Connecticut Department of Energy and Environmental Protection
References
Roosevelt Rides in an Electric Car – Today in History (August 22, 1902 in Hartford, CT)
http://connecticuthistory.org/roosevelt-rides-in-an-electric-car/
Review working groups, charges, and deliverables

Schedule and structure of meetings through 2015

Brief overview of EPA Clean Power Plan

GC3 outreach tools

Review and discussion of CT models of leadership, accountability, and engagement.

Discussion on the definition of leadership

Public Comments
GC3 WORKING GROUPS
“There is a reality that what Connecticut does — [with] its 3.5 million people in the third-smallest geography in the fifty states — will have relatively little to do with what happens in the world. Except that someone has to lead. Except that someone has to prove that these things can be done. … The leadership that we can demonstrate to the rest of the world as well as the 49 other states … I think is extremely important.”

Dannel P. Malloy, Governor
GC3 Meeting July 10, 2015
Governor’s Council on Climate Change (GC3)

Analysis, Data, and Metrics Working Group
James O’Donnell (CIRCA, WG Co-Chair), Robert Klee (DEEP, WG Co-Chair), Art House (PURA), James Redeker (DOT), Catherine Smith (DECD), John Humphries (CT Roundtable), Lynn Stoddard (ISE at ECSU), Don Strait (CEF)

Leadership, Accountability, and Engagement Working Group
Melody Currey (DAS), Bryan Garcia (CT Green Bank, WG Co-Chair), John Humphries (CT Roundtable on Climate and Jobs), Scott Jackson (OPM, WG Co-Chair), Evonne Klein (DOH), Lynn Stoddard (ISE at ECSU), Don Strait (CEF), Katherine Wade (DOI), and David Robinson (The Hartford)
Analyzing a preliminary set of reductions measures to determine the best path for setting an interim target and achieving the 2050 goal.

Taking a sector-based approach, assess state and national policy measures that lead to significant greenhouse gas reductions.

Explore, assess, and identify additional metrics and indicators by which we can measure success in reducing statewide greenhouse gas emissions.
Explore and identify best practice leadership models and programs that will inform and inspire agencies, municipalities, the business community, nongovernmental organizations, and the general public to take specific actions that result in emission reductions.

Develop systems to assure that Connecticut’s climate programs are effective and identify a process that ensures that the state is meeting its climate obligations.

Develop a process to effectively engage and communicate with stakeholders and ensure transparency of GC3 processes.
What strategies should be used to ensure equitable stakeholder engagement? What modes of communication should be utilized? What mechanisms should be used to ensure transparency? How should success be communicated and celebrated?

What criteria are we using to define leadership on climate change at the state agency, municipal, business, non-governmental, and general public levels? How is Connecticut already leading? What are other examples of leadership across the country and around the world? What can the GC3 recommend to support existing and increase leadership in Connecticut?

What mechanisms are state agencies, municipalities, businesses, non-governmental organizations, and the general public employing to measure progress and how frequently?
Assemble working group findings and recommendations to be included as part of the GC3 Exploratory Report.

Update the Council on working group findings and solicit additional feedback at GC3 meetings in September and November.

Present working group recommendations to the Council.
SCHEDULE & STRUCTURE
## MEETINGS

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Opportunities to solicit additional recommendations:

- Survey Public
- Public Comments
- Targeted Outreach
EPA CLEAN POWER PLAN
Reduce carbon dioxide emissions in the electric power sector 32 percent below 2005 levels by 2030

First-ever national limits on carbon pollution from power plants

Provides flexibility to states to choose how to meet carbon standards

30 percent more renewable energy generation in 2030
GC3 OUTREACH TOOLS
On Earth Day 2015, Governor Malloy issued an executive order to establish a new Governor’s Council on Climate Change (GC3) to examine the efficacy of existing policies and regulations designed to reduce greenhouse gas emissions and identify new strategies to meet emission reduction targets.

The Council consists of fifteen individuals appointed by the Governor. Eight from state agencies, two from and five individuals who represent the business community, non-governmental organizations, or local government. Members shall serve two-year terms.

Monitor Connecticut’s greenhouse gas emissions levels, establish interim target(s) to ensure the state meet its 2050 reduction target of 80% below 2001, and recommend policies, regulations, and legislative action that will assist the state to meets its targets.
From August –December 2015 the Council has separated into the following two working groups:

- Leadership, Accountability, and Engagement
- Analysis, Data, and Metrics

The working groups will provide recommendations to the full Council to incorporate into an Exploratory Report to be delivered to the Office of Policy and Management and the Governor by December 31, 2015.

The GC3 will develop a Climate Strategy for Connecticut that will include an updated GHG inventory, an analysis of GHG emission reduction measures and their economic implications, and recommendations on how state agencies, businesses, municipalities, and non-profits can integrate climate change objectives into their current and future planning efforts.
21 Mayors in CT have signed the U.S. Conference of Mayors Climate Protection Agreement

141 towns have signed onto the Clean Energy Communities Program

40+ Active municipal Clean Energy Tasks Forces

BGreen 2020 Bridgeport

Stamford 2030 District
Companies are members of the Carbon Disclosure Project (CDP). 9

Companies participate in the EPA’s Green Power Partnership program. 10

Companies participate in UI and Eversource Business Sustainability Challenge. 23

Companies with sustainability initiatives. 13+
Colleges have climate change initiatives

Conducted a greenhouse gas emissions inventory

Have set an emissions reduction target

Members of the American College & University President’s Climate Commitment (carbon neutrality)
Critical Elements

- Commitment from leadership
- Cross sector collaboration
- Targets
- Engagement strategy
- Public participation
- Economic wins

Missing Elements

- Continuous reporting
- Assured longevity
- Accountability Mechanisms
- Transparency
- Public participation
- Collaboration
DEFINING LEADERSHIP

Leadership
Selection process completed by September 15th for the Yale Environmental Protection Clinic

Doodle Poll to be sent out to determine following meeting dates of Working Group

Webinars to begin
Public Comments

2-3 minute comments related to the content presented today.