

Recap of Advanced Coal Technology Work Group
Meetings and Activities: June 5 – July 30, 2007

August 7, 2007

Purpose and Overview

- Review June 5th meeting
- Report out on call with Subcommittee

June 5th meetings

- Finalize Interim Report
- ACT and Incentives Discussion
- Consensus on 6 recommendations
- Next steps for Interim Report

Interim Report: Recommendations

- Mechanisms to enhance, expand, develop and coordinate existing and new **incentives** to encourage early commercial use of ACTs should be implemented.
- **Legislative and regulatory drivers** should be utilized to accelerate the near- and long-term deployment of ACTs.
- **Risk characterization, risk management, and liability mechanisms** should be developed to enable the accelerated deployment of CCS technologies.

Interim Report: Recommendations

- **Research, development, and demonstration (RD&D) programs** focusing on ACTs should be expanded and strengthened to accelerate commercial deployment at new and existing facilities.
- Mechanisms to address the uncertainty and delay associated with **permitting** should be developed for ACT projects.
- The importance of, and basic information about, ACTs should be effectively **communicated to the public**, policymakers and other key stakeholders.

Discussion with Subcommittee on Interim Report, July 30th

- Call with WG Co-Chairs, members of Subcommittee on Economic Incentives and Regulatory Innovation
- Some overlap: WG and SC
- Discussion items: Interim Report overview, general observations, feedback from Subcommittee

Subcommittee Input

- Impressed by scope of report, done on time
- Recommend making recommendations more useful
- If reader were a Senator, or official with a State or PUC, would be the top five things they would need to do? Where should they start?
- Need to prioritize issues

Subcommittee Input

- Fundamental definitional issue exists
- Environmental groups would say that ACT must include CCS; EE and general perf. Improvements inadequate
- Need for more candor in report concerning areas of disagreement, esp. re: definition
- Lifecycle analysis

Subcommittee Input

- Recommendations focus on new power plants; more attention needed re: retrofits
- Potential for offsets
- Issue of scalability

Next: transmittal with memo to CAAAC (and posting online)