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February 13, 2019
WESTAR Council Meeting
Conference Call Summary

The monthly WESTAR Council call began at 1:00 pm PST/2:00 pm MST/3:00 pm CST. Council members and delegates present included:

AK—Alice Edwards
AZ—
CA—Tina Suarez-Murias, Dar Mims
CO--
HI—Marianne Rossio
ID—Tiffany Floyd
MT—Liz Ullrich
NV—Danilo Dragoni
NM—Liz Busby-Kuehn
ND— Terry O'Clair
OR—Ali Mirzhakhalili
SD—Kyrik Rombaugh
UT—Brice Bird
WA—Nancy Pritchett
WY—Nancy Vehr

WESTAR-Mary Uhl, Bob Lebens, Tom Moore, Jeff Gabler, Jackie Gadret
Guests: Ken Ghalambor and Bill Ross, Ross Strategic
Agenda:

1. Review draft agenda for spring business meeting and WRAP meeting (attached, Mary Uhl)
2. Review and discuss draft WESTAR Residential Wood Heating NSPS ANPRM comment letter (attached, Bob Lebens)
3. Review summary themes from January Smoke Management Workshop and preview February 28 meeting (attached, Bob Lebens)
4. Regional haze update (Tom Moore and Mary Uhl)
 - o EGU webinar and workshop (March 12)
 - o Outreach to sources

¹ Draft will be considered final upon review and approval by a majority of the members, typically on the next monthly conference call.

- Regional haze contact communication
5. Other items as time and interest permit

Meeting Minutes:

Agenda:

1. Review summary themes from January Smoke Management Workshop and preview February 28 meeting (attached, Bob Lebens)

Bill Ross reviewed the themes and summary of the January 23-24 smoke management workshop meeting. Tiffany and Ali noted they will have some edits to the documents by Friday; a revised version will be sent to the Council for review by COB Tuesday, February 19. There will be a briefing on action items coming out of the February 28 meeting at the spring business meeting.

2. Review draft agenda for spring business meeting and WRAP meeting (attached, Mary Uhl)

Mary reviewed the draft agenda for the meetings. There were no questions.

3. Review and discuss draft WESTAR Residential Wood Heating NSPS ANPRM comment letter (attached, Bob Lebens)

Bob noted that the planning committee and state staff have had a chance to review the draft letter. Last month, WESTAR submitted comments on the RWH NSPS NPRM. EPA will act on the NPRM this summer. Key comments for the ANPRM were similar to WESTAR comments on the NPRM. Added comments on test method questions. WESTAR, NESCAUM and HPBA have discussed a cord-wood test method; WESTAR is supportive of that going forward. Because test method and emissions limits are so intertwined, EPA should review the test methods and emission limits in the 2023 review to determine BSER.

Ali Mirzhakhalili motioned approval of the letter, Danilo Dragoni seconded. All were in favor of approval.

4. Regional haze update (Tom Moore and Mary Uhl)
 - EGU webinar and workshop (March 12)
 - Outreach to sources
 - Regional haze contact communication

Tom Moore noted that there has been a webinar with the utilities and states discussing EGU emissions. There will be another webinar March 25 and another workshop on March 12 in Denver to settle on “rules-on-the-books” for the western regional haze analysis. WESTAR will pay for travel for one participant from each state at the workshop.

Most states have begun outreach to sources; there will be a quarterly webinar for states to coordinate outreach and communicate. WRAP workplan will be finalized in early April.

5. Other items as time and interest permit

The call was 40 minutes in duration.