# M.O.R.E Steering Committee Meeting Minutes October 13, 2010

Ravenhill Construction Conference Room- San Juan

**MORE Committee in Attendance**: Winnie Adams-Chair (OPALCO Board Member), Peter Risser (San Juan), Peter Kilpatrick (San Juan), Jeff Dyer (Lopez), Eric Youngren (Orcas), John Mottl (Orcas), Chris Greacen (Lopez).

**Public in Attendance**: Susan Risser (San Juan), Blake Rankin (Lopez), Morgan Meadows (Orcas).

**OPALCO staff in Attendance**: Randy Cornelius (OPALCO General Manager), Beth Anderson (OPALCO Energy Services/ Technical Services), Anne Bertino (OPALCO Energy Services), Elisa Howard (OPALCO Energy Services).

More Committee Absent: Andrew Borner (Shaw).

## Winnie Adams- Call Meeting to Order

Meeting was called to order at 9:00 am. Winnie determined and confirmed that there was a quorum of MORE Steering Committee Members.

The minutes from the September 29<sup>th</sup> meeting were reviewed and approved with one correction. Peter Risser's motion to approve the Power Production Incentive Program should have stated he approved the *draft* Power Production Incentive Program.

### **Randy Cornelius- Draft Policy 14 Discussion**

Randy discussed the proposed draft of Policy 14 and the inclusion of MORE into this policy. He looked for validation from the MORE SC Committee that the changes to Policy 14 captured the committee's intent for the new MORE production incentive. Randy described that the Net Metering section needs to remain intact in the policy because, not only is net metering a Washington State law, the Rural Utility Service (OPALCO's lender) will be requiring that cooperatives have a net metering and interconnect policy in place by 2011.

After much discussion, it was decided that there should be three options in Policy 14:

- 1. Net Metering (no incentive)
- 2. Buy/ Sell
- 3. MORE incentive program.

The MORE incentive program would only be available for new generators who come on the system after a specific date. The energy that MORE generators deliver directly on the grid will be handled as net metering. It was discussed that language regarding administrative costs should remain in Policy 14. Even though all voluntary donations/ funds received would go directly to the MORE fund, OPALCO would reserve the right to add administrative costs per generator for items such as accounting, billing and reading meters as the program and demand grows.

It was decided to not include wording about Renewable Energy Credits (REC) in the Policy 14. The MORE SC committee will address how to handle RECs at a later time.

After discussion, it was decided that Beth and Anne would work with the MORE Technical Advisory Sub Committee to make sure all the concepts were correct and incorporated into the draft of Policy 14. Prior to presenting revised Policy 14 to the OPALCO board, Randy would like to have OPALCO's attorney and engineering to review the final draft of Policy 14.

Randy suggested that the committee compose a document regarding MORE donations. This document would describe what volunteers are receiving for their donation and should include suggested donation amounts. This will replace the OPALCO Tariff GP-06 Green Power document.

#### Winnie Adams – Administrative Items

There was discussion of renaming "MORE," maybe to be Green Power Producers (GPP). The committee was asked to bring in ideas to the next meeting.

#### **Beth Anderson – MORE Guidelines**

The MORE Steering Committee Guidelines # 1-6 have been approved by the committee at an earlier meeting. Additional Item # 7 was reviewed and agreed upon by the committee. The committee would like to include language in item #1 regarding alternates to the MORE committee. Each alternate would be selected and approved in advance.

The General Guidelines were reviewed by the committee by a nod of approval with the idea they can be revised as the program matures. The Guidelines for Distribution of MORE Funds were removed since Policy 14 will address the specific guidelines for MORE fund distribution.

The next meeting will be held on Lopez, October 27<sup>th</sup>, 2010 at the Lopez Fire Hall Conference Room (2228 Fisherman Bay Rd.) starting at 1:30 p.m.