

PURC Energy Advisory Council Minutes

Meeting: Friday, May 11, 2012; 9:30 a.m. in Gressette Building room 308

Members Present: Dukes Scott (council co-facilitator); Ashlie Lancaster (council co-facilitator); Jimmy Bagley; Denny Boyd; Mike Couick; Hamilton Davis; Bob Long; Hank McCullough; Mitch Williams

Ashlie Lancaster gave opening remarks. Jonas Monast with the Nicholas Institute began discussion regarding EAC's resource study and next steps; council members and Nicholas Institute staff continued discussion regarding the study and next steps, including other topics for the EAC to possibly consider in the future and how the report will be presented to PURC.

Mike Couick made a motion that the "next steps" would be submitted to PURC in the form of a letter, separate from the Black & Veatch resource study and the ORS Costs Analysis, but presented at the same time as the study and analysis. Bob Long seconded the motion.

Discussion began again among council members regarding what to include in the next steps letter and its presentation to PURC.

Mike Couick renewed motion regarding next steps, and that the next steps include statutory barriers, including any previous PSC orders that could present barriers, to renewable energy and energy efficiency in South Carolina; it would also include other jurisdictions' experiences on this matter. An in-depth study for economic modeling would not be addressed until the EAC receives more information. Hamilton Davis seconded the motion - it passed by unanimous consent.

The discussion continued among the council members and the Nicholas Institute staff regarding the next steps. Consensus among members is to provide a report to PURC, then receive PURC guidance on how to address secondary questions.

There was no further action taken by the Council. Dukes Scott gave the closing comments.