



MEETING MINUTES

2022 Meeting Schedule

February 17th

May 19th

August 18th

November 17th

Power Generation VPP Call

Date / time 8/18/2022 2:30 PM | *Meeting facilitated by* Alexander Miller

1. Roll call via chat function

2. Welcome by Alex & Kelli

3. Safety Moment – Michael Circle, Safety EHS Specialist, Onward Energy

a. New Standards for Fixed Ladders

b. After 11/19/18, new ladders over 24':

i. Must have a ladder safety system / PFAS

ii. After 11/19/2036, ladder cages are no longer considered fall protection. They do not have to be removed

1910.28(b)(9)(iv)

The employer may use a cage or well in combination with a personal fall arrest system or ladder safety system provided that the cage or well does not interfere with the operation of the system.

4. VPP Updates – New Applications, New Approvals, Re-Approvals, etc.

a. Chris Magnuson – Northwestern Generation

i. VPP Recertification at Madison Dam successful.



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- ii. 90 day items included a hydraulic breaker lift was out on inspection, a damaged walk-board and a missing drill press guard
- b. Brad Baptiste – Region 8 OSHA
 - i. Confirms Chris’s comments, excellent work
 - ii. Arapahoe Plant celebrated their VPP Status
 - iii. Added MWF applicant in Region 8
 - iv. Valencia site was officially recognized in AZ VPP
- c. Randall Blank – Ethos Energy - two findings
 - i. The needed additional work on Cr6 risk assessments
 - ii. had to modify (remove a section) of non-conforming water tank access ladder
- d. John O’Rourke – Kleen Energy
 - i. Their VPP Onsite is scheduled
 - ii. They completed a pre-screening with positive results and increased interview comfort.
- e. Tim Smith shared that they still have not received any scheduling updates from Region 5 VPP
- 5. VPP Element – Alex Miller & Kelli Heflin
 - a. QEW Benchmarking Project
- 6. Committee Updates
 - a. Newsletter Committee – Resuming in Q4 reminder for content mid- September



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7. Open Discussion

- a. Further benchmarking opportunities and volunteers
 - i. Volunteers will be contacted
 - ii. Suggestions for future benchmarking
 - a. Working around water
 - iii. Opportunity for PGVPP to submit questions to OSHA for LOIs
- b. 2023 PGVPP Planning Meeting scheduled for 12/8/22

8. Upcoming event

- a. 2022 VPPPA conference Schedule
 - i. Region 7 VPPPA Conference – October 17 – 19 2022 in Des Moines, IA
- b. National OSHA Alliance opportunity between OSHA and PGVPP
 - i. Initial stages in progress

9. Next Meeting — November 17th

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