

Partnership Update:

Outreach and Communications Efforts and Progress

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Outreach and Communications Efforts

- Web site
- Outreach Materials and Events
- Newsletter
- Press/Media Exposure
- Project Tracking Systems
- Project Network Status
- Partnership-wide Accomplishments Report
- Next Partnership Expo



Web Site

- Since its launch in 2005, Web site has proved to be an invaluable source of information.
- Recently redesigned the Web site to better reflect the Partnership's growth over the last 4 years.
 - More emphasis on providing streamlined access to tools and news from both country- and sector-specific perspectives (e.g., interactive map).
 - Focus on using the Web site to better broadcast the accomplishments and success of the Partnership (e.g., success stories).
- Encourage Partners to translate/provide documents in native languages, links to their Web sites.



Redesigned Home Page





Outreach Materials and Events

- Key outreach materials (e.g., brochures, fact sheets) available online in Chinese, English, Russian, and Spanish.
- Routinely participates in international meetings or conferences (e.g., WIREC, Carbon Expo, FICCI conclaves, COP).





Newsletter

- Prepared three issues to date, with additional year-end issue planned.
 - Issue #12 (February 2009)
 - Issue #13 (June 2009)
 - Issue #14 (August 2009)
 - Issue #16 (~ December 2009)
- Will serve as important outreach component for 2010 Expo. Two issues planned:
 - Issue #15: Special Expo Edition (~ October 2009)
 - Issue #17: pre-Expo Edition (~ February 2010)



Press/Media Exposure

- Several press releases about new Partners have been posted on "News" section of the Methane to Markets Web site.
- Partners are encouraged to continue to provide the ASG with information or updates about any media exposure for inclusion on the Web site.
- As in the past, press releases will be a critical outreach mechanism for promoting (e.g., Call for Presentations)—as well as recapping results from—the Expo.



Project Tracking System

- Includes project description, anticipated benefits/outcomes, and estimated annual GHG emissions reductions.
- More than 170 ongoing projects and project ideas entered to date.
- Following the 2010 Expo, featured projects will be entered into the system to help track future progress and report results.



Project Network (PN) Status

- As of 15 August 2009, there were 921 PN members.
- Options for better engaging PN underway:
 - New Web site features PN members in success stories.
 - PN members have submitted Call for Presentations abstracts for consideration.
 - Recent/upcoming Subcommittee meetings scheduled around other industry- or sector-related events:
- In 2010, will reassess PN involvement to determine if these measures (e.g., success stories, Call for Presentations, co-located meetings) increased PN participation.



Accomplishments Report

- Objective: to provide a broad summary of the Partnership, its activities, and progress over 5 years (2004 – 2009).
- ASG led development of the report, including initial compilation of data and information.
- Subcommittees and PN members submitted projects for inclusion (April 2009), and served as primary reviewers of draft text (June 2009).
- Steering Committee reviewed/approved proposed design or "look" (July 2009).



Accomplishments Report (con't)

 Draft final mockup currently being reviewed by Steering Committee and Subcommittees (Aug/Sept 2009).



- Remaining development schedule:
 - Incorporate comments ~ Sept 2009
 - Final graphic layout ~ Oct 2009
 - Electronic files to vendor ~ Nov 2009
 - Printed report ~ Dec 2009



Next Partnership Expo

- Scheduled for 2 5 March 2010 in New Delhi,
 India at the premier Taj Palace Hotel.
- Hosted by the Government of India (see Ministries below) and EPA, with in-country partner FICCI.
 - Ministry of Coal
 - Ministry of Environment and Forests
 - Ministry of New and Renewable Energy
 - Ministry of Petroleum and Natural Gas
- Sponsorship to date:
 - Clarke Energy (Platinum)
 - Oil and Natural Gas Corporation (Grand Opening Reception for Exhibit Hall)
 - Coal Indian Limited (Platinum)



Next Partnership Expo (con't)

- Marketing is critical to promoting the Expo!
 - 2-page flyer
 - 8-page brochure
 - Clip-art ads in trade journals
 - Online event postings/list servers
- Call for Presentations:
 - Abstracts due: 30 Oct 2009
 - Notification by: 1 Dec 2009
 - Presentations due: 15 Jan 2010
- Call for Projects:
 - Project templates due: 15 Nov 2009
 - Posters will be displayed in International Methane Capture Marketplace





UNFCCC Observer Status

- The ASG applied for observer organization status under the UNFCCC in February 2009.
- The UNFCCC Secretariat did not approve the application in April 2009, citing the absence of juridical personality (e.g., non-profit status)
- The ASG has appealed the decision, asking that the application be forwarded directly to the COP for approval.
- Until the issue is resolved, the ASG cannot apply for side events, reserve booth space, display Partnership materials, or badge attendees at UNFCCC events.



Continuing Communications and Outreach Efforts

- Web site: Provide information for the newly, redesigned Web site.
- Outreach: Distribute Methane to Markets outreach materials and/or make presentations.
- Newsletter: Utilize the newsletter to highlight projects, conferences, or other success stories.
- Press/Media Exposure: Undertake outreach activities and provide links to press releases or other new items.
- Project Tracking System: Utilize the project tracking system to facilitate greater information sharing on projects and activities.



Continuing Communications and Outreach Efforts (cont'd)

- PN Status: Better engage PN members (e.g., success stories, speaking opportunities, concurrent meetings with industry events).
- Partnership Accomplishments Report: Perform timely review and once printed, promote availability to government officials and/or organization management.
- Next Expo: Promote the Expo and help determine possible attendees, presenters, and projects to ensure its success.