

Maryland Commission on Climate Change
Mitigation Working Group
October 6, 2016 – 11:00AM-1:00PM – Conference Call
Meeting Notes

Attendance: Les Knapp, Colby Ferguson, John Quinn, Jim Strong, Christine Conn, Elliot Campbell (DNR), Drew Cobbs, Hampton Macbeth (Georgetown Climate Center) Joe Seehusoun (DHCD), Tad Aburn, Tom Ballentine, Susan Payne, Jess Herpel (MDE), Brian Hug (MDE), Scott Zacharko (MDE), Tom Walls (DHCD), Mike Remsberg, David Costello (IEER), Joe Uehlein, Jim Doyle, Mike Powell, Arjun Makhijani, Caroline Varney-Alvarado (DCHD), Colleen Turner, Tom Weissinger, Dan Engleberg, Audrey (Exelon)

11:00AM Meeting Begins

Item #1: Opening Directional Statements

- Reviewed agenda; goal to have a suite of four or five agreed upon recommendations and other items for continued work either on another call between now and October, or in 2017
- Reminder that 2017 items do not need to be completely developed
 - This is an interim year, and we are still doing a lot of building
 - Full Report expected to be a 25 page document (per Commission)
- Reminder of MWG Steering Committee call tomorrow; Commission Steering Committee call on the 12th
 - Hope of full Commission is that we have draft recommendations for them to review on the 12th
 - Final recommendations due at Commission meeting on the 24th of October
- A request was made that a copy of the original suggestions made by several MWG members also be sent with our final recommendations
 - It was emphasized in response that the purpose of today's conversation is to come to a consensus and submit a complete document, rather than multiple documents. Members may send documents to the Steering Committee on their own, however only one consensus document should come from the MWG.

Item #2: MWG Recommendations for 2016 MCCC Report

- Overview of MDE handout – draft language was presented and members proposed alternative language and discussed what pieces should or should not be included and why in order to develop finalized language for each bullet.
- Only two bullets will be discussed further by members after the call to be submitted to MDE when consensus is reached.

Item #3: Other Items for Inclusion in the 2016 MCCC Report

- No additional items were presented for consideration

Next Steps/Action Items/Adjourn

- MDE will compile the consensus language in a revised recommendation document for circulation to the MWG for comment next week.

Meeting Adjourned