

Roger Caiazza Correspondence with John Williams

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to john.williams

Mr. Williams,

Thank you for your suggestion for a follow-up to my question. Your response suggested that the detailed information was available so I am writing to see if you can direct me to it.

In my retirement I write a blog, [Pragmatic Environmentalist of New York](#), that has [many articles](#) about the Climate Act. I have spent a lot of time digging into the integration analysis spreadsheets. I have not been able to find many cost numbers. I believe the Draft Scoping Plan should describe all the control measures, explain the assumptions used, the expected costs for those measures, and their expected emission reductions for the Reference Case, the Advisory Panel scenario and the three mitigation scenarios. If I have missed the details that I think are appropriate then I would be very grateful if you could direct me to where they are documented.

From what I have been able to find, cost details are simply not available. For example, in Appendix G, Section I, Figure 48 lists the net present value of system expenditure in Reference Case and Scenarios 2-4. The only associated number given in the text is a mention that the Reference Case totals \$2.7 trillion. At a minimum the values of the cost categories listed on the right-hand side of the bar charts should be available in a table somewhere for each of the scenarios. As noted above I think the control measure costs should be available so that the public can check the category costs and critique the specifics

If you could provide me a location for the detailed information, I would appreciate it. If not, then my suggestion that RGGI money should be used to provide it is apropos. Given the enormity of the reductions required the state has to concentrate on getting the biggest reductions possible at the lowest costs.

Thank you.

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From: Williams, John G (NYSERDA)

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to me

Mr. Caiazza,

Apologies for my delayed reply to your message, and I have been anticipating some information to provide a substantive response to your questions.

In response to your inquiry for additional cost information, we have added clarifying information to the existing Excel document, "Appendix G Annex 2: Key Drivers and Outputs," which can be found on the Climate Action Council Draft Scoping Plan [website](#). At the end of the workbook, you will see a series of green tabs. The "Cost Methods Overview" tab describes how costs were calculated throughout the analysis. Accompanying tabs provide the data associated with the cost figures published in the Draft Scoping Plan.

We hope this will help you and all stakeholders better understand how our cost analyses were performed. Please reach out if there are any questions.

Thank you.

John Williams

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