

**AUSTIN GENERATION RESOURCE PLANNING TASK FORCE MEETING MINUTES**  
**(Wednesday, September 23, 2009)**



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The Austin Generation Resource Planning Task Force convened in a regular meeting on Wednesday, September 23, 2009 in Room 1029 at City Hall in Austin, Texas from 3:00 to 5:00 pm.

Chair Phillip Schmandt called the meeting to order at 3:05 p.m.

**Task Force Members in Attendance:**

*Chair Phillip Schmandt, Cary Ferchill, Chris Herbert, Matt Johnson, Mike Sloan, Cyrus Reed, Ron Rogerson, John Sutton, and Roger Wood*

-Quorum was recognized.

**Staff in Attendance:**

*Rich Bailey, Mark Dreyfus, Roger Duncan, Amy Everhart, Lewis Leff, Jamie Mitchell, Chris Smith, Drusilla Saenz, Pat Sweeney, Jeff Vice, and John Wester*

**1. CITIZEN COMMUNICATION: GENERAL**

None.

**2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

The minutes for the regular meeting of September 16, 2009 were approved with the following amendment on Task Force member Cyrus Reed's motion, Task Force member Matt Johnson's second on a 9-0 vote. The amendment was to add the following sentence to the end of the paragraph under Item 3 of the agenda: "Task Force asked the presenters to examine the various scenarios and provide their comments."

**3. NEW BUSINESS**

Discussion on submission of scenarios for evaluation by Pace Consulting. Results provided to the Task Force in hard copy of five scenarios submitted to Austin Energy prior to the meeting for evaluation using the Austin Energy Resource Portfolio Simulator. Results discussed by Task Force. Debate over inclusion of different scenarios and components of scenarios to submit to Pace Consulting for evaluation. Motion to request for Pace Consulting to provide results on the value of FPP [Fayette Power Project] under the Replace FPP scenario as an asset in the power market if Austin Energy retains its stake in the facility, but does not operate the facility to meet native load (i.e. value of off-system sales) passed on Task Force Chair Phillip Schmandt's motion, Task Force member Cyrus Reed's second on a 9-0 vote. Motion to submit to Pace Consulting a variation of the Strawman scenario that includes 1000 MW of DSM, a subtraction of 50 MW of biomass, 70 MW of distributed solar PV (rather than centralized PV) through a shared cost of \$1/watt for Austin Energy,

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and running down the coal plant when possible was approved with the following friendly amendment on motion by Task Force member Cyrus Reed, seconded by Task Force member Cary Ferchill's second on a 9-0 vote. The friendly amendment from Task Force member Cary Ferchill was to designate Cyrus Reed as the point of contact for any questions from Austin Energy or Pace Consulting regarding the scenario run request. Motion to submit to Pace Consulting a scenario originally submitted by Cyrus Reed (that includes renewables and 1000 MW of DSM to replace FPP by 2014) for discussion including the following changes: the amount of distributed solar PV changed to 750 MW by 2020 at a shared cost of \$1/watt for Austin Energy and 350 MW of wind in 2018 passed on Task Force Chair Phillip Schmandt's motion, Task Force member Ron Rogerson's second on a 9-0 vote.

Discussion on recommendations circulated by Task Force Chair Phillip Schmandt and other process or similar recommendations suggested by Task Force members. Task Force Chair Phillip Schmandt provided a revised version of his recommendations to the Task Force in hard copy form. Additional recommendations discussed by Task Force members and language requested to be submitted in written form to the Task Force.

Discussion on information request responses to questions approved for submission by Task Force at previous meeting. Task Force member Matt Johnson requests information on cost of going into ozone non-attainment. This information request was included in Task Force member Mike Sloan's information request discussed below. Discussion of information request submitted by Task Force member Mike Sloan on September 16, 2009. Information requests approved for submission to Austin Energy include providing environmental impacts for Replace FPP with Renewables scenario and two scenarios submitted to Pace Consulting by the Task Force, characteristics of off-system sales for each scenario, comments on compliance cost projections for potential future emission reduction requirements and costs of emission reduction equipment at FPP, comments on accuracy of emissions data provided in information request for FPP, and comments on projected future coal prices. Motion to submit Task Force member Mike Sloan's information request with amendments passed on Task Force member Cyrus Reed's motion, Task Force member Roger Wood's second on a 9-0 vote.

**4. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

Discussion on recommendations suggested by Task Force members requested to be placed on next week's agenda. Discussion of results of two scenarios submitted to Pace requested to be placed on next week's agenda if results are available to send to the Task Force a day prior to the meeting.

Next meeting scheduled for Wednesday, September 30, 2009 from 3:00-5:00 p.m. in Room 1029 of City Hall.

**ADJOURN**

Task Force Chair Phillip Schmandt adjourned the meeting at approx. 5:10 p.m. without objection.