

Chugach Electric Association
Renewable Energy Committee
Steering Committee Meeting
January 24, 2007
5:30 p.m.

Attending: Bruce Campbell, Fred Valdez, Pat Kennedy, Kurt Autor, Doug Glover, Julie Jessen.

The committee discussed goals and priorities to present to the full Renewable Energy Committee. The committee will be divided into smaller working groups for each “bucket” area.

Overarching concerns included:

- The immediacy of getting power
- The efficiency of getting power over the long term
- Internal barriers
- Factors that complicate the decision to pursue alternative energy
- The nature of Chugach Electric Association (distribution and generation aspects)

The next full committee meeting will include an education component on CEA’s framework. Mr. Campbell will talk with Lee Thiebert about presenting and will suggest the following categories:

1. Who is Chugach Electric Association?
2. Distribution
3. Generation
4. Regulation
5. Fiscal structure
6. Opportunities and constraints for adopting alternative energy (how is the decision to adopt alternative energy impacted by the aspects listed above)
7. Where would CEA like to be in 10 years

Preliminary “buckets”—topic areas for small working groups—were identified and will be offered to the full committee for additional suggestions. Three overarching questions should be addressed by each bucket:

1. Where is CEA in 10 years regarding alternative energy?
2. What goals should be presented to the board for 2, 5, and 10 years?
3. What are the opportunities and constraints faced by each bucket?

Bucket areas include the following main items, with examples of sub-topics added to facilitate discussion.

- 1) Policy
 - a) Internal CEA
 - b) External
 - i) State
 - ii) Federal
- 2) Economics/Funding
 - a) Costs
 - i) CEA
 - ii) Consumers
 - b) Funding opportunities
 - c) Green tags (should CEA purchase green tags as part of its commitment to alternative energy?)
- 3) Availability/Technology
 - a) Sources (prioritize/rank areas where CEA should focus its resources)
 - b) Infrastructure needs (this could include things such as staffing needs as well)
- 4) Partnerships
 - a) Large (regional or statewide partnerships with other energy utilities)
 - b) Small (e.g. SNAP program, small producers providing energy to CEA)
- 5) Education/Outreach
 - a) About alternative energy
 - b) Energy conservation

A good hockey player plays where the puck is. A great hockey player plays where the puck is going to be.

Wayne Gretzky