

**National Coal Council  
2010 Spring Meeting  
Summary of Meeting**

May 21, 2010

The National Coal Council convened for its spring meeting at the Fairmont Hotel in Washington, D.C., commencing on May 21, 2010, at 9:00 a.m. ET.

**Attendees**

For a complete breakdown of attendance, see Appendix A.

**Welcome and Call to Order**

At 9:00 a.m. NCC Chair Michael Mueller welcomed attendees, finalized the agenda, and recognized new National Coal Council members. Next, he introduced Assistant Secretary James Markowsky.

**Assistant Secretary James Markowsky, U.S. Department of Energy**

James Markowsky discussed challenges facing coal, some of the efforts underway in the coal area, the FY 2011 energy budget, the Clean Coal Power Initiative Round 3 Program, a recent CCS Solicitation which included large-scale demonstrations of CCS on industrial-type facilities and beneficial reuse of CO<sub>2</sub>, R&D efforts focused on increasing the power plant efficiency, and put forth novel and advanced technologies in the pipeline which will be key to achieving the cost-effective commercial demonstrations, a CO<sub>2</sub> injection and storage program which is finishing up Phase II, and the CCS Task Force.

**Walter Crickmer, President, Crickmer Company, LLC**

Walter Crickmer gave a presentation on Biomass/Coal Blending to Generate Electricity.

**Finance Report**

Joe Hopf, Committee Chair, spearheaded a motion to accept the audit report for 2009.

**Secretary's Report**

Larry Grimes, NCC Secretary gave a presentation detailing the history, organization (including National Coal Council, Inc.), and public scrutiny of comments.

**Election of Officers for 2010/2011 Term**

Bob Beck gave the Nominating Committee Report and conducted the Election of the Council Officers for the 2010-2011 term. Joe Hopf, Jr. was selected as Chairman, and John Eaves was selected as Vice Chairman.

#### **Roger Bezdek, President, MISI**

Roger Bezdek began by stating that there has been a lot of talk recently about green transmission lines which would move electricity generated from renewable sources to load centers in the East and West Coasts.

He questioned the political and economic feasibility of such an endeavor.

He summarized that if coal power plants were able to access the new lines, they could cheaply increase output with no additional greenhouse gas emissions.

#### **New Study Announcement**

Bob Beck spoke briefly about a new study proposed by the NCC that will review technologies available relative to carbon capture & storage.

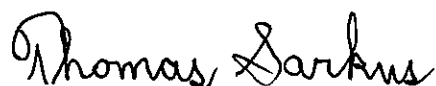
#### **Public Comment**

Mark Kresowski, the Corporate Accountability and Finance Representative for the Sierra Club's Beyond Coal Campaign spoke briefly asking that the NCC provide information to the DOE that promotes coal projects — such as carbon capture research — that would promote cleaner energy without passing costs on to citizens through high electric costs. Joe Hopf gave a brief response and rebuttal.

#### **Adjournment**

The meeting adjourned at 11:23 a.m.

I hereby certify that, to the best of my knowledge, the foregoing minutes are accurate and complete. The minutes were completed after-the-fact based on transcription of the National Coal Council Fall Meeting, September 11, 2019.



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Thomas Sarkus

Deputy Designated Federal Officer #1

National Coal Council

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Joe Giove III". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, stylized "J" and "G".

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Joseph Giove III

Deputy Designated Federal Officer #2

National Coal Council

**APPENDIX A – ATTENDEES****Attendance List**

Robert Agbede

Sy Ali

Tom Altmeyer

Carol Bailey

Janos Beer

Jackie Bird

Bob Brubaker

Frank Burke

Mike Carey

Bob Ciavarella

Michael Crotty

Kevin Crutchfield

Mike DeLallo

Mike Durham

John Eaves

John Fischer

Guy Gorney

Clark Harrison

Bill Higginbotham

Bill Hobok

Jerry Hollinden

Joe Hopf

Marty Irwin

Dan Jack

Chris Jenkins

Klaus Lambeck

Lynn Lednicky

John Long

Steve May

Jeff Miller

Mike Mueller

Ken Nemeth

Don Newell

Jerry Oliver

Roland Otte

Janine Migden-Ostrander

Dan Packer

Bob Pearson

Bob Purgert

Randy Rahm

Masood Ramezan

Bill Reid

Don Schneider  
Mark Schoenfield  
Dan Smith  
Bill Spengel  
Michael Sutherlin  
Malcolm Thomas  
David Turnbull  
Raja Upadhyay  
Kathy Walker  
Jeff Wallace  
Kathy Walton  
Bob Wharton  
Tom White  
Greg Workman

**Guests**

Richard Blagg  
Rick Boyd  
Todd Cunningham  
Mike Ducker  
John Grasser  
Bill Harper  
Tom Johnson  
Robert Hershey  
Mark Kresowski  
John Novak  
Skip Stephens  
Sherry Tucker  
Bob Wendling  
James Wood

**Guest Speakers**

The Honorable James Markowsky  
Dr. Walter Crickmer  
Mr. Roger Bezdek