

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY RESOURCES

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC UTILITIES

# Clean Energy Transmission Working Group

December 15, 2023

# Agenda

Item	Time	Estimated Duration
Welcome, Agenda, Roll call	9:00 - 9:05	5 min
Review and vote on 12/6/23 Meeting Minutes	9:05 - 9:10	5 min
Public comment	9:10 - 9:25	15 min
Review 2 <sup>nd</sup> draft report	9:25 - 10:40	75 min
Discuss final review and voting process	10:40 - 10:55	15 min
Close and Next Steps	10:55 – 11:00	5 min

# Meeting Attendance

- CETWG roll call alphabetically by voting members

# Meeting Minutes

- Required by Open Meeting Law and Section 7.2 of the CETWG By-Laws
- Review of December 6, 2013 meeting Minutes document followed by roll call vote to approve

# Public Comment

- The Chairs will recognize members of the public who requested time to provide comments to the CETWG
- Comments are limited to 3 minutes
- Written comments are welcome for submission at any time

# Review Draft Report

Draft report available at <https://www.mass.gov/info-details/clean-energy-transmission-working-group-cetwg>

# Final Draft Review Process

- Page turn of second draft today with focus on reviewing substantive redline edits and report sections/areas of concern that warrant additional group discussion.
- Goal is to reach unanimous consensus on as many report recommendations possible.
- Post-meeting, CETWG members submit any additional final redline edits **highlighted in yellow** to staff before end of today.
- Staff will produce a final draft report without redlines and circulate to members Monday for review ahead of Thursday vote.
  - Language that is not agreed upon at today's meeting will be highlighted
- Items that lack unanimous consensus will be noted (see slide 9 for proposed approaches).
- Note the report makes recommendations to the General Court – further process required.
- CETWG members will be asked to allow staff to make further non-substantive, ministerial final edits to draft report post-vote.

# Final Report Voting Process

- Thursday, December 21st at 8:30 AM



## Proposed report language if the report does not reach consensus on all areas

- The CETWG notes that while a majority of members voted to approve the report, members did not reach consensus on recommendations X, Y, and Z. (listing specific sections that did not have consensus).
- **If specific caveats for specific sections/recommendations:**  
Note in intro that “where there is opposition or abstention to a recommendation, such council members are identified, along with an explanation of the basis for such opposition or abstention, if provided.”

# Motion for Ministerial Edits

*The CETWG authorizes EEA, DOER and DPU staff to make typographical corrections, edits for consistency and other non-substantive edits on matters of drafting and form after the report is voted on, without the need for an additional vote.*

# Discuss Report Drafting Process

- Discuss remaining report drafting process

Task	Plan	Schedule
<b>Conclusions and recommendations</b>	Proposal: Authors develop C&Rs when they draft their sections	Review C&Rs at 11/17 meeting
<b>Draft report</b>	Review/confirm plan at 10/13 meeting: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Kickoff drafting</li> <li>• Staff coordinates with section authors</li> <li>• Authors submit drafts of sections to staff</li> <li>• Staff compiles draft C&amp;Rs</li> <li>• CETWG reviews draft C&amp;Rs (shorten 2 scheduled topics to 30 minutes)</li> <li>• Staff distributes draft report for CETWG</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 10/16</li> <li>• throughout</li> <li>• 11/10</li> <li>• 11/14</li> <li>• 11/17 meeting</li> <li>• 11/28</li> </ul>
<b>Final report</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• NEW MEETING to review draft report</li> <li>• Staff distributes 2<sup>nd</sup> draft of report</li> <li>• CETWG reviews 2<sup>nd</sup> draft</li> <li>• NEW MEETING for final review and vote</li> <li>• Issue final report</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 12/6</li> <li>• 12/11</li> <li>• 12/15 meeting</li> <li>• 12/21</li> <li>• 12/29</li> </ul>

# Close and Next Steps

List of CETWG meetings are posted on the CETWG website

Date	Topic	Meeting presentation(s)
Jul 28 <sup>th</sup>	Introduction to New England transmission planning	ISO-NE
Aug 25 <sup>th</sup>	ISO-New England's 2050 transmission study	ISO-NE
Sep 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Offshore wind transmission	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Brattle: offshore transmission and related generation interconnection and transmission planning processes</li> <li>• DOE: Atlantic offshore wind study and inter-regional collaboration</li> <li>• Eversource: maximizing use of existing corridors</li> </ul>
Oct 13 <sup>th</sup>	Distribution system planning and operations (jointly with the GMAC)	<p>Eversource and National Grid</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Distribution system clean energy developments</li> <li>• Distribution system impacts</li> <li>• Integration with transmission system</li> </ul> <p>GMAC</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• New Leaf Energy: Remarks on transmission as an enabler for DER</li> <li>• Engie North America: Impact of distributed batteries on the transmission system</li> <li>• Highland Fleets: Incorporation of fleet EVs on distribution and transmission planning</li> </ul>
Nov 3 <sup>rd</sup>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Jurisdictional authority</li> <li>2. Cost allocation</li> </ol>	Jenner & Block LLP
Nov 17 <sup>th</sup>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Interconnection and FERC Order 2023</li> <li>2. Siting and permitting transmission (Commission on Clean Energy Infrastructure Siting and Permitting)</li> <li>3. Review draft C&amp;Rs</li> </ol>	<p>Interconnection and Order 2023</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• New Leaf Energy: ISO's interconnection process from a developer perspective; Order 2023 changes</li> <li>• LineVision: grid-enhancing technologies</li> </ul>
Dec 6 <sup>th</sup>	Review draft report	
Dec 15 <sup>th</sup>	Review 2 <sup>nd</sup> draft report	
Dec 21 <sup>st</sup>	Final review and approval of report	

# Close and Next Steps

- The next CETWG meeting will be Thursday, December 21<sup>st</sup>
- Tentative topics for next meeting
  - Administrative
  - Public comment
  - Final review of report and voting

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