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UP ENERGY TASK FORCE MEETING
Meeting Minutes

Tues., Jan. 11, 2021 – 9:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.
Virtual Meeting via Microsoft Teams

Attendees:

Liesl Clark, Howell, Mich.
Mike Prusi, Ishpeming Township, Mich.
Tanya Paslawski, East Lansing, Mich.
Kris Bowman, Gulliver, Mich.
Dave Camps, Hancock, Mich.
Mike Furmanski, Escanaba, Mich.
Jenn Hill, Marquette, Mich.
Douglas Jester, East Lansing, Mich.
Aaron Johnson, Howell, Mich.
Jim Kochevar, Ishpeming, Mich.

Michael Larson, Marquette, Mich.
Mike Nystrom, Okemos, Mich.
Tony Retaskie, Marquette, Mich.
Major General Paul Rogers, Farmington
Hills, Mich.
Dan Scripps, Village of Northport, Mich.
Roman Sidortsov, Portage Township,
Mich.
Tonya Swenor, Marquette, Mich.

Welcome and Task Force Business

In compliance with current state measures designed to suppress the spread of the COVID-19 virus, and in accordance with the Open Meetings Act changes (Public Act 254 of 2020, effective Dec. 23, 2020) the U.P. Energy Task Force met virtually.

The meeting commenced at 9 a.m. Liesl Clark welcomed everyone, performed roll call, and summarized the agenda. The following task force business was conducted:

- Tony Retaskie moved and Jim Kochevar seconded approval of the agenda. The motion was approved unanimously by voice vote.
- Mike Nystrom moved and Dan Scripps seconded approval of the December meeting minutes. The minutes were approved unanimously by voice vote.

Meeting Recap and Work Session

Public Sector Consultants provided a recap of the work session at the December 15 meeting and resulting document for Task force feedback. Public Sector Consultants then led the task force through an exercise to group and prioritize the recommendations to refine items for the report. Members were assured all ideas would be retained in some fashion.

Next Meeting / Next Steps

Task force members asked for a status update regarding the Phase 1 propane recommendations at the next meeting and discuss renewable propane.

The next meeting is scheduled for February 24 at which the draft report documents will be reviewed. Meetings are scheduled for March 3 and March 16 to be used as needed to complete the report and take additional public input.

Public Comments

Public comments were heard.

Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 10:44 a.m.

Approved at March 3, 2021, UP Energy Task Force meeting.