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**SUMMARY OF TELECONFERENCE MEETING #4
MARYLAND CROSS-CUTTING ISSUES TECHNICAL WORK GROUP (TWG)
October 12, 2007**

Attendance:

1. TWG Members: Paul Chan, Mike Mallinoff, Cindy Parker, Jerry Hughes for Ray Bourland, Frank Heintz, Scott Spencer, Julian Levy
2. Maryland Department of Environment (MDE): Tad Auburn, Renee Fizer, Liz Enstwisle,
3. Center for Climate Strategies: Ken Colburn, Tom Looby, Katie Pasko
4. Other Attendees: Jeffrey King, Metro Washington COG
5. Public:

Background Documents:

(Posted at http://www.mdclimatechange.us/cross_cutting.cfm)

1. Meeting notice and agenda (including provisions for public access)
2. Summary of MD CC TWG Call #3
3. PowerPoint Presentation for Cross-Cutting Issues (CC) TWG Call #4
4. Draft Maryland CC TWG Catalog of State Actions- Clean and track changes versions
5. State GHG Reduction Targets Table

Discussion Items and Issues:

This was the fourth call of the MD CC TWG.

1. Ken Colburn of CCS called the meeting to order, completed the roll call, and reviewed the agenda for the call.
2. The 9-21-07 CC TWG Call Summary was approved, with no changes.
3. Power Point slides were used to cover topics on the agenda, including goals for the upcoming MCCC meeting on October 17 and the MWG meeting on October 26 and the schedule for developing the Interim Report.
4. Call participants discussed the Interim Report. Only a few early action items will be recommended. MDE anticipates sending 3-5 Policy Options to the MWG and the MCCC for consideration at their October meetings. The limited # of early actions to present is to assure focus on some key initiatives in the coming legislative session. The CC TWG agreed that the key recommendation from them for inclusion in the Interim Report should be a set of preliminary GHG Reduction goals for MD. They also discussed whether recommending a Global Warming Solutions Act that contains a goals proposal per item 5 below should be part of

the early action items proposal from the CC TWG but no final action was determined.

5. Participants held an extensive discussion about what the content of the goals might be using Slide #7 as a starting point. Some key outcomes of the discussion include, but are not limited to:
 - Participants agreed that using 2006, rather than 1990, is an appropriate baseline going forward. They want to make sure, however, that the substance of the Governors Executive Order regarding improvements over 1990 levels are met, at a minimum.
 - MDE will update the goals slide and may propose both a 10% by 2012 and a 15% by 2015 goal to the MCCC and MWG for consideration.
 - Several participants expressed interest in striving for a 30-35 % reduction by 2020, although some follow-up analysis may be warranted to further evaluate these numbers.
 - The 90% reduction by 2050 and Carbon neutral or Zero emission goal by 2100 were supported.
 - It was agreed to change Mid- Course “Correction” to “Review”, to have the reviews commence in 2012 and recur every four years thereafter. It was also suggested that these reviews occur in the middle of state election cycles.

6. The participants then reviewed the Catalog of State Policy Options and the following key points were made:
 - Ken Colburn noted that the target # of policy options is 10-12. That number can be achieved through consolidation of related options or through a balloting process.
 - He also noted that one potential area for consolidation might be to combine finance related options.
 - Options 1 and 2 could be combined but no one proposed to do so at this time.
 - Option 4, Goals- See items 4 and 5 above.
 - The group agreed to combine Options 5 and 6 into a State and Local Government Lead by Example category. Option 5.6 requiring evaluation of GHG emissions in EIS and similar environmental studies should be applied to both state and local initiatives and should have a broad scope of applicability.
 - A preferential purchasing sub-item should be added to the combined state and local option.
 - It is important to keep Option 7 and to perhaps add a sub-item about educating state policy makers.

- A question was raised about whether lending for non-traditional heating systems should be added to option 8.
- A question was posed about whether option 9 belongs as an implementation matter but no changes were offered.
- Option 10 is being addressed by the Adaptation Work Group so will not be considered one of the CC TWG options.
- Option 12 will be referenced as a work in progress for the MCCC meeting.
- The overall catalog of state policy options was approved for consideration by the MCCC at its 10/17/07 meeting.

Public Input: Jeffrey King of Metro Washington COG noted that DC metro area is working on a regional process to develop a GHG emissions inventory and reduction targets. MDE reps are involved. He noted that some coordination among local, regional and state goals and targets will need to occur.

Next Steps:

1. The next MCCC meetings will occur on October 17. The next MWG meeting will occur on October 26.
2. The next call of the CC TWG will be on Friday, October 19 from 11am – 12:30 pm. The focus of the next call will be to make adjustments to the goals proposal based on MCCC input, review the revised Policy Options catalog w/ changes made on this call and to begin work on the design template for the policy options.

Announcements: None