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WREGIS Training

By Poonam Chandra and Angie Gould

WREGIS and APX staff will conduct training for WREGIS participants in mid-June to ensure that all potential users will understand the functions of WREGIS and how best to use the system to conduct their business when WREGIS becomes operational in June.

In-person training will be provided in different geographical locations to better accommodate stakeholders from the various states and provinces participating in WREGIS. Currently, there are four different locations where in-person training will be provided, although more locations can be added based on future demand. The following are the dates and locations for the scheduled in-person training sessions:

- June 13 Portland, Oregon
- June 14 Seattle, Washington
- June 19 Irwindale, California
- June 21 Sacramento, California

These training sessions will cover the following topics: WREGIS Account creation; Account structure and Subaccount creation and maintenance; Generating Unit registration; State, Provincial or Voluntary program eligibility validation; and, renewable energy Certificate creation and transfers.

Online training sessions are also available for stakeholders unable to attend the in-person sessions.

Interested parties can participate in training by registering at www.wregis.org.

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Operating Rules

By Angie Gould

Since the publication of the WREGIS Interim Operating Rules in July 2004, many changes have been made in system functionality and policy. WREGIS staff has incorporated those changes into the Interim Operating Rules to create a draft version of the Final Operating Rules for the WREGIS application.

This Operating Rules draft was reviewed by the WREGIS Committee and deliberated at their in-person meeting in Sacramento, California on April 30. Stakeholders have also received the Operating Rules draft and are encouraged to review it and provide feedback to Frank Harris (Frank.W.Harris@SCE.com), the Secretary for the Stakeholder Advisory Committee, by May 14, 2007. This will allow the WREGIS Committee and staff ample time to revisit the Operating Rules in light of stakeholder comments and concerns before the next Committee meeting on June 4, 2007.

At this meeting, the WREGIS Committee will review the most recent draft version of the Operating Rules and approve it with any changes they deem necessary, at which point these Operating Rules will be considered final and posted on the WREGIS website. Other necessary forms for WREGIS participation, such as the Terms of Use (Account Holder Agreement), will also be posted at this time.

WREGIS Committee Election Results

By Poonam Chandra

The elections for the "State/Provincial" and "Industry Other" representatives were held on April 9, 2007. Members of the SAC voted for the WREGIS Committee members representatives within their own class or subclass.

Laura Nelson ran unopposed for the "State/Provincial" representative seat and was re-elected to the position. The election for the "Industry Other" seat resulted in a tie between Lenny Hochschild of Evolution Markets LLC and Rob Harmon of Bonneville Environmental Foundation. A run-off election was held on April 12, and Lenny Hochschild was re-elected as the "Industry Other" representative.

Many thanks go out to everyone who participated in this election. If you have any questions regarding the election, please contact Matthew Lehman at mlehman@resource-solutions.org.

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At the most recent WREGIS Committee meeting, held in-person in Sacramento, California on April 30, committee members finalized the fee levels and fee structure. The next WREGIS Committee meeting is scheduled to take place on June 4, 2007.

Outreach

By Poonam Chandra

As mentioned in the previous newsletter, Phil Lusk, the WREGIS Administrator, spoke on WREGIS at the CREPC Conference on April 5, 2007, the NREL meeting on April 6, 2007, and WECC's annual general meeting April 24 - 27, 2007. All the presentations were very well received with a great deal of enthusiasm from the listeners.

In addition, two more WREGIS presentations will be given in May. Rasa Keanini is scheduled to speak at the Utility Energy Forum in Tahoe City, California on May 2, 2007, and Angie Gould will present at the Western Renewable Power Development Summit in San Francisco, California on May 8, 2007.



Iceland's Famous Blue Lagoon, Geo Power Plant & Production Fluid

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