

## Clean Heat Standard Equity Advisory Group

### Minutes from the September 17, 2024, Full Group Meeting

#### Attendees

- Members of the Equity Advisory Group present
  - Ben Bolaski, Vermont Department of Public Service
  - Matt Cota, Meadow Hill Consulting
  - Jen Myers, Champlain Valley Office of Economic Opportunity
  - John Mandeville, Central Vermont Council on Aging
  - Pike Porter, individual
  - Sriram Srinivasan, individual
  - Emily Roscoe, Efficiency Vermont
  - Chris Trombly, Vermont State Housing Authority
  - Mia Watson, Vermont Housing Finance Agency
  - Geoff Wilcox, Vermont Office of Economic Opportunity
- Other active participants
  - Ashira Pelt, Consensus Building Institute
  - Dominic Gatti, Public Utility Commission Fellow
  - Hillary Andrews, Efficiency Vermont
  - Nick Neverisky, Efficiency Vermont

#### Agenda & Actions

- Welcome & Review of agenda (*Time Stamp 03:51*)

*[Meeting commenced at 12:31 pm ET.]*

- Review and approval of minutes (*Time Stamp 5:34*)

*[Mia Watson asked for unanimous consent to approve the meeting minutes from September 3, 2024. The minutes were approved by unanimous consent at 12:33 pm.]*

- Updates from the TAG Liaisons (*Time Stamp 6:24*)
- Updates from the PUC (*Time Stamp 11:10*)
- Guest Speaker – Efficiency Vermont on Moderate Income Households (*Time Stamp 27:10*)
  - LMI Vermonters' thoughts about efficiency improvements, presented by Hillary Andrews and Nick Neverisky
  - Mentioned link:  
[https://docs.google.com/document/d/1taGjXHGk\\_hKZzyKrROPutiNqdvDD-g0uUDMY0v8w96g/edit](https://docs.google.com/document/d/1taGjXHGk_hKZzyKrROPutiNqdvDD-g0uUDMY0v8w96g/edit)

- Public Comment (*Time Stamp 1:02:29*)
  - None heard
- Continued conversation with Efficiency Vermont (*Time Stamp 1:03:04*)
- Continued EAG Conversation on Small Businesses and Obligated Entities (*Time Stamp 1:10:04*)
  - Details are recorded in the [ongoing collection document](#), which is only edited during noticed meetings.

*[Pike Porter moved to post the EAG’s Resource Page on the PUC’s Clean Heat Standard website under the Advisory Group Materials section. Ben Bolaski asked unanimous consent to clarify that only EAG Members, Ashira Pelt, and Dominic Gatti would have edit access to the document; consent was granted at 1:59 pm. At 2:01 pm, the motion as amended was approved by voice vote.]*

- Public Comment (*Time Stamp 1:35:09*)
  - None heard
- Potential Study Discussion (*Time Stamp 1:35:27*)
- Workgroup on Editing (*Time Stamp 2:02:18*)

*[Ben Bolaski moved to change the November 26, 2024, Full Group Meeting to November 19, 2024. At 2:37 pm, the motion was approved by voice vote.]*

*[Matt Cota moved to change the December 24, 2024, Full Group Meeting to December 17, 2024. At 2:38 pm, the motion was approved by voice vote.]*

*[Mia Watson moved to indefinitely pause all EAG subgroup meetings and create a Report Writing Subgroup that meets in place of the old Credit Issues Subgroup. At 2:42 pm, the motion was approved by voice vote.]*

- Credit Issues Subgroup Update (*Time Stamp 2:16:09*)
  - Memo on LMI Credit Characterization

*[Mia Watson moved to remove the paragraph highlighted in pink that starts with the word “however” and ends before the word “expanding” in the Memo on LMI Credit Characterization and adopt the Memo as the position of the Group. At 2:53 pm, the motion was approved by voice vote.]*

- Public Engagement Subgroup Update (*Time Stamp 2:28:32*)
- Close and Next Steps (*Time Stamp 2:30:36*)

*[The group adjourned by unanimous consent at 3:01 pm ET.]*

Meeting Recording

YouTube <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=HSw6QgN-JDo>