IIRG Meeting Notes

May 6, 2025

1. Kate presented a proposal for facilitator offering three months of facilitation service pro-bono
   1. The MA DPU may require EDC’s to request quotes for future service.
   2. Kate will reach out to facilitator with notice that we may need to have competitive bidding to hire an entity for future work and ask if they will still offer Pro-bono service. If we would request service to include summer months.
2. DOER will be hosting a website for the IIRG. The website is live at [website](https://url.us.m.mimecastprotect.com/s/_0i9CkRwDPfYP6ADf2fPfG0cVl?domain=mass.gov)
3. ESS Subgroup Update - Mike Porcaro
   1. Metering arrangements
      1. There are a couple different arrangements meeting with ISO-Ne
      2. Document in draft
   2. Open loop response time
      1. Existing document uses 30 seconds – EDC are looking for something shorter
      2. Summary document is being drafter.
   3. Next topic is how ESS load is treated in queue management
   4. Next meeting is May 19, 2025
4. TSRG Update - Shakir Iqbal
   1. Common Guideline document to be updated
   2. Meter Collars – Connect DER is asking to present to TSRG on
   3. Flexible Interconnection subgroup updates will be included in June meeting
   4. Other topics for discussion
      1. Open loop feedback
      2. Effective Grounding analysis
      3. FERC 2222
5. Interconnection Reporting reform update - Gerry Bingham
   1. The subgroup sent a list of potential items for future reporting to the MA DPU.
   2. The filing is on the website
6. Net Metering Expansion issue - Courtney Feeley Karp
   1. There is a desire to make sure issues are communicated within IIRG as regulatory dockets (e.g. Net Metering) dockets were being addressed. We don’t want to miss opportunity to guide MA DPU.
   2. Example: a developer was told they would not be able to expand their existing system under the new Net Metering language, due to interpretation of a Net Metering order.
7. Public engagement – Kate Tohme
   1. We have an opportunity to reach out to public for comment
   2. An option would be for public to reach out to MA CEC or ACT to request discussion
   3. Another option is to give public a time slot in the IIRG meetings to voice comments/concerns, like the GMAC meetings.
8. Application fee review – Kate Tohme and Brett Jacobson
   1. The IIRG may form a new subgroup to discuss application fees. The scope and details would need to be worked out. The topic of common system modification fees were included (as non concensus) to DPU.
9. Substantive topic list – Andrew Hickok and Kate Tohme presented list of topics recommended by the industry members of IIRG (available on Website). The list of topics were originally created within the IIRG. The list presented was industry member recommendation of priority
   1. Additional topics listed
      1. Application Fee / Simplified Common System modification – Create subgroup
      2. FERC 2222 order
      3. Existing equipment replacement (Repowering)
      4. Revising Tariff Exhibits
   2. At next meeting we will be voting on next steps of topics
10. Plan for next meeting
    1. It is to be determined if we combine next two meetings (May and June) or keep to the existing schedule
    2. The membership will be surveyed and notified