

**Regular Meeting of the
Connecticut Energy Advisory Board
June 1, 2007 Meeting Minutes**

1. Call to Order

The June 2007 monthly meeting of the Connecticut Energy Advisory Board (CEAB) was held at 10:00 a.m. on Friday, June 1, 2007 at The Connecticut Economic Resource Center in Rocky Hill, Connecticut. Members present were John Mengacci, designee of the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management (OPM); Marie O'Brien, president of the Connecticut Development Authority (appointee of the Governor); Carl Schiessl (appointee of the Speaker of the House); Jim Sandler (appointee of the President Pro Tempore of the Senate); Donald Downes, Chairman of the Department of Public Utility Control; Joaquina Borges-King, designee of the Connecticut Consumer Counsel; David Carey, designee of the Commissioner of the Department of Agriculture; and Nicole Lugli, designee of the Commissioner of the Department of Environmental Protection (DEP). Ray Wilson of OPM and Attorney Heather Hunt were guests of the board.

2. Approval of Minutes

Chairman Mengacci asked the board to review the minutes of the May meeting which were distributed prior to the meeting. The board approved the minutes as distributed.

3. Chairman's Remarks

Chairman Mengacci reported that OPM seeks to assure that technical administrative amendments regarding CEAB's operation are included in legislation passed this session. Mr. Downes noted that an energy bill is moving towards passage and it is likely to expand the membership of CEAB. The board should plan an orientation for new members in the early fall. Chairman Mengacci committed to work with appropriate authorities to expedite new appointments.

4. Agency Staff Work Group (ASWG) Report

Ray Wilson reported that Order 890 from the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) requires utilities and RTOs to prepare strawman proposals which take into account both reliability and economics. CEAB will be monitoring this process in Connecticut. He noted that FERC is sponsoring a conference call on the subject today.

Attorney Hunt noted that CEAB consultants and the Agency Staff Work Group are drafting a Request for Comment (RFC) to gain input on the best way for CEAB to proceed with RFPs it might issue in response to ISO-NE's New England East-West Solution (NEEWS).

Mr. Downes stressed the importance of CEAB staying fully engaged in the NEEWS process. It is a critical piece of larger issues. Import capabilities are important to reliability solutions and that's what NEEWS is about. He felt CEAB's issuing of an RFC demonstrates its involvement and concern.

As chairman of the DPUC, Mr. Downes noted he is working with regulatory officials in Massachusetts and Rhode Island so there will be a coordinated NEEWS response. He stated that Canadian officials are reaching out to Connecticut, Massachusetts and Rhode Island to discuss bulk power purchases from Canada.

6. Other Business

There was no public comment or any other business.

7. Adjournment

There being no other business to come before the board, the meeting was adjourned at 10:45 a.m.

Submitted by: Gretchen Deans

Approved by: The Connecticut Energy Advisory Board, July 6, 2007