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Good morning,

You are receiving this email because you are listed as a party to the Natural Gas Fact Finding (UM 2178) service list. You should be receiving a separate calendar invitation this morning with instructions for joining the July 20 Workshop.

Staff looks forward to a productive and informative conversation at the July 20 Natural Gas Fact Finding workshop. Staff notes that while stakeholders provided a range of different perspectives at the last workshop on May 27, feedback received in comments during and after the last workshop suggests stakeholders have some aligning goals. These included the **urgent need for greenhouse gas reductions; the equitable distribution of costs associated with those reductions; and the importance of long term planning.** This alignment will serve as an important foundation for the near term actions in this fact finding effort and will help inform future work.

Workshop Preparation & Materials

In preparation for the July 20th workshop, below are discussion questions that will be presented at the workshop. Please review these questions in advance. And in the spirit of dialogue, Staff would encourage everyone to come prepared to actively listen and learn from each other. Participants will also be allotted time to think about these questions during the workshop and there will be an opportunity to provide responses to these questions for a window of time after the workshop.

- **Modeling**: The goal of the NGFF is to understand the magnitude and direction of impacts of natural gas utility compliance with the CPP to help inform the regulatory tools necessary to equitably distribute costs and incentivize GHG reductions. Given this:
 - What oversights exist in the proposed modeling approach that may limit the ability to assess gas ratepayer risks?
 - o What are your expectations regarding the supporting data behind the inputs?
- **Sensitivities**: Staff's modeling proposal includes proposed sensitivities.
 - O Which sensitivities are essential, from your perspective, to ensure that Staff and stakeholders have a full picture of the potential impacts of CPP compliance?

- o What ranges should be considered for each of the proposed sensitivities and what data are available to support proposed ranges?
- **Results**: Staff would like to ensure the resulting Compliance Models fully inform stakeholders of the risks for gas ratepayers.
 - o What types of modeling results would be most informative for your organization to see when the utility presents their CPP Compliance Models?

Materials that will be referenced during the meeting can be found in the <u>UM 2178 Docket</u>, but are also listed below for your convenience.

- NGFF Agenda for the July 20, 2021 Public Workshop
- <u>Staff's Natural Gas System Foundational Data</u>
- Staff's Climate Protection Program Compliance Modeling Proposal

If you have any questions, please feel free to reach out to me directly.

Best, Kim

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