

## Community Resilience Panel: Energy Standing Committee Meeting

**MEETING DATE:** October 31, 2016  
**TIME:** 3:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. EDT  
**LOCATION:** Conference Call  
**ISSUE DATE:** November 14, 2016

**ATTENDEES:**

Attendee	Affiliation
Ronda Mosley (Chair)	PTI
Julia Phillips (Vice-Chair)	Argonne National Laboratory
Chuck Hookham	CMS Energy
Leon Kempner	Bonneville Power Administration
David Mizzen	ARA
Becky Rush	Derp Technologies

**DISTRIBUTION:** Attendees and Energy Standing Committee  
**NOTES BY:** Julia Phillips, Argonne National Laboratory, and Ronda Mosley, PTI

### 1. Welcome

Ronda Mosley (Chair) opened the meeting and reviewed the planned agenda

- Nominations for position vacancies (Chair and Secretary)
- Next face-to-face (March 9-10, 2017 Miami, FL)
- Review criteria for documents

### 2. Nominations

Ronda outlined the open positions and requested that committee members think about people inside and outside the committee who could take over the committee chair position. The Energy Committee Chair and Energy Committee Secretary positions are now vacant. If you wish to nominate someone (self-nominations will be accepted) for these two leadership positions, please send an email to the Panel Administrator at [resilience@ara.com](mailto:resilience@ara.com) and include the leadership position in the subject line. Nominations must be accepted by the nominee to be valid. Nominees do not have to be current committee members.

For those committee members who have not completed the updated membership form to participate on the committee, please do so by going to the Panel website at [https://www.crpanel.org/?page\\_id=1500](https://www.crpanel.org/?page_id=1500).

### 3. Next Face-to-Face Meeting (March 9-10, 2017 Miami, FL)

The committee had an excellent conversation regarding how much work has already been accomplished within the city and county of Miami-Dade regarding resilience. Miami-Dade County has a progressive Office of Resilience and a Resilience Director.

Committee member Chuck Hookham agreed to speak to our committee, during the upcoming meeting, about how codes have changed in response to hurricanes and hardening directives and about his resilience work in Florida and the mid-west.

This discussion of resilience work in Florida and the mid-west launched a very good discussion about local government resilience efforts. Chuck mentioned how difficult it is to get people to focus on resilience if there is not any immediate hazard to which there is to react.

Chuck – ASCE’s Infrastructure Committee is conducting a state-by-state review of infrastructure conditions and compliance on resilience. We should be able to get that report by the end of the year.

Chuck also shared that NERC is developing resilience factors and creating a framework for how we would communicate across the country in the event of a disaster.

- Drives home the point of having a local plan to ride through a catastrophic event
- Discussions have to happen so all stakeholders can understand
- Everyone is very cautious of how data can be manipulated to make one point

Becky is working with Frostburg University in Maryland because they are designated as a refugee site for the town, yet they are not equipped for this. The university is researching microgrids and many other alternatives. There is a lot of basic education that needs to go on within communities about what resilience means and it could mean something different to each small town. Communication and awareness is critical.

Leon noted that as he travels around, people are now starting to talk about resilience so they are starting to become knowledgeable even if they do not have all the solutions.

The group then talked about the resources at our disposal. The NIST Center of Excellence has an advisory panel of industry experts that are meeting this week. This panel meets twice a year and they have a website.

- The group recommended better integration between the Colorado Center of Excellence and the Community Resilience Panel.
- Ronda will follow up with the Center on integrating their academic knowledge with industry expertise and how our committee can leverage this information.

### 4. Evaluation Criteria for Document Submission to the Resilience Knowledge Base (RKB)

During the Fort Collins face-to-face meeting, the committee, led by Vice Chair Julia Phillips, came up with a list of criteria for examining a document submitted to the committee for inclusion in the RKB. Ronda commented that this is excellent work and suggested that very brief definitions be added to each criterion, so everyone will work under the same understanding. Leon suggested that Ronda send a note to committee members asking for their input regarding criteria definitions.

### Criteria

- Standard or industry accepted document
- Readily available in the public domain
- Vendor neutral
- Sponsored by a credible entity
- Timeliness
- Scalable to the local level

Three levels of acceptance for these documents were also created.

- **Kickback:** return to submitter for reasons why it was kicked-back and provide a chance for clarification/justification
- **Conditional acceptance:** if there are similar documents, request submitter provide additional review for committee to discuss potential inclusion
- **Acceptance:** Agree to forward the document on to the CRPCC for inclusion into the RKB
- Put some simple definitions to the criteria for folks who are working on it

### **5. Next Panel Meeting**

The next Energy Committee meeting will be in January 2017. The next face-to-face meeting of the Panel (and Energy Standing Committee) will be March 2017 in Miami, FL

### **6. Adjournment**

There was no other business and the meeting adjourned at approximately 4:10 PM EDT.