

Case 12-M-0476, et. al.
EDI Business Working Group (BWG)/
Technical Working Group (TWG)
Final Minutes – July 10, 2015

Administration

- Review/Modify Agenda: The Draft Agenda was adopted without modification. The Chair noted that an Barbara Goubeaud would be asking questions concerning testing and implementation of the transactions ordered by the Commission on March 2, 2015 (“March Order”) under the “July 20 Report – Other” agenda item. A workpaper submitted for the discussion was inadvertently not posted.
- The Draft Minutes from the 6/26/2015 EDI Business Working Group (BWG)/Technical Working Group (TWG) meeting were adopted without modification.
- DPS Staff Remarks – None.

July 20 Report Deliverables

- a. Updates to Report Preparation Web Page

Drafting of the July Report is underway but a version for posting or pre-filing circulation is not available yet.

- b. Phase III Testing

The TOP Changes – Supplement 2 filed with the October 2014 Report did not clearly indicate that the streamlined procedures for testing of the initial round of EDI Changes also applied to Phase III testing, so clarification was added and will be filed with the July Report. A workpaper showing the clarifying text was reviewed.

- c. Reducing Time between EDI Standards filings and Implementation

There is nothing new to report. The last posted workpaper on this topic will be one of the attachments to the July Report. The text of the Report will include a discussion of how the expedited process could reduce the overall timeline.

- d. APP Credit Oriented Changes (503/820/814C)

A workpaper showing the BWG Chair’s log of the changes made to these transactions since the last meeting was discussed. Prior changes to the 824 transaction to reject 503 transactions were removed and replaced with a non-EDI process (via email/phone call). A workpaper adding clarifying language to the 814C Business Practice document discussing UBR Utility use of the 814C transaction for APP Credits was reviewed also.

- e. Exchange of Customer email address in 814E and 814C

A workpaper with additional that would allow the utility, when it does not have phone number, to send an email address or fax number in the 814E PER03 segment was reviewed. The proposed changes to the 814C and 814E transactions, which will be implemented at the discretion of the utility, now correspond more closely to the analogous segments in the EDI standards for nearby states. A question was raised about whether comparable changes should be made to the PER segment in the N1BT loop (the proposed changes are to PER04-08 in the N18R loop). There was no consensus to move forward at this time.

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f. iCap IG Notes Errata

The changes proposed by NYSEG/RG&E to the 814C Implementation Guide were completed. Other changes, detailed in the BWG Chair’s log workpaper, have been made addressing errata were noted.

g. Other

Barbara Goubeaud raised questions concerning implementation of changes from the March 2015 Order and proposed changes in the April 2015 report; specifically each utility’s timeline for various items. Utilities responded with the status of the items. There was discussion on use of the 248 and 568 transactions in New York and an observation that some transactions are supported sparingly, if at all. A workpaper showing which transactions are supported by each utility will be prepared for discussion at an upcoming meeting.

Establish date/time for next meeting

The next meeting will be a combined BWG/TWG meeting on Friday 7/31/2015 at 10 AM.

Attendees

Mary Agresti – National Grid	Jeff Begley – NOCO Energy Corp.
Mary Do – Latitude Technologies	Thomas Dougherty – Aurea Energy Services
Barbara Goubeaud – EC Infosystems	Gary Lawrence – Energy Services Group
Jennifer Lorenzini – Central Hudson	Janet Manfredi – Central Hudson
Veronica Munoz - Accenture	Mike Novak – National Fuel Gas
Jean Pauyo – Orange & Rockland	Debbie Rabago – Ambit Energy
JoAnne Seibel – Orange & Rockland	Sergio Smilley – National Grid
Robin Taylor – DPS Staff	Jasmine Thom – CES
Marie Vajda – NYSEG/RG&E	Craig Wiess – National Grid
Amie Williams – Agway Energy	