



Distribution System Planning

- ❖ The next Interconnection Technical Working Group is scheduled to meet on May 10th. At DPS Staff's request, the JU have recently submitted the following documents:
 - DG Queue Analysis to highlight the need for monitoring and/or control at different size thresholds
 - Screening criteria to consider when developing screens to determine if monitoring and/or control would be required
 - JU response to EPRI's draft report on their recommended changes to the SIR / CESIRs
- ❖ The second Long-Term Load and DER Forecasting stakeholder engagement group meeting will be at Con Edison on Friday, July 14th from 10:00 AM – 3:00 PM. This session will include stakeholder presentations and progress updates from the JU on forecasting efforts. The summary of the previous meeting is [here](#).
- ❖ The Joint Utilities hosted a webinar with stakeholders on April 28th to preview the visualization platform and answer questions on the Stage 2 Hosting Capacity maps. The example circuits used for discussion during the live demo can be found here: <http://www.nyseg.com/SuppliersAndPartners/distributedgeneration/>
- ❖ The Hosting Capacity Specifications used to develop the Stage 2 Hosting Capacity maps is under final review and the Joint Utilities will subsequently commence developing the Stage 2 displays

Grid Operations

- ❖ JU and NYISO Task Force are addressing coordination issues related to operation of the Transmission and Distribution System, DER aggregation, monitoring and control, and measurement and verification. Initially they are mapping the flow of data/information necessary to communicate between the aggregator and NYISO, aggregator and DSP, NYISO and DSP. Additionally, the group will work to designate appropriate subzonal T nodes to promote granular pricing. There will be a stakeholder engagement group scheduled later this year to review progress.
 - JU developing common webpage listing announcement of all NWA opportunities across NYS



- ❖ JU continues to work on utility monitoring and control requirements, coordinating with ITWG, providing back-up data for staff. M&C will hold a stakeholder engagement group meeting once requirements are established to build a common understanding on what is included in the SDSIP and preview future stakeholder engagement sessions which will focus on potential pilot programs.

Market Operations

- ❖ A DER Sourcing stakeholder engagement group session was held in the afternoon of April 20th in NYC. The stakeholder session provided an overview of the process the utilities use to identify NWA opportunities and advance those opportunities to the market for solutions. A summary of the meeting material and stakeholder feedback during the meeting will soon be found on the [JU Website](#).
- ❖ On May 8, the JU filed a joint narrative and utility-specific appendices describing the JU NWA sourcing end-to-end process, how each utility applies the suitability criteria to their capital planning process and a listing of the resulting 70 NWA opportunities. The filing can be found on the [DPS website](#).
- ❖ The JU Electric Vehicle Supply Equipment (EVSE) working group will begin in June/July.

Data Access

- ❖ The JU are coordinating their approach regarding aggregated privacy standards for building owners/agents' access to whole building data in response to the March 9 DSIP Commission Order calling for a filing due on June 7.
- ❖ There is a stakeholder session on Customer Data scheduled for May 22 between 10AM-4PM EDT in NYC. The meeting will focus on 2017 objectives and implementation plans supporting commitments articulated in the Supplemental DSIP. The session will provide a forum for discussion on proposed standards to be applied for building owner/agent access to whole building aggregated usage data and incorporation into the JU's June 7 filing, and solicit input on the JU benchmarking effort regarding building data standards for public access.
- ❖ A System Data stakeholder engagement group session was held on the morning of April 20th in NYC. During the session, the JU presented an overview of the types of data and information currently available, ways to access the information, and solicited feedback from stakeholders on data needs and accessibility. A summary of the meeting material and stakeholder feedback during the meeting can soon be found on the [JU website](#).



Overall DSP Enablement

- ❖ On March 9, 2017, the Public Service Commission released two Orders under REV: [Order Directing Modifications to the Joint Utilities' Proposed Interconnection Earning Adjustment Mechanism Framework](#) and an [Order on Distributed System Implementation Plan Filings](#).
- ❖ There were two JU-hosted public webinars in April that covered all nine implementation team topics. During these webinars, the JU provided an overview of the commitments delivered in the November 1, 2016 Supplemental Distributed System Implementation Plan (SDSIP) and the stakeholder engagement efforts for each topic during 2017. Presentation material and the recordings are available on the JU website: <http://jointutilitiesofny.org/engagement/>
- ❖ The JU convened an Advisory Group (AG) of about 15 stakeholder organizations that met seven times in 2016 to advise the JU on goals and decisions regarding stakeholder engagement leading up to the filing of the SDSIP in November. The AG will continue to meet in 2017 and will next meet next on May 25 in NYC. The May meeting will focus on JU implementation team updates and upcoming engagement efforts. More details on the AG can be found on the website: <http://jointutilitiesofny.org/joint-utilities-of-ny-advisory-group/>
- ❖ NYSEG/RG&E's Community Energy Coordination (CEC) 'Energy Marketplace' launched in March.
- ❖ Central Hudson launched its Electric System Data Portal and Map in April. The interactive map provides transmission area, substation, and circuit load data.
- ❖ Con Edison is developing an off-peak charging incentive program designed to shift new EV load off the peak period (2-6PM) and avoid a 1.5MW peak system increase in 2017. This is a three year program with a total shift of X MW to off-peak.
- ❖ O&R anticipates filing in Q2 of 2017 an energy storage demonstration project to explore various business models and value propositions for energy storage, both in front of and behind the meter.

Regulatory Policy

- ❖ The JU have been focused on the transition from NEM toward a Value Stack approach to compensating DER. On April 24 the JU made a joint filing on the collective effort to develop more granular marginal distribution cost estimates, a major building block for the Value Stack approach. Each company also made an individual filing with a workplan and calendar for company-specific efforts to enhance marginal cost granularity.



- ❖ On May 1 each of the utilities filed an Implementation Proposal for Value of Distributed Energy Resources (VDER) Framework, which included a discussion of ten topics outlined by the Commission in its March 9, 2017 VDER Order. These topics covered computational, regulatory, and transitional considerations for the evolution away from traditional net metering to the Value Stack-based VDER tariff. The JU are planning to work with Staff and stakeholders to gather input on VDER implementation and next steps over the coming weeks.
- ❖ The Modified Interconnection Survey Process and Proposed EAM was filed by the JU on May 8
- ❖ ORU and NYSEG and RG&E continue to engage with DPS Staff and/or stakeholders on the details of proposals the companies have made for Earnings Adjustment Mechanisms. NYSEG and RG&E have scheduled stakeholder collaborative sessions in May.

