

# **Delaware Energy Efficiency Advisory Council Meeting**

Public Service Commission Hearing Room – Dover, DE

February 10, 2016

## **Meeting Minutes**

### **EEAC Council Members**

Robert Underwood – present

Glenn Moore – present

Mark Nielson – present

Scott Lynch – present

Bill O'Brien – present

Harris McDowell - absent

Carl Johnson – present

Amy Roe – present

Sanjay Kapuria – absent – designee present

Maureen Duffy (phone)

Cassandra Marshall – present

John Sykes – present

Humberto Caldelas – absent

Joe Schorah – present (phone)

Edward Synoski, DNREC

Wayne Hudders, Delmarva Power

Todd Goodman, Delmarva Power

DJ Sneeringer – Delmarva Power

Diana DeAngelis – Delmarva Power

Crystal Nagyiski – DEMEC

Kevin Warren – Warren Energy Engineering

Bridget Shelton, Delmarva Power

Patty Murray, DNREC

Sarah Hardy – Chesapeake Utilities

Heather Contant, DE PSC

Tim Pettit, DNV

Angela Bivens, First State Community  
Action

Lisa Locke, DE interfaith Power and Light

Ron Abremski, ICFI

Bridget Gregory, American Energy Corp.

Chris Brehm, American Energy Corp.

Anna Lising, Opower

Ricky Gratz, Opower

Dave Bonar – DE Public Advocate

Ed Schmidt, MCR Perf. Solutions (phone)

Brian Buckley, NEEP (phone)

Natalie Treat, NEEP (phone)

Shane Breakie, Chesapeake Utilities (phone)

### **Consultants in Attendance**

Eric Belliveau, Optimal Energy

Cliff McDonald, Optimal Energy

### **Attendees**

Rachel Yocum, DNREC

Tony DePrima, DE SEU

Pam Knotts, DE PSC

Shona Marshall, DE PSC

Matt Hartigan, DE PSC

Andrea Maucher, DE Public Advocate

**Welcome and Introductions** – Robert Underwood called the meeting to order and presented the agenda.

### **Council business, planning, and general discussion**

- **Meeting Minutes** – The meeting minutes from the January 13, 2016 EEAC meeting were voted on and adopted with minor edits.
- **Annual Report** – Rob Underwood informed the Council that the 2015 Annual Report was nearing completion with final edits being made and that he anticipates releasing the report at the March meeting.

**Update on Program Plan Development** – Scott Lynch from DEMEC and Mark Nielson from DEC both reported that they will be presenting their program plans at the March meeting. Bill O’Brien from Chesapeake Utilities reported that they are working with Optimal Energy on alternate programs and solutions to their program plan. Rob Underwood reported that DNREC’s Energy Efficiency Investment Fund (EEIF) is experiencing funding issues but that DNREC would be willing to collaborate with other program administrators in looking for ways to keep the EEIF as a viable energy efficiency program.

**Discussion on EEAC target goals** – the Council had a robust discussion on the currently adopted EEAC target goals as well as whether a re-vote clarifying the subject was needed. Topics in the discussion included 1) whether the goals were for each utility with other programs supplementing the targets; 2) whether each utility had to have the same goal; 3) how programs being run in each utility territory by other entities would or would not be counted to that respective utility’s goals; 4) when will be the official start of program year one; and 5) to what extent can utilities count programs in their savings targets that occurred before the actual start of program year one. Glenn Moore initially made a clarifying motion which was tabled by Rob Underwood and subsequently withdrawn by Glenn. The council agreed to revisit this topic at the March meeting.

**Presentation – Pace** – Tony DePrima from the SEU gave a presentation on PACE that included a general overview; the benefits of PACE; and an update as to the status of PACE efforts in Delaware.

**Presentation – Cost Effectiveness** – Brian Buckley from NEEP gave a presentation on the best practices in cost-effectiveness screening of energy efficiency programs in the northeast and mid-Atlantic states. The presentation included discussion as to the importance of establishing appropriate screening methodologies; the different types of tests being used by different states; and the inclusion of non-energy benefits.

**Next Meeting** – The next meeting will be held on March 9, 2016, from 1:00pm – 3:00pm in the Public Service Commission Hearing Room at 861 Silver Lake Blvd, Dover, DE 19904. To participate by phone please call 1-877-366-0711 and enter participant code 96520857.

Copies of the meeting materials have been posted on the DNREC website:  
<http://www.dnrec.delaware.gov/energy/information/otherinfo/Pages/EEAC/Council.aspx>