

Clean Heat Standard Technical Advisory Group
September 19, 2024 Meeting Minutes

Attendees

- Members of the Technical Advisory Group present
 - Matthew Bakerpoole (in place of TJ Poor), Vermont Department of Public Service
 - Matt Cota, Meadow Hill Consulting
 - Luce Hillman, University of Vermont
 - Ken Jones, Individual
 - Michelle Keller, Fraktalas Energy
 - Casey Lamont, Burlington Electric Department
 - Sam Lehr, Molecule Group
 - Emily Levin, Northeast States Coordinated Air Use Management
 - Emily Roscoe, Efficiency Vermont
 - Jared Ulmer, Vermont Department of Health
 - Floyd Vergara, Clean Fuels Alliance America
 - Rick Weston, Individual
 - Brian Woods, Vermont Agency of Natural Resources
- Facilitator
 - Catherine Morris, Consensus Building Institute
- Participating Vermont Public Utility Commission staff
 - Dominic Gatti

Welcome & Review of agenda [Time Stamp 0:00:00]

- Initiate recording

[Review and approval of 9/5/24 minutes](#)

[Brian Woods moved to approve 9/5/24 minutes. Motion passed at 9:35 a.m.]

Updates from the PUC [Time Stamp 0:04:10]

[Reminder for TAG members to circulate/share the RFI (regarding the eventual DDA appointment(s)) if they have entities in mind and/or share entity contact info with Deirdre; Outlined the recently issued Order describing enforcement authority and clarified definition of heating fuel; Shared upcoming timeline on the Rule and related feedback opportunities.]

Opinion Dynamics' Deliverables (Emissions Table & Characterization of Clean Fuels, shared in advance) [Time Stamp 0:09:35]

- Questions from Subgroup
- Full TAG discussion

[See recording and meeting materials for presentation/discussion.]

Break

Opinion Dynamics' Deliverables continued [Time Stamp 1:31:16]

- Next steps

[A subgroup will convene next week to discuss OD deliverables, including all measure characterizations. Chair Rick Weston will put together an agenda so that the group has a clear view on what they need to accomplish.]

Public Comments

[Public comments included concerns about the assumptions being made about wood (that it is all 'waste wood') and, more generally, the model that was used to determine its CI score; comment seeking clarification about which fuels were subject to the declining CI limits.]

Draft TAG statement on Matt Cota's memo re. changes to implementation of CHS (shared in advance) [Time Stamp 2:09:00]

- Review and provide input to proposed language (*decisional*)

[Discussion on appropriate language in statement and whether or not weighing in on these recommendations fell within the scope of the TAG.]

Vote on TAG statement [Time Stamp 2:28:00]

[Ken Jones moved for acceptance of the document with the change from "clean heat fee" to "per credit fee." Motion passed at 11:59 a.m.]

Equity Advisory Group Report [Time Stamp 2:30:00]

[EAG heard from two speakers from Efficiency Vermont who presented on LMI consumer insights – will help to fill out the demographic section of the EAG report. The group also started discussing the potential study and moved a memo forward about LMI institutions.]

Other Matters [Time Stamp 2:33:00]

- Agenda topics for next meeting
- Adding a third mtg in September (see TAG revised schedule)

[Current thoughts for next meeting: discussing OD's installed measure characterizations; establish a clear view on what workload lies ahead for the TAG and what is needed to deliver to the PUC.]

Close

[Meeting adjourned 12:17 p.m.]

Meeting recording will be uploaded here:

https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLm7FHMU9GY9R_zhQEp6UJf8imn92o7Srd