EBE Evaluation Committee Monthly Meeting Minutes

Monday November 6, 2017 – 10:00-11:30

Department of Energy and Environmental Protection – Public Utilities Regulatory Authority, Commissioner’s Conference Room, OCC, 10 Franklin Sq., New Britain, CT

Meeting Materials in Box folder: https://app.box.com/s/kzl1u6d5rb8ybut1uik2frfv24uiu8u

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COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

1. ATTENDANCE: O’Connor*, Duva*, Melley, Gorthala*, Lewis, Oswald, Swift, Reed, Jacobson, Skumatz, Chiodo, Prahl. Guest: Ledyard

2. No Public Comment

3. Approval of Minutes from October meeting (distributed 11/1) - EVOTE to follow this meeting.

4. Non-Project Updates and Issues
   a. We reviewed / walked through the interim e-votes and recent / upcoming meetings included at the bottom of the agenda.
   b. Presented SERA Team invoices from August – October (sent 11/3). Memo notes we expect to exceed the budget for 2017 because of uneven work across the 3 year period. Expecting to stay within budget for 3 years. Committee acknowledged.

5. Priority project issues
   a. Update from UI on Contracting / paperwork (updated memo). Discussed interim 10/20 meeting that was held at which UI contracting person (Theresa Terry) stated contracts should be completed in 2-3 weeks (Nov 3-Nov 10), this week. We want to keep on this, as the delays are dramatically affecting projects and timing, so a follow-up meeting is desired – preferably on Friday 10/10. If the contracts are completed by that time, it will be an abbreviated call. If they are not, we will be considering “next steps” – including evaluations on Eversource only now, with different costs / procedures for UI evaluations or other options. Follow-up from this meeting is to schedule a meeting with McDonnell and Terry on Friday to discuss options if there are no contracts completed.
   b. Budget amendment requests (did not forward memo / not discussed)

6. Non-Project - follow-up on data cost memo / EEB and Data Process Revisions
   a. Status of data cost memo was provided by O’Connor. Skumatz noted the projects for which data problems had occurred were told to go ahead and use those funds. They have billed and not been paid, affecting the projects. Although the committee’s memo requested funds not be drawn from Evaluation dollars, Skumatz requests that those funds come from evaluation dollars in the short run, with the reimbursement from whatever sources are determined by EEB occurring later. Skumatz noted the committees vote was akin to their
previous / traditional votes over evaluation dollars, so Skumatz will draft a short memo to the utilities to ask them to augment the budgets as needed and pay the invoices. No dissent.

b. Meeting(s) on revised / enhanced data process – Skumatz discussed meeting held in Early October, and that comments had been received from utilities. EA Team is developing a revised draft for consideration and a follow-up meeting (to be scheduled).

7. Discussion of Projects / Status (and data) – see Gantt & Project summaries (distrib 11/2)
   a. Conducted walk through of commercial and residential projects per the content of the Gantt and project summary reports. Special meetings (utility data discussions, kickoffs, etc. in table at end of the agenda).

8. Legislature budget sweep – implications / discussion – Group presented the basics of the legislature budget sweep, and it is noted that there is much unknown --- calendar year vs. fiscal year, retroactive or not, timing, etc. Not moving forward with projects that haven’t started (no contracts anyway), but in general nothing needed from EA Team until more is known / keep posted.

9. Other items –
   a. No news on DEEP / NEEP M&V 2.0 Grant, or Gorthala project.

*** Supporting Materials in Box folder and attached, including:
- Updated Gantt Chart & Project Status Summary
- E-votes / call notes (attached)
- Memo with Project contracting status matrix
- Minutes from Sept meeting
- SERA Invoice
- Budget memos;

Summary of 2017 Votes To Date –

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Other Votes and Meetings

December 2017
- 12/1 HES Process and Impact Data meeting

November 2017 (not yet completed)
- 11/2 – Kickoff NEI project
- 11/13-DR pilots programs info (R&C)

October 2017 (not yet completed)
- 10/2 - Data Processes meeting
- 10/4 – Data call – R1707 (RNCNTG)
- 10/5 – Data call – R1706, R1616, R1705 (RASS, Lighting, MF)
- 10/5 – Kickoff R1702 (codes and standards)
- 10/13 – Evotes requested on minutes (passed; see table above)
- 10/13 – PASSED - C1630 budget increase of $5K (evote #2); In favor O’Connor 10/13, Dornbos 10/13; Melley no answer in 10/13 email; Gorthala abstain 10/14; Gorthala in favor 10/30.
- 10/20 – UI contracts approval process update meeting
- 10/30 – R1704 HES Programs update discussion

September 2017
- 9/5 – Discussion of UDRH
- 9/5 – Data request discussion 1706/1616/1705
  - 9/21 - R1615 LED NTG Project Presentation
  - 9/22 - R1706 RASS Kickoff
  - 9/28 - R1707 RNC NTG Kickoff
  - 9/29 - R1606 Behavior Retention Project Presentation

August 2017
- 8/1 – Meeting on recommendations for PSD revisions to Residential HVAC measures – boilers, furnaces, HPWH, circulating pumps
- 8/9 – presentation to EEB on data costs issue
- 8/11- Data cost call
- 8/24-Data request meeting 1630
- 8/25-Data cost call

July 2017
- EEB full board vote on Data memo passed
- 7/31 – Meeting on recommendations for PSD revisions to Steam Trap equation
- 7/23 – Meeting on recommendations from 1602 on UDRH

June 2017
- Approved / Passed – Memo Summarizing Mini-RFP Results (in favor O’Connor, Dornbos, Gorthala, 6/5/17)
- Approved / Passed – 2 parts / both approved: Approving Memo identifying extra costs to evaluation projects because of data issues from utilities and identifying the assessment to each
utility and recommending addition to each of the project budgets, with the money to be pulled out of funds that are not evaluation funds. (in favor O’Connor, Dornbos, Gorthala. 6/22/17)

May /June 2017
• None additional.

April 2017
• Interim Meeting -1617 DHP Working Group – 4/10/17

March 2017
• None additional

February 2017
• Approved/passed Evaluation Plan Update (votes in favor 2/8/17: O’Connor, Dornbos, Gorthala)

January 2017 Interim votes and interim committee meetings – not final
• Votes in favor of evaluation plan (in favor O’Connor & Gorthala 1/9/17; Dornbos 1/12 – passed). 1/24 DEEP votes against.
• December 2016 minutes passed (In favor 1/9 O’Connor, Melley, Gorthala, Dornbos).