



EENRG PRACTICE GROUP

March 13, 2025

3:00 PM ET

Zoom Meeting

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Members In Attendance:

Kimberly Hoffman, DE, Chair

Raymond Bell, AL

Warren Coleman, VT

Denise Dragoo, UT

Anthony Jackson, MS

Maureen McGee, OR

Michael Platner, DC

Hannah Webster, SLR

MINUTES

I. Call to Order

Kimberly (Kim) Hoffman called the meeting to order at 3:01 PM ET.

II. Roll Call

Members introduced themselves to the practice group.

III. Review of Minutes from September 27, 2024 **Attachment A**

The Minutes from September 27, 2024 were APPROVED and ADOPTED as written.

IV. SLR Spring 2025 Client Suggestions

*Fort Worth, TX, May 15-18, 2025

Denise Dragoo suggested bringing in a client or speaker to hear about the Texas Grid if the group didn't have a suggestion for an energy client. She also noted the Trump Administration and the impact for renewables as another potential topic.

Kim brought up the large oil and gas company presence in Texas and suggested the group consider if they have a client in that area. Otherwise, Kim has some solar clients that she could reach out to.

V. Individual State Issues and Discussion

Oregon – Maureen McGee gave an update on OR which is in a long session year. The main topics that the Energy Committee is focused on thus far is legislation about the advanced clean trucks rule, transmission bills, nuclear energy and small modular reactors, and wind energy development in forest land.

Vermont – Warren Coleman described how many energy programs in VT have gone above and beyond federal regulations and they are now seeing bills to roll back some of these energy laws to maintain federal funding. There is also concern with energy costs with the threat of tariffs, as a large percentage of Vermont's power comes from Hydro Quebec in Canada.

Delaware – Kim discussed bills related to renewable energy and energy costs. DE does not produce much energy on their own, and so the state is very reliant upon other states. The flow of funds for energy projects is particularly challenging at the moment.

District of Columbia – Michael Platner spoke about many of their clients, with the work his firm does for them, are concerned with the new administration and changes.

Mississippi – Anthony Jackson echoed concerns of other states and discussed a study group that formed to examine wind energy and potential impact on agriculture in MS.

Utah – Denise shared that Utah's general session had just ended. Energy was a big topic, and their energy policy has changed. Additional main points of focus for the session were on taxing renewable energy and promoting nuclear energy, particularly small modular reactors.

Alabama – Raymond Bell reported that AL was halfway through session. He was expecting to see more about energy fuel costs, but instead there was more focus on coal ash management regulations. There are only two energy related bills in draft form, but he does not expect anything to pass this session.

VI. Other Business

There was no other business discussed.

VII. Date of Next Meeting

The next meeting will be held in Fort Worth, TX at the SLR Spring Meeting. Kim is unsure if she will be in attendance, and Hannah will coordinate with her if an alternative date is required.

VIII. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 3:30 PM ET.