

Case No. 12-M-0476 et al.
EDI Business Working Group (BWG)/
Technical Working Group (TWG)
Final Minutes – October 19, 2018

Administration

- Review/Modify Agenda: The Draft Agenda was adopted with modification to the date for the next meeting.
- The Draft Minutes from the 10/5/2018 meeting were adopted as final without modification.
- DPS Staff Remarks: None.

Regulatory Update

The BWG Chair noted that while there had no specific action directly impacting EDI since the last working group meeting. There were no questions.

Updates to EDI Implementation Plan(s)

There were no updates or questions concerning the EDI Standards Matrix.

Next EDI Report

The BWG Chair reviewed the items that would be included in the next EDI Report filing would tentatively be scheduled for November 30, 2018.

Gray Box Note Conventions

With regard to the gray box note conventions, the BWG Chair reviewed an updated workpaper showing the proposed modifications REF*7G, REF*AJ and REF*SU segments based upon discussion during the last working group meeting. The workpaper also included modifications from the TWG Chair concerning consistency among the Mailing Address segments (N1, N3, N4 and PER) offline. Specifically, for the PER segment, both ESCO Request and Utility Response were set to Conditional to align with the N1, N3 and N4 segments.

The BWG Chair noted that gray box note conventions updates for the 814HU transaction could be available for discussion at the next meeting.

GISB EDM Discussion

The BWG Chair reviewed an updated workpaper showing proposed modifications to the TOP guide updated for discussion at the last meeting. Notably, the recommended 1024-bit public key will become required. Any decision to move to a longer key will be addressed by new Cyber Security Working Group. Additionally, the requirement to change public keys annually will be changed to periodically and utilities will be able to batch changes for ESCOs

and EDI Service Providers based upon the period which will also be determined by the new Cyber Security Working Group.

The BWG Chair also discussed revised language for alternative secure electronic mediums (due to evolving technology) to be used when EDI was not functional for at least five days. The Cyber Security Working Group will also need to review whether further changes are required, e.g. automatic failover mechanisms.

Transition Timeline

The BWG Chair announce that a one year transition period for utilities to switch from GISB EDM 1.4 to GISB EDM 1.6. Ideally, utilities would not all transition at the same time so that testing could be dispersed throughout the year rather than back loaded at the end of the period. It was noted that National Grid already has implemented GISB EDM 1.6 across all of its territories and Central Hudson supports it as an option. The TWG Chair expressed hope that utilities would transition sooner than later.

Other Business

None.

Establish Date/Time for Next Meeting

The next meeting combined BWG/TWG meeting is scheduled for Friday 11/9/2018 at 10 AM.

Attendees

Alan Castro – EC Infosystems	Barbara Goubeaud – EC Infosystems
Bianca Marine – O&R	Sergio Smiley – National Grid
Gary Lawrence – Energy Services Group	Tom Rankin – Marketwise
Jasmine Acosta – Customized Energy Solutions	Liz Ciborowski – NYSEG/RGE
Christina Binmore – XOOM	Tina Joseph – Champion Energy Services
Bobby Hemphry – Constellation	Mary Do – Big Data Energy Services
Amy Delooza – Agway Energy	Mike Day - IGS
David Tidman – Constellation	Mike Novak – National Fuel Gas Dist.
Tammy Durgan – Avangrid	David Parnell – Direct Energy
Pete Foster – NYSEG/RGE	Rebecca Sweeney – DPS Staff
Nicole Barker – National Fuel Gas Dist.	Travis Bickford – Fluent Energy
Jim Wade – Customized Energy Solutions	Eric Heaton – Con Edison
Jennifer Lorenzini – Central Hudson	Janet Manfredi – Central Hudson
Diane Neira – NYSEG/RGE	Kim Wall – Hansen Technologies
Barbara White – Ambit	