

WORKING GROUP 5 - NATURAL GAS
Teleconference Meeting
Monday, August 18, 2008 (2-3:30PM)

ATTENDEES

Co-conveners: John D'Aloia (NY DPS)
& Frank Murray (NRDC/PACE)
Erin Hogan (NYSERDA)
Janja Lypse (National Grid)
Joseph McGowan (Con Ed)
Robert Melvin (O&R)
Nancy Nugent (NY CPB)
Emilio Petroccione (NYOHA, OHIL)
Danielle Rathbun (NY DPS Counsel)
Keith Christensen (EarthKind Energy)
Aric Rider (NY DPS)
Carolyn Sweeney (RG&E)

Rebecca Rabison (Association for Energy
Affordability)
Jim Rioux (Central Hudson)
Eric Meinel (National Fuel)
Larry Simpson (Everwild Enterprises)
Michael Mager (MI)
Michael Delaney (NYCEDC)
Paul Belnick (NYPA)
Jim Ward (St Lawrence Gas)
Art Pearson (E Cubed Company)
Ruben Brown (E Cubed Company)

STATUS OF ONGOING WORK

The group reviewed the work to date.

Erin Hogan of NYSERDA presented a draft spreadsheet that lays out existing gas EE programs, costs and savings. Several enhancements were discussed by the group including the addition of parameters for “number of participants as a % of customers”, “gas rate impact”, and “gas rate impact per MDth Saved”. Data for these parameters will require input and coordination from the utilities and Staff. The program data will also be more finely disaggregated to break out the pre-2004 savings. This will allow the working group to better grasp baseline and current savings levels, and to hence to better assess potential, expected future savings.

Aric Rider of Staff is leading WG5’s efforts to develop an accurate and robust gas load forecast. The utilities have agreed to allow the use of the Winter Supply Report (WSR) data in an aggregated fashion to enable completion of this task. The utilities were also asked to provide the assumptions they used in Table 3 of their respective WSR, to enable Eric and the working group to develop consistent load forecast projections.

Per the work plan, the program data and load forecast efforts will provide the base upon which WG5 will develop a matrix of potential and achievable gas savings levels with corresponding projected cost estimates.

UPCOMING MEETING SCHEDULE

- **Teleconference – Friday, August 29th 10-11:30AM**
Agenda: Work progress update; planning for Sept 5th meeting

- **In Person** – Friday, September 5
NYC; Con Edison, 4 Irving Place, Room 1380S
Agenda: Presentations and discussion with Optimal and GDS

OTHER TOPICS & ISSUES

- Co-conveners John D'Aloia and Frank Murray will report the WG5 work plan and status to Judge Stein tomorrow (August 19th)
- Question for Steering Committee meeting on August 19th
 - What are the EEPS procedural expectations for the coming 60 and 90 day filings, and what, if anything, should the WGs do to coordinate or factor in any pertinent information?
- Coordination with State Energy Plan (SEP) – The group discussed the possibility of overlapping work with the State Energy Planning process. NYSERDA and DPS Staff will check with other involved SEP staff to ensure both efforts are properly coordinated.