

Case No. 12-M-0476 et al.
EDI Business/Technical Working Groups
Meeting Notes

July 24, 2020 – 10:00 AM to 12:00 PM

GTM (no audio) link: <https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/806330517>

Conference Call Information:

Toll Free Phone Numbers: **844-633-8697**

Local Phone Number: **518-549-0500**

Meeting ID: **34300254**

1) **Welcome**

- a. Attendance
- b. Review/Modify Agenda
- c. DPS Staff Remarks

2) **NY EDI Working Group Meetings:**

- a. Purpose
 - Per Working Group co-chair: The purpose has changed since the start of the call and its original purpose. Format can change with respect to soliciting agenda items from participants.
 - ENGIE comments – it is standard practice for other states to hold an EDI Working group meeting. These other groups also solicit agenda items from participants.**
 - If no agenda items, meetings can be cancelled, but it should not be a situation where meetings are cancelled concurrently.**
- b. Frequency
 - Quarterly, monthly, bi-monthly were options that were considered.

3) **Case 19-M-0463:** confirm report submitted on 07/01

-Report submitted on July 1st. No additional Comments.

4) **Bill Option Change Control:** review JU doc

-Document was submitted as a starting point to begin the discussion.

-**Christine w/ Big Data Energy-** Inquired if the change request to make the field mandatory was not an option and the only option were the alternatives laid out in the document. Inquires if the change can be slated for 6 months or a year in the future. States the shortcomings posed by the issue outweigh the alternative solutions proposed by JUs. States that the change should be made for the benefit of the market to ensure NY is up to speed with other markets.

-**NRG-** States that New York utilities should make the change mandatory to ensure NY is in line with other state markets. They state the proposed alternatives are insufficient as they could result in additional processing errors.

-**Tom Dougherty-** Suggests that the change be pushed out in the future or looped into an existing project that relates to the issue with the 867.

-**JU's-** Perspective is to avoid the change being mandatory currently.

-**NYSEG RGE-** Will look into looping change into other projects as they move forward.

-**Josh P. with Grid-** states he will look into the timeline it took Grid to implement the change

-**Kim Wall-** States the issue is a flaw in the market that results in consumers not getting billed for long periods of time, or overbilled. The issue results in lost time with ESCOs having to research

the issue that causes the problem to compound with consumers, ESCOs, and EDI providers. States that JU systems are aware of the bill option within the EDI file as the data is transmitted, which she states makes the change process easier. Kim states that the time it would take to make the change is minor, and not cost effective. The time it takes to resolve the individual issue caused by the optional field in the 867 takes more time to resolve than it would to make the change to the mandatory field. **If there isn't a consensus to have the change made by October 2021, Kim believes the matter should be brought to the Commission to ensure the proper change is made to resolve the matter indefinitely.**

-Eric Heaton ConEd- Suggests the ESCOs take a more proactive approach in trouble shooting.

-Pete Foster NYSEG RGE- States that the 814 enrollment form should resolve the issue because a bill option is communicated. Also believes that the other files being transmitted work to correct the issues.

-Susan P w/ Constellation- States that the billing issue is a result of JUs not following correct EDI guidelines and inquires if it is the position of the JUs that because they are not following the correct EDI format, they want ESCOs and EDI providers to troubleshoot the issue to the detriment of customer experience.

5) **Interval Usage for EDI:** Gary Lawrence

-Waiting to hear back from GRID and Another Utility to see if change is planned to be implemented.

6) **Net metering:** pending utilities answering questions previously sent

-Further discussion unwarranted until all utilities provide their answers.

7) **Establish Date/Time for Next Meeting**

a. Recurring Meetings the 4th Friday of the month from 10 AM – 12 PM

-Decision to change day of call from Friday to Thursday.

b. Next call August 27, 2020

8) **Final Adjournment**

-10:58 am.

Attendees

Susan Phinnessee - Constellation	Tom Rankin – Marketwise
Frank Nunes - EC Infosystems	Gary Lawrence - Energy Services Group
Emily Cimolie – Clean Choice Energy	Amy Delooza – Agway
Kim Wall – HansenX	Pete Foster – NYSEG RGE
Mike Mastroianni – Fluent Energy	Jeff Begley – NOCO Energy
Mike Bachan – Central Hudson	Stephen Wilson – Vistra Energy
Julia Goodchild – Direct Energy	Janet Manfredi – Central Hudson
Tracy Gatano - IGS	IgueHita Odomore – EMGIE
Josh Pasquariello – National Grid	Rina Tomayo – Just Energy
Bianca Merine – O&R y	Christine Hughey – Big Data Energy
Jen Lorenzinni – Central Hudson	Andrew Reevy – O&R
Greg Accardo – National Grid	Tom Dougherty – Market Wise
Liz Ciborowski – NYSEG RGE	David Tidman – Constellation
Christina Binmore - NRG	Ophelia Heard - EMGIE
Alex Delarosa - EMGIE	Samantha Curry – Starion Energy
Jim Wade – Customized Energy	Diane Neira – NYSEG RGE