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Subject: RE: Smart Grid meeting planning and ARRA question

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Either week for the all party deployment plan meeting would work for PG&E.

If possible, we would like to hold the second deployment plan briefing with the CPUC after March 8.

Thank you for your request for an update on PG&E's ARRA projects. As you may know, we have a subrecipient agreement with the Western Electric Coordinating Council (WECC) under which we undertake certain synchrophasor activities under WECC's Smart Grid agreement with DOE. Although we do not file quarterly reports with DOE on the project, we do provide monthly reports to WECC, and I am attaching copies of those monthly reports for your interest. We will provide additional reports as that project moves forward. We also would be happy to provide you and CPUC staff with a briefing on the project at any convenient time.

As you also know, we have a DOE award for our Compressed Air Energy Storage project. Due to some delays, we have not yet finalized the award agreement with DOE but expect to do so in the next few days, and will be initiating our project activities and quarterly reporting to DOE and the CPUC shortly. We would like to provide you, Energy Division and DRA a full update on the CAES project and our scope of activities as a kickoff to the project, so please let me know what would be a convenient time and we can coordinate with the project team and DRA.

Thanks for your interest, and let me know if you need any additional info or materials on either of these projects.

Thanks,
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From: Villarreal, Christopher [mailto:christopher.villarreal@cpuc.ca.gov]
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All:

Hope you all had a good New Years! I wanted to get started on planning for the upcoming Smart Grid

deployment plan meetings with a couple of scheduling items.

1) I believe it's time to start planning for the all party deployment plan meeting as directed by the June SG decision. I'll propose the following dates: week of March 28 (note: the 31st is a state holiday) or April 4-6. The decision stated that we are to hold a meeting "approximately three months before the filing" of the deployment plans. I do not have a proposed agenda for this public meeting at this time, but hope to work with you and the other utilities to draft one.

2) I would also like to request a second meeting with you on the status of your deployment plans. In our first meeting with the IOUs, all of them noted that they anticipate having another discussion draft early this year. This will allow Staff to again address any questions or issues that the IOUs have in preparation of their deployment plans, as well as allow Staff to comment on the draft deployment plans. I would like to propose this meeting to be held sometime in February or early March.

On a separate matter, I was reviewing our decision on ARRA projects, and was wondering if the IOUs were keeping up with the reporting requirements outlined in the decision. Specifically:

"For projects or activities receiving a DOE award, an IOU should submit quarterly notices to the Commission's Energy Division describing in detail the status of all federally funded projects or activities until such time as the project or activity is complete; and

To the extent DOE requires an IOU to prepare and submit studies, evaluation, or other reports on Recovery Act-funded activities, the IOU should provide copies of the same reports to the Commission's Energy Division."

To the best of my knowledge, I have not seen any quarterly reports from the IOUs. So, I was wondering:

- 1) Have the utilities received the funds for the projects awarded by DOE?
 - 1A) If so, when was the receipt
 - 1B) If not, why have you not received the funds, and when do you anticipate receiving the funds;
- 2) As required by D.09-09-029, have the utilities submitted to the Commission a quarterly report detailing the status of all federally funded projects or activities?
 - 2A) If so, when was the report transmitted?
 - 2B) If not, why has the report not been transmitted, and when do you anticipate transmitting the report?
- 3) Has DOE required you to prepare and submit studies, evaluation or other reports on ARRA funded activities?
 - 3A) If yes, have you provided these reports to Energy Division, as directed by D.09-09-029?
 - 3B) If you have not provided these reports to Energy Division, why not, and when do you expect to provide the reports to Energy Division.

Please do not hesitate to contact me with any additional questions, or if you would like to discuss any of the topics above.

Thanks!

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