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Minutes

Wednesday, November 29, 2023

8:30 AM – 12:00 PM

Virtual Meeting [Livestream Link](#)

For questions, or to provide public comment, please email Sorsha at sanderson@leg.state.vt.us

8:30 A.M. Opening Comments [0:03]

Senator Bray & Representative Sheldon, Co-Chairs

Agenda Review [0:54]

Jennifer Knauer, Facilitator

Announcements

Senator Bray & Representative Sheldon, Co-Chairs

8:40 A.M. Follow-up on requests from the RESRWG Meeting of November 15th regarding Technical / Macroeconomic Analysis [2:06]

Jennifer Knauer, Facilitator

All Working Group Members Participate

- **TJ Poor**, Director of Regulated Utility Planning, VT Department of Public Service, was asked to **explore the order of magnitude that an adjustment in the cost of solar would have on estimated rate impacts. If it is significant**, outline possibilities for running another case study through the modeling using a different estimate for the cost of solar.
- **Ben Edgerly Walsh** of the Vermont Public Interest Research Group, and **Louis Porter** of the Washington Electric Cooperative, volunteered at the RESRWG Meeting of November 15th work with TJ on establishing a workable and widely accepted figure for the future cost of solar.

8:50 A.M. Straw Polling and Discussion of Proposed Amendments, as currently drafted by the Legislative Team of the RESRWG [27:37]

Jennifer Knauer, Facilitator

All Working Group Members Participate

Ellen Czajkowski, Legislative Counsel (*Available as needed*)

TJ Poor, Director of Regulated Utility Planning (*Available as needed*)

Dean Murphy & Wonjun Chang, Brattle Group Consultants (*May be available as needed – awaiting availability details at time of publishing agenda.*)

Anticipated Straw Polls and Discussion Prompts have been outlined below and will be considered in the order in which they appear in the list, generally: Tier 1, Tier 2, Tier 3, RES Goals. Pages 2-4 of the agenda list anticipated polls and prompts.

Straw Polls will be taken via a show of hands, followed by brief opportunities to comment – in some cases, limiting explanations to 20-30 seconds per speaker.

9:55 A.M. 10 Minute Break

10:05 A.M. *Straw Polling and Discussion of Proposed Amendments, continued* [\[0:02\]](#)

11:45 A.M. Public Comment [\[1:37:25\]](#)

Jazz Gonzalez, Greenway Institute
Quincy McBride, Greenway Institute
Sam Senkowicz, Greenway Institute
William Sipe, Greenway Institute
Richard Evers, Brattleboro
Hannah Morgan, Plainfield
Nola Parker, Montpelier
Asha Kannon, Middlebury College
Ninive Calegari, Middlebury College
Peter Duval, Underhill
Jennifer Delony, St. Albans

11:55 A.M. Next Steps [\[1:54:07\]](#)

- Minutes and Summaries from this meeting will be posted on or before December 1st.
- Next (and last) RESRWG meeting is scheduled for December 6th, 8:30 -Noon. This will be a hybrid format – onsite at the State House, as well as on Zoom. Working Group Members: If there are things you were hoping to cover / see on the agenda, please be in touch with Co-Chairs directly after we adjourn.

12:00 P.M. Adjourn

Please see Straw Poll summaries from this meeting [here](#).