

NEW HAMPSHIRE



GRID MODERNIZATION ADVISORY GROUP (GMAG)

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Minutes of the September 19, 2024

Meeting Date: September 19, 2024, 11:00 AM to 11:42 AM

Location:

Walker Building, Hearing Room B
New Hampshire Department of Energy
21 S. Fruit St, Concord NH

Attendees: Full stakeholder list and attendance attached

In person: Don Kries (The Consumer Advocate), Mark Toscano (Department of Energy).

Remote: Robert Hayden (Standard Power of America), S. Gagnon (Eversource), Sam Evans-Brown (Clean Energy New Hampshire), Brian Callnan (Community Power Coalition of NH), Griffin Roberge (Eversource), Cliff Below (Community Power Coalition of NH), Deana Dennis (Community Power Coalition of NH), Jeremy Clark (NH Electric Cooperative), Chris Skoglund

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Mr. Kreis called the meeting to order shortly after 11:04 am., those present, in person and remotely, introduced themselves briefly.

I. Meeting minutes of the August 27, 2024, meeting

On motion of Mr. Toscano and seconded by Mr. Hayden, the GMAG unanimously approved the minutes of the August 27, 2024, meeting as drafted.

II. Discussion of the recently complete Interconnection Cost Allocation Report

- Brief discussion on final Interconnection Cost Allocation Report. No concerns or issues raised regarding the report.
- Mr. Skoglund and Mr. Toscano will prepare an abbreviated version for inclusion into the GMAG annual report.

III. Upcoming Proceeding for DER Interconnection and En 900 Rules

- Mr. Skoglund inquired if the PUC will have to adjudicate this proceeding since cost will be involved.
- Mr. Kreis stated DOE may have some authority with regard to costs, and this should be addressed in the annual report.
- Mr. Skoglund noted that so long as costs are not proposed to be passed on to ratepayers the PUC likely would not have to be involved.
 - For example, costs could be allocated and/or shared solely among the DER developers.
- Mr. Toscano announced the pending Order of Notice for the new proceeding, and that the IREC Interconnection guidelines will be used as the straw proposal.

IV. Transactive Energy Working Group

M. Dennis provided an update of the following:

- Two more meetings will be held prior to the due date of the annual GMAG report.
- A straw proposal will be provided.
- Will report on costs, benefits and challenges, including examples of other locations doing transactive energy.
- Expect to have a draft report in a week or two.
- We may want to include an additional GMAG meeting to discuss.

Mr. Kreis asked if there would be benefit of circulating the draft report to a larger group, or the full GMAG, and settled on recommending it be sent to the full GMAG.

Participants agreed on the need to have the draft Transactive report complete and ready for discussion at the next GMAG meeting, scheduled for October 17th.

V. GMAG Annual Report

- Mr. Kreis stated the need to have a full draft GMAG report for discussion at the October 24th meeting.

VI. Meeting Attendance and Future Meeting Schedule

Mr. Kreis reminded the group of the need to have more members physically in attendance rather than remote.

Future meetings to be able to address the GMAG report due in November were confirmed as follows:

- October 17th - Address Transactive report.
- October 24th – Discuss full draft report.

VII. Adjournment

With no other topics to discuss Mr. Toscano motioned to end the meeting, seconded by Mr. Hayden, the GMAG unanimously voted to adjourn at approximately 11:42 a.m.

Minutes compiled by Mark Toscano