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Maryland Commission on Climate Change Meeting Agenda

February 27, 2015, 1:00-3:00 pm C-1 Conference Room Maryland Department of Natural Resources Annapolis

- I. Welcome & Introduction
- II. Discussion of Senate Bill 258 & House Bill 514 Bills to establish in statute Maryland's Commission on Climate Change
- III. Development of the Commission's Work Plan In order to establish sufficient momentum, the Commission will task the Commission's Steering Committee:
 - a. With combining and refining working group work plans to establish a Commission work plan for the coming year; and
 - b. With developing a proposal for the format, content and production schedule for the November report.

IV. Meetings

- a. The Steering Committee will meet monthly by conference call to discuss and drive Commission work, including report development and work plan implementation.
- b. The Commission will meet in Western Maryland in April, on the Eastern Shore in July, and in Baltimore City in September to obtain and comment on working group and November report development updates, and to receive briefings on regional climate and energy work. Additionally, the Commission will meet at MDE in October to approve the Commission's November (annual) report. The Commission may, at any point, determine that it needs to schedule additional meetings.
- V. Commission Working Group Programs and Initiatives Updates
 - a. GHG Emissions Mitigation MDE
 - b. Adaptation & Response DNR



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- c. Scientific & Technical UMCES
- d. Education & Outreach MDE

The working group updates should include real time status reports on key climate programs and initiatives as well as reports on the status of November report components. The working groups are responsible for monitoring and evaluating the implementation (and performance) of key programs and initiatives on a regular basis (to the maximum extent practicable) to ensure that necessary adjustments are made promptly.

- VI. Other Items
- VII. Public Comments
- VIII. Adjourn