Administrative Support Group (ASG) Update

Oil & Gas Subcommittee 12 April 2012

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Overview

- Major Steering Committee Decisions/ Outcomes
- Charge to Subcommittees
- Launch of New Short-Lived Climate Pollutants (SLCPs) Initiative
- Methane Expo 2013
- Revised Action Plan Guidance
- Future Subcommittee Activities



Major Steering Committee Decisions/Outcomes

- Approved Norway's request to join: now 41 GMI Partners!
- Supported Canada's offer to host next Expo in Vancouver (anticipated early 2013).
- Supported elevating wastewater task force to subcommittee status.
- Reached consensus to use new GMI Partner Action Plan guidance.
- Identified future issues for GMI consideration (e.g., short-lived climate pollutants).

Charge to Subcommittees

- Outreach & Communications
 - Work directly with the ASG to provide information for the GMI website, particularly as it relates to sector-specific resources and project success stories.
 - Utilize the GMI newsletter to highlight projects, conferences, or other success stories.
 - Undertake outreach activities and provide links to press releases or other new items to the ASG for inclusion on the GMI website.



Charge to Subcommittees (con't)

GMI Partnership Expo

- Work to Identify and create project opportunities and success stories for the Expo project showcase.
- Identify topics/speakers and develop agendas for technical and policy workshops in each of the sectors.

Action Plans

Continue to identify how Subcommittees can support and assist Partners in both the development and implementation of GMI Partner Action Plans.

Charge to Subcommittees (con't)

- Meeting Options
 - Hold at least one in-person meeting prior to the Expo, to be supplemented with webinar(s) as necessary.
 - Other subcommittee webinar/meeting dates include:
 - Ag Webinar April 10
 - Wastewater Webinar April 18
 - Landfill Webinar May 7
 - Coal Webinar May 16
 - Fall Oil and Gas Webinar?



Short-Lived Climate Pollutants (SLCPs) Initiative

- New Climate and Clean Air Coalition to Reduce SLCPs launched in February 2012.
- Founding coalition partners—together with the UN Environment Programme—include Bangladesh, Canada, Ghana, Mexico, Sweden, and the United States.
- Meeting Planned in Stockholm (April 23, 24) to further discuss structure, membership and workplan.
- ASG will strive to communicate new information to all members as we get it.





Methane Expo 2013



- 12-15 March 2013 in Vancouver, Canada.
- Same basic framework as the previous Expos (e.g., site visits, concurrent sector-specific sessions, exhibition hall, project opportunity/success story posters, subcommittee meetings).





- Regular Expo Task Force teleconferences.
- Call for Abstracts to solicit session topics/speakers forthcoming.



Methane Expo 2013



- Dedicated Expo website.
 - www.globalmethane.org/expo
- Marketing Print Materials:
 - 2-page flyer
 - 8-page brochure
 - Special Editions of Methane International (MI) newsletter





- GMI presence at global conferences (e.g., Carbon Expo)
- Advertisements in Trade Publications
- Online Web Calendars



Methane Expo 2013 At-a-Glance Agenda



Tuesday, March 12		Wednesday, March 13			Thursday, March 14		Friday, March 15	
Registration 10:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.	Site Visits 10:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.	Registration 8:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.	Opening Plenary 9:00 a.m. –		Plenary 9:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.		Sector-Specific Sessions 9:00 – 10:30 a.m.	
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		Lunch Sector-Specific Sessions 1:30 – 3:00 p.m.		pen 10:00 a.m.	Lunch	a.m.	Lunch	Expo Open 10:00
					Sector-Specific Sessions 1:30 – 3:00 p.m.	Open 10:00	Closing Plenary 1:30 – 3:30 p.m.	
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		Sector-Specific Sessions 3:30 – 5:00 p.m.		Expo	Sector-Specific Sessions 3:30 – 5:00 p.m.	Expo		
Expo Opening & Welcome Reception		Dinner			Dinner & Cultural Event			

Revised GMI Action Plan Guidance

- All Partner countries encourage to update or complete there sector action plans.
 - New guidance now available.
- Subcommittee delegates encouraged to assist in development of Country Action Plans.
- Ideally hope to have many completed in advance of Methane Expo 2013.



Future Subcommittee Activities

- Preparing for the Methane Expo 2013.
- Potentially more closely linking to flare reduction efforts.
- Nationally Appropriate Mitigation Action (NAMA) Plan Development.
- Potential interaction in future with any CCAC oil and gas efforts.



Questions?

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