Local Codes Study Panel

Solar ABCs Project
Stakeholders Third Quarterly Meeting
March 25, 2008
Meeting Outline

- Objectives
- Issues and priorities
- Panel members
- Stakeholders involvement
- Study panel schedule
Objectives

◆ To investigate critical issues associated with permitting, fees, solar access, local codes and ordinances, and related items.

◆ To develop a model ordinance for solar access rights and a model building code for high wind locations.
Issues

- Expedited permitting
- Solar access and solar rights laws
- Codes for high wind load environments -- structural compliance
- Flexible codes to accommodate different jurisdictions
- Liability insurance
- Assistance with electrical codes (code compliance summaries for inspectors and plan reviewers)
- Fire protection, management and mitigation.
- Local net metering and interconnections regulations
- Local regulations, legislation and ordinances
Local Codes Study Panel
Lead: FSEC and IREC

Members:
- Gobind Atmaram
- Stephen Barkaszi
- Bill Brooks
- Rusty Haynes
- Keith McAllister
- Colleen O’Brien
- Bob Reedy
- Jane Weissman
- Chuck Whitaker

Consultant:
- Colleen Kettles
Study Panel Schedule

- First meeting with stakeholders: September 27
- Outline and priorities for the year: November 30
- Second meeting with stakeholders: December 17, 2007
- Seek stakeholders input: January 31, 2008
- Table of contents for draft reports: March 14, 2008
- Draft reports: April 18, 2008
- Final reports: May 31, 2008
Help to identify and prioritize issues and needs.

Participate in quarterly panel meetings, website forums/discussion groups, and other related activities.

Provide input and assistance to the study panel and review the study panel’s draft reports.
Stakeholders Role

◆ Make recommendations to the study panel on how to deal with specific issues.
◆ Provide technical information, data and other resources to the study panel, as appropriate.
Priority Issues for One-Year Studies

- Fast track permitting
- Solar access rights and model ordinance
- High wind loads and model code for PV arrays