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DRAFT TELECONFERENCE MEETING SUMMARY
Cross-Cutting Issues Policy Working Group
Meeting/Call #3, April 6, 2007

Members Attending:

Chris Crosby
Jack Ihle
Elise Jones
Helen Klanderud
Eric Kuhn
Tom Looby
Tom Moore
Barbara Roberts
Nancy Sharpe

Rocky Mountain Climate Organization: Tom Easley, Stephen Saunders

Center for Climate Strategies: Ken Colburn, Randy Strait

Agenda Item #1: Introductions and Review of Agenda. Attendees did introductions and CCS reviewed the seven agenda items for the call. Colburn noted an addition to the agenda: next steps for the PWG to start preparing straw proposals for the policy options. In so doing the PWG might find it useful to divide into small groups to facilitate preparation of the straw proposals. This will be discussed further at the end of the call.

RMCO provided an update on changes to its process. Principals from the Ritter Administration would like to complete the process by October 1, 2007 instead of November 1. The last CAP meeting will be toward the end of September. RMCO explained that the Ritter Administration would like to have a clear-cut plan before the next legislative session. This will mean a compressed process for preparing the policy options. To accommodate this schedule, the PWG's will meet on May 4, 2007 after the next CAP meeting on May 3. RMCO will send an e-mail to the CAP and PWG members regarding the revised schedule.

Agenda Item #2: Review of Meeting #2 Summary. The PWG did not have any changes to the summary for Call #2.

Agenda Item #3: Goals for CAP Meeting #3. Colburn noted that the PWG's goal in preparing for the next CAP meeting is to determine its recommendations to the CAP for priority options for analysis.

Agenda Item #4: Review and Discussion of Next Steps for PWG. Colburn noted that during this call, the PWG will need to complete its revisions to the catalog and determine its recommendations to the CAP for priority policy options. Colburn noted that on Slide 5 of the PowerPoint, option 10 (Western Regional Climate Action Initiative ("5-State Initiative")) was inadvertently left out of the slide but has been included in the catalog distributed prior to today's call.

Agenda Item #5: Review and Discussion of the Catalog of State Actions. Prior to the meeting, RMCO and CCS provided the PWG with a revised draft catalog of CC policy options (and brief descriptions of the policy options in a separate file). Revisions to the catalog made to incorporate comments provided by the CC PWG during its prior meeting on April 6 were highlighted.

Some PWG members were concerned that the numbering of options in the catalog implied a ranking of the options. Colburn noted that the numbering of options in the catalog is intended to facilitate identification of the options for communication purposes, and that the numbering of options does not reflect any ranking. Each option carries the same level of importance. Per agreement by the PWG, CCS will add a note on the first page of the catalog to indicate that the numbering of options in the catalog is solely for convenience in referencing them and that the numbers do NOT reflect a ranking or prioritization of the policy options.

Colburn reviewed each of the catalog items during the call and asked if there were any objections to recommending each policy option to the CAP for further development. The PWG agreed that all of the policy options should be recommended to the CAP for further development. The PWG agreed to revise the following policy options for recommendation to the CAP. Colburn noted that CCS will revise the catalog to incorporate the PWG's comments during this call for distribution to at the CAP meeting.

Seek Funding for Implementation of Climate Action Panel Recommendations (CC-9): At the beginning of the discussion of the policy options, a PWG member proposed adding a new policy option to address methods for identifying and stimulating funding and investment in climate solutions in Colorado. The PWG discussed this issue at length and all members agreed that it was a good idea to add a separate option for addressing funding needs to implement all of the policy options adopted by the CAP. Therefore, the catalog will be revised to add a new option, CC-9 titled "Seek Funding for Implementation of Climate Action Panel Recommendations." Note that the PWG had discussed this issue during its prior call and the catalog was revised to add a suboption 7.6.8 (Climate Venture Capital) under the "Industrial & Economic Sectors" section under Public Education and Outreach (CC-7). The PWG agreed to consolidate this suboption into the new policy option CC-9.

Inventories and Forecasting (CC-1): No revisions.

GHG Reporting (CC-2): No revisions.

GHG Registry (CC-3): The PWG agreed to revise this policy option to recommend that the state participate in the development of a multi-state GHG emissions reduction registry such as *The Climate Registry*. Colburn noted that *The Climate Registry* may not initially meet the comprehensive registry needs of Colorado (e.g., entities that want to register sequestered carbon associated with forest management), but that the registry should eventually evolve to cover all emission sources and sinks.

Statewide GHG Reduction Goals and Targets (CC-4): Colburn noted that the CC PWG will need to wait for quantification results of the options that the CAP approves for further analysis to help determine the goals. The initial quantification results probably will not be available until the July 12 meeting. A PWG member noted that there has been an interest from the state for the CAP to recommend goals in July before the process is completed. It was also noted that the Governor has the option to make a preliminary announcement on goals for the CAP process to meet, but the Governor may also adjust the goals depending on the panel's findings.

A PWG member noted that suboption 4.2 recommends that an accountability program be instituted to measure and report progress in reducing GHG emissions. The question is how such a program would be implemented? Colburn noted that the other PWGs will address implementation of each option during development of the straw proposals. It was agreed that CCS will add a note for suboption 4.2 to clarify this point.

State's Own GHG Emissions (Lead by Example) (CC-5): No revisions.

Comprehensive Local Government Climate Action Plans (CC-6): No revisions.

Public Education and Outreach (CC-7): A PWG member noted that they would provide clarifying text for suboption 7.6.3 (Energy Supply and Use). As noted above, suboption 7.6.8 (Climate Venture Capital) under the "Industrial & Economic Sectors" section under Public Education and Outreach (CC-7) will be consolidated with CC-9.

Tax Policies (CC-8): No revisions.

Western Regional Climate Action Initiative ("5-State Initiative") (CC-10): The PWG agreed to move this option to suboption 8.3 under CC-8 (Tax and Cap Policies) because it primarily targets a regional cap.

Adaptation & Vulnerability (CC-9): This option was renumbered to be CC-10. Stephen Saunders noted that a Water Adaptation group is being formed as part of the process and that the CAP will be discussing its preferences on how to handle other adaptation issues at the May 3 CAP meeting.

Review and Discussion of Policy Template and Call for Small Group Volunteers: Colburn reviewed the elements of the CCS template for preparing straw proposals for the policy options. The PWG agreed to divide into small groups to work on preparing the straw proposal for each option. The small groups will report back to the full PWG for review and discussion of their work. Colburn noted that the first task is to prepare the policy description and goals sections of the template. CCS will provide example straw proposals for consideration by the PWG as a starting point in preparing the straw proposals.

The PWG members then volunteered as small group members for each policy option and selected a coordinator. The small group members and coordinators for each option are provided at the end of this summary along with their contact information.

Agenda Item #6: Agenda, Time and Date for Next Meeting. The agenda for the fourth meeting of the PWG will include (1) review of PWG Meeting #3 Summary; (2) review of results of CAP meeting #3 held on May 3, 2007; and (3) Discussion regarding development of straw proposals for draft policy options.

The date and time for the fourth meeting of the CC PWG has been scheduled for **Friday, May 4, 2007 from 1:00 pm – 4:00 pm at the National Renewable Energy Laboratory (NREL) offices in Golden.**

Agenda Item #7: Public Input and Announcements. None.

Colorado Cross Cutting (CC) Issues Policy Working Group (PWG)**Small Group Participation for Developing
Straw Proposals for Priority Policy Options
April 6, 2007**

Policy Option No.	GHG Reduction Policy Option	Small Group Volunteers*
CC-1	Inventories and Forecasting	Tom Moore*
CC-2	GHG Reporting	Tom Moore*, Jack Ihle, Elise Jones
CC-3	GHG Registry	Tom Moore*, Jack Ihle, Elise Jones
CC-4	Statewide GHG Reduction Goals and Targets	None yet; straw proposal to be developed by full CC PWG after quantification results become available from other PWGs
CC-5	State's Own GHG Emissions (Lead-by-Example)	Barbara Roberts*, Tom Looby, Helen Klanderud to provide designee for City of Aspen
CC-6	Comprehensive Local Government Climate Action Plans (Counties, Cities, etc.)	Tom Looby*, Nancy Sharpe, Lucinda Smith, Sarah Van Pelt
CC-7	Public Education and Outreach	Nancy Sharpe*, Matt Baker, Chris Crosby, Eric Kuhn, Tom Moore, Randy Udall
CC-8	Tax and Cap Policies**	Jack Ihle*, Elise Jones, Barbara Roberts
CC-9	Seek Funding for Implementation of Climate Action Panel Recommendations	Chris Crosby*, Jack Ihle, Elise Jones, Randy Udall
CC-10	Adaptation & Vulnerability	None; to be handled by a separate PWG.

* Asterisk identifies the coordinator for the small group.

** Includes joining the Western Regional Climate Action Initiative (the "Five-State Initiative) as an observer and consider joining as a full state partner, following the PWG's consolidation of this option with CC-8 during Call #3 on April 6, 2007.

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