



**Residential, Commercial and Industrial Sectors (RCI)  
Technical Work Group (TWG)  
Kansas Energy and Environmental Policy (KEEP) Advisory Group  
Meeting #2: Conference Call Summary  
July 15, 2008**

**Participants**

**TWG Participants**

Chad Althouse, Larson Binkley, Inc.  
Laura Bellman, MGP Ingredients, Inc.  
Amy Blankenbiller, KS Chamber of  
Commerce  
Jim Boone, Northstar  
Janet Buchanan, KS Corporation  
Commission (KCC)  
Casey Cassias, BNIM Architects  
Allen Dennis, Kansas City Power & Light  
Shari Feist Albrecht, Kansas Department of  
Health and Environment (KDHE)  
Mike Granstaff, American Energy  
Wayne Kachel, Frontier El Dorado Refining  
Company  
Jim Ludwig, Westar  
Greg Sanks, Spirit Aerosystems, Inc.  
Bruce Snead, Kansas State University

Dave Springe, Citizens' Utility Ratepayer  
Board (CURB)  
Keith Steele, Columbian Chemicals  
Company (*substitute for Cody Graber*)  
Bill Wentz, Wichita State University  
Brent Wilkerson, Monarch Cement

**Kansas State Representatives**

Andy Hawkins, KDHE  
Evan Maher, KS Governor's Office  
Miles Stotts, KDHE

**CCS Staff**

Tim Larson, Ross & Associates  
Amy Wheelless, Ross & Associates

**Public Participants**

*No public participants*

**Meeting Summary**

**Meeting Materials**

All materials for the Residential, Commercial and Industrial Sector Technical Working Group (RCI TWG) are available here: <http://www.ksclimatechange.us/RCI.cfm>. For this meeting, the following materials are posted:

- Meeting Notice & Agenda
- Meeting Presentation
- Revised RCI Draft Catalog of State Policy Options
- Revised RCI Draft Option Descriptions

**Welcome and Introductions**

During welcome and introductions for RCI TWG Meeting #2, TWG members were asked if they planned to attend the KEEP Meeting #2 being held in Lawrence, KS on August 5. KEEP Meeting #2 will be an all day meeting, and TWG members and public participants are invited and encouraged to attend.

### **Review of RCI TWG Option Process**

Tim Larson briefly reviewed the schedule and process for developing and prioritizing the catalog of options. The goal is to have as complete a catalog of potential state actions prior to KEEP Meeting #2 on August 5<sup>th</sup>. TWG members raised the following questions and comments during this time:

- A TWG member raised concerns that the process for developing and recommending options was moving too quickly for TWG members to adequately engage and learn about the issues.
  - It was noted that the RCI TWG is moving quickly in July to develop a Catalog of Potential Actions that is as complete as possible to present for discussion at the August 5, 2008 KEEP meeting. However, ideas that come forward after KEEP Meeting #2 could still be incorporated into the catalog, but developing new options will not be the focus of TWG activities.
  - Following KEEP Meeting #2 on August 5<sup>th</sup>, the pace of TWG activities can slow down, providing time and opportunity for TWG members to learn more about each of the options and their impacts on the relevant decision criteria (e.g., GHG emissions reduction potential, cost, externalities/co-benefits, and feasibility). During the fall, the RCI TWG will work to prioritize the options in the Catalog to select approximately 10-12 “most promising” potential actions to recommend to the KEEP for more detailed analysis and quantification at its December 9, 2008 meeting.
- A TWG member raised the idea of having a face-to-face meeting of the TWG for members to engage more fully on these issues. In addition, a face-to-face meeting could have different speakers present on particular programs or best practices of other areas.
  - Examples of organizations that the TWG member mentioned are: the [Energy Star Program](#), EPA’s [Climate Leaders Program](#) and [PacifiCorp](#)’s energy efficiency and renewable energy initiatives.
  - TWG members are encouraged to raise ideas around particular options or options areas where additional information would be helpful.
  - TWG members are strongly encouraged to pursue their own individual efforts to read and learn more about potential actions in the RCI Catalog, and how they have been implemented in other States. While there will be some opportunity for “joint learning” among TWG members over the coming months, the initial prioritization activities will rely significantly on each TWG member’s individual efforts to become familiar with the various options in the Catalog. Additional technical assistance will be available to the TWG once the more detailed analysis and quantification begins for the 10-12 potential actions that the TWG and KEEP identify as being “promising” for consideration in Kansas.

- A TWG member raised the point that having more data and information about the cost-effectiveness and implementation processes for these options would be an important first step as the TWG begins to prioritize options.
- A TWG member asked how the TWGs and KEEP relate to each other in the overall process.
  - It was noted that the TWGs play an advisory role to the KEEP and make recommendations on which options the KEEP should adopt for each sector.

### **Catalog of RCI Sector Activities and Policies**

TWG members reviewed the changes and additions made to the draft catalog of potential state actions since the last TWG meeting and made additional changes where necessary. The major points of discussion are captured as changes in the draft catalog of potential state actions and in the document that notes initial observations to the options. These revised documents can be found on the RCI TWG website noted above.

Action Item: All group members are asked to submit any further comments, changes or additions to the draft catalog of actions by COB Friday, July 18.

- Additions and changes can be made on a Word document that the facilitators sent out after Meeting #1 or can be noted in an email message.
- TWG members should email their additions and changes to the options catalog and descriptions to Amy Wheelless at [amy.wheelless@ross-assoc.com](mailto:amy.wheelless@ross-assoc.com).
- An updated version of the catalog will be posted on the RCI TWG website for TWG members to review before it is sent along to the KEEP.

Action Item: KEEP members are encouraged to note where additional information would be helpful to enable them to better understand a particular RCI sector issue or option.

### **Kansas Draft Inventory and Forecast of GHG Emissions**

TWG members are encouraged to review the draft Inventory and Forecast for Kansas GHG emissions and begin to think of any questions or potential changes they have about it.

- One TWG member raised a question about the methods used to develop the inventory.
  - This inventory was jointly developed by KDHE and CCS, following established inventory approaches used by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change.
  - There are a number of places in the inventory where the information is estimated based on EPA data, so there is an opportunity to include more Kansas-specific information that would make the inventory more accurate over time. TWG members and public members are encouraged to note improved industry-specific data sources.

Action Item: TWG members should review the draft emissions inventory for further questions and suggestions for improved data sources. Any inputs on the emissions inventory should be sent to Amy Wheelless at [amy.wheelless@ross-assoc.com](mailto:amy.wheelless@ross-assoc.com).

## **Public Comments and Announcements**

*There were no public comments or announcements.*

**The next meeting of the RCI TWG has not yet been scheduled, but will likely be in early September.** A meeting notice and agenda will be posted on the website when a time is determined. Members of the public can listen-in to all RCI TWG meetings by calling (800) 704-9804, passcode 325 522.