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AGENDA

1:30 p.m. Tuesday, December 3, 2013

Room 544 Legislative Office Building

Raleigh, North Carolina

1. Call to order
Senator Bob Rucho, Presiding
2. Introductory remarks by Cochairs (*10 minutes*)
Senator Bob Rucho
Representative Mike Hager
3. Presentation on issues concerning the electrical grid and measures and strategies that may be taken to strengthen and protect the integrity of the grid from direct or indirect attacks and/or the effects of natural disasters (*1 hour*)
 - a. NOAH Mission Statement
Sid Morris, Founder
The NOAH Foundation
 - b. The Electric Grid - "Our Most Important Infrastructure"; Why I Wrote "One Second After"
Dr. William Forstchen, Historian and New York Times Best Selling Author
 - c. Current Status and Vulnerability of the Grid
R. James Woolsey, Former Director
Central Intelligence Agency

- d. Why Isn't Our Grid Hardened?
Peter V. Pry, Executive Director
Task Force on National and Homeland Security
4. Presentation on how municipal electric systems are structured, governing mechanism, and explanation of rates (*30 minutes*)
T. Graham Edwards, CEO
ElectriCities of North Carolina
5. Presentation on the structure and function of the Utilities Commission and emerging issues in utility regulation (*30 minutes*)
Edward S. Finley, Jr., Chairman
North Carolina Utilities Commission
6. Presentation on the structure and function of Public Staff, primer on rate making for utilities including discussion of avoided cost proceedings, and emerging issues (*30 minutes*)
Christopher J. Ayers, Executive Director
Public Staff, North Carolina Utilities Commission
7. Presentation on how electric cooperatives are structured, governing mechanism, and alternative method of regulation (*30 minutes*)
Joe Brannan, Executive Vice President & Chief Executive Officer,
North Carolina Electric Membership Corporation
8. Commission discussion and announcements
9. Adjourn

FUTURE MEETINGS:

The Joint Legislative Commission on Energy Policy will meet on the following dates at 1:00 p.m. in Room 421 of the Legislative Office Building, Raleigh, North Carolina. **This schedule is tentative and subject to adjustment.** For planning purposes, however, please reserve these dates.

Tuesday, January 7, 2014
Tuesday, February 4, 2014
Tuesday, March 4, 2014
Tuesday, April 1, 2014

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

Persons having questions about the Commission meeting or other matters related to the Commission may contact Jennifer McGinnis, Commission Counsel, or other Commission staff at (919) 733-2578, or may visit the [Commission's website](#).