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Honorarium or Expense Reimbursement Report (RSA 15-B)



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Source of Honorarium or Expense Reimbursement:

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Occupation: NEW HAMPSHIRE DEPARTMENT OF STATE

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If source is a Corporation or other Entity:

Name of Corporation or Entity: National Caucus of Environmental Legislators*

Name of Corporate/Entity Representative: Adam Schafer, Exec Dir.

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Value of Honorarium: Date Received: 10/22/09 If exact value is unknown, provide an estimate of the value of the gift or honorarium and identify the value as an estimate.

Value of Expense Reimbursement: 393.75 Date Received: 10/22/09 A copy of the agenda or an equivalent document must be attached to this filing.

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Attendance at NCEL Northeast/R661 State Climate Change Forum

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NCEL
Northeast/RGGI States Climate Change Forum
October 22-23, 2009
Hyatt Regency Downtown, 1 Avenue De Lafayette
Boston, MA

Thursday, October 22 - Ballroom A

3 p.m. Welcome & Introductions

3:30 p.m. Federal Clean Energy/Climate Change Legislation Update – Rob Sargent, Energy Program Director, Environment America

4:15 p.m. RGGI Update –Commissioner Phillip Giudice, Massachusetts Dept. of Energy Resources & Commissioner Laurie Burt, Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection

With preemption of state cap-and-trade programs looming with enactment of a federal cap-and-trade program, what will become of the Regional Greenhouse Gas Initiative and what successes have we seen from RGGI.

5 p.m. to 7 p.m. – Reception & Presentation – *Ballroom A*

5:45 p.m. Presentation by Professor Bruce Anderson, Boston University on Latest Information on Potential Climate Change Impacts to the Region

Friday, October 23 – Ballroom A

7 a.m. to 9 a.m. Breakfast

(If you are leaving the hotel today, you are encouraged to check out in the morning during breakfast and leave your bags with the hotel bellman.)

9 a.m. to 10 a.m. NCEL members will participate in a roundtable discussion of greenhouse gas reduction initiatives they have introduced or enacted in their state. The goal is to get participants to talk to each other about what they are doing, what kind of information and advocacy support they are getting, and the nature and approach of the opposition. This discussion will result in attendees knowing a bit more about each other's efforts as well as bring out ideas tried or untried for moving legislation forward, building support, and countering the opposition. (Led by Leon Billings, former Maryland Delegate and NCEL Chair Emeritus)

10:15 a.m. to 11:15 a.m. The Hard Cap on Greenhouse Gas Emissions – Four states in the region have enacted legislation setting a cap on emissions by a date certain. Connecticut, Maryland, Massachusetts, and New Jersey enacted their cap via legislation and New York's emissions limit was set by the Governor's Executive Order in 2009. This session will discuss what these policies are and potential for similar actions in the remaining five states – Delaware, Maine, New Hampshire, Rhode Island and Vermont – as well as benefits, challenges and opportunities these policies create.

Brad Heavner, Environment Maryland

Massachusetts State Representative Frank Smizik, Chairman, House Committee on Global Warming and Climate Change

11:25 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Buildings – The building sector accounts for almost 50% of global warming emissions. States have led the way in making buildings greener and more energy efficient. This session will discuss options state legislators may consider to achieve greater greenhouse gas reductions from the building sector through better efficiency.

Jim O'Reilly, Northeast Energy Efficiency Partnership

12:30 Lunch

1:15 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. – Transportation: Policies to Reduce Greenhouse Gas Emissions from the Transportation Sector

Low Carbon Fuel Standard: Eleven states in the Northeast are working to develop a regional Low Carbon Fuel Standard (LCFS) to reduce the greenhouse gas emissions associated with our reliance on oil. This session will focus on the national context, the goals of the Northeast LCFS program, and the important issues currently under discussion.

Sue Reid, Conservation Law Foundation

Reduce Diesel Emissions, Reduce Short Term Greenhouse Gas Pollutants

Conrad Schneider, Clean Air Task Force

2:40 to 4 p.m. Renewable Energy Incentives –

Feed-In Tariffs - This presentation will provide an overview of feed-in tariff policies, which have emerged as the world's most prevalent national renewable energy policy. Although feed-in tariffs have driven rapid renewable energy growth in Europe and Asia, the policy was slow to emerge in North America. During the last two years, however, close to twenty states have either passed or proposed feed-in tariff regulations. The presentation will survey current feed-in tariff activity in the US and discuss policy pros and cons.

Wilson Rickerson, Meister Consultants Group

Recent Renewable Energy Legislation:

Long Term Contracts for Local Renewable Energy, Rhode Island State Senator Joshua Miller

Vermont Feed-in Tariff for Renewable Energy, Paul Burns, VPIRG

4 p.m. Discussion of 2010 Climate Change Policy Expected & Strategies for Coordination

4:45 p.m. Evaluations, Reimbursements & Adjourn

5 p.m. Adjourn (earlier if finished before 5 p.m.)