Introduction to the APEC Smart Grid Initiative (ASGI)

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Instructions from Energy Ministers at EMM-9

- The Fukui Declaration from the Ninth Energy Ministers Meeting (EMM-9), June 2010, states that "smart grid technologies, including advanced battery technologies for highly-efficient and cost-effective energy storage, can help to integrate intermittent renewable power sources and building control systems that let businesses and consumers use energy more efficiently, and they can also help to enhance the reliability of electricity supply, extend the useful life of power system components, and reduce system operating costs."
- EMM-9 instructed EWG "to start an APEC Smart Grid Initiative (ASGI) to evaluate the potential of smart grids to support the integration of intermittent renewable energies and energy management approaches in buildings and industry."

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Suggested Elements of the Smart Grid Initiative

- Element 1 Survey of Smart Grid Status and Potential
- Element 2 Smart Grid Road Map
- Element 3 Smart Grid Test Beds
- Element 4 Development of Smart Grid Interoperability Standards



Phase 1 – Survey of Smart Grid Status and Potential

- A recently completed report "Using Smart Grids to Enhance Use of Energy-Efficiency and Renewable-Energy Technologies" (EWG 01/2009S), evaluated the potential of smart grid technologies in APEC economies to enhance the use of renewable energy and energy efficient buildings, appliances and equipment
- A related project, "Addressing Grid-interconnection Issues to Maximize the Utilization of New and Renewable Energy Resources" (EWG 02/2009) was led by Japan and completed in late 2010

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Possible Timeline: Element 1 – Survey of Smart Grid Status and Potential

- Ongoing projects were completed in late 2010 and early 2011
- Interested economies may consider a follow-up project on best practices for 2011 or 2012





Possible Timeline: Element 2 – Smart Grid Road Map

- APEC project concept note or self-funded project proposal to be prepared for endorsement at EWG-42 in late 2011
- Economies that wish to contribute ideas to the road map identify themselves at EWG-42

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Element 3 – Smart Grid Test Beds

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- Establish a network of test beds to provide operational data on emerging smart grid technologies
- Economies may also wish to offer smart grid test beds for use by grid operators, electric power suppliers, and manufacturers of energy efficient building systems and equipment
- APEC test beds would become part of a Smart Grid International Research Facility Network (SIRFN) to be coordinated by the International Smart Grid Action Network (ISGAN)

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Element 4 – Smart Grid Interoperability Standards

- Discuss interoperability standards for Smart Grid technologies under the APEC Regulatory Cooperation Advancement Mechanism on Trade-Related Standards and Technical Regulations (ARCAM) in 2011
- Based on the discussions, consider follow-up steps to develop interoperability standards across the APEC region and globally through ISGAN









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