LRITF Meeting

Thursday, July 11, 2024

10:00 AM

Meeting held Web-Ex only

**Meeting Notes**

Chris Rowley, LRITF co-Chair opened the meeting and welcomed everyone.

Chris introduced the other LRITF co-Chairs; Sheri Wiegand with Vistra and Michael Winegeart with LP&L.

1. **Antitrust**

Chris proceeded with reading the Anti-trust statement.

1. **Introductions**

Chris noted that we will not be doing introductions. Everyone can see those attending by looking at the WebEx.

**Attending as listed on the WebEx**

* Debbie McKeever Oncor
* Jordan Troublefield ERCOT
* Angela Ghormley Calpine Corporation
* Constellation Kachet Ewing
* Darrell Miller ESG
* Deavonte' Anderson Octopus Energy
* Deb Belin Earth Etch
* Dee Lowerre NRG
* Elizabeth Baiza LP&L
* ERCOT - Catherine Meiners
* Eric Lotter Gridmonitor
* ESG - Mark Pepdjonovic
* Kathy Scott CenterPoint Energy
* Katy Tumlinson LP&L
* Krista Ortiz LP&L
* Laura Gomez LP&L
* Michael Heselton Intelometry
* Michael Winegeart LP&L
* Myranda M. LP&L
* Rowley, Chris Oncor
* Sam Pak Oncor
* Sheri Wiegand Vistra
* Susana Fraire LP&L
* Viviana Valdez LP&L
* William Butler LP&L
* Yvette Perez OEUS

**Agenda Review**

Agenda was reviewed. No changes requested.

1. **Decimals**

Michael provided the update.

Lubbock is looking at these. They have sent out two market notices. They are doing some testing now to make sure. They are reverting the system back to the way it was built. They were able to process accurate bills with decimals for several years. That’s what can be expected beginning cycle 1 on August 1. They have some sample 867s that they worked through with their service provider to get those. Those samples are available by emailing marketops@mylubbock.us . There are some REPs that aren’t aware, and Lubbock wants to make sure those are available. Lubbock has these but these but Sheri said they can also be posted to the main LRITF page. Sheri asked when is the first billing cycle…it’s on a Thursday, August 1st. Sheri said that they understood but explained the usual process; the end read of the previous month, is usually the start read for the next month. For specific instance, this will not be the for the August 1st start read because that is the first month to have bills with the decimals. So, they may be off. Michael said they had a meeting and will try to have an answer for that next week on the call.

1. **AMS DATA PRACTICES**

Michael provided the update.

They are working on their system. Right now, they are working to go from estimates to actuals. They aren’t finished with this but are nearly there. This is an active issue of the things that they are working on but it is a lesser priority but will continue to work on this. All looks good but they know they are some things that need to be changed. Today they are updating these manually and doing that through MarkeTrak. This is basically just to the REP. The reversioned files need to be provided to ERCOT for settlement purposes. If the LSE/interval file is re-versioned, it needs to be provided for settlement purposes. When intervals change, they need to let ERCOT know and also new files later on SMT. Right now, they don’t have a process built to update – this might be something they talk about during the lessons learned. Once they get the read and it’s no longer updated at ERCOT.

The corrections happen in the system but the corrections to the LSE files are not being resubmitted. If a REP requests revised files, they may be provided, however that is not the information the REP is being settled on.

If ERCOT asked LP&L to resend a file to correct data, could they do that? Lubbock responded that they are testing a solution right now.

1. **SMT Readiness**

Michael provided the update and stated they are pushing this out after TX SET 5.0 but are not even looking at it until after 5.0. The configuration changes will be looked at, at the end of the year but probably can be expected end of Q1 2025.

1. **Texas SET 5.0 Readiness**

They are not ready right now today but working towards that. They have been participating in the trainings and ready to go with start testing in September. Their project manager is working on all the documents. Working with their service provider. Will be ready to go in September.

1. **Stabilization**
* **650\_01 RCN Processing** Sheri noted what they have seen. On one of the market calls, this was discussed. They had an issue with the 650\_01…if they had sent the transaction to DNP with the code for the truck to roll (ROL), Lubbock was pushing it two days for the disconnect. Then, if the REP was sending in a cancel, to cancel the disconnect (within the 2 days), Lubbock was unexecuting the reconnect in their system because the disconnect hadn’t been worked yet. They need a process so the reconnects would not be rejected. This fix is supposed to go in and it should be fixed by next week. For the reconnect, they have a temp fix which went into the production environment yesterday. There are some that should be rejected but that’s only if the reconnects are received after 11:00 PM. If they sent them between 11 and midnight, those will reject because of “date in the past”. Lubbock indicated they had seen 3 of these. For the permanent solution…if it is a standard meter, they will no longer push two days. If it’s a nonstandard meter they will push two days. This part is not in production yet because it’s still being tested. Hopefully by 7-22, it would be in. that’s the goal. The configurations are done but still in the testing environment.
* **DNP Discretionary Service Charges on 810s**

For disconnect for non pay, REPs were getting separate 810 invoices for disconnect and reconnects. The fix to move the charges to the appropriate monthly 810, should be in place the next couple of days. For cancel/ rebills for the previous 810s submitted…these are going to be done for all of them.

* **867\_03 IDRs**

Lubbock was having an issue getting the 867IDRs out the door and that has partially been resolved. Some have made it through ERCOT and they are still testing that. The next step will be to send a batch. They did get a few successfully through yesterday. This is being worked on everyday by Lubbock. Not exactly certain when these will be resolved. This is affecting ESI ids that haven’t been billed. For IDR…these are the big customers and they haven’t seen anything.

* **Siebel Changes with ERCOT**

Once this issue has been cleaned up this will be a down stream affect and can fix other issues. They are working with ERCOT to clean some of that up. They have had to send to some to their technical folks and this has fallen behind but he is putting them back on the top of the list. They have received some MarkeTraks for the same issues. They need to close the loop on some of the outstanding switched and others.

* **BDMVIs and 810s**

Backdated move-ins and 810s couldn’t be cancelled for IAGs…cancel- rebills couldn’t be done on these and they were looking at what could be done…which ones were paid…which were not. Where is the resolution for this issue? Lubbock will need to repay the REPs. LP&L doesn’t have an update at this time. Will be crediting those. This will be kept as an open item.

* **810s Received, but Missing 867\_03s**

810s were receive but the 867 didn’t flow to the REP and may not have been sent to ERCOT. Some of the issues are similar to what was just discussed. REPs also received 867s without start/end dates. The issue was experienced on unmetered and metered accounts. LP&L believes they have a solution to the unmetered.

* **Duplicate 810s**

If REPs are still seeing duplicate, MTs should be submitted. LP&L continues to work through some clean up efforts. LP&L noted some duplicates may have “sneaked” out.

* **810s w/due dates on weekends**

LP&L technical teams have a fix and the solution should have moved to production. LP&L reinforced they are not assessing late fees until stabilization is nearly complete.

1. **Priority Codes – MVIs on Non-Standard Meters**

Laura reported LP&L functionality has changed and if an MVI with the appropriate code of 02 is received before 3:00 PM for an AMSM meter, the MVI should be completed. If received after 3:00 PM, will be worked the next day.

1. **Premise Reclassifications**

Due to the way Lubbock’s system is set up, they cannot send an 814\_20 to change a premise from residential to non-residential and vice versa. Once they knew they were coming into the market they created a construction code. Now that they do, this created the issues they were having. Once they have the cleanup done, they should no longer have the issue. If the service order/MarkeTrak is sent, they will create a new ESI and an MVO is expected for the old ESI and an MVI is expected for the newly created ESI. This is problematic for the REPs. The REPs are required to have authorization for enrollment of an ESI, thus a new enrollment will need to be secured. When Lubbock creates a service point, the type is fundamental to that service point. They have to build a new one…this is something that …they don’t know if they will ever have a fix for that. The REP account manager would get with the REP and let them know this change is taking place. Additional work is going to be need to make sure all is in alignment.

Customer will not be disconnected…all they do is move the meter to the new ESI id before they move it out. Don’t use a “B44”. However, if they send it or not, it won’t remove the meter.

The CSA – if there’s a CSA on the old ESI id, will it trigger for the new ESI id? These would be rare but could happen. Lubbock will make a test ESI to see what their system does with it – a move out may be in ERCOT’S system with a CSA and it cannot be complete because they have a 814\_24…that would be a problem. When Lubbock gets an 03 showing the CSA, they should reject that…that’s a problem because the REP is not going to be able to do their part. Michael said that they will need to do a process to make these right. They won’t see it until they get the error.. These could happen if it goes to the residential -if Lubbock creates – maybe the solution is that when the ESI is created, look to see if there is a CSA. This can easily be checked at ERCOT. The other TDSPs are changing the premise type on the new ESI id. It is possible that the rate could be wrong if the new ESI id isn’t updated with the new premise type because there are some REPs that only support Residential. Michael said that he will take this back but it may be that this is a big change to their systems. This may not be done in the next few months. Could possibly be done the same time as SMT. The volume of these should be minimal once the clean up is done.

1. **POLR Process**

Michael said that they talked to ERCOT/Dave Michelsen about that and ERCOT will be driving with what they can do. Because of the legislative change…they might need to leave it to ERCOT. For this upcoming term, the contract…as long as they haven’t moved that process, it might be in the contract for the REP. The questions came up from LP&L notable absence on the PUC worksheet. LP&L is considering extending their current contracts with their POLR REP and VREPs in order to later align with ERCOT schedule

1. **LP&L Weekly Calls**

The weekly calls should continue, at least for the next few months throughout the clean up efforts and will typically occur on Thursdays @ 10AM.

1. **Lessons Learned**

Sheri said that there’s a document posted to today’s meeting page. For everyone’s info, if there’s something that’s not on the list, they need to add it and make it easier for the next one to enter the market. Not an easy process and not a cheap process. Documents are available and they use those a lot. One of the things that needs to be added to the list is ERCOT settlement training. We should have done a better job early on with how the settlement process works. If a new TDSP comes in, there should probably be more testing than just penny and connectivity. TX SET could develop some new test scripts. Full end to end. This would include actually generating the 867 and the 810…test to know…what’s the structure and frame work?

1. **Open Discussion**

Historical usage request format does not align with RMG format. LP&L is working to correct.

1. **Adjourn**

Chris announced that the next LRITF meeting would be on August 6th after RMS at 1:00 PM. Chris adjourned the meeting at 11:18 AM.