

Summary of Scenario Planning WG Call #1
Tues., August 10, 2:00 – 3:30 PM ET

Official/designated WG members in attendance: M. Kresowik, E. Vancko, S. Kaplan, S. Popowsky, A. Jackson, R. Weishaar, D. Boguslawski, T. Messick, S. Gaw, D. Duffy, H. Healy, P. McCurley, Maryam Sharif (alternate for Public Power), P. Riley (alternate for L. Fleming)), Scott Morris (alternate for Seth Hammett)

1. Key introductions:

- Flora Flygt, ATC Director of Strategic Projects (liaison from EIPC)
- David Meyer, John Schnagl, Lot Cooke from DOE
- Alison Silverstein and Joe Eto from DOE Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory

2. The following Work Group guidelines were agreed to:

- Official WG members representing each sector (1-3 per sector) have speaking priority during WG meetings and calls. Discussion will be opened to other participants, experts and observers during designated time periods on substantive issues.
- Official WG members who are unable to attend a call or meeting may name an alternate from their sector. Any alternates should identify themselves as such prior to or at the beginning of meetings/calls.
- The Scenario Planning WG is not a decision-making body; their role is to develop recommendations and proposals to be considered by the broader SSC.
- Any agreements or recommendations developed by the Scenario Planning WG will be reached by consensus, meaning there are no objections to the proposal moving forward.
- In order to provide the best possible guidance to the SSC, when consensus is not reached, the range of opinions/perspectives of the WG will be presented to the SSC.
- Proposals needing action from the WG will be circulated in writing well in advance of the date the action must be taken, so WG members have adequate time to consider the proposal and discuss it with other stakeholders.
- The WG does not, at this point, believe a chair is necessary, as long as Keystone is facilitating the meetings/calls.

3. Flora Flygt presented an overview of the proposed Scenario Planning webinar

- Two main goals
 - Achieve a common understanding of scenario planning and the language associated with this process
 - Describe different approaches to scenario development so the WG is prepared to select the most appropriate approach
- Outline of proposed webinar presentation
 - Overall Analysis Plan and how Macroeconomic Scenario Planning interacts with other pieces

- Definitions of key terms: scenario, scenario planning, assumption, sensitivity, drivers
- Approach #1: Shell Approach (focal question, two key drivers, build matrix resulting in four futures)
- Approach #2: Deloitte Approach (define multiple drivers, select bounds of plausibility, anchor the future and build other assumptions around it)
- Approach #3: Use pre-existing scenarios as a starting point
- Feedback/clarification on proposed webinar presentation
 - Clarification: Most scenarios are developed without (or before) transmission overlays or transmission cost analysis. Scenarios are the broader “futures” or “worlds” for which the transmission plans or cost analyses are developed.
 - WG would like more information about the following (possibly during the webinar):
 - inputs and outputs of CRA model in order to know which approach is best and how to proceed
 - more guidance on next action steps, project deliverables and timelines
 - examples of scenarios and scenario development processes used by EISPC and planning authorities
 - pros and cons of the three different approaches
- Scenario Planning webinar will take place **Tuesday, August 17th at 1 p.m. Eastern.**

4. Next steps

- Before the webinar Keystone will send WG members sample reports and other reference materials on scenario planning
- Webinar date (8/17 at 1 p.m.) and info will be sent to EIPC listserv
- Draft slides will be sent to Work Group representatives by Friday 8/13
- Future calls will take place weekly at the same time (Tuesdays at 2 p.m.), except for the 17th, when the webinar will occur
- The next WG conference call will be Tuesday, 8/24 at 2 p.m. The tentative agenda for that meeting is as follows:
 - Further refine charge and goals of WG
 - Select a scenario planning approach
 - Discuss any necessary sub-groups
 - Discuss how best to interface effectively with other Work Groups, EIPC Work Groups, and EISPC
 - Define tasks, due dates, and goals for upcoming meetings (through end of September in preparation for next SSC meeting, as well as through December when first scenarios are due)
- WG members may contact Keystone to add items to meeting agendas