meeting Adjourned**

Chair Ven Seshadri adjourned the meeting at approximately 11:32 am.