

REGULATORY & LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS COMMITTEE – APPROVED MINUTES –

| Meeting Type: | Regular Meeting |
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| Meeting Location: | 14 Dixon Ave., Suite 201 |
| | Concord, NH 03301 |
| Meeting Date: | Friday, November 10, 2023 |
| Meeting Time: | 10:00 AM - noon |

| CPCNH Regulatory & Legislative Affairs Committee | | | | |
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| Member | Name | Office | Present/Absent | |
| Dover | Bill Baber | Committee Chair | Present | |
| Rye | Howard Kalet | | Present | |
| Exeter | Julie Gilman | | Present | |
| Lebanon | Clifton Below | Board Chair | Present | |
| Plainfield | Evan Oxenham | | Present | |
| Warner | Clyde Carson | | Absent | |
| Webster | David Hemenway | | Present | |
| Berlin | Henry Noel | Clerk | Present (Virtual) | |
| Vacancy | | | | |

Others Present:

Brian Callnan, CPCNH Deana Dennis, CPCNH

1. Welcome, Roll Call, Approve Minutes

- Chair Bill Baber called the meeting to order 10:00am.
- Chair Bill Baber called the Roll.
- Minutes: 10/6 meeting; Director Oxenham made a motion to approve, Director Gilman seconded, and the committee approved the minutes through unanimous consent.

2. Welcome Deana Dennis, CPCNH's new Director of Regulatory & Legislative Affairs

Brian introduced Deana Dennis, CPCNH's new Director of Regulatory & Legislative Affairs.

Deana will serve as primary liaison between Executive Director Brian Callnan and the RLAC and also provide support to the RLAC.

CPCNH will look into options to transcribe the meeting minutes.

3. Review RLAC Operating Practices

- Meeting location / format discussion: Chair Baber suggested Concord as our primary location for monthly meetings with a virtual/hybrid option.
- Establish good pre-meeting communication practices discussion: Chair Baber reminded all that any member can share anything with staff, including such as edits to the minutes, but cannot meet with



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more than one other member without triggering the quorum rule (25%) of a Committee in a meeting.

- Legislation and regulation tracking discussion: Chair Baber raised that the committee is currently not
 getting these updates and would like to have them on a more regular basis. CPCNH staff will explore
 options and report back to the committee next month.
- Open position slot discussion: Committee discussed interest in seeking a new member who would support political balance to fill this seat and noted a couple of prospects or individuals who may be interested.

4. Review RLAC deliverable responsibilities and assign responsible parties (referenced "2023-10-28 RLAC Charter Deliverables"

- Chair Baber reminded members that the committee has responsibilities to fulfill as per the recently approved Charter. Chairs Baber and Below and Deana will meet in between now and the next meeting to discuss and prepare a straw draft of a Legislative Platform for 2024, noting that this will be the second half of the legislative biennium.
- Chair Below moved, and Director Kalet seconded a motion to approve Director Oxenham as Vice Chair of the Committee. Roll call vote to approve the motion was unanimous.
- Director Noel (Clerk) will review Deana's draft of the minutes and Deana will circulate to the committee. Committee members can send edits to both Director Noel and Deana.
- Director Oxenham moved, and Director Hemenway seconded a motion to approve Henry Noel as clerk of the committee. Roll call vote to approve the motion was unanimous.

5. Regulation and legislation updates

- Report from member legislators on LSRs of interest:
 - Director Gilman mentioned the net metering LSR that CPCNH is pursuing as well as other LSRs on net metering (including one that seeks to address stranded cost recovery) and amending renewable portfolio standard to include nuclear energy in the renewable energy definition (both LSRs sponsored by House Science, Technology & Energy Committee Chairman Michael Vose).
 - Director Hemenway mentioned that at the LES conference, there was also discussion about an LSR pertaining to the REC market.
 - Brian Callnan said for the net metering stranded cost recovery bill, we may want to suggest changes to it to help allow more innovation.
 - Chair Below shared that once the net metering regulatory testimony is complete, we will have our proposal for "net metering 3.0."



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- Chair Below shared updates on CPCNH's net metering advocacy, referencing his previous "CPCNH Net Metering Status 2023 10-27" update to the Member Meeting on October 26):
 - Chair Below asked for a motion to recommend that the Board endorse the LSR draft.
 Director Oxenham moved and Director Hemenway seconded, and a roll call vote to approve the motion was unanimous.
- Chair Below mentioned our complaint to the PUC that Eversource was not following the PUC 2200 (data) rules and that the NHDOE agreed to reconstitute and facilitate the EDI working group and scheduled a technical session on November 14. CPCNH staff will provide a brief written update on the session prior to the next RLAC meeting.

6. New business

Next Meeting: December 8, 2023 at the CPCNH Concord office (14 Dixon Ave., Suite 201) with virtual accommodation.

7. Adjournment

Chair Below moved to adjourn; Director Gilman seconded; and hearing no objections, the Chair adjourned the meeting by Unanimous Consent.

A Zoom recording of the meeting may be accessed <u>here</u> (password: j?9u6jc*)