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**Energy Supply TWG Call #9 Summary
March 31, 2006 – 10:00 a.m.–12:00 noon**

Attendance:

1. TWG Members & Alternates:

Eric Ames, Western Environmental Law Center
Jeff Burks, PNM
Josh Epel, Duke Energy Field Services
Bruce Gantner, Burlington Resources
Gregory Green, National Environmental Trust
Keven Groenewold, NM Rural Electric Coop Association
George Guthrie, Los Alamos National Lab
Jack Ihle, Xcel Energy
Ben Luce, Coalition for Clean Affordable Energy
Dave Melton, Sacred Power Corporation
Steve Michel, NM Industrial Energy Consumers
Jim Ramakka, BLM – Farmington
Reid Smith, BP
Bernie Zak, Sandia National Laboratory

2. NMED/EMNRD staff:

Sandra Ely
Mark Fesmire
Craig O'Hare

3. CCS staff:

Ken Colburn
Eric Williams

4. Other attendees:

Ray Barnes, American Gypsum
James Behnken
Tom Singer, NRDC
Michel Mariano

Background documents:

(unless noted, all posted at <http://www.nmclimatechange.us/documents.cfm>, click on Energy Supply)

1. Notice and Agenda for Call #9 (in email to TWG members)
2. Powerpoint presentation for Call #9
3. Straw Proposals for Priority Policy Options

Discussion items and key issues:

1. **Process:** The call convened at 10:00 am and Ken Colburn did the roll call. The TWG launched into a review of the straw proposal for each shortlist policy option as developed by the small volunteer groups. The TWG made good progress, suggesting several revisions and refinements to the six policy options reviewed during the call (ES-1 through ES-6). Discussion began concerning ES-7, *Nuclear Relicensing and Uprating*, but quickly evolved to the question of whether new nuclear generation should also be considered. Ken Colburn indicated that because the CCAG had not previously approved a policy option on new nuclear facilities, the TWG could not do so on its own. He suggested that the TWG instead decide whether to recommend consideration of this option to the CCAG for its approval. If the CCAG approved, then the TWG could investigate the costs and GHG benefits of new nuclear generation in New Mexico.
2. **Decisions:** TWG members on the call voted 11-2 to raise the question of whether ES-7 should be revised to include new nuclear generation facilities to the CCAG at its April 26, 2006 meeting in Farmington, and if so, to request guidance from the CCAG as to the depth of cost-benefit investigation the TWG can and should undertake given available resources.

Next steps:

1. CCS will revise the straw proposals for policy options ES-1 – ES-7 and send the revised options out to the full TWG for review.
2. Policy options ES-8 – ES-14 will be considered during the next call, scheduled for April 14, 2006, in order to provide the CCAG with proposed recommendations for the full ES suite of policy options.
3. The question of whether ES-7 should include new nuclear generation will be brought to the CCAG at its April 26, 2006 meeting.

Next TWG Meeting:

The next full TWG teleconference meeting is scheduled for Friday, April 14 at 12:30–2:30 p.m.