Protocol for Operations of the Michigan Great Lakes Wind Council

COUNCIL MEETINGS

- Meetings will begin on time.
- Council members should be present at scheduled meetings to assure continuity. The chair may approve designation of an alternate to sit in the place of a council member.
- A website (www.michiganglowcouncil.org) has been established where meeting schedules, agendas, and meeting summaries will be posted, as well as background materials and press releases.
- Meeting summaries will be e-mailed to council members and posted to the council website. Council members’ comments will not be attributed in the summaries.
- The council will work toward general consensus recommendations. The chair will call a vote when necessary.
- Minority reports will not be contained in the final report of the council.
- Meetings will be open to the public and council documents will be available to the public on the council website.
- E-mail will be the primary means of communication to council members. Please make sure that PSC, Mikinetics, and DELEG have your current e-mail address.

DISCUSSION GUIDELINES

- We will acknowledge one another as equals in the discussion.
- We will stay open to each other’s perspective.
- We will not criticize the ideas of another, but will offer our own ideas that might be different.
- We will slow down so we have time to think and reflect.
- We will remember that this process allows us to think together and expect the process to be messy at times, particularly given the complexity of the issues with which the council will be grappling.
- We will stay focused on the charge set forth in the Executive Order.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

- Public comments will be received at the end of each council meeting and as part of special meetings for the council to hear the public.
Persons desiring to provide input will be restricted in the time allowed based upon the number of people desiring to speak.

Each person desiring to offer input will be requested to fill out a public comment card and provide it to council staff prior to the start of the public comment period.

Public comments will also be received in writing:
- Online: www.michiganglowcouncil.org (click on Public Questionnaire)
- Facsimile: (517) 484-6549
- Mail: Michigan Great Lakes Wind Council
c/o Public Sector Consultants Inc.
  600 W. Saint Joseph St., Suite 10
  Lansing, MI 48933
- E-mail: info@michiganglowcouncil.org

All comments received will be reviewed and considered, but will not receive a personal reply.

Summaries of public comments will be included in the meeting summary.