

U.S. Department of Commerce
Renewable Energy and Energy Efficiency Advisory Committee
Fourth Charter, 2016-2018

March 22, 2017
4:00 PM Eastern
Teleconference

MINUTES

Welcome and Introductions

- Cindy Thyfault, REEEAC IV Chair
 - Ms. Thyfault welcomed the group, continued to ask for all attendees to introduce themselves,
 - Asked the members of the public to introduce themselves to the group: Bob Keeting and Mary Duane introduced themselves as members of the public

- Vickie Gunderson, Designated Federal Officer of the REEEAC, U.S. Department of Commerce
 - Ms. Gunderson noted the upcoming and newly announced trade mission to Canada that was included in the last email communication. She encouraged members to reach out with any questions.
 - She noted that a repeat meeting with DOC China team has been scheduled for May 3 at 2pm. This is the day ahead of the next in-person REEEAC meeting and will take place at DOC.

Finance Sub-Committee Brief, Recommendation Review, & Voting

- Ken Kramer, Finance Sub-Committee Chair
- Slav Gatchev, Finance Sub-Committee Vice Chair
 - Mr. Kramer provided an introduction the letter, noted the collective work of the sub-committee to draft the recommendation, and emphasized the timeliness of the document.
 - Mr. Gatchev underscored the timeliness and the group effort.
 - Mr. Sklar noted the context of the letter appears non-controversial and is supportive of the recommendation.
 - Mr. Haubensack noted believe that the letter is consistent with his perception of what the current Administration's intent, and that the budget proposals put forward recently do not appear to be consistent with the Administration's outlined objects.
 - Ms. Thyfault asked for a move to vote, Sklar moved, Kramer seconded.
 - Recommendation unanimously approved
 - Ms. Thyfault will send to directly to the Secretary as an attachment.
 - Ms. Dickson will post to the REEEAC website in the coming days.
 - Ms. Gunderson will forward along the recommendation to senior staff internally as well as the TPCC agencies.
 - Mr. Bauchmire inquired if they can send the recommendation to outside organizations.
 - Ms. Gunderson noted the recommendation is now public and members of the REEEAC in their personal capacity can send the letter to stakeholders as they see fit.

Next Steps

- Ms. Thyfault encouraged sub-committees to continue their work and looked forward to seeing the committee on May 4.
- Ms. Gunderson emphasized connecting with her for any needs the sub-committees have prior to May 4.

Public Comment & Adjourn

- No public comment.
- Meeting adjourned.

Attendance

First Name	Last Name	Organization
Bruce	Bauchmire	DLZ Corporation
Mita	Burke	Sunshine Industries USA
Matt	Card	Suniva
Mike	Davis	NC Sustainable Energy Association
Kelly	Davis	Renewable Fuels Association
Jen	Derstine	Capstone Turbine Corporation
Svetoslav	Gatchev	Delphos International, Ltd.
Phillip	Green	Green Powered Technology
Arthur	Haubenstock	8minutenergy Renewables
Kenneth	Kramer	Rushton Atlantic
Joseph	Mendelson	SolarCity
Lloyd	Ritter	Distributed Wind Energy Association
Jorge	Sanchez	Sana, Inc.
Scott	Sklar	The Stella Group, Ltd.
Kevin	Smith	SolarReserve
Paula	Soos	Covanta Energy
Zolaikha	Strong	Cooper Development Association
Trey	Taylor	Verdant Power Inc.
Cindy	Thyfault	Westar Trade Resources
Laura	Van Wie McGrory	Alliance to Save Energy
Robert	Kettig	New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection
Mary	Dane	ITW-Food Equipment Group, LLC-NA Refrigeration Kairak, and Traulsen Brands
Preeti	Chandan	Combustion Associates Inc.
Vickie	Gunderson	U.S. Department of Commerce
Cora	Dickson	U.S. Department of Commerce

Jaron	Bass	U.S. Department of Commerce
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