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December 12, 2018
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—Tim Franquist
CA—
CO—Garry Kaufman
HI—
ID—Tiffany Floyd
MT—Kristen Martin
NV—Danilo Dragoni
NM—Liz Busby-Kuehn, Mike Baca
ND—Ryan Mills
OR—Ali Mirzakhali
SD—Brian Gustafson
UT—Bryce Bird
WA—Kathy Taylor
WY—Nancy Vehr

WESTAR-Mary Uhl, Bob Lebens, Tom Moore, Jeff Gabler

Agenda:

1. Welcome to Alice Edwards, new Alaska Air Director (Mary Uhl)
2. Nomination and Council approval of WESTAR Treasurer (Mary Uhl)
3. Vote on agenda items for spring 2019 business meeting--see attached document and be prepared to vote for your top 3 priorities (Mary Uhl)
4. Summary of WRAP Technical Planning meeting-key points for air directors (Tom Moore)
5. Review and approval for two draft WESTAR Exceptional Events guidance comments letters, high winds/dust and alternate methods--2 attached draft letters (Bob Lebens)
6. Residential Wood Heating NSPS NPRM and ANPRM: WESTAR extension request letter draft--see attached; draft hearing testimony--will be sent prior to the Council call; Council discussion of WESTAR comment letter key points (Bob Lebens, Mary Uhl)

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

7. Smoke Management Workshop update (Bob Lebens)
8. Other items as time and interest permits

Meeting Minutes:

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1. Welcome to Alice Edwards, new Alaska Air Director (Mary Uhl)
2. Nomination and Council approval of WESTAR Treasurer (Mary Uhl)

The nominating committee met and nominated Alice Edwards as WESTAR Treasurer since Denise Koch (AK) has taken another position at AK DEC. Tiffany Floyd made a motion to approve the nomination, Kathy Taylor seconded. All present approved the nomination by voice vote.

3. Vote on agenda items for spring 2019 business meeting--see attached document and be prepared to vote for your top 3 priorities (Mary Uhl)
4. Summary of WRAP Technical Planning meeting-key points for air directors (Tom Moore)

Key points from Tom Moore:

- a. Attendance / participation by TSC with co-chairs and subcommittee leads on regional haze.
- b. Brief description of agenda and what was covered
- c. Findings
 - i. Generally on track
 - ii. Focus on updating tables of deliverables and timing milestones
 - iii. Clarify process and timing, roles for regional effort vs. individual state work to identify and analyze sources for possible controls
 - iv. No significant amount of text description updates
 - v. Adopt revised workplan on April 3rd WRAP Board call
 - vi. Review workplan and assess progress since Dec. at April 25th Board / TSC meeting in Seattle following WESTAR-WRAP meeting on April 23-24
5. Review and approval for two draft WESTAR Exceptional Events guidance comments letters, high winds/dust and alternate methods--2 attached draft letters (Bob Lebens)

Both letters have been through the WESTAR Technical and Planning Committees for review and comment. Bob noted that state staff have been working hard on these letters. Mike Baca noted that the high wind/dust letter focuses on tiering screens; acknowledges the cooperative efforts; requests some clarifications to the tiering screens, especially tier 1. There

were no questions from the Council. Nancy Vehr complimented the committee for a job well done. There were no objections from the Council to sending the letter.

Kristen Martin reviewed the alternate methods comment letter. She noted that the comments focus on the modeling analyses, focus on the EPA vs state definition of regulatory significance, requested clarification on the removal of data for regional haze analysis, asked for clarification on the limited maintenance plan; and made a general statement that WESTAR does not believe the guidance goes far enough. Ali Mirzakhali asked if there are criteria for EPA to define regulatory significance. Kristen stated that right now EPA defines regulatory significance as data above the standard. The WESTAR letter asks EPA to act on data as per state requests. There were no objections from the Council to sending the letter.

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Nancy Vehr and Ali Mirzakhali submitted edits. Nancy suggested that WESTAR specifically name locations in the west for a second hearing. The Council discussed the testimony. Ultimately, a sentence was inserted to indicate that not all states had the time and resources available to analyze the WESTAR testimony. The Council agreed to submit the extension letter and approve the testimony. Comments will be developed by WESTAR; the comment deadline is January 17.

7. Smoke Management Workshop update (Bob Lebens)

Bob noted that the workshops will occur on January 23-24 and February 28 in Denver.

8. Other items as time and interest permits

No additional agenda items were presented.

The call was one hour in duration.