



ENVIRONMENTAL LAW & POLICY CENTER
Protecting the Midwest's Environment and Natural Heritage

Transmission 102 Training
September 30, 2010

AGENDA

- 10:00-10:15** **Welcome and Introductions** (*Howard Learner - ELPC*)
- 10:15-11:00** **What Drives Transmission Development?** (*Hans Detweiler – Clean Line Energy*)
- Reliability/grid support
 - Power marketing opportunities
 - Moving wind power from the resource to load centers
- 11:00-11:30** **Securing Regulatory Approvals** (*John Moore - ELPC*)
- Steps in the transmission regulatory review process, including opportunities for public comment
 - RTO – planning and approval
 - Federal – FERC incentives, other agency approvals
 - State – certificate of need, other
- 11:30-12:30** **Renewable Energy Standards and New Transmission**
- Review of state RES goals – progress and barriers (*Barry Matchett - ELPC*)
 - Risks – more coal generation, cost, other? (*James Gignac – Sierra Club*)
 - Current MISO Transmission expansion plan proposals (*Beth Soholt – Wind on the Wires*)
- 12:30-1:15** **Lunch and Discussion – FERC Update** (*Rishi Garg – Sustainable FERC Project*)
- Including updates on major pending FERC regulatory proceedings on transmission planning, cost allocation, and demand response
- 1:15-2:00** **Transmission and Environmental Considerations** (*Wil Burns – Burns Law Firm, LLC*)
- Environmental legal requirements, balancing considerations
 - Purpose and need, alternatives analysis
- 2:00-2:45** **Transmission Tech Update**
- Smart grid progress - maximizing grid efficiency and pollution reduction through technology and markets (*Chris Thomas – Citizens Utility Board*)
 - Integrating wind and solar into the system – facts and myths (*Beth Soholt – Wind on the Wires*)
- 2:45-3:30** **Plenary Discussion and Conclusion** (*Howard Learner - ELPC*)