



Cricket Valley Energy held the kick-off meeting for its Advisory Working Group (AWG) on Traffic and Safety on Tuesday, February 9.

This was the second in a series of three Advisory Working Groups established by Cricket Valley Energy to discuss topics of interest related to its proposal for a combined cycle power plant to be constructed on an inactive industrial site in Dover, New York.

The group discussed the tragic construction accident that took place recently at the site of the Kleen Energy Plant in Middletown, CT. Cricket Valley Energy extends its heartfelt condolences to the families and friends of the victims and will discuss the results of the investigation of the accident with the AWG when they become available. Once the facts surrounding this accident are known and credible conclusions have been drawn, Cricket Valley Energy will implement any lessons learned to ensure the safety of its neighbors and the entire Dover community.

Project representative, Fred Sellars, discussed the approach to safety taken by project owner Advanced Power. He shared the Comprehensive Site and Safety Plan (CSSP) Advanced Power required of his firm before being contracted for engineering services. The CSSP details safety procedures, safety equipment, safety training and testing that must be completed before workers can enter the Cricket Valley Energy property. A similarly detailed and rigorous CSSP will be prepared for each phase of the proposed facility.

The AWG identified topics attendees would like to cover in upcoming meetings, including:

- Safety systems and procedures during and after construction, including a specific focus on the schools
- Oversight of workers, vehicles, and the construction process
- Emergency preparedness plans
- Traffic impacts that consider existing traffic as well as future traffic that may be generated by other development proposals

The first AWG, on Air Quality, met February 3rd and addressed air quality regulations and permits that will be required from the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency. The facility's technology will make it among the most energy efficient power plants in the world.

The **Advisory Working Group on Water, Wetlands, and Wildlife will have its kick-off meeting Wednesday, February 17, 2010 at 7 p.m.** The meeting will be held at the Cricket Valley Energy Community Outreach Office at 5 Market Street in Dover Plains.

Please contact Matt Martin by email: [info@cricketvalley.com](mailto:info@cricketvalley.com) or by phone: 845-877-0596 to sign up. No experience or specialized knowledge is needed, and you may attend one, two or all three Advisory Working Groups.

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