Join us at PSERC's 2006 Summer Planning Workshop! It offers a stimulating and productive time for discussions on research and education issues, and for developing new research and education initiatives. Meetings in PSERC’s three stem areas (Markets, Systems, and T&D Technologies) engage attendees in conversations on PSERC’s 2007 proposal solicitation, research plans, and specific project ideas. Face-to-face conversations promote a better understanding of the university and business environments in which PSERC’s “collaboratory” works, and encourages the interpersonal communications that help the collaboration grow.

The workshop’s objectives are to:

- Discuss current research and update stem research plans
- Generate ideas for future research projects
- Complete drafting the proposal solicitation for new projects beginning in 2007
- Plan seminars and other educational activities
- Address PSERC planning, management and policy issues.

Participants: PSERC’s industry and university members, and invited guests.

**Workshop Agenda**

**Sunday, July 30**

1:30-5:00 p.m. Initial Stem Working Sessions
1:30 - 2:30 Markets Stem – Dick Schuler and Mark Sanford
2:30 - 2:45 Break
2: 45 - 3:45 Systems Stem – Jim McCalley and Mahendra Patel
3:45 – 4:00 Break
4:00 - 5:00 T&D Technologies Stem – Jerry Heydt and Bob Saint
5:00 - 7:00 On Your Own
7:00 - 8:30 Reception for participants and their guests

**Monday, July 31**

7:30 - 8:00 a.m. Continental Breakfast
8:00 - 12:00 Markets Stem Discussions
12:00 - 1:00 Lunch on Your Own
1:00 - 4:00 Systems Stem Discussions
4:00 - 5:00 Modernizing Grid Reliability Standards – Discussion led by Anjan Bose
7:00 - 9:00 Group Dinner
Tuesday, August 1

7:30 - 8:00 a.m.   Continental Breakfast
8:00 - 12:00   T&D Stem Discussions
12:00 - 1:00   Lunch on Your Own
1:00 - 4:00   Proposal Development Working Groups
7:00 - 9:00   Planning for 2006-7 Activities - Vijay Vittal, Director

Wednesday, August 2

7:30 - 8:00 a.m.   Continental Breakfast
8:00 - 12:00
   - Proposal Development Working Groups (continued)
   - Executive Committee Meeting
12:00   Workshop Ends

Travel Logistics

Suggested airport is Duluth, MN, with approximately a 65 mile drive (1.5 hours) from Duluth, MN to Ashland, WI.

Accommodations (Make your reservation by June 16)

The PSERC Planning Workshop will be held in Ashland, WI (http://tinyurl.com/euago) at:

Hotel Chequamegon
101 Lake Shore Drive West
Ashland, Wisconsin 54806
(715) 682-9095 or (800) 946-5555

Rates: A block of rooms is reserved under “PSERC” with rates of $62 for a “cityside” room (with a single queen bed) and $67 for a “lakeside” room (with two queen beds). A limited number of “deluxe” cityside rooms (with two queen beds, larger room, and refrigerator) are available for $77/night.

Reservations must be made by Friday, June 16. All reservations after the cut-off date will be taken on a space and rate availability basis (that is, the special meeting rates do not apply). All room reservations must be guaranteed for arrival by a credit card. Cancellation of reservations must be made 48 hours before arrival. If reservations are cancelled within 48 hours of arrival, or
the reservation “no shows”, the guest will be charged one night’s room and tax. Check-in time is 3:00 p.m. and check-out time is 11:00 a.m.

Note: Hotel Chequamegon does not have rooms available to PSERC guests on Saturday night, July 29. You may wish to stay at another hotel in the Ashland area, or somewhere along Route 2 from Duluth to Ashland (such as Iron River - see the attached map). Alternatively, you may want to stay near the Duluth airport on the evening of July 29, and drive to Ashland on Sunday, July 30. We suggest using on-line registration services to find your hotel for Saturday night since the best rates vary considerably based on availability.

Resources for Leisure Activity Information
(http://tinyurl.com/euago)

Apostle Islands National Lakeshore
http://www.us-parks.com/ Apostle_islands/index.html

In the Apostle Island chain, Madeline Island:
http://www.wisconsinhistory.org/madelineisland/details.asp

Chequamegon-Nicolet National Forest
http://www.fs.fed.us/r9/cnnf/

Copper Falls Wisconsin State Park
http://dnr.wi.gov/org/land/parks/specific/copperfalls/

Apostle Highlands Golf Course
http://www.golfbayfield.com/

Apostle Islands Cruise Service:
http://www.apostleisland.com/

Big Top Chautauqua Tent Show
http://www.bigtop.org/index.php

Museums & Attractions of Bayfield, WI (neighboring city to Ashland, WI)
http://www.explorewisconsin.com/countypages/bayfield.html#museums

Registration (Register by June 30)

Register by completing the registration form and submit it following the directions on the form. This workshop is for PSERC members only!

Registration Fee
The registration fee for the PSERC workshop is $195 per person. There is no additional charge for a participant’s guests. The fee covers the continental breakfasts, breaks, reception, dinner, and materials. Payment information is on the registration form.

Information
Brianna Reed (480-965-1643 or Brianna.Reed@asu.edu) can help you with registration and logistical questions. If you have general questions about the workshop agenda, please contact Dennis Ray, PSERC Executive Director, at 608-265-3808 or djray@engr.wisc.edu.