

**Tribal Energy Subcommittee
Wednesday, October 10th, 2018
10:00 AM – 11:00 AM EST
Meeting Summary**

DOI Update:

- Scott Angelle has officially been named Chair of the RPC.
- Meeting summaries are being prepared and will be posted online and sent via email.
- Next meeting will be in January. Between now and then, subcommittees should continue work and let RPC staff know if there are questions or requests for briefings on any topic.
- The Request for Nominations for the RPC has been posted in the Federal Register. There is one opening for a Tribal alternate, two openings for state, one for industry, and at least three for public interest (Rod Eggert announced that he will let someone else have that slot.) Notice is published on the RPC website.

TERA Working Group Update

- Attorney advisors are still reviewing and finalizing the document regarding the definition of inherently federal functions before distributing it to the working group. Tim will talk to Jim and provide an update before the next call.
- Once the definition is available, the work group will meet and will review.

Model Statute Working Group

- Waiting to see what happens with TERA. In the meantime, research continues for parameters for model statute.
- Will aim for an update in January, recognizing that dependent on how TERA work proceeds there may be additional proposals coming out of that as well.
- Question regarding whether the Department is tracking new bills that are moving through Congress. Congressman Young has two related bills: one would allow the Navajo Nation to regulate energy leases. Another would allow tribes to manage land directly. Administration had the opportunity to weigh in on the second, but it might be helpful for it to take a fresh look.
 - Tim will work with BIA folks to see if can get an update.

1938 Act Working Group

- No update at this time.

Taxation Working Group

- The taxation working group has not met since last call but looking forward to coordinating with Assistant Secretary Sweeney.
- James and Jackson to talk re: discussion on next steps for the working group.

Other Items and Next Steps

- Next call will be on October 24, 2018 from 10:00-11:00am Eastern.

Attendees:

President Russell Begaye, Navajo Nation, Subcommittee Co-Director

Matthew Adams, CloudPeak
John Andrews, Utah
Bidtah Becker, Navajo Nation
Jackson Brossy, Navajo Nation
Natasha John, Navajo Nation
Tim LaPointe, BIA
Monte Mills, University of Montana
Dr. Steve Payson, DOI/IEED
James Schindler, DOI/BOEM, RPC Executive Director
Deirdre McCarthy Gallagher, Facilitator