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**DRAFT TELECONFERENCE MEETING SUMMARY**  
**Transportation and Land Use**  
**Technical Working Group Call #1**  
**February 27, 2008**

**Potential Members Attending:**

Janet Bowman	Howard Glassman	David Peebles
Billy Buzzett	Dr. Lonnie Ingram	Larry Peterson
Peter Calvert	Terry Joseph	Ted Smith
Tim Chapin	Dave Mica	Thomas Steigerwald
Suzanne Cook	Charles Pattison	

**Florida Department of Environmental Protection (DEP):** Kelley Smith, Teresa Mussetto

**Center for Climate Strategies (CCS):** Tom Peterson, Lewison Lem, Bill Cowart, Tiffany Batac, Jason Miles

**Members of the Public:** Marylou Rajchel (Florida Trucking Association), Marsha Husack and Lee Haysirens (Sarasota County Government), Diane Quigley (Florida Department of Transportation), Daniel Parker (Florida Department of Health), Terry Cole (Oertel, Fernandez, Cole & Bryant), Sarah Doar (Hopping, Reed and Sams), Jeff Day (Publix Supermarkets), University of Tampa, Kristin Spakes (Lewis, Longman, & Walker), Ben Stuart (Radey Thomas Yon Clark), Rob Vickers (Florida Energy Commission), Tessa Lesage (Johnson Engineering)

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**Agenda Item#1: Introductions and Review of Agenda.**

Lewison Lem welcomed the technical working group members, DEP staff, and the public. Tom Peterson gave a brief introduction to CCS's role in the process and Kelley Smith briefly introduced Florida DEP's role. Both members of the technical working group (TWG) and the public introduced themselves and their association.



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#### **Agenda Item#2: Review Purpose and Goals.**

Lewison Lem reviewed the meeting agenda, purpose and goals of the call (see PowerPoint) and asked if any members had new agenda items to add. No items were requested to be added.

#### **Agenda Item#3: Florida Sunshine Laws Briefing.**

Teresa Mussetto, an attorney at the Department of Environmental Protection (DEP), presented a briefing on the Florida Sunshine Laws. The Sunshine Law applies whenever two or more members of the technical working group meet to discuss, deliberate, or take action on matters which will foreseeably come before this group. In the event that these criteria are met, reasonable notice of the meeting must be provided to the public. Notice must provide the time and manner in which interested persons can attend. Newspaper announcements may be required. Adjourning a meeting to a subsequent date must also be announced. Written minutes must be prepared and promptly made available. Minutes need not be verbatim, but must provide a summary of the meeting. Members of the public must be given the opportunity to participate in the meeting in a meaningful way. Technical working group members may speak to one another, but may not discuss matters that may foreseeably come before the group for discussion.

David Peebles raised the concern about the broad scope of coverage of this technical working group and how he could possibly avoid violating the Sunshine Laws. There was concern that these laws would force him to not have any communication with any members outside of this committee.

#### **Agenda Item #4: Review of Action Team and Technical Work Group (TWG) process.**

Tom Peterson reviewed the scope of the Technical Working Group which was developed through Executive Order. Slide 4 of the PowerPoint presentation identifies the Purpose and Goals. The purpose of this workgroup is to develop a set of climate mitigation actions within the transportation sector. The group will first look at a list covering a broad range of possibilities and later the list or priorities will narrow down significantly.

Teresa suggested that discretion be used in the immediate future to avoid breaking these Sunshine Laws. Teresa offered the assistance of the AG's office for further questions.



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Lewison Lem reviewed the Florida Executive Orders and Florida Climate Change Initiatives.

Peter Calvert raised the question if there is a plan by which someone credible feels these goals are attainable. Lewison explained that this is the process through which to develop the plan to reach these goals. The goals are in the order and magnitude which experts say we need to reach to achieve stabilization.

Lewison continued through the agenda, covering Phase I recommendations, roles and responsibilities, explained the facilitation role of CCS, and reviewed Transportation Working Group (TWG) roles.

Ted Smith clarified that goals are state specific and that the TWG is looking at a pool of recommendations. Ted questioned if members will be allowed to present other courses of action to meet those goals. Ted would like to be able to state his opposition to some of the elements and would like to be able to provide his group's position as a member of this workgroup.

Lewison confirmed that the goals are state specific and that this process will allow for additional items to be considered. Lewison also assured Ted that he will have the opportunity to provide his opinion and voice heard, with the hope that although there will be differences of opinion that people will be supportive of the overall process while being able to speak freely.

Dave Mica asked for clarification on the "no-backsliding" concept. Lewison referred to slide 16 of the PowerPoint to review the process and further describe the back-sliding concept.

Lewison reviewed the schedule for Action Team Meetings and TWG Meetings. The overall goal is that a final report will be produced by the October 1<sup>st</sup> deadline.

### **Agenda Item#5: Development of Florida Emissions Inventory & Forecast**

Dr. Lonnie Ingram asked for a breakout of what emissions are attributed to government or even students & schools, and would like to know where he could access this information.



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Lewison explained the information given in the preliminary inventory and forecast is generally presented on a top down basis, looking at overall consumption of fuel. More detail will be provided in the draft report.

Peter Calvert was interested in the general assumptions that drive the creation of the data and would like these to be presented. Lewison explained that although he does not do the analysis for the inventory and forecast, he could ask a person who does the analysis to join on a future call.

Lewison went on to explain a general understanding of the approach, going through slides 33 & 34. The information from those slides was taken from the EIA which is a regional forecast. Analysts have taken this regional forecast & modeled this for Florida based upon EIA data.

Charles Pattison asked about the California Clean Car Standards on slide 34 and how it relates to Florida. The graph on slide 34 depicts the scenario to take place if the California Car Standards were applied to Florida's new passenger vehicle fleet.

Concerning slide 33, Larry Peterson requested further information and a breakdown as to what constitutes each of the bars and how this data has been broken down. This information is necessary to determine what items need to be addressed in the future. Ted Smith replied that the data may have been taken from a NEMs model and said it might be helpful to have a link sent to the group providing this information. Suzanne Cook also agreed and would like to see the data.

Lewison responded that although the information is not currently available to him, he will ask someone from one of the workgroups to provide a presentation on this information.

### **Agenda Item#6: Development of Florida Catalog of States' Actions.**

Lewison gave a brief overview of the sections in the Catalog of States' Actions. Bill Cowart explained measures under land use efficiency and modal options. It was noted that the depth in which the group goes into these policies will be up to the group and many of these options listed could also potentially be bundled into one item in the future.

Lewison asked if anyone would like to add any items to this catalog. There were no additions at this point.



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### **Agenda Item#7: Review of Next Steps.**

Lewison asked that the group bring their best information into the process and the technical role of the CCS team will be to provide assistance in this. It will be up to the team to draft policy language and to conduct some level of analysis based upon the information available. CCS will be providing assistance as necessary in these future steps.

Larry Peterson noted that Florida has five times as many tourists as residents in the state of Florida and will be an important issue to look at the miles driven by rental cars in the state of Florida.

### **Agenda Item#8: Agenda, Time and Date for Next Meetings.**

The next meeting of the TLU TWG is scheduled for Wednesday March 5<sup>th</sup> 1:00 PM – 3:00 PM EST.

### **Agenda Item#9: Public Comments and Announcements.**

Sherri Covern, Florida Department of Community Affairs: Stated they were listening and would be happy to assist the Technical Working Group with whatever they need.

Ted Smith: Asked if the information for the meetings is public or private at this point. Kelley Smith stated that all information provided through the meeting at this point is public and can be distributed.

Tom Steigerwald: Questioned what can be done about items within the catalog that members have fundamental concerns about. Asked if items can be removed. Lewison responded that the group is just looking at additions to the catalog at this point so as not to limit the realm of possibilities. As the TWG works through the process, however, options will be prioritized.