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Beth:

This is a good agenda and there is nothing I would remove. I am sorry we lost the idea discussed at Silverado of at least one session on how what California is doing is either encouraging or discouraging other states from pursuing clean energy agendas. For example, California's reluctance to purchase wind from the Rocky Mountain states (a project TransCanada is no longer involved with, btw) is giving an increased sense of urgency in Wyoming and Montana to exporting coal to Asia. I am not saying the coal industry would not be doing this anyway, but if renewables from those states have no access to the largest energy market in North America then they are not going to be very interested in developing renewables to displace their reliance on fossil fuel extraction. But, as I said, I don't know what I would drop from this current agenda, and maybe the regional discussion is for another time, but I was sorry it didn't get woven in. Thanks!

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CFEE Energy Steering Committee Members –

Attached please find a first draft of an agenda for the CFEE Energy Roundtable conference scheduled for December 8-9 at Cavallo Point, Sausalito. Please review and provide comments by hitting “reply all”, by **COB on Monday, July 15th**.

As you review the proposed topics, you’ll see that while we discussed rate reform at some length during the steering committee meeting, it isn’t called out as a specific session. We think the topic naturally arises in several parts of the agenda: EE (are tiered rates really necessary?), renewables (what’s the future of NEM), ZEVs (do tiered rates mess up TOU pricing), and in the final session on the future of the utility (impact of tiered rates and NEM on long term viability of the utility). I recall that rate reform, as a topic, hinged on what happens with AB 327. Our thought is that we can always tweak the agenda in September, if this is a hot topic in the fall that needs its own session.

One other point – in terms of speakers, the feedback we’ve been receiving is that participants want fewer speakers on the agenda to enable more time for roundtable discussion. So please suggest speakers for the sessions, but understand that we are looking for people who can be both provocative and comprehensive about a topic.

Please feel free to call me if you’d like to discuss.

Thanks,

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