

**Regular Meeting of the
Connecticut Energy Advisory Board**
September 4, 2009 Meeting Minutes

1. Call to Order

The September 2009 monthly meeting of the Connecticut Energy Advisory Board (CEAB) was held at 10:00 a.m. on Friday, September 4, 2009 at the Legislative Office Building (LOB), Hartford, CT. Members present were Michael Cassella (Chair and appointee of the Speaker of the House); Mary Healey, Connecticut Consumer Counsel; Kevin DelGobbo, Chairman of the Department of Public Utility Control; John Mengacci, designee of the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management (OPM); Tracy Babbidge, designee of the Commissioner of the Department of Environmental Protection (DEP); David Carey, designee of the Commissioner of the Department of Agriculture; James Sime, designee of the Commissioner of the Department of Transportation; Melissa Ozols and Joel Gordes, appointees of the Speaker of the House; Jim Hoffman, Kevin Hennessy and Timothy Cole, appointees of the Governor; and Jeff Gaudiosi, Tony Sheridan and Melissa Buckley, appointees of the Senate President Pro Tempore.

2. Approval of Minutes

Chairman Cassella asked the Board to review the minutes of that meeting. After review, the Board approved the monthly minutes. Ms. Ozols abstained from voting.

3. 2010 Procurement Plan

Chairman Cassella reported that DPUC has issued its draft decision on the 2009 procurement plan in Docket 09-05-02.

The Electric Distribution Companies (EDCs) are working on modifications to their base plan for the 2010 plan. It is hoped that Plan stakeholder meetings will be held in early fall (late September or early October).

OPM Secretary Genuario approved CEAB's proceeding with a contract with La Capra Associates for support for the 2010 Plan.

The EDC plan is due to CEAB by January 1, 2010 and CEAB will submit its version of the Plan to DPUC in the spring of 2010.

4. Connecticut Siting Council Docket 370

Mr. Peaco of La Capra Associates reported on Docket 370 at the CT Siting Council related to NEEWS. Hearings are moving slowly and there will be no CEAB activity in them until October or November.

5. Siting Council Docket F2009/Forecast of Loads

Mr. Peaco stated that the CEAB participated in the docket, hearings are complete and the draft report was posted. CEAB submitted comments on the draft and is waiting on the issuance of the final report.

At this point DPUC Chairman DelGobbo recused himself from the balance of the meeting as the next two items on the agenda deal with matters he may be hearing at the DPUC. He expressed his enthusiasm for now being a member of the CEAB. He noted that going forward Chairman Cassella and he agreed to arrange future agendas to maximize Chairman DelGobbo's ability to participate in CEAB proceedings. He also said DPUC would make an effort to have staff present that can inform discussions on DPUC matters when Commissioners need to be recused.

Chairman Cassella took the opportunity to welcome Chairman DelGobbo to his first meeting with CEAB.

6. DPUC Docket 09-05-02 (2009 IRP)

Chairman Cassella restated that the DPUC issued its draft decision for the Docket earlier this week. CEAB draft comments on the decision have been circulated to the Board for review and comments. Their input is due by 10:00 a.m. on Tuesday, September 8. Comments need to be filed with DPUC by 4:00 p.m. on September 8th. The draft decision presented no real surprises for the Board and helps position the 2010 IRP as the comprehensive plan CEAB has been working toward.

9. Other Business

Chairman Cassella reported that the budget approved by CEAB for 2010 has been submitted to DPUC for official approval in a DPUC docket and a formal copy will be submitted to OPM.

10. ECMB Presentation on Electric and Gas Potential Studies

Jeff Schlegel, technical consultant to the Energy Conservation Management Board (ECMB) presented a PowerPoint of findings on two reports commissioned by the ECMB. One was on Gas Potential and the other was on Energy Efficiency Potential. Following the presentation the Board asked questions of Mr. Schlegel and discussed the findings presented.

11. CASE Presentation on Waste Heat Study

Richard Strauss, executive director introduced members present of the Connecticut Academy of Science and Engineering's study team for the report, "A Study of the Feasibility of Utilizing Waste Heat from Central Electric Power Generating Stations and Potential Applications." CEAB contracted with CASE for the report in September of 2008 and it was completed in July 2009. Mr. Strauss introduced the technical presenters for the session, Dr. David Pines of the University of Hartford and Dr. Lee S. Langston of the University of Connecticut who chaired the study team. Following the presentation the Board asked questions of the study team and discussed the findings presented.

Chairman Cassella and other members of the CEAB thanked the study team for their work in preparing the report.

During the report, Senator Gary LeBeau joined the meeting. Following the presentation Chairman Cassella acknowledged him and thanked him for taking the time to be present.

11. Public Comment

Chairman Cassella solicited public comment. There was none.

12. Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting adjourned at 11:55 a.m.

Submitted by: Gretchen Deans

Approved by: