

NORTH DAKOTA LEGISLATIVE MANAGEMENT

Tentative Agenda

**ENERGY DEVELOPMENT AND TRANSMISSION COMMITTEE**

Tuesday, November 24, 2015  
Harvest Room, State Capitol  
Bismarck, North Dakota

9:00 a.m. Call to order  
Roll call  
Comments by the Chairman  
Consideration of the minutes of the October 29, 2015, meeting

**STUDY OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY REGULATIONS**

9:10 a.m. Presentation and comments by representatives of the Lignite Energy Council regarding the committee's study of federal Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) regulations of carbon dioxide emissions, including:

- The estimated cost of compliance for new and existing electrical generation units
- The estimated impact on regional grid reliability
- The estimated economic impact to ratepayers in the state
- The feasibility of implementing the regulations
- An overview of the Allam Cycle
- The status of new and emerging technologies designed to reduce carbon dioxide emissions

10:40 a.m. Break

10:50 a.m. Presentation by a representative of the Attorney General's office regarding the status of any legal action related to EPA regulations of carbon dioxide emissions and comments regarding the committee's study of EPA regulations of carbon dioxide emissions

11:20 a.m. Comments by a representative of the Public Service Commission regarding the committee's study of EPA regulations of carbon dioxide emissions

11:30 a.m. Comments by a representative of the State Department of Health regarding the committee's study of EPA regulations of carbon dioxide emissions

12:00 noon Luncheon recess

1:00 p.m. Presentation by a representative of the Tax Department regarding the coal conversion facilities privilege tax and the coal severance tax, including historical collections and an overview of the allocation formulas related to coal tax revenue

1:10 p.m. Presentation by a representative of Job Service North Dakota regarding employment in the coal industry, including the number of jobs and wage data

**OTHER**

1:20 p.m. Presentation by a representative of Job Service North Dakota regarding employment in oil- and gas-related industries, including unemployment claims from out-of-state residents and the influence of lower oil prices on employment data

1:30 p.m. Presentation by a representative of the Department of Commerce regarding recent activities of the EmPower ND Commission

1:40 p.m. Comments by interested persons

1:50 p.m. Committee discussion

2:00 p.m. Adjourn

### **Committee Members**

Senators: Rich Wardner (Chairman), Kelly M. Armstrong, Brad Bekkedahl, Bill L. Bowman, Philip M. Murphy, John M. Warner

Representatives: Dick Anderson, Mike Brandenburg, Chuck Damschen, Ben Hanson, Corey Mock, Todd Porter

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