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Administration

- Review/Modify Agenda: The Draft Agenda was adopted without modification.
- The Draft Minutes from the 7/10/2015 EDI Business Working Group (BWG)/Technical Working Group (TWG) meeting were adopted without modification.
- DPS Staff Remarks Staff is working with vendor to fix ASKPSC.com website issues..

7/24/2015 Report & Other Regulatory Matters

No feedback on the 7/24/2015 Report has been received yet. The Commission will have to issue a SAPA for comments. The request for extension on testing of APP credits was approved; the new deadline is December 3, 2015. In response to discussion, the BWG Chair clarified that only the 814C (or 810 for Bill Ready Implementations) changes need to be tested by that date. Asked if other APP oriented transactions should be tested by December, the BWG said there was no requirement to do so but depending upon whether other regulatory developments take place it may make sense for a utility to test the other transactions. Alternatively, the EDI Working Group may file for another extension depending upon the outcome of the low income collaborative.

Utility Supported EDI Transactions

- A posted workpaper was reviewed. Barbara Goubeaud asked suggested that Con Ed's response for the reinstatement request should say "Yes" as it does for O&R. Eric Heaton (ConEd) sent an email confirming that it should be "Yes". Observing that the terminology surround reinstatement requests can be confusing, the BWG Chair noted that 814R reinstatement transactions are sent by utilities but reinstatement requests sent by the ESCOs actually use an 814D.
- It was confirmed that only ConEd is sending Gas Profiles using 867HUs and that some gas profile items, formerly provided by National Grid, have been removed from the EDI Standards.
- With regard to the 568AR and 568PA transactions, no utilities will support them once NFG replaces the 568AR functionality with a non-EDI process. These transactions could be removed from the EDI Standards of archived, i.e. made inactive but not removed. There will be discussion on the next step for the 568 transactions at the next meeting.
- With regard to the 248AA transaction, only NFG uses it currently because it operates a POR with Recourse program. The BWG Chair thinks it is possible that the 248AA may end up being used in an analogous manner for Value Added Services.
- NYSEG and Grid noted that they accept 824AA-NN transactions but don't do anything with them. Other utilities should check to see how they handle 824AA-NN transactions. It was determined that the Grid said the matrix will be expanded for discussion next week to show request/response or inbound/outbound (from the utilities perspective).

APP Credits - Potential EDI Items from Low Income Collaborative

The BWG Chair noted that there were potential EDI Items discussed during the 7/23/2015 low income collaborative meeting regarding protections for low income ESCO customers. The discussion during today's meeting is hypothetical, i.e. there is no formal collaborative proposal (or Order) supporting the business processes to be discussed.

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While customer privacy concerns are critical, discussion did not result in a recommendation to create new low-income specific transactions, i.e. modification of existing transactions was seen as the more appropriate direction. The questions and preliminary responses are as follows:

- If a Utility needed to inform an ESCO of a current customer's low income status, what transaction would be appropriate? **814C**
- If a Utility needed to inform an ESCO of a customer's low income status *prior* to enrollment, what transaction would be appropriate? **867HU potentially in PTD^FG loop or possibly the 814HU Response**
- Are there data considerations regarding the amounts conveyed in a 503 transaction if the ESCO's requirement to provide a price guarantee becomes effective on the first day of the customers next billing cycle?
 Do the data considerations change if the low income price guarantee obligation becomes effective the day the ESCO is notified by the utility? From a data perspective next billing cycle.

Other Business

None

Establish date/time for next meeting

The next meeting will be a combined BWG/TWG meeting on Friday 8/21/2015 at 10 AM.

Attendees

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Travis Bickford – Fluent Energy	Steve Chrysler – Latitude Technologies
Tom Dougherty – Aurea Energy Services	Barbara Goubeaud – EC Infosystems
Jason Gullo – National Fuel Resources	Gary Lawrence – Energy Services Group
Jennifer Lorenzini – Central Hudson	Janet Manfredi – Central Hudson
Rick Malek – National Grid	Brian Meredith – IGS Energy
Veronica Munoz – Accenture	Mike Novak – National Fuel Gas
Jean Pauyo – Orange & Rockland	Kris Rednauer – Direct Energy
JoAnne Seibel – Orange & Rockland	Sergio Smilley – National Grid
Robin Taylor – Dept. Public Service	Jasmine Thom – CES
Charlie Trick – NYSEG/RG&E	Marie Vajda – NYSEG/RG&E
Jennifer Vigil – Champion Energy Services	Craig Wiess – National Grid
Amie Williams – Agway Energy	Jay Zhang – Just Energy