

Agenda
Public Meeting of the
Biomass Research and Development Technical Advisory Committee
February 13-14, 2007

Doubletree Hotel Orlando
Dade/Florida Keys Room
At the Entrance to Universal Orlando
5780 Major Boulevard
Orlando, FL 32819

Day 1

February 13, 2007

- 7:30 – 8:30 Continental Breakfast
- 8:30 – 8:40 Welcome to the Public and Overview of Meeting Agenda – *Committee Chairman Thomas Ewing*
- 8:40 – 9:10 Presentation on the Status of USDA – DOE Biomass R&D Collaboration – *Bill Hagy, Rural Business-Cooperative Programs, USDA liaison to the Committee*
- Status of the FY 2007 USDA – DOE Joint Biomass R&D Solicitation
 - Update on the October 10-12, 2006 USDA - DOE Advancing Renewable Energy Conference
 - Update on the USDA Energy Council Activities
 - Update on USDA study on benefits of prior year awards under Farm Bill Section 9008
 - Update on NOFA for Section 9006, Renewable Energy Systems/Energy Efficiency Improvements Program
- 9:10 – 9:40 Presentation on the Status of DOE Biomass R&D Efforts – *Neil Rossmessl, Office of the Biomass Program (OBP), Designated Federal Officer (DFO), DOE*
- 9:40 – 10:50 Presentation on Feedstocks Analysis Efforts – *Dr. Richard Hess, Laboratory Relationship Manager, Idaho National Laboratory*
- 10:50 – 12:00 Discussion of the draft updated *Roadmap for Biomass Technologies in the U.S.*
- Discuss draft timeline
 - Discuss carbon reduction issues which can be integrated into the Roadmap
 - Discuss Food vs. Fuel
- 12:00 – 1:00 Lunch (*to be provided*)

1:00 – 2:30 Subcommittee Discussions

1:00 – 1:15 Analysis Subcommittee progress and 2007 goals – *Ralph Cavalieri, subcommittee chairman*

1:15 – 1:30 Policy Subcommittee progress and 2007 goals– *Jim Barber, subcommittee chairman*

1:30 – 1:45 Communications Subcommittee progress and 2007 goals – *Tom Ewing, subcommittee chairman*

1: 45 – 2:00 Discussion

2:30 – 2:45 Public Comment

2:45 – 3:00 Break

3:00 - 4:00 Discussion of FY 2007 Biomass R&D Planning – *Neil Rossmeissl, OBP, DFO, DOE*

- National Biofuels Action Plan
- Biomass Technologies Investment Strategy

4:00 – 4:15 Additional Discussion

4:15 – 4:30 Additional Public Comment

4:30 Adjourn

Day 2**February 14, 2007**

7:30 – 8:00 Continental Breakfast

8:00 – 9:30 Discussion of Recommendations to the Secretaries for Fiscal Year 2007

9:30 – 10:15 Discussion to Update 2007 Work Plan

10:15 – 10:30 Public Comment

10:30 – 10:45 Break

10:45 – 11:30 Presentation on FY 2004 Biomass Public Policy R&D project:
“Sustainable Forestry for Biobased Energy and Biobased Products” – *Dr. Larry Biles, Southern Forest Research Partnership*

11:30 – 12:15 Presentation on FY 2003 Bioconversion R&D project: “Engineering Thermotolerant Biocatalyst for Biomass Conversion to Products” – *K.T. Shanmugam, UFRF Professor, Department of Microbiology and Cell Science, University of Florida*

12:15 – 12:30 Discussion

12:30 Adjourn