

**16th CAREC Energy Sector Coordinating Committee Meeting
10-12 September 2013, Almaty, Kazakhstan**

Agenda Item	Action Taken
1. Results of the Midyear CAREC Senior Officials' Meeting	
Summary of SOM Proceedings	<p>The CAREC Secretariat presented the outcome and outputs of the CAREC Senior Officials meeting held in Almaty on 27-28 June 2013. The 16th ESCC meeting took note of the required actions, and endorsed the inclusion of additional results monitoring indicators.</p> <p>It was noted that all but one ESCC member country still is required to provide the names of their representatives to the ESCC, and all ESCC members agreed to provide the names of their nominated representatives to the ESCC; one policy and one technical representative by end of September 2013. The objective is to have consistency of attendees at the appropriate level to the ESCC meetings.</p>
2. Updates on the Energy Work Plan	
Element 1: Developing the Central Asia – South Asia Energy Corridor	<p>The World Bank and Asian Development Bank, respectively, presented updates on CASA 1000 (transmission linkages of KGZ, TAJ, AFG, PAK via a dedicated line) and TUTAP (transmission linkage of Central Asia to PAK via proposed AFG grid).</p>
Element 2: Resolving Regional Energy Dispatch and Trade Issues	<p>Appreciated the three presentations provided and discussed areas for further focus concerning improving regional electricity trade and specific system operation aspects.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Issues of Power Exchange and Development of Regional Electric Power Trade (Khamidilla Shamsiev, Coordinating Dispatch Center) • Regional Energy Dispatch Issues (Randolph Bruton, USAID-RESET) • Enhancing Central Asia Regional Power Trade and Cooperation (Yuriy Myroshnychenko, World Bank) <p>The World Bank suggested to conduct discussions with the members of the Central Asia Power System to identify specific areas for further collaboration. Phase I to be completed by February 2014, while Phase II to take place between March 2014 and June 2015.</p>
Element 3: Managing Energy-Water Linkages	<p>Appreciated the presentation of the background information and process for the following activities:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Energy Sector Vulnerability to Climate Change; and • Central Asia Knowledge Portal. <p>World Bank to present information on activities, identified in June 2013, in subsequent ESCC meetings.</p>
Element 4: Mobilizing Funds for Building Energy Assets	<p>Endorsed the proposed technical assistance provided by the ADB of the CAREC Power Sector Financing Roadmap. The ESCC members requested the Financing Roadmap to be undertaken on an urgent basis, with due interaction with each country and focused on the financing possibilities. The Inception Report is expected in the second quarter of 2014.</p>

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Element 5: Implementation of Energy Sector Priority Projects	<p>Agreed to the draft Medium-Term Priority Project list, including the notes expressing reservations by UZB on certain projects, for consideration by the Central Asia Regional Economic Cooperation Senior Officials' Meeting/Ministerial Conference subject to the inclusion of the following projects:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Construction of Shurobskaya Hydropower Plant (TAJ) • Kunar Hydro Power Assessment 1 and 2 (AFG) • 500 kV line Datka-Khudjand (477 km), with Tajik network transferring Kyrgyz exports to Sangtuda (KGZ)
Element 6: Capacity Building and Knowledge Management	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Appreciated the completed, on-going and planned knowledge transfer and capacity building activities of USAID-RESET project. • Endorsed the proposed energy sector capacity building workshop and knowledge framework program for 2013-2015 under the CAREC Institute umbrella which will undertake one substantial event per year for 2014-2015. • Improve the dissemination of ESCC member country studies through the CAREC ESCC website. • Improve coordination with other agencies such as the UN family, International Energy Agency, Energy Charter regarding capacity building and energy sector knowledge events.
3. Next Steps for the ESCC	
ESCC to focus on its strategic content and activities including logistical arrangements for the 2015 – 2020 period.	<p>Each country expressed initial thoughts and ideas on the topic with agreement on two specific actions prior to the next ESCC meeting.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. ADB to prepare a position paper based on the ideas presented by the CAREC countries and circulate this position paper in a timely manner prior to the next ESCC meeting. 2. ESCC members to discuss and debate the future directions and activities of the ESCC, and ensure that they are prepared to discuss this topic in a detailed manner at the next ESCC meeting.
4. Country Presentations	
KAZ Energy Strategy and Renewable Energy Strategies of AFG, AZE, KGZ, MON, PAK, TAJ and UZB	<p>Appreciated the individual presentations concerning renewable energy developments by each CAREC nation.</p> <p>Agreed to more specific country focused presentations in the future. At the next ESCC meeting, Kazakhstan is requested to make a presentation on the development of Electricity Market of Kazakhstan.</p>