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Distributed Wind Energy Association
State Policy Committee Agenda

Co-Chairs: Chad Palmer and Greg Price

October 30, 2012 at 4p EST

Call-in: 661-673-8600

Access Code: 556723#

1. NEW Call Format

- a. State Update portion of the call only 20 minutes

2. Recent/Upcoming Legislative Activity (20 min)

- a. CA
 - i. John/Fundamental put together proposal and will be sent to SPC
 - ii. Additional funding needed. Goal is 60K and 30K is already raised.
- b. HI
 - i. Recent engagement letter from Schlack Ito
 - ii. Next step to raise funds
 - iii. DWEA is waiting to sign letter of engagement until funds are confirmed
 - iv. PUC is expected in late Oct expectation and then can file as intervener
- c. CO
 - i. Working to define CW projects
 - ii. MOU REA entered with the IOU standard
 - iii. Currently looking into the over subsidized solar
 - iv. Democrats will take over the House in CO
- d. NY
 - i. DWEA is working with ACE NY
 - 1. Funding needed for this partnership, 24K total, but looking for installments of 2K
 - ii. 2013 is a RPS review year
 - iii. Financing Act is on hold until state congress is back in session and passing this act would be very helpful
 - iv. Net Metering Clean Up Bill
 - 1. Currently has a 25kW cap on farmers -- Needs to be increased
 - v. DWEA and SED put in a petition on turbines that aren't supported by SWCC



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- e. MN
 - i. Public utilities commission proceeding
 - 1. Polaris wind turbines go over nameplate capacity and REC are fighting this
 - 2. Not directly tracking
 - ii. Distributed Wind Generation Proceeding
 - 1. DWEA and Dan Juhl submitted letters
- f. VT
 - i. Feed in Tariff program is being re-negotiated now
 - ii. Lots of resistance
 - iii. Thoughts needed from David Blittersdorf – ACTION JJ
- g. Mass
 - i. Passed new energy bill in September – 6% net metering cap biggest thing for DW
 - ii. Siting Legislation on the table – KS does not think DWEA should get involved.

3. **SPC Meeting Restructuring, State Policy Feeds, and Member Engagement**

- a. Reformatting monthly and subcommittee meetings
- b. New and more efficient ways of gathering, filtering, prioritizing, and disseminating state policy updates, news, and information - - On going effort
 - i. RSS Feeds
 - ii. Legislative updates - - Mydesire (\$1500 – 2000/yr)
 - iii. DESIRE Website
 - 1. Ask DESIRE staff for heads up
- c. Getting local members and new members engaged in state policy needs

4. **State Policy Platform/Priorities**

- a. Discussing of what states and policy issues will be the focus for SPC in 2013
- b. Add your rankings and comments at
<https://docs.google.com/spreadsheet/cc?key=0AknjL1ylefjAdFRLN3IPZGltRTB3c1pWUDkzaHRXZmc#gid=7> (see other tabs at bottom for state tier scoring)
- c. Next steps to finalize recommendations, plan strategies for leveraging our efforts



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d. Potential Target States

- i. CO– DWEA is rising funds
- ii. IA – important state but does not need full support
- iii. CA
- iv. Andy Kruse suggests researching utility rates

Next call full committee meeting: Tuesday, November 27, 2012