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**MEETING SUMMARY  
ARKANSAS CLIMATE CHANGE ADVISORY COUNCIL  
Transportation and Land Use Technical Work Group  
Call #8, June 9, 2008**

**Attendees:**

**TWG Members:** Aubra Anthony, Cindy Sagers, Betty Martin (late)

**Advisory Body Members:** Lynn Malbrough

**Governor's Office:** Jillian Hicks

**Center for Climate Strategies:** Lewison Lem, Kathy Leotta, Bill Cowart, Tara Cok, David Shelton

**Background Documents:** (all posted at [www.arclimatechange.us/TLU.cfm](http://www.arclimatechange.us/TLU.cfm))

- Meeting Notice and Agenda
- Summary of Call # 7
- PowerPoint for Teleconference
- TLU TWG Policy Option Document

**Discussion and Conclusions:**

**Introductions**

Kathy Leotta welcomed the group and participants on the phone call were noted. The commission members discussed whether a quorum had been met and whether the group should conduct the meeting with only two members present. The group decided to go ahead with the meeting but that no major decisions would be made since a quorum had not been met.

**Review and Discuss Draft Straw Proposals**

Kathy Leotta noted that she had highlighted changes that have been made in the policy document. The changes were in response to a TWG member's suggestions. She asked at what point the policy language itself needs to be set and can no longer be changed.

Lewison Lem said if there are small things it is okay to add those, but if they're more substantive items they need approval by the full commission.

A TWG member asked if the changes proposed should be approved by the commission. The group agreed that the changes are substantive and that the changes made should be brought to the attention of the full commission with changes clearly marked.

Kathy Leotta summarized the status of the policy options document.

A TWG member asked if the current document is what the full commission will see next Tuesday. Kathy said yes.

### **Discuss Quantification Approach and Results**

Kathy Leotta asked Bill Cowart if he had a chance to re-work the quantification for TLU-11 'Lower Speed Limits and Enforcement.'

Bill Cowart said in terms of fuel savings, the savings are pretty significant. However, the quantification doesn't include the increase in travel time and the safety benefits, which are hard to quantify.

Lewis Lem said that ordinarily we do an environmental cost analysis, which is not a full cost benefit analysis. For cost effectiveness, we try to quantify direct costs. Otherwise, it gets too complicated.

The group discussed how travel time is not a direct monetary cost and is difficult to quantify but is still a key issue. The group decided to leave the time and safety measures in parenthetically for now and to decide whether and how to tabulate them eventually.

A TWG member asked if the group is on a pace to be able to wrap up the policy document by September.

Kathy Leotta said yes. She said that for the full commission meeting next week, there was not an expectation that the group would have all quantification completed by that meeting.

The Arkansas Governor's Office member said that they're planning on adding a full commission meeting for September.

Kathy Leotta added that there are a few items the group won't be quantifying: TLU-1 and TLU-10. She had feedback that it'd be better to not quantify TLU-10. She also said that there are a few policy options that don't yet have documented methodologies.

David Shelton asked a question about the quantification for TLU-3. He said the quantification focuses on cellulosic ethanol and biodiesel, excluding corn-based ethanol as the group discussed last time. He was wondering if those fuels were really intended to be included since they have questionable issues about their life-cycles and GHG emissions. He said petroleum-based fuels are not cutting edge and have a small magnitude of change for GHG emissions. He asked if the intent is to focus on biofuels or if the group really wants to focus on other fuels.

A TWG member said the question should be asked of the TWG member who drafted the policy option via email since that person was not on the phone call at the time.

A TWG member said his concern is that the world does not respond to practicality and is driven by costs. He said he doesn't think the group should ignore petroleum-based fuels since that is something that is likely to go forward.

The group decided to continue the conversation with the larger group. Lewison Lem suggested keeping the discussion on TLU-11 in the document qualitative.

A TWG member asked if the group had already talked about taking out the plug-in infrastructure policy option and adding the policy option about speed control.

Kathy Leotta said the group had decided it is not necessary to take out or quantify TLU-1 and that at the full commission meeting the group will introduce TLU-11. Kathy said Lewison Lem will be at the full commission meeting next week.

### **Date and Time for Next Meetings**

The next meeting is scheduled for:

- Meeting #9, June 30, 2008, 10:30 AM CST

### **Public Comments and Announcements**