

September 2, 2015

E² Working Group Meeting Minutes

The E² Working Group meeting was held in the 3rd Floor Hearing Room at 3 Empire State Plaza and via conference call. The following organizations participated in person or via conference call.

E² Working Group Members	Ex-Officio Participants
Central Hudson	PSEG-LI
Con Edison	
DPS	
National Grid	
NYSEG	Parties
NYSERDA	PACE
Orange and Rockland	
RG&E	

1. Introductions.

2. Review of 5/28/15 minutes.

No changes were made.

ACTION ITEM: Staff to post final minutes to website.

3. Subcommittee Updates

- **EEPS II Wind Down Subcommittee**

Staff provided an update as to the work that has been completed and what is left to be done. Staff reported that EEPS II reporting application will be used to report commitments and encumbrances after 2015 and that commitments and encumbrances will need to be closed out within 2 years for the purposes of EEPS II shareholder incentives. Staff also reported that it is developing an audit plan to present to the subcommittee. The plan is to audit energy efficiency the same way other aspects of the utility are audited; all programs, project level data for certain months.

- **Self Direct Subcommittee**

Self Direct Guidance was filed on August 3, 2015. The subcommittee will continue to meet to develop common applications and reporting forms. Next meeting - TBD.

- **Post 2015 Reporting**

Staff will develop a Straw proposal for future reporting requirements. A subcommittee may be formed based on the reaction from the Straw proposal.

- **Market Transformation and Metrics Subcommittee**

NYSERDA is open to participating and potentially be chair, if needed. This subcommittee is currently on hold until the time when the discussions are more appropriate.

4. **ETIP Discussion**

Staff sent IRs on 9/1/2015; responses are due 9/16/2015. The responses should be emailed to Debbie LaBelle at Debra.LaBelle@dps.ny.gov; they do not go through DMM. The IRs are intended to develop a story and provide a rationale to any questions that the Commissioners may have. In-person meetings with the utilities are in the process of being scheduled. If additional time is needed to respond to the IRs, utilities should request the additional time, and send in any completed responses. PACE requested the IRs and responses be shared with the public and stated that stakeholders may have many of the same questions contained in the IRs.

Please Note: after the E² Working Group meeting, the IRs were posted to the E² Working Group website. The responses will also be posted when they are received.

In response to a request for clarification concerning IRs requesting workpapers, Staff explained that it is looking for the information that led up to the numbers provided in the ETIP. For example, for BCA, Staff is interested in the inputs that resulted in the final number. Work papers are likely in the form of a spreadsheet.

A question whether Staff still had viewing rights to Cadmus data base program that stores the utilities' information. Con Edison and NYSEG/RGE currently use Cadmus, while Central Hudson, National Grid, and O&R do not.

5. **TRM and Measure Classification Lists Discussion**

- The TRM Management Committee (TRM MC)
 - Amanda DiMaso of Central Hudson will serve as a liaison between the TRM MC and the E² Working Group.
 - Written updates to the Subcommittee Update Form will be provided monthly to keep the E² Working Group members that are not on the subcommittee informed of progress.
 - The TRM in effect through 12/31/2015 is Version 2. No changes to Version 2 or the Measure Classification List will be made during the final months of EEPs.
 - TRM Version 3, issued on 6/1/2015, has an effective date of 1/1/2016 and incorporates revisions related to the EM&V studies that, in general, lowered energy savings estimates.
 - TRM Version 3.1 will address measures that are currently on the Measure Classification List but are not in the TRM as well as measures that utilities want to start offering on 1/1/2016 that are not in the TRM. The TRM MC is prioritizing their work load and identifying these measures to develop Version 3.1.
 - TRM Version 4 will go into effect on 1/1/2017. Version 4 takes into account the Utility EE Program Cycle that includes an annual update to the TRM to inform the next round of ETIP filings.

- The measure classification list will no longer be in effect on 1/1/2016. Staff will no longer be approving measures or maintaining a Measure Classification List. New measures will be added to programs within the program year by adding the measure(s) to the TRM through the TRM MC. New measures will be added within the year using a process anticipated to be similar to the current Record of Revisions process on a quarterly basis. The TRM MC is currently developing these processes.

Other Discussions

- CEF - There was a discussion regarding NYSERDA's CEF and a question was asked regarding whether Staff asked IRs of NYSERDA, and if so, stated that it would be beneficial for the IRs and responses to be shared with the E² Working Group. Staff responded that it did not send IRs to NYSERDA, adding it is currently reviewing stakeholder comments.
- Reallocation letters – Staff requested that when utilities submit reallocation letters they include the excel spreadsheet containing the reallocation tables. Staff stated that it may change the guidance to reflect this or may just ask for the spreadsheet once the letter is filed.

6. Comments from Ex-Officio Participants and Parties

None

7. Next Meeting

- Staff proposed canceling the October and November E² Working Group meetings, stating that it may be more productive to provide utilities the opportunity to meet, in person and teleconference, on an individual basis.
 - There were no objections.
- The next meeting is scheduled for December 2, 2015 from 10-12pm in the 3rd Floor Hearing Room. The room will be available in the afternoon for subcommittee meetings.