

USEA Dialogue on Promoting Energy Efficiency Through Combined Heat & Power Systems

September 8, 2010
9:00 AM – 5:30 PM

New York City, NY
Location: Sentry Centers
730 3rd Avenue; New York, NY

ILLUSTRATIVE AGENDA as of June 22, 2010

- 9:00 am **Introductory & Welcoming Remarks**
- 9:15 am **A View from the Hill**
- 9:45 am **Drivers and Motivations for Combined Heat and Power in the Northeast**
Stakeholders from the industry, utility and R&D communities will explore the drivers and economic motivators for CHP in the Northeast.
- 10:45 am Morning Break
- 11:00 am **Making the Business Case from the Developer/End User Perspective**
CHP developers will examine the successful approaches and barriers to CHP deployment in the Northeast.
- What are the major barriers to CHP projects? How have they been addressed?
 - Approaches to working with the utility or working within challenging regulatory frameworks
 - Were there cases where apparently good projects did not go forward due to regulatory / utility barriers?
 - What projects are more likely to be given the green light?
 - Is there a typical threshold with regard to CHP projects?
 - What needs to be done to mobilize private capital for CHP projects?
 - What fiscal incentives have been employed for CHP projects?
- 12:00 p.m. Lunch
- 1:15 pm **Utility Concerns and Regulations – Ensuring that Utilities Meet their Customers' Needs**
Senior executives from Northeast utilities will discuss their perspectives on opportunities for and constraints to CHP deployment in the Northeast while ensuring system reliability and affordability.

- Under what conditions would a utility encourage CHP projects?
- What are the major determining factors in CHP project approval?
- Has utility ownership/rate-basing of CHP been considered?
- What ancillary services are required as a result of CHP operation and who bears the cost? Can CHP plants provide such services?
- Who bears the costs of interconnection studies and any required equipment?
- What tariff structures for standby power and power purchase rates influence CHP development?
- Do alternative energy standards influence your utility's approach to CHP?
- How does recent volatility in gas prices effect CHP development?

2:30 pm

Regulatory Policies to Incentivize Combined Heat & Power

Utility regulators are invited to discuss the range of policy tools used to encourage CHP projects in their respective states.

- Which consumer tariffs structures encourage/discourage CHP deployment?
- How does your commission approach tariffs for standby power for CHP facilities?
- Does decoupling of energy sales and utility revenue encourage CHP development?
- Should CHP be considered eligible under alternative energy standards?
- Power purchase agreements and tariffs for CHP
- Interconnection standard and procedures for CHP projects

3:30 pm

Afternoon Break

3:45 pm

Regulatory/Industry Roundtable – The Path Forward

A discussion of a variety of stakeholders on the process of financing, developing, deploying and operating CHP projects in the Northeast.

5:15 pm

Conclusions & Next Steps

5:30 pm

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