

RENEWABLE ENERGY APPRAISALS AND COST SEGREGATION



OVERVIEW

This 1½ day symposium will examine the dominant appraisal methodologies applied to renewable energy projects. It will review the income approach, dissecting salient features that drive the all-important measures relied on for transaction negotiations and execution. The program will distinguish appraisal nuances among the various classes of renewable energy project types, as well as accounting for differences in used, mature and re-powering assets vs. new project assets. Finally, it will consider what boundaries roles that different parties - project developers, investors and sponsors, lenders and advisors - play in the formulation of a sound, enduring appraisal.

LEARNING OUTCOMES

- Review the three approaches to value of an appraisal
- Explore the role of an appraisal in M&A and tax equity financing transactions
- Assess the manifold externalities that can affect the appraisal
- Analyze fair market value for debt underwriting purposes
- Examine appraised values for tax equity investment purposes
- Evaluate the distinctions between cost segregation and cost certification studies to assign costs appropriately
- Discuss the use of appraisals for property tax purposes
- Identify prominent distinctions in appraisals between various renewable energy resources and their development cycle



Director, Gulf Coast **Energy Network**



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Operations Support Analyst, TC Energy



WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 18, 2020 - CENTRAL TIME

8:45 – 9:00 am Log In

9:00 – 9:15 am Overview & Introductions

9:15 – 10:30 am

Anatomy of an Appraisal

- Purposes of an Appraisal
 - o Property Tax Appeals
 - o Financial Reporting
 - o Insurable Values
 - o Litigation Support
 - o Strategic Management Discussion
 - M&A Transactions / Tax Equity Financing
 - o Asset Re-powering
- Three Approaches to Value
 - o Income Approach
 - o Cost Approach
 - o Sales Comparison/Market Approach
- Typical Standards of Value
 - o Fair Value
 - o Fair Market Value
 - o Fair Market Value in Continued Use
 - o Orderly Liquidation Value
 - o Forced Liquidation Value
- Factors that Can Affect the Appraisal
 - o Local, State, Regional and Federal Regulatory and Environmental Polices
 - o Global Supply Chain and Project Components
 - o Tariffs, Market Disruptions and Other Externalities
 - o Industry Trends that Affect other Grid or Generation Options
 - o Technology and Yield Enhancements

10:30 – 10:40 am

Morning Break

10:40 - 11:50 am

Analyzing the Cost Approach

- Indirect Method
 - o Sources
 - o Application
- Direct Method
 - o Sources and applications
 - o NREL
 - o www.SNL.com
- Indirect vs. Direct Method
- Useful Life
- The three forms of depreciation
 - o Physical Deterioration
 - o Functional Obsolescence
 - o Economic Obsolescence



WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 18, 2020 - CENTRAL TIME (CONTINUED)

11:50 am - 12:00 pm Morning Break

12:00 - 1:15 pm

Analyzing the Income Approach

- Overview
 - o Discounted Cash Flow Method
- Evaluating project cash flows and inputs / assumptions
 - o Operational characteristics / production
 - o Sources of revenue
 - o Operating expenses
 - o Taxes
 - o Depreciation
 - o Net working capital
- Calculating a discount rate
 - o Calculation of the weighted average cost of capital ("WACC")
- Other considerations
 - o Consideration of project location / power market construct by region
 - o The level of risk associated with the cash flows
 - o Post-PPA power price forecasting
 - o Assessing Economic Useful Life
- Critical inputs and assumptions
 - o Independent Engineering report
 - o Cost segregation analysis / report
 - Assumptions related to ITC / PTC

2:00 - 2:45 pm

Analyzing the Market Approach

- Application of the Market Approach in Appraisals
 - o C&I Context
 - o Residential, DG Context
 - o Utility-scale Context
- Guideline Companies
- Secondary Market Sources
 - o Resellers
- o Dealers
 - o Distressed Purchases

2:45 - 3:30 pm

Analyzing the FMV for Debt Underwriting

- Loan-to-value (LTV)
- Debt Coverage Service Ratio (DSCR)

3:30 - 3:45 pm

Afternoon Break

3:45 - 5:15 pm

Analyzing Appraised Values for Purposes of Tax Equity

- Evaluating and Deciding on Appraiser
- Tax Equity Credit Insurance
- Effect on Financial Model

5:15 pm

Program Adjourns for Day



THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 19, 2020 - CENTRAL TIME

8:45 - 9:00 am

Log In

9:00 - 9:45 am

Assigning Costs Appropriately

- What is a Cost Segregation Study?
- MACRS Eligibility
- Depreciation
 - o Different from Appraisal Depreciation
- What is a Cost Certification Study?
 - o ITC/PTC Eligibility and Basis Determination
- Differences between Cost Seg and Cost Cert
 - o Direct Costs
 - o Indirect Costs
- Alta Wind Legal Precedent
- California Ridge Legal Precedent
- CARES Act impact on Cost Segregation Studies

9:45 - 10:30 am

Prominent Distinctions in Appraisals between Various Renewable Energy Resources

- Solar, Wind, Biomass, Other
 - o Technologies and Deployment Scenarios
 - o Estimated Normal Useful Life ("NUL")
 - o O&M
 - o Capacity and Yield
 - o Access to Point(s) of Interconnection ("POI") and Proximity to Similar Resources
 - o Types and Nature of Incentives

10:30 - 10:45 am

Morning Break

10:45 - 11:30 am

Accounting for Differences in Project Development Stage

- Used
- Mature
- Re-powering Assets vs. New Property

11:30 am - 12:30 pm

Considerations in Evaluating a Property Tax Assessment and Estimating Property Taxes in an Acquisition

- Introduction
 - o Property Tax Overview
 - o Tangibles vs Intangible Valuation
- Case Law Overview
 - o Discussion of Various State Cases
 - o Are the plant and contract "inextricably" tied together
 - o Criteria Used for Determining Intangible Asset Valuation
- Other Criteria For Determining Intangible Asset Valuation
 - o IAAO White Paper Overview
 - o Appraisal Institute
 - Purchase Price Allocation
 - o Other authorities and sources
- Key Factors in Valuation for Property Taxes
 - o Replacement Cost Trends
 - o Sales Comparison Approach
 - o Income Approach
 - o 4th Opinion of Value (something unique to property taxation)



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- Other Factors and Considerations
 - Relationship with Assessor and Jurisdiction
 - Incentives
 - Tax Jurisdiction's Diversity and Magnitude of Tax Base

12:30 pm

Course Adjournment

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