

April 14, 2006

Renewable Energy Working Group Agenda Item

Principles Discussion

Draft final statement of the first five principles, in no particular order or implied priority, of the Renewable Energy Working Group for its consideration of approval at the April 20, 2006 meeting. Text is based on consensus achieved at Bend meeting of the REWG on the “process” principles presented at that meeting. Discussion of additional principles will occur at April 20 meeting.

- The Renewable Energy Working Group will focus on recommendations, policies, and actions that have a significant impact or that will make a significant difference within the next year.
- The Renewable Energy Working Group will identify other groups working on renewable energy issues and, where appropriate, serve as a complement to those activities. Needless duplication of efforts will be avoided.
- The Renewable Energy Working Group will begin its work by focusing primarily on legislation, rulemaking, or agency policy where clear recommendations or results can be achieved.
- The goal of the Renewable Energy Working Group is to reach significant consensus. Members may choose, however, to offer a dissenting opinion to any recommendation if consensus is impossible to achieve.
- To the greatest extent possible economic analysis should be considered as part of any recommendation of the Renewable Energy Working Group.