

Tribal Energy Subcommittee
Thursday, May 3rd, 2018
3:00 PM – 4:00 PM EST
Meeting Summary

Agenda

- Welcome and Roll Call
- DOI Update
- TERA Working Group Update and Recommendation
- Model Statute Working Group Update
- 1938 Act Working Group Update
- Taxation Working Group Update
- Next Steps and Adjourn

DOI Update

- Status of the recommendations from Houston: working to compile info.
- Subcommittee recommendations going into the June 6th meeting – to be submitted by May 9th.
- Email was distributed with travel information and forms. Please complete if plan to come to the meeting; if not, please let us know so can alert the alternates.

TERA Working Group Update and Proposed Recommendation

- Background: Draft recommendation distributed for review. As discussed previously, the group recognized that it would be helpful to ask DOI to provide feedback on what is not an inherently federal function.
- With that in mind, the working group came up with an initial list and recommends that the Secretary confirm those areas that are not inherently federal. If that confirmed, then once a TERA is approved, those areas should be delegated to the tribes.
- Decided to add a bit more background to give more information to the Secretary.
- Note: recognize there are other items could have included on this list, but for now, trying to find the balance of what is the right number.
- VOTE: Tribal Energy Subcommittee voted on the concept outlined in the recommendation, recognizing that the TERA group will tweak:
 - Recommendation PASSED and Tribal Energy Subcommittee members AGREED to send forward the recommendation (with slight tweaks) for consideration by the RPC at the June meeting.

Model Statute Working Group

- Started on a draft to propose amending existing law. May work off of that or may draft a new statute. Hope to have something new to distribute next week.

1938 Act Working Group

- Continued discussion regarding what people realize under 1938 Act re: sovereignty issues.
- Willing to provide specific examples and help with TERA Recommendation

Taxation Working Group

- Not expecting to have something for the June meeting.

Next Steps

- Provide update slides to DOI, preferably by May 9th.
- Next subcommittee call will be on Thursday, May 17th, from 3:00-4:00pm.

Roll Call

Attendees:

Dr. Steven Payson, DOI/AS-IA, Subcommittee Co-Director

Matthew Adams, CloudPeak

Bidtah Becker, Navajo

Jackson Brossy, Navajo

Natasha John, Navajo

Kathleen Sgamma, Western Energy Alliance

Chairman Everett Waller, Osage

Deirdre McCarthy Gallagher, Facilitator