



Energy Efficiency Board Monthly Meeting

Wednesday, June 14, 2017, 2:45 – 3:45 PM

Energize CT Center, 122 Universal Drive North, North Haven, CT

MINUTES¹

In Attendance

Voting Board Members: Taren O'Connor (Chair), Bill Dornbos (Vice-Chair), Diane Duva, Ravi Gorthala, Neil Beup, Jack Traver, Adrienne Houel

Utility Board Members: Ron Araujo, Chris Plecs, Pat McDonnell

Board Members Not in Attendance: Eric Brown, Mike Wertheimer, Amanda Fargo-Johnson, Will Redden, Roddy Diotalevi

Board Consultants: Jeff Schlegel, Glenn Reed, George Lawrence, Lisa Skumatz, Craig Diamond

Others: Donna Wells, Ellen Rosenthal, Violette Radomski, Claire Miziolek, Walter McCree, Linda Foreman, Marissa Westbrook

Process

Minutes

The Board considered whether to approve the minutes from the May 10, 2017 Board meeting. The Board decided to defer the vote to an electronic vote following the meeting because some Board members were not present for the vote. The subsequent electronic **vote on the May 10, 2017 minutes was conducted following the meeting, and the minutes were approved.**

Public Comments

None.

Executive Secretary's Report

Mr. Diamond reminded the Board that there was no EEB meeting scheduled for July, but that the Committees were scheduled to meet in July.

Revisions to EEB Rules/Roadmap

The Board considered whether to approve several proposed changes to the EEB Rules/Roadmap, including several formatting changes, an update to the Evaluation section, and the addition of a new section on Fair and Equitable Opportunities in C&LM Programs for Qualified Contractors and Vendors. Ms. Houel moved to approve. Mr. Dornbos 2nd. **All**

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present voted to approve, including Mr. Wertheimer via Ms. O'Connor's proxy, and Ms. Fargo-Johnson via Mr. Dornbos' proxy. Revisions to EEB Rules/Roadmap approved.
Programs and Planning

Monthly Financial Report

Mr. Plecs noted that Eversource's C&I pilot projects had been budgeted at \$500,000, but that the current list of projects had a budget of \$700,000. He said Eversource would pay for the additional \$200,000 through the existing 2017 C&LM budget.

2018 Plan Update: Status and Next Steps

Mr. Schlegel said that the Board process changes discussed at the Board retreat would be reflected in the process for the 2018 Update.

Companies' Letter Regarding PURA Decision in Docket 15-09-03

Mr. McDonnell provided an overview of a letter to DEEP proposed by the Companies regarding a PURA decision in Docket 15-09-03. The Board then considered whether to approve a Board resolution regarding the letter (the resolution was not on the letter itself, but rather on the Board's position on the PURA's order to use C&LM funds to implement changes to utility billing systems for implementation of changes to how kWhs from solar installation receive net metering credit). Mr. Gorthala moved to approve the resolution. Mr. Traver 2nd. **All present voted in favor of the resolution, except Ms. Duva who abstained because the Company letter was going to be submitted to DEEP. The yes votes included Mr. Wertheimer through Mr. O'Connor's proxy, and Ms. Fargo-Johnson through Mr. Dornbos' proxy. Resolution approved.**

Eversource Federal Customer Proposal

Mr. Plecs provided an overview of the issue. He said that a large federal Eversource customer was interested in a project in CT, and noted that Eversource in Massachusetts already had an approved federal contractor. He said that normally a customer would contract with a vendor, not with the utility. For this proposal, Eversource would contract with the customer, and then Eversource would subcontract to a vendor. Mr. Plecs said this potential arrangement had raised some concerns, but that those concerns could be addressed: 1) potential liability for CEEF (should not be an issue, because Eversource determined that the liability would be with Eversource corporate, not with the CEEF); 2) competition with vendors (should not be an issue, because Eversource would subcontract with vendors); and 3) unfair allocation of incentive dollars to this federal customer (should not be an issue, because this customer already pays into the CEEF). Ms. Duva said that DEEP would like there to be a PURA public meeting on this question, to assure full transparency on the issue. Ms. Duva said she would like to see this project move forward.

Other

Ms. Duva reminded the Board of the upcoming June 15 cost-effectiveness workshop at DEEP. Mr. Schlegel noted that NEEP would be holding workshop on strategic electrification on June 29.

Closing Public Comments

None.

The meeting adjourned at 3:37 pm.