

Biomass Task Group
June 1, 2022
Minutes

Meeting Goals:

- *Reflect on Bucholz and Keeton Presentation*
- *Review of scope and tabled action chart to consider where we go*
- *Identify if we want to test the role of this task group with Steering Committee*

8:30 AM Introductions, Reminder of Protocol of the Group, and approval of [5/18 Minutes](#)

The minutes were approved without any changes.

8:35 AM Reflections and Lessons from Bucholz and Keeton

The [takeaways](#) from both Presenters were reviewed and discussed by the group. The group discussed several components of the findings related to:

- The siloed nature of the research
- Consideration to new biomass electricity plants only based on the statement around existing plants having paid back their carbon impact
- Health impacts needing to be considered and reviewed
- Relevance of discussion to policy impacts that this group can influence

The specific next step was to review the scope and draft questions for each component that would lead to a workplan for this group. Jane will provide this for the next meeting.

9:15 AM Next Steps

The group agreed to continue to advance the work of this task group with the goal of finalizing recommendations for the Council to consider this Fall. The question of biofuels was raised and whether the scope of this group should be expanded to include this. The recommendation was made to bring this to the Steering Committee of the Council to consider next week.

9:45 AM Public Comment

Comments were made by:

Zack Porter

George Gross

Cheryl Joy Lipton

Annette Smith

10:00 AM Adjourn