

# FORMAL CASE NO. 1130, IN THE MATTER OF THE INVESTIGATION INTO MODERNIZING THE ENERGY DELIVERY SYSTEM FOR INCREASE SUSTAINABILITY ("MEDSIS") IN THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA:

# JUNE 27, 2018 TECHNICAL CONFERENCE MEETING MINUTES

#### **Meeting Commencement**

The Public Service Commission of the District of Columbia's ("Commission") obtained 12 an independent consultant, the Smart Electric Power Alliance ("SEPA"), who convened a 13 technical conference on June 27, 2018, in the Commission's Hearing Room, to discuss: (1) 14 the appropriateness of conducting a distribution system assessment; and (2) the appropriate 15 working groups to establish in Phase 2 of the MEDSIS initiative, with an initial focus on 16 the establishment of a working group to address viable non-wires alternatives to capital 17 investments and a working group to define parameters for evaluating MEDSIS pilot 18 projects. The technical conference convened at 9:30 a.m. and adjourned at 4:30 p.m. When 19 each registrant arrived at the conference they selected a card from a shuffled deck. Each 20 card had a number from 1 to 8 written on it. The number of the card selected was the 21 22 participants break out group number. This approach was used so that all attendees could more easily provide input. SEPA provided a facilitator for every group. The breakout 23 sessions were used to collect information, and the breakout groups were brought back 24 together in the Commission's Hearing Room to review the input of all groups. 25

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30	Attendees (see Attachment No. 1, Technical Conference Attendee List)
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32	Technical Conference Discussion Format (see Attachment No. 2, Technical
33	<u>Conference Agenda)</u>
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35	Synopsis of Morning and Afternoon Session
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37	A. Morning Session 1 - Introduction and MEDSIS Background
38	• The Commission started with a brief welcoming statement.
39	• Staff welcomed the audience and thanked attendees and provided a high-level
40	background on the effort.
41	• SEPA started with a PowerPoint presentation (see Attachment No. 3, Technical
42	Conference Presentation) and provided an overview of the objectives of the
43	conference, which in summary are:
44	• Determine the appropriateness of conducting a distribution system
45	assessment in the District.
46	• Determine the appropriate working groups to establish Phase 2 of the
47	MEDSIS initiative
48	• SEPA walked through the full agenda for the conference
49	• SEPA provided the MEDSIS Vision Statement and explained how the efforts at
50	the conference and at the working groups supported this vision.
51	• SEPA presented on the background of the MEDSIS initiative including: history,
52	relevant orders, and interrelated cases.
53	• SEPA asked the audience to convey by show of hands who had NOT participated
54	in the MEDSIS initiative. Approximately one quarter of in-person attendees
55	were new to the MEDSIS initiative.
56	• SEPA provided a high-level background of all proceedings that have occurred as
57	part of the MEDSIS initiative.
58	• SEPA introduced a summary of three interrelated cases to MEDSIS: FC 1144,
59	Capital Grid Project; FC 1050 Interconnection; FC 1145 Power Line
60	Undergrounding (PLUG)
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62	B. Morning Session 2 - System Assessment Overview

63	• SEPA introduced Burns and McDonnell to present a summary of system
64	assessments. The presentaton was given by Joey Nichols, Utility Consultant,
65	Burns and McDonnell
66	• Burns and McDonnell presented a PowerPoint deck explaining a system
67	assessment (see Attachment No. 4, Burns & McDonnell Presentation).
68	• Burns and McDonnell provided a summary of what a system assessment is and
69	why one would conduct a system assessment.
70	• Burns and McDonnell summarized the foundation of the data-driven process of a
71	system assessment. Burns and McDonnell introduced the following system
72	assessment components: data collection and cleanup, model creation and
73	cleanup, model tuning, initial analysis and need identification, project creation
74	and evaluation.
75	• Burns and McDonnell walked through the inputs and analysis of a system
76	assessment.
77	• Burns and McDonnell shared a recent system assessment example using a three-
78	phase approach.
79	• Burns and McDonnell discussed the decisions that go behind a go/no-go for
80	moving forward with a System Assessment. Depending on the scope, timeline,
81	budget, project horizon, existing reporting and data, a system assessment may not
82	be necessary or recommended stated Burns and McDonnell. Alternatives to
83	systems assessments include: strategic pilots, constraints screenings and k-means
84	cluster analysis, and a localized focused study.
85	• SEPA summarized the purpose of having an independent consultant present on a
86	system assessment to create a level set for all participants and stakeholder
87	moving into the breakout sessions.
88	• SEPA introduced Pepco to present a summary of an assessment of Pepco's
89	system and system constraints given by Bryan Clark, Director of Utility of the
90	Future, Pepco.
91	• Pepco provided a PowerPoint presentation explaining the data and tools Pepco
92	uses to manage and assess its system (see Attachment No. 5, PEPCO
93	Presentation).
94	• Pepco shared the following goals: insights on how Pepco plans, builds, and
95	manages the distribution system.

96	• Pepco provided an overview of the District of Columbia's electric distribution
97	system. Highlights include ~300,000 customers, 50 substations, 777 distribution
98	feeders.
99	• Pepco discussed the complexity of the system and how they manage the system.
100	Pepco provided a high-level overview of how Pepco manages their system and
101	divides it into four topics: system design, infrastructure design, reliability, and
102	new technology.
103	• Pepco noted aging infrastructure, emergence of new technologies, changes in
104	customer expectation, reliability assurance and traditional regulatory obligations
105	are the primary factors in Pepco's strategy to manage the best overall outcome on
106	behalf of customers and ratepayers.
107	• Pepco stated the basis of the four components intersect at finding the appropriate
108	business models to accommodate these growing needs.
109	• Pepco summarized the fundamental elements of the District's network, including
110	the low voltage alternating current (LVAC) Networks. A typical network
111	consists of up to 6 feeders. Pepco has 46,500 residential customers connected to
112	a LVAC Network. These are examples of the networks that Pepco must update,
113	study, and manage on a regular basis. Pepco has upwards of 50 LVAC Networks
114	spread across the District.
115	• Pepco noted the networks closer to the heart of the District are underground
116	LVAC networks and that farther out are overhead radial networks.
117	• Pepco provided a high-level overview of its system assessment processes:
118	Reliability, Load Forecasting, and Control Center Operations.
119	• Pepco introduced its Distribution System Planning group's mission and role.
120	• Pepco presented an overview of its efforts on distributed energy resources
121	(DERs) interconnection and how they are using new tools, techniques, and how
122	resources are being added to their toolbox. Pepco noted it is considering all
123	solutions to continue to deliver reliable and safe electricity to its customers,
124	including non-wires alternatives (NWA).
125	• Pepco summarized the types of projects it has evaluated using DERs and NWA,
126	including a deferral of an overhead substation in Maryland, a deferral involving
127	one of the major transformer investments of a substation in planning phase, the
128	use of non-wire solutions to expand the conservation voltage reduction scheme,

129	NWA to expand hosting capacity of closed feeders, and other storage projects
130	across the District's system. Pepco noted NWA and storage act as another tool in
131	the toolbox to modernize system.
132	• Pepco discussed the several microgrid projects it is involved with in Maryland
133	and in the District. Pepco noted it has been working with developers and
134	stakeholders here in the District to develop microgrids.
135	• Pepco discussed the ongoing electric vehicle efforts and the awareness of the
136	increased load projected from the onset of electric vehicles. Pepco noted the
137	necessity of addressing electric vehicle infrastructure.
138	• Pepco noted virtual power plants and behind the meter solutions as ways Pepco
139	can look for solutions to ensure the system remains safe and reliable and how it
140	can work with stakeholders to bring potential projects to the table.
141	• Pepco stated it plans its distribution system to account for the increase in DER
142	interconnection and continues to identify where DERs can be interconnected into
143	its system.
144	• Pepco introduced the tools it provides to assist in incorporating more DERs
145	including:
146	• Hosting Capacity Maps: colors represent the capacity of each feeder, so
147	customers and developers can make decisions about advancing certain
148	projects. The map is publicly available on the Pepco website:
149	https://www.pepco.com/MyAccount/MyService/Pages/MD/HostingCapa
150	<u>cityMap.aspx</u>
151	• Restricted Circuit Maps: identifies areas where no additional DERs can
152	be installed on the feeder without a distribution system upgrade. The
153	map is publicly available on the Pepco website:
154	https://www.pepco.com/MyAccount/MyService/Pages/MD/RestrictedCir
155	<u>cuitMap.aspx</u>
156	• Solar Heat Map: includes information on active projects currently
157	installed and pending installations in the queue. The map is publicly
158	available on the Pepco website:
159	https://www.pepco.com/MyAccount/MyService/Pages/MD/HeatMap.asp
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161 •	Pepco also noted the Annual Consolidated Report (ACR) Docket "PEPACR" as
162	an additional document that includes overviews of the system that is provided to
163	the public on an annual basis. The report includes analysis on some of the
164	District's worst performing feeders. The ACR is publicly available on the
165	Commission's E-Docket System:
166	https://edocket.dcpsc.org/apis/pdf_files/ee7d4baf-0df8-4994-ba31-
167	<u>f9f53c5731a9.pdf</u>
168 •	Pepco discussed recent audits to its system - two in 2013 from Siemens
169	Reliability & Liberty Management of system planning and operating procedures.
170	Siemens found that "Pepco is effective in planning its capital expenditures for
171	substation and feeder investments to attend load growth". Liberty found
172	"Pepco's distribution planning practice to be consistent with good utility
173	practice".
174	• Siemens audit report is publicly available on the Commission's E-Docket
175	System: https://edocket.dcpsc.org/apis/pdf_files/8fb20783-3551-4b08-
176	904b-e9affc43ec6c.pdf
177	• Liberty audit report is confidential and not available to the public.
178 •	Pepco provided a high-level overview of the annual Major Service Outage
179	(MSO) Restoration Plan and monthly outage reports that are publicly available.
180 •	Pepco introduced the two rate case dockets: Formal Case (FC) 1139 and 1150.
181	The construction report includes project plans and budgets. The load forecasting
182	methodologies have been submitted to the Commission for review.
183 •	Pepco provided information regarding DER reports. Quarterly and annually,
184	Pepco provides information about DER capacity. Pepco stated now as part of the
185	notice of construction (NOC) filing in FC 1144, Pepco has provided more
186	granular data showing Pepco's direct load control (DLC) customers by
187	location/feeder and capacity. Also, as part of the NOC filing, Pepco exhibited
188	that they now have capability to tie DLC to most locations and feeders in the
189	District.
190 •	Pepco discussed the reliability forecast report as another document providing
191	transparency of the management of the system.

192	• Pepco closed remarks with discussing the transparency and openness it likes to
193	achieve with regards to changing its business model and being the utility of the
194	future.
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198	C. Morning Session 3 - System Assessment Breakout Discussions
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200	• SEPA introduced the facilitation portion of the day and the objectives for the
201	breakouts as well as the 8 SEPA facilitators. The breakout groups left the
202	Hearing Room and went to various areas to discuss the following three questions:
203	• Question 1: What information was the most helpful in considering the
204	Non-Wires Alternatives options available to the MEDSIS initiative in the
205	presentations from Burns and McDonnell and Pepco?
206	• Question 2: Based upon what you know and have learned, do you feel
207	there is sufficient information from available sources to make DC Grid
208	Modernization decisions? If no, what is missing?
209	• Question 3: Do you feel that a system assessment is needed for the
210	MEDSIS initiative?
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212	The following meeting minutes were recorded during the break out group discussion
213	regarding the necessity of a system assessment. Each break out group discussion is
214	presented separately. To reference the summary of each breakout groups, see
215	Attachment No. 6, Breakout Groups Summary. The summary was presented in the
216	Hearing Room when all groups were brought back together for the review.
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225 Breakout Group 1 Discussion

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Name	Organization
Chinyere Osuala	EarthJustice
Brooke Smallwood	WGL Energy
Andy Haun	Schneider Electric
Andrew Levitt	PJM Interconnection
Edward Drew	Blue Pillar
Rajesh Lakhiani	Athena Power

227 In response to the question "What information was the most helpful in • 228 considering the Non-Wires Alternatives options available to the MEDSIS 229 initiative in the presentations from Burns and McDonnell and Pepco?": 230 Blue Pillar stated surprise at how saturated the circuits were to date. Blue 231 0 Pillar believed Pepco provided a good overview of the system. Blue 232 Pillar was concerned that Pepco didn't discuss the edge or behind-the-233 meter issues and believe there wasn't enough information about their 234 plan to get control, measurement, and verification of those behind the 235 meter assets. Blue Pillar noted that the understanding of conservation 236 237 voltage reduction is to shave peak but can be used to also improve power quality. 238 Participant asking to be Anonymous expressed concern about how much 239 0 is being spent on consulting instead of diverting those dollars into 240 delivering on the technology. 241 Schneider Electric noted surprise that there is a restricted map for 242 0 distributed solar and was concerned that the map may be overly-243

244		conservative or depicts a high penetration. Schneider Electric noted that
245		Burns & McDonnell didn't go very deep into how NWAs can play into
246		the assessment. Schneider Electric expressed the need to have more
247		information about the NWA before they could decide about the system
248		assessment. Schneider Electric noted that Pepco provided a good
249		presentation, and that what Pepco is doing to drive reliability and
250		modernization activities was clear. Schneider Electric noted that what
251		wasn't clear was what Pepco was doing regarding future opportunities
252		with behind-the-meter solutions and grid edge solutions and thought
253		Pepco could have provided more information there and additional
254		assessment. Schneider Electric asked for clarification regarding what
255		was driving this system assessment discussion? For example, was there
256		a perceived customer issue that needed to be addressed? Schneider
257		Electric noted that several million was pegged for the system assessment
258		as part of the merger, but that the issue wasn't clear. Schneider Electric
259		did not know if the assessment was meant to help with feeder issues,
260		behavioral issues, etc. Schneider Electric noted that Pepco did not
261		provide a non-major outages report and asked if there is a linkage
262		between this report and NWA. Schneider Electric asked if the reliability
263		is good enough and then from a sustainability perspective - what is the
264		gap? Schneider Electric asked if how much additional renewable energy
265		necessary per the public utility commission?
266	0	WGL Energy noted that the presentations were helpful to understand the
267		process. WGL Energy asked what is the basis of having a system
268		assessment for Pepco? WGL Energy asked what is the reasoning for a
269		system assessment? WGL Energy noted that usually a merger results in
270		an improvement, so what was the driver? WGL Energy asked if there
271		was a need in 2015 for an assessment, is the need still there? WGL
272		Energy noted that an assessment may no longer be necessary based on
273		what Pepco and Exelon have already done. WGL Energy suggested that
274		before an assessment is undertaken there should be a review of the
275		problem statement.

276	0	Participant asking to be Anonymous noted that there seems to be a
277		disconnect between the presentations today and the questions discussed
278		here now. The participant stated that it would have been good to
279		understand the driver for the system assessment.
280	0	Athena Power asked who is providing the hosting capacity maps and
281		how are they developing that information?
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283 •	In resp	onse to the question "Based upon what you know and have learned, do
284	you fee	el there is sufficient information from available sources to make DC Grid
285	Modern	nization Recommendations? If no, what is missing?":
286	0	EarthJustice noted that looking at the entire system, trying to figure out
287		where DERs and EE can be deployed, which customers, which
288		stakeholders (Pepco vs. others), looking at the entire system, there isn't
289		sufficient information to make that determination. Doesn't have enough
290		information about the sustainability of the system and what that looks
291		like and need to get more information from Pepco and suppliers.
292	0	Schneider Electric noted that Pepco talked about the delivery systems but
293		didn't talk about a sustainable energy system. A provision system needs
294		to discuss generation, at the meter, and behind the meter assets. If talk
295		about resiliency at the edge and behind the meter, want to know what the
296		commission is thinking about on that issue. Schneider asked what the
297		cost savings with a DER focused approach vs. a traditional approach are.
298	0	WGL Energy asked how to do we define reliability now vs. in the past?
299		Reliability can now be bolstered by DERs/microgrid. The PSC should be
300		asking for both reliability and resiliency planning from Pepco that is an
301		integrated plan that explains cost benefits and tradeoffs for all options.
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303 •	In resp	onse to the question "Do you feel that a system assessment is needed for
304	the ME	DSIS initiative?":
305	0	Athena Power noted it was unclear how much funding is necessary for a
306		system assessment. The system assessment would be roughly \$8-30
307		million and only \$4M allocated in the project. Athena Power doesn't
308		want to spend the funds on the consultants, but rather the hardware

309		implementation. The original reliability issue was related to the derecho.
310		Thinks that Pepco will improve as they are held to higher standards by
311		Exelon.
312	0	WGL Energy stated that there are many issues within Exelon (e.g.,
313		billing systems) companies in terms of integration. Pepco serves more
314		than DC and they understand their system. Approving a merger would
315		have been predicated on the utility understanding its system without
316		having to do an independent study. Pepco doesn't need it and doesn't
317		agree that they use ratepayer funding for the assessment. WGL Energy
318		would rather see the funds used for DER opportunities and noted that
319		Pepco's performance has improved in recent years.
320	0	EarthJustice thinks that information gained through a systems assessment
321		could be useful but not at this time.
322	0	Schneider Electric stated it doesn't make sense to spend the funds until
323		define the objectives of the work. Would rather see the funds used to
324		analyze the goals and objectives of the commission. Unclear the
325		motivation for the system assessment originally; was it related to the
326		performance of Pepco? Has the past three years delivered sufficient
327		improvement that an assessment was necessary.
328	0	Blue Pillar stated that if any kind of system assessment is done on a more
329		limited basis with a sample of circuits.
330	0	WGL Energy noted that if there is a defined scope, then a more limited
331		system assessment could be a good thing.
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342 Breakout Group 2 Discussion

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Name	<u>Organization</u>
Erick Karlen	Greenlots
Alan D. Lee	The World Bank
Alison Williams	Edison Electric Institute (EEI)
Stephen Swern	NV5 (AM only)
H.G. Chisell	Advanced Energy Group
Zach Dobelbower	DC Department of General Services
Torrey Beek	DC Department of Energy & Environment (DoEE)
Brian Caldwell	DC Attorney General's Office
Bryan Clark	Рерсо
Jason Allnutt	IEEE (PM only)
Zach Wilson	New City Energy

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• In response to the question "What information was the most helpful in considering the Non-Wires Alternatives options available to the MEDSIS initiative in the presentations from Burns and McDonnell and Pepco?":

 EEI noted that the hosting capacity maps are helpful for considering NWAs.

350	0	DC Department of General Services stated that a basic understanding of
351		what an assessment is important to considering NWAs and creating a
352		common knowledge and level setting amongst all stakeholders.
353	0	Advanced Energy Group agreed that it is helpful to know what Pepco is
354		doing in terms of visibility on the network and what their current NWA
355		efforts are.
356	0	DoEE noted that the time duration and range for option considerations
357		are important to use when deciding how to move forward with assessing
358		the situation. DoEE recognized that new technology and business
359		practices are important considerations and noted that they should be
360		interwoven into new plans.
361	0	Greenlots introduced several questions with regards to the scope, budget,
362		and time length of the system assessment. It noted that there seems to be
363		other paths that the Commission should go down in the MEDSIS
364		initiative.
365	0	NV5 asked how the system assessment is different from system
366		planning?
367	0	DC Attorney General's Office noted that the presentations from Pepco
368		and Burns & McDonnell were helpful in summarizing the information
369		publicly available and where to get it. It was surprised with the amount
370		of information that exists. It raised questions regarding the potential of
371		conducting a bias study.
372	0	The World Bank noted that the examples presented by Pepco on their
373		ongoing efforts with deferrals and systems upgrades were helpful in that
374		it showed that Pepco was thinking about it.
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376 •	In respo	onse to the question "Based upon what you know and have learned, do
377	you fee	l there is sufficient information from available sources to make DC Grid
378	Modern	ization Recommendations? If no, what is missing?":
379	0	All stakeholders reached a consensus that it is more about transparency
380		of available information rather than an information gap. All noted that
381		more data is necessary to evaluate new investment decisions objectively.
382		All stakeholders had a consensus that they wanted more clarity around

383		the roughly \$22 million in the MEDSIS Pilot Project fund and if these
384		monies would be used to fund the system assessment.
385	0	DoEE asked if Pepco could provide comments on data transparency.
386	0	Pepco stated that most of the time it is not data that is in question, it is
387		strategic information. Pepco stated that it must be careful about sharing
388		this information to ensure everyone is being treated fairly with enough
389		transparency while maintaining a secure system. Pepco stated that it is
390		pro decarbonization but currently costs of DER NWAs are not low
391		enough to get scale to solve problems. Pepco noted that most NWAs fail
392		cost benefit analysis and that this is important when evaluating projects
393		to ensure reliability, safety and economics.
394	0	The World Bank brought up that there were no DERs or EV charging
395		locations on any of the maps that Pepco presented. The World Bank
396		identified that there was no information touching on forecast changes and
397		systematic wide factors on the demands.
398	0	DoEE noted that the District's system is ready to take on grid
399		modernization. DoEE stated a concern in how business model changes
400		and considerations are going to affect the MEDSIS initiative. DoEE
401		mentioned that it is unclear how the information provided by Pepco
402		regarding NWAs is publicly shared externally. DoEE raised the concern
403		of the difference between analyzing the technology combinations and the
404		financial impacts, and what is shared publicly.
405	0	DC Department of General Services noted that the information provided
406		by both presentations did not feel equal. DC Department of General
407		Services specifically noted that information regarding NWA analysis was
408		covered by Pepco but not Burns & McDonnell.
409	0	NV5 stated that there is sufficient information and there is a clearly
410		comprehensive process that is going on. NV5 noted that Pepco is
411		positioned well to undertake the process.
412	0	DoEE stated that it is not clear how Pepco's advanced metering
413		infrastructure (AMI) or data capabilities are incorporated into existing
414		capabilities. DoEE mentioned that it is difficult to identify NWA
415		opportunities and would like to see more clarity between the noticed of

416		construction (NOC) recently filed in FC1144 Capital Grid Project that is
417		confidential and not available to the public.
418	0	The World Bank asked about alternatives to system assessments and
419		stated that it would be helpful to make an informed decision if more
420		alternatives were provided.
421	0	NV5 noted that Burns & McDonnell didn't make a strong case for doing
422		a 10% analysis for system but stated if the data is good enough, perhaps
423		it would be a good idea to conduct a targeted study.
424	0	EEI stated that it believed the presentations today were intended as a
425		comparison to other jurisdictions.
426	0	DoEE brought up its concern with a targeted study noting that the
427		challenge is that all circuits are not created equally and that it is hard to
428		generalize about load growth and constrained areas without a holistic
429		system assessment.
430	0	EEI stated that there is a need for system assessment in need to reference
431		other states.
432	0	Advanced Energy Group asked Pepco in the breakout group to identify
433		the missing pieces based on what was presented as a system assessment
434		and what Pepco currently has in place.
435	0	Pepco answered and stated that a system assessment would be redundant
436		based on the level of info that is publicly available. Pepco stated that it is
437		willing to make the appropriate information available should it exist as
438		part of existing process as a new requirement. Pepco noted that the
439		stakeholder collaborative process will get it down the road quicker to
440		substantive and meaningful projects. Pepco mentioned that projects will
441		require assessments including time and load forecast data and cost-level
442		analysis. Pepco noted that given the above, the system assessment is
443		redundant – there is enough available information.
444	0	The World Bank asked specifically about what problem the system
445		assessment is trying to solve. The World Bank stated that there is
446		additional information required on top of a specific substation study,
447		including neighborhood needs, for example.

448	0	Pepco stated that the system assessment is costly, and the funds can be
449		devoted to actual project development.
450	0	DC Attorney General's Office asked how many pilot projects were
451		undertaken as separate of system assessment and noted that that a system
452		assessment may be redundant and operating in parallel to other efforts.
453	0	Advanced Energy Group asked if Pepco can enact pilot projects on its
454		own, without Commission approval, through the money received through
455		the merger.
456	0	Pepco replied that the projects must be approved by the Commission.
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458	• In resp	onse to the question "Do you feel that a system assessment is needed for
459	the ME	EDSIS initiative?":
460	0	EEI stated that it does not support the system assessment mentioning the
461		following reasons: time wasted, predetermined objectives and data
462		complications.
463	0	Advanced Energy Group stated it is in favor of an alternative that's not
464		being proposed, drawing from information revealed by Pepco to
465		determine what is missing and what is the cost of obtaining what is
466		missing.
467	0	DC Department of General Services stated that pilot projects can act as
468		an alternative to the system assessment, specifically a pilot project that
469		addresses reliability or constraints on the grid locally.
470	0	Pepco stated that the system assessment being discussed is not necessary
471		and noted that the need and the definition of a system assessment is
472		unclear.
473	0	Greenlots stated that the system assessment would stop pilot
474		development and the working group process.
475	0	The World Bank asked for a clarification about who was advocating for
476		the system assessment.
477	0	SEPA clarified that the Commission wanted stakeholder input on the
478		appropriateness of conducting a system assessment.
479	0	DoEE asked the question, what do we need to know to move forward in
480		the MEDSIS initiative?

481	0	Pepco stated that developing the working groups is the first step to
482		identifying any gaps in information and data of the system. Specific
483		working groups can work to identify the information needed to move
484		forward with the DC grid modernization effort.
485	0	DC Department of General Services noted the advocacy for a system
486		assessment within the community and noted the accessibility or
487		inaccessibility of requested information as a driver for decision makers.
488	0	The World Bank asked who would do the system assessment?
489	0	Advanced Energy Group replied that they believe Burns & Donnell
490		would be contracted to do the assessment as they don't have any
491		contractual work with Pepco
492	0	DC Attorney General's Office stated how it is important to understand
493		the goal of spending money, having a long-term vision, and what to do
494		once the money is gone.
495	0	Greenlots noted that the pilot projects are exactly that – projects to use
496		funding to inform Pepco's future filings with how it's going to spend
497		ratepayer funds. Greenlots mentioned, in other words it is seed money to
498		get that thought process forward to inform broader grid modernization
499		efforts.
500	0	DoEE noted that with the changing distribution system – with the
501		inclusion of DERs – there should be a focus on ensuring the system can
502		handle it. DoEE noted that the information to do so is available but it is
503		not organized.
504	0	Advanced Energy Group mentioned the importance of including
505		resiliency and decarbonization into the pilot project process to animate
506		the market.
507	0	DC Attorney General's Office asked how the pilot projects are evaluated
508		at the end of the day? How do we measure successful pilot project?
509	0	Advanced Energy Group asked if there was scoring method in place
510		already for pilot projects.
511	0	NV5 noted that it will be fluid with working groups.
512	0	SEPA replied that there will be a working group specific to developing
513		the parameters for evaluating pilot projects.

514	0	The World Bank stated that it does not see a strong case made for
515		conducting a system assessment. The World posed the question on how
516		to ensure the quality of an alternative of a system assessment.

#### Breakout Group 3 Discussion

Name	Organization
Frann Francis	AOBA
Anjali Patel	DC Office of People's Council
John MacGregor	DC Climate Action
Ethan Holmes	Рерсо
John Slocum	Exelon
Lily Wang	Exelon
John Young	DC Sustainable Energy Utility (DCSEU)
Ronald Bethea	Positive Change Purchasing Coop
Rachel Gold	American Council for an Energy-Efficient Economy
Yohana Mariam	DC Office of People's Council
Mishal Thadani	District Solar

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- Group 3 discussed all three questions concerning the systems assessment at one time. Group 3's discussion included:

524	0	AOBA noted that with the capital grid project filing coming, it would be
525		good to get all the information gathered in one place and more holistic in
526		approach. AOBA asked how does it tie in to what is happening through
527		MEDSIS?
528	0	OPC asked what is included in the scope of the assessment and suggested
529		a need to do more holistic problem solving.
530	0	OPC noted that the report format for hosting capacity provided by Pepco
531		is useful but could be more user friendly.
532	0	DC Climate Action noted that Burns and McDonnell's presentation was
533		hardware oriented but mentioned business processes. Hardware is only
534		part of the issue. Important to capture barriers and incentives for
535		consumers to participants.
536	0	Pepco noted the cost of the system analysis and the amount of
537		information available to consumers and market players. Focus on the
538		need to add more DER on the system without compromising the
539		reliability of the grid.
540	0	Exelon noted that understanding the hardware needs is valuable. That
541		level of information about Hosting Capacity.
542	0	DCSEU noted that energy efficiency, Storage, and demand response are
543		listed under DER - and asked how the uses are being framed for these
544		(are we classifying them)
545	0	Positive Change Purchasing Coop noted that there is no budgeting for
546		community engagement (DOE has \$30Million for other solar programs
547		but nothing for roof repair for weatherization) Positive Change
548		Purchasing Coop expressed the need to be sure we are taking care of low
549		income. And asked what's in the spending plan for low to moderate
550		income residents of DC? Need to make sure we are considering social
551		equity and community engagement and need an overall assessment on
552		impacts to these expenditures on the rate payer
553	0	American Council for an Energy-Efficient Economy did not find the
554		information helpful in addressing the questions about non-wires
555		alternatives. Understanding what processes Pepco uses was helpful. It
556		would be helpful to understand what a system assessment is versus what

557	Pepco is currently, in order to clarify what the gap is between what is
558	already being done and what is needed to support non-wires alternatives
559	and grid modernization decisions.
<b>560</b> O	District Solar noted that some of the resources that were shared and
561	posted to the public, but the information is not user friendly or actionable
562	(basically still require engineering study). Need to determine use cases
563	of the system assessment
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Breakout Group 4 Discussion

Name	Organization
Samir Succar	ICF International
Clark Pierce	Landis+Gyr
Bicky Corman	EKM Law
Mike House	AECOM
Natasha Rao	Environmental Defense Fund
Larry Martin	GRID2.0
Robert Cain	Washington Gas

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569 •	Group 4 discussed the first two questions concerning the systems assessment.		
570	Group	4's discussion included:	
571	0	EKM Law mentioned that Pepco is simultaneously entertaining	
572		accelerated movement on electric vehicles (EVs.	
573	0	GRID2.0 expressed skepticism of the need for a system assessment with	
574		stating that an assessment could clarify how MEDSIS could meet DC's	
575		needs and goals.	

576	0	Participant asking to be Anonymous stated that a system assessment can
577		allow a holistic view from a system design perspective but prefers to see
578		more details about the benefits and costs of conducting such an
579		assessment. Specifically, the participant noted that the benefit increment
580		or the additional value of the assessment is unclear.
581	0	EKM Law noted that there was already system assessment data and tools
582		available.
583	0	AECOM agreed that there are no quantifiable benefits for an assessment
584		and noted it is unclear about the additional benefit it would provide.
585	0	Landis+Gyr noted that the assessment could offer a holistic benefit.
586		Landis+Gyr recommended that Pepco share its system design criteria and
587		asked how the MEDSIS initiative would account for this (criteria).
588	0	EKM Law asked if there was any precedent for doing a similar
589		assessment and if there was cost/benefit analysis conducted.
590	0	GRID2.0 noted that the DOEE report on non-wires alternatives for the
591		Mount Vernon substation will be informative to the MEDSIS process
592		and introduces the need for finding a third-party evaluator of such NWA
593		projects. The Mount Vernon case study could be an effective study to
594		consider when moving forward with MEDSIS initiative.
595	0	AECOM noted that resilience and sustainability metrics would help to
596		inform future considerations for MEDSIS pilot programs with non-wires
597		alternatives.
598	0	GRID2.0 mentioned that the District is typically long on goals and very
599		aspirational when it comes to its goal setting.
600	0	Landis+Gyr stated that a 75MW renewable energy goal from the
601		Commission could derive for the metrics.
602	0	AECOM noted that private sector clients are eager to move forward with
603		pilot projects without further studies, and that the market is ready to
604		deliver a range of good project ideas to the Commission for
605		consideration. EKM Law agreed and does not want to delay the process
606		any further with a system assessment.
607	0	GRID2.0 noted that a system assessment could be considered to target
608		pilot projects which could gather data to inform the assessment.

609		GRID2.0 also noted the impor	tance of conducting focused analysis on
610		the Mount Vernon Square & S	synapse/DoEE study, including the parts of
611		the study where there are disag	greements.
612		• The study can be foun	d here: <u>http://www.synapse-</u>
613		energy.com/sites/defa	ult/files/Mt-Vernon-Substation-17-105-17-
614		<u>047.pdf</u>	
615	0	Landis+Gyr mentioned that th	e assessments could be additive to the pilot
616		process and holistic approach	and could be considered within the
617		working group process.	
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619	• In resp	onse to the question "Do you fe	el that a system assessment is needed for
620	the ME	EDSIS initiative?":	
621	0	Landis+Gyr stated that some s	system assessment is needed but it should
622		be targeted.	
623	0	AECOM noted that there is no	tangible benefit for a system assessment
624		as proposed by Burns and Mcl	Donnell as compared to that which is
625		already available from Pepco.	ICF International stated that there is no
626		tangible benefit indicated for a	a system assessment over Pepco's existing
627		data.	
628	0	Washington Gas stated that the	ere is not enough information to justify it.
629	0	Environmental Defense Fund	abstained from deciding.
630	0	EKM Law stated that until the	re are criteria and/or a cost-benefit
631		provided, there is not enough i	information to justify a systems
632		assessment.	
633	0	GRID2.0 stated that a system a	assessment is not appropriate unless a
634		justification for it is made.	
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637	Breakout Grou	p 5 Discussion	
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Jeremy Bedine	GridLion
Nicholas Bihun	New Columbia Solar
Dave Borden	Washington Gas & Light (WGL) (AM Only)
Shalom Flank	Urban Ingenuity
Bart Krishland	New Columbia Solar
Nina Lobo	Groundswell
Robert Robinson	Consumer Utility Resource Board of DC (DCCUB) (AM Only)
Bianca Smith-e-Incas	BioSmart Solar
Mark Thomson	ThinkEco
Thomas Weaver	Prospect Solar (AM Only)

In response to the question "What information was the most helpful in considering the Non-Wires Alternatives options available to the MEDSIS initiative in the presentations from Burns and McDonnell and Pepco?":

 All stakeholders had a consensus that they liked to see Pepco acknowledge stakeholder input and that NWA is still a new concept for many.
 ThnkEco noted that they have been involved in NWA for ConEd in New York. ThinkEco noted that there was great ground work done in New York. ThinkEco cautioned once you get into defining the details what is needed for NWA that it is a long process. ThinkEco added that many have withdrawn projects because the load forecast shifted in New York and wanted to ensure that DC would not mimic New York.

652oDCCUB noted that FC1144 is extremely important to understand and653incorporate into the MEDSIS initiative, specifically how construction

654	projects are evaluated based upon the least cost. DCCUB mentioned that
655	Pepco's project within FC1144 are not supported by facts. DCCUB
656	referred to the Synapse/DoEE study on how DERs can reduce load and
657	be developed in lieu of capital investments. DCCUB stated that the
658	customer perspective is that Pepco wants to use cost recovery to make
659	money. DCCUB mentioned that it knows DER and demand
660	management and can help develop projects cheaper than Pepco.
661	DCCUB asked how do we transform a utility centric power delivery to
662	be more customer facing? DCCUB alluded to the fact that customers are
663	not involved in the planning process and described the need for a
664	roadmap that includes questions we want answered to achieve the vision.
665	• The study can be found here: <u>http://www.synapse-</u>
666	energy.com/sites/default/files/Mt-Vernon-Substation-17-105-17-
667	<u>047.pdf</u>
668	• GridLion noted that BG&E seems to be taking a stance that things can be
669	solved by adding another distribution line and that reliability is their
670	focus.
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672 •	In response to the question "Based upon what you know and have learned, do
673	you feel there is sufficient information from available sources to make DC Grid
674	Modernization Recommendations? If no, what is missing?":
675	$\circ$ 8 stakeholders in the group felt that there was sufficient information to
676	begin the MEDSIS initiative.
677	• 3 stakeholders did not have an opinion.
678	$\circ$ Some in the group felt that the Burns & McDonnell presentation was still
679	focused from the perspective of a utility and didn't consider other things
680	like policy and new developments that need to happen. Examples were
681	efficient requirements for Green Buildings, EVs, etc.
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683 •	In response to the question "Do you feel that a system assessment is needed for
684	the MEDSIS initiative?":
685	o 3 stakeholders believed a system assessment was needed
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687o4 stakeholders were unsure as they missed the presentations this morning688or were just not sure.689o690ThinkEco stated that no further assessment is needed but needs to be690prepped with immediate hiring needs of Pepco as the MEDSIS initiative691moves along.692o693DCCUB noted that all stakeholders need to be cautious that Pepco just693wanting to spend money.

Breakout Group 6 Discussion

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Name	Organization
Eugene Imhoff	GRID2.0
Andrea Harper	Рерсо
Joey Nichols	Burns & McDonnell
Stephen Lassiter	Sunrun
Erica Weyer	Sierra Club
Guy Warner	Pareto Energy
Sylwia Bialek	NYU Institute
Ross Kiddie	West Monroe Partners
Alex Lopez	Oracle Utilities
Al Roark	ABB (AM Only)

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699 •	In resp	onse to the question "What information was the most helpful in
700	conside	ering the Non-Wires Alternatives options available to the MEDSIS
701	initiativ	re in the presentations from Burns and McDonnell and Pepco?":
702	0	ABB noted Pepco's hosting capacity maps and available information on
703		restricted/available circuits/substations for DER integration and a better
704		understanding of its sophisticated systems.
705	0	Oracle Utilities agreed that hosting capacity and transparency into data is
706		extremely important.
707	0	Pepco added that it has already streamlined its interconnection process
708		and continuously looks for ways to streamline and improve the process.
709	0	West Monroe Partners noted an understanding of the LVAC network and
710		distribution systems is a start.
711	0	Pareto Energy raised a question regarding the interconnection docket and
712		the cost of a full versus alternative system assessment or study.
713	0	Sunrun also noted informing interconnection and viewing costs of
714		interconnection as helpful information when considering non-wires
715		alternatives.
716	0	GRID2.0 noted understanding what is restricting Pepco from reaching
717		the utility of the future - and raised this as the most important piece of
718		information when considering NWA. He also asked if Pepco would be
719		able to be a power supplier and the question if they should be or not.
720	0	Sunrun posed the question of frequency and funding behind the studies
721		and maps which Pepco presented in the morning session. Pepco
722		responded with noting the studies are often funded by the ratepayers.
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724 •	In resp	onse to the question "Based upon what you know and have learned, do
725	you fee	el there is sufficient information from available sources to make DC Grid
726	Modern	nization Recommendations? If no, what is missing?":
727	0	Pareto Energy noted the engineering-based system assessments lack
728		institutional design and innovation. He elaborated by noting that these
729		institutional considerations include a better understanding of demand
730		side and end-use consumption and generation. He noted that this

731		information would allow an integrated community energy system (ICES)
732		energy design.
733	0	Oracle Utilities raised a question about the role of the DCSEU.
734	0	Burns and McDonnell stated that B&M has conducted a targeted pilot on
735		a representative of 64 feeders for a large utility company.
736	0	Pareto Energy stated utility approval of interconnection as a gap.
737	0	West Monroe Partners agreed that there is a gap in load forecasting and
738		wants to know more about the state of Pepco as the utility of the future.
739	0	Pepco mentioned its Direct Load Control (DLC) Program as an effort.
740	0	Pareto Energy noted that Pepco's DLC Program is limited.
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742	• In respo	onse to the question "Do you feel that a system assessment is needed for
743	the ME	DSIS initiative?":
744	0	All stakeholders had consensus that a system assessment was not needed
745		under the assumption that the cost of the system assessment would be
746		bared by MEDSIS Pilot Project funds.
747	0	West Monroe Partners noted that a basic system assessment is needed to
748		understand the system unless Pepco can answer the gaps he has or if it
749		would be part of a Utility Distribution Integration Resource Planning
750		(DIRP) effort.
751	0	GRID2.0 agreed with the call to have Pepco answer questions or include
752		an assessment in a utility DIRP.
753	0	Oracle Utilities noted a system assessment is not needed if the funds to
754		pay for the assessment came out of the MEDSIS Pilot Project fund.
755	0	Pepco noted that a system assessment is not needed for the MEDSIS
756		initiative and referred to the ongoing efforts Pepco is undertaking,
757		including those presented in the hearing room by Bryan Clark.
758	0	GRID2.0, Sunrun, and Sierra Club stated they all were in agreeance that
759		a system assessment funded by the MEDSIS Pilot Project fund is not
760		completely necessary.
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764 Breakout Group 7 Discussion

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Name	<u>Organization</u>
Jay Frankhouser	EnerSys
Patti Boyd	DC Sustainable Energy Utility (DCSEU)
Matthew Bearzotti	Sierra Club
Ken Boley	pdvWireless
Adrienne Mouton-Henderson	DC Office of People's Council (OPC)
Noel Rivera	Рерсо
Jason Cumberbatch	DC Office of People's Council (OPC)

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767 •	In resp	onse to the question "What information was the most helpful in
768	conside	ering the Non-Wires Alternatives options available to the MEDSIS
769	initiativ	ve in the presentations from Burns and McDonnell and Pepco?":
770	0	Sierra Club stated surprise to hear that system assessments were not
771		needed. They had anticipated a pitch from Pepco
772	0	EnergSys stated they were also very impressed by Pepco's presentation
773		and the tools that already exist
774	0	OPC stated it had used the tools Pepco offered in the past and was
775		interested in greater availability of data. Specifically, OPC expressed
776		interest in a targeted localized assessment which may or may not lead to
777		local pilot projects that can mitigate system upgrades.
778	0	Pepco stated being very interested in pursuing new technologies and
779		business models, including projects that defer system upgrades.

780	0	OPC indicated that it gets questions from consumers regularly regarding
781		system upgrades, outages, and other questions about their local power
782		grid from Pepco customers.
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784 •	In respo	onse to the question "Based upon what you know and have learned, do
785	you fee	l there is sufficient information from available sources to make DC Grid
786	Modern	ization Recommendations? If no, what is missing?":
787	0	All the stakeholders agreed that few other utilities provide the level of
788		system data.
789	0	OPC stated that there is sufficient information from Pepco. However,
790		OPC stated that accessing the data, and interpreting the information is
791		challenging.
792	0	EnergSys stated that it believes there are many similar scenarios /
793		locations that replicate each other across the city. And thus a full
794		assessment is not warranted. However looking at groups of areas that
795		mimic others may be a good way to replicate successful DER projects.
796	0	PdvWireless believes an appropriate question maybe "Is there the right
797		data for individuals to do their own assessment?
798	0	OPC mentioned that most stakeholders have their own technical
799		consultant who does an assessment based on available data. OPC
800		believes a separate assessment would stifle the proceeding. It also
801		indicated there is a need for a rate design working group as well as a
802		working group designed to synthesize the existing assessment data that
803		Pepco provides, and repackage into a form that is easily accessible to the
804		public.
805	0	PdvWireless asked the question as to if cyber-security is a portion or
806		focus area of the MEDSIS vision statement
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808 •	In respo	onse to the question "Do you feel that a system assessment is needed for
809	the ME	DSIS initiative?":
810	0	All stakeholders agreed that an assessment is not needed before
811		pilots. Group agreed there is plenty of available data that can be used to
812		select several local pilot projects and that down the road, a full

813	assessment may be needed, but not at the current time in the MEDSIS
814	Initiative.

Breakout Group 8 Discussion

- PdvWireless stated belief that there is enough information to select pilot projects in each ward. After the pilots, a more thorough assessment may be needed to determine how to scale the pilots across the system.
  - DCSEU mentioned that Pepco does this type of assessment on a regular basis.

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Name	Organization
Jim Taylor	Siemens
Dave Schatz	ChargePoint
Dave Wright	Groundswell
"Bob" (Robert) Burkhardt	pdvWireless,
Edward Yim	DC Department of Environment & Energy (DoEE)
Ernest Jolly	DC Water and Sewer Authority (DCWASA)
Nina Dodge	DC Climate Action
Chet Warner	Pareto Energy
Rhoda Alale	Center for Environmental Health / BioSmart Solar Project Inc.

	"Terry" (Terence) Hill		Passive House Institute US
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826	• In resp	onse to the question "What info	rmation was the most helpful in
827	conside	ering the Non-Wires Alternative	s options available to the MEDSIS
828	initiativ	ve in the presentations from Bur	ns and McDonnell and Pepco?":
829	0	DCWASA noted that a detaile	d update on what the wired conditions are
830		is extremely helpful. It also no	oted that an understanding of the current
831		state (e.g. where we are, what	are we looking to do) serves as a resource
832		& resistance to the MEDSIS in	itiative. It believes if there is an
833		investment made, they would	want to use the asset.
834	0	DoEE stated that the presentat	ions seemed to be about the general
835		purpose of a system assessmen	it, and because they were too broad and
836		general, they are not providing	the type of information that could help
837		think about NWA.	
838	0	DoEE mentioned that framewo	ork is lacking that would help determine
839		what type of a system assessm	ent is needed. If the system assessment is
840		to generally figure out whether	the system is safe and reliable, we
841		probably would not need one b	because Pepco's reliability and safety
842		records are good. But what is	needed is a more targeted, problem-based
843		assessment. DoEE noted that	examples would be independently
844		evaluating hosting capacity of	feeder groups, or network equipment
845		protection schemes assessment	t, or communications capability for
846		interactivity. But figuring out	which ones would be necessary requires
847		that we all have a common vis	ion about what kind of capabilities and
848		standards we want the grid to l	have. But we are not having that
849		conversation. DoEE mentioned	ed the need for the Commission's vision to
850		be translated into measurable of	criteria and into a roadmap for attaining
851		those criteria.	
852	0	DoEE raised a concern whether	er the right questions were being asked and
853		what the end objectives on the	system are.

854	0	DC Climate Action noted guiding principles and the purpose of MEDSIS
855		as key points of interest to understand the investment in public interest.
856		It mentioned that the public good aspect needs to be addressed. It posed
857		the question of sustainability needing to be addressed and wants to
858		ensure the initiative reflects the District's climate policies, reductions in
859		emissions and energy efficiency benchmarked to 2050 targets.
860	0	DC Climate Action noted system enhancements, reliability, and
861		modernization over payout to investors as helpful topics that were
862		covered.
863	0	DC Climate Action likes the system assessment tool to get towards the
864		goal of increased sustainability. It also stated interest in the pilot and
865		targeted types of system assessments to meet specific needs along the
866		grid.
867	0	Siemens noted the assessment alternative project.
868	0	DC Climate Action suggested a 7 circuit-type assessment investment in
869		lieu of a \$5 million-type assessment investment. It also believed that
870		there is no such thing as an objective assessment. It offered the thought
871		of using the assessment as a tool to get going in the positive direction and
872		not object to anything else other than that. It brought up the open non-
873		wire alternative case (Capital Grid Project) in Mt. Vernon and that there
874		is already been a system assessment developed by Pepco in many of the
875		hot spot areas of the District, but the effort may not be extensive enough.
876	0	DC Climate Action stated the importance of goal setting of the
877		Commission with advisement from different third-parties rather than the
878		utility.
879	0	Center for Environmental Health discussed concern about sustainability
880		to biological sustainability.
881	0	pdvWireless noted concern about the grid's ability to interconnect DERs.
882	0	Siemens asked the question how is the investor-owned utility (IOU)
883		mandated to function? Siemens noted that the IOU may need to change
884		its business models to fit the vision statement.

885	0	ChargePoint stated that electrification of the transportation sector -
886		including transit and light duty - should be considered in the planning
887		process.
888	0	DCWASA stated their concern that Pepco focuses more on projects of
889		reliability & sustainability rather than DER-related projects.
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891 •	In resp	onse to the question "Based upon what you know and have learned, do
892	you feel there is sufficient information from available sources to make DC Gr	
893 Modernization Recommendations? If no, what is missing?":		
894	0	DCWASA stated that to move forward with DC grid modernization, the
895		end goal objectives - such as specific capacity and performance goals -
896		must be clearly defined.
897	0	pdvWireless stated that DER small pilot studies could be used to make
898		grid modernization recommendations into the future. Small pilot studies
899		are best-practice to enable proper projections of DERs and teach us how
900		to understand the trends on use of electricity.
901	0	DoEE stated that the District completely lacks a roadmap for grid
902		modernization, and the District has no idea what the measurable
903		capabilities and standards that a modernized grid in DC should have.
904	0	DoEE noted that the Commission's vision must be translated into
905		specific functionalities, capabilities, and standards. DoEE mentioned
906		that without doing this work first, we would be putting the cart before the
907		horse.
908	0	DC Climate Action noted that to answer this question properly, a clearly
909		defined description of DC Grid Modernization must be developed. For
910		example, defining what a modernized grid looks like in terms of
911		substation zones, equipment, capabilities, health effects, and how it
912		meets community needs.
913	0	DC Climate Action stated that more focus and information surrounding
914		sustainability and climate change may benefit from a targeted assessment
915		on lowering emissions.
916	0	ChargePoint stated that available information is missing important data
917		components on electrification and other parts that are limiting the ability

918	for industry to leverage access to the grid. For example, economic
919	interplay, interconnection, and forecasting.
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921	• In response to the question "Do you feel that a system assessment is needed for
922	the MEDSIS initiative?":
923	• All stakeholders agreed that there was no need for a full-system
924	assessment but MEDSIS would benefit from some portion of a system
925	assessment.
926	• DoEE specifically asked if the answer could be nuanced to say that a
927	certain type of assessment (e.g. hosting capacity) for a part of the system
928	is needed? DoEE stated concern about being forced to choose, but if it
929	were to choose, it would answer that a full system assessment is not
930	needed.
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932	D. Morning Session 4 - System Assessment Overview
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934	• SEPA brought the groups back to the hearing room to lead a facilitated
935	discussion related to the results from each breakout group.
936	• The results from individual breakout sessions have been summarized by SEPA
937	(see Attachment No. 7, Breakout Groups Summary)
938	• SEPA provided the results of the 2nd and 3rd question. SEPA determined that
939	the majority of stakeholders believed there was enough information available and
940	that an assessment was unnecessary at this time.
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943	E. Afternoon Session 5 - Working Group Introduction and Breakout
944	Discussion
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946	• SEPA started the afternoon session on slide 40 of the PowerPoint presentation
947	introducing the working group introductory discussion (see Attachment No. 3,
948	Technical Conference Presentation).

949	$\circ$ SEPA began with a quick review of the past 3 workshop meetings, town-
950	hall meeting, staff report, vision statement, and pilot project parameters
951	to introduce the working group topic and breakout session.
952	• SEPA noted, based on their understanding of MEDSIS, stakeholder
953	priorities, and needs within the District, a strawman for the MEDSIS
954	working groups for discussion. SEPA proposed the following groups for
955	breakout discussion:
956	<ul> <li>Pilot Project Definition</li> </ul>
957	<ul> <li>Distributed Energy Resources (Non-Wires Alternatives)</li> </ul>
958	<ul> <li>Utility Distributed Integration Resource Planning (DIRP)</li> </ul>
959	Customer Protection
960	<ul> <li>Microgrids</li> </ul>
961	■ Future Rate Design
962	• The various stakeholders went back to the same breakout groups they were
963	assigned in the morning. SEPA facilitated the groups using the following
964	questions for discussion:
965	• Question 1: Regardless of what working groups are formed, what
966	specific topics need to be addressed in MEDSIS working groups?
967	• Question 2: If your group thinks the MEDSIS working groups should be
968	structured differently than proposed, list what working groups you
969	believe are key for Phase 2 with a short description.
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971	The following meeting minutes were recorded during the break out group discussion
972	regarding the MEDSIS working groups. Each break out group discussion is presented
973	separately. To reference the summary of each breakout groups, see Attachment No. 6,
974	Breakout Groups Summary
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976	Breakout Group 1 Discussion
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978	• In response to the question "Regardless of what working groups are formed, what
979	specific topics need to be addressed in MEDSIS working groups?":
980	• PJM Interconnection stated the following topics needing to be addressed:
981	implementation of IEEE standard 1547 and DER ride-through

982	requirements in DER interconnection rules, data accessibility – and	
983	transparency – segmented by stakeholders, aggregation vs.	
984	disaggregation of data	
985	• Blue Pillar stated the following topics: data availability, information	
986	required to run internet of things (IOT) system behind the meter.	
987	• WGL Energy noted that DC has been a leader of the smart city concept,	
988	but it needs to be addressed within a working group to answer the	
989	question of what that actually work for DC in terms of microgrids,	
990	ecodistricts, city emergency planning, and generation registries	
991	• Schneider Electric stated the following topics needed to be addressed:	
992	sustainability objectives, KPI and metering, and general data protection	
993	regulations (GDPR).	
994	• EarthJustice stated the following topics needing to be addressed:	
995	affordability objectives (e.g. someone's bill should not be X% of their	
996	income), targeted energy efficiency programs and efficient placement of	
997	distributed generation.	
998	• Athena Power noted that the metrics for CAIDI and SAIDI should be	
999	used to dictate where investment should be directed. Athena Power	
1000	mentioned that data transparency and what information is currently out	
1001	there should be considered as a main topic.	
1002	• All stakeholders agreed that data availability, microgrids, sustainable	
1003	objectives, and the role of the utility are all important topics for the	
1004	working groups to cover.	
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1006	• In response to the question "If your group thinks the MEDSIS working groups	
1007	should be structured differently than proposed, list what working groups you	
1008	believe are key for Phase 2 with a short description.":	
1009	<ul> <li>Schneider Electric stated that microgrids and NWA/DERs are very</li> </ul>	
1010	similar and noted that the working groups should differentiate between	
1011	grid-scale vs. distributed DERs. Schneider Electric also noted that grid	
1012	modernization financing options should be a topic of working groups to	
1013	target the \$21M against the existing investment projects to prevent	
1014	redundancy and ensure that they are unique/not going to be done	
1015		otherwise. Schneider Electric noted that if the Utility DIRP working
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1016		group topics could be part of the DER or microgrid working groups
1017		while EVs should be considered in a separate group.
1018	0	WGL Energy stated the importance of having a working group focused
1019		on resiliency; the DER working group could have several committees.
1020	0	Athena Power stated the importance of having reliability/resiliency,
1021		power quality, and DER interconnection.
1022	0	EarthJustice mentioned several potential working groups it would like to
1023		see: customer protection, end user affordability, value of DER,
1024		methodology for cost-of-service within an affordability group.
1025	0	PJM Interconnection believed the NWA could go into planning working
1026		group and likes each of the six proposed working groups offered by
1027		SEPA. PJM Interconnection recommended that DER should be defined
1028		in advance. PJM Interconnection stated the option for industry led
1029		subcommittees that are not facilitated by the staff. PJM Interconnection
1030		recommended working groups provide a potential mechanism to tackle
1031		more specific issues like IEEE 1547 (smart inverter) and referenced MD $$
1032		PC44 (smart inverter subgroup; part of the DER Interconnect working
1033		group) and CA.
1034	0	Blue Pillar had no suggestions but is not impressed with the ones
1035		proposed. Blue Pillar recommended that Pepco representative should
1036		participate in each working group along with a PJM participant. Blue
1037		Pillar also stated that EV working group should be created.
1038	0	All stakeholders agreed that NWA could be pulled out from the
1039		DER/NWA combined working group into the planning group.
1040	0	Several stakeholders wanted to change the microgrid name to include
1041		"and Resilience Systems".
1042	0	Several stakeholders agreed that smart city mobility (e.g. electric,
1043		autonomous, shared, connected) could be included in the DER working
1044		group.
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1048	Breakout Group	2 Discussion
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1050	• In respo	onse to the question "Regardless of what working groups are formed, what
1051	specific	topics need to be addressed in MEDSIS working groups?":
1052	0	All stakeholders agreed that customer equity, unique characteristics of
1053		DC Grid, new approaches to rate making, sustainable utility business
1054		models, intangible benefits, 51st state ideas, building heritage codes,
1055		utility application behind the meter.
1056	0	Topics considered by the stakeholders included the following: energy
1057		storage, safety, rate design, transportation electrification, data audit and
1058		verification, automatic control (e.g. demand response management),
1059		urban planning, building codes, IEEE standards, interconnection process
1060		(e.g. IEEE 1547, UL 1741) - and interrelated interconnection cases, low
1061		income, resiliency, and demand side management.
1062	0	The World Bank noted that safety, with storage should be an important
1063		part of the working groups.
1064	0	Greenlots noted rate design and transportation electrification as potential
1065		working groups.
1066	0	Advanced Energy Group mentioned that 3 <sup>rd</sup> party data verification and
1067		validation should be required and fleshed out in the working groups to
1068		identify Pepco's gaps.
1069	0	DoEE wanted to see an active system management working group that
1070		would yield visibility into resources on the system, including
1071		autonomous network operation as a topic of discussion.
1072	0	The World Bank noted an open planning and building code working
1073		groups to work through the requirements for charging stations, including
1074		state and system standards and regulations.
1075	0	Advanced Energy Group stated that an interconnection process working
1076		group is warranted.
1077	0	Pepco mentioned that it would like to see a smart cities element (e.g.
1078		streetlights) defined and prioritized in the working group.
1079	0	EEI mentioned that low income integration, participation, and inclusion
1080		shall be addressed within a working group, or throughout all.

1081	0	Advanced Energy Group noted that a definition of resilience should be
1082		included in perhaps a critical resiliency strategy working group.
1083	0	The World Bank noted the importance of the evolving business models
1084		around virtual utilities and other new actors in the space.
1085	0	EEI and Pepco agreed that customer equity across all customer classes is
1086		key within the MEDSIS working gro8ups.
1087	0	Greenlots mentioned it would like to see pilot projects target the issues
1088		and realities that are unique to the District's grid.
1089	0	The World Bank noted a ratemaking working group should reconsider
1090		what goes into the rate casing process. The World Bank asked the
1091		question, "Does the 21 <sup>st</sup> century grid need this type of approach (rate
1092		case)?
1093	0	Advanced Energy Group mentioned a utility of the future / new utility
1094		business model working group geared to answer what the sustainable
1095		business model for the utility look like in the future?
1096	0	Greenlots agreed that utility incentives should be aligned with everyone
1097		and that alternative ratemaking must be considered.
1098	0	Pepco mentioned non-quantifiable benefits and noted the need for more
1099		consideration into the cost benefit analysis approach (e.g. how to value
1100		certain things that you can't put dollars on)
1101	0	DoEE noted a "foundations for a smarter more active system" type
1102		working group would be beneficial.
1103	0	The World Bank noted the importance of integrating solar PV that is also
1104		heritage compatible (e.g. roof tiles that meet building heritage controls).
1105	0	Pepco noted the topic of utility in behind the meter applications (e.g.
1106		residential storage programs like Green Mountain Power's). Pepco
1107		described the potential pilot program of sponsoring the financial costs of
1108		the customers to utilize the residential storage as an aggregator / virtual
1109		power plant. Pepco mentioned the customer financial incentive and
1110		utilities benefit in managing the system.
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1112	• In response to the question "If your group thinks the MEDSIS working groups
1113	should be structured differently than proposed, list what working groups you
1114	believe are key for Phase 2 with a short description.":
1115	$\circ$ The stakeholders collectively came up with the following working group
1116	recommendations:
1117	<ul> <li>Pilot Project Programs</li> </ul>
1118	Governance
1119	Microgrids
1120	• Value of pilot projects (insights and future
1121	developments)
1122	• Cost recovery - who pays?
1123	DER Resources / NWAs
1124	• Include demand-side management?
1125	• How to value DER as NWAs? (guidelines)
1126	System benefit cost analysis
1127	<ul> <li>Utility DIRP</li> </ul>
1128	<ul> <li>Hosting capacity, locational value,</li> </ul>
1129	security/cybersecurity, data verification (accuracy,
1130	transparency, safe), interconnection, urban planning +
1131	building codes, transmission, timeline for upgrade
1132	<ul> <li>Future Utility</li> </ul>
1133	• Role of aggregators, stakeholders,
1134	ownership/management of DERs
1135	Rate making
1136	Business models
1137	• Microgrids + all DER
1138	<ul> <li>spatial/temporal price variability, market design,</li> </ul>
1139	platform models + dynamics
1140	<ul> <li>Consumer Protection and Engagement</li> </ul>
1141	Customer equity, low/income inclusion, customer
1142	data/privacy, cost causation
1143	<ul> <li>Ratemaking</li> </ul>
1144	Beneficial Electrification

1145	Breakout Group 3 Discussion
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1147	• In response to the question "Regardless of what working groups are formed, what
1148	specific topics need to be addressed in MEDSIS working groups?":
1149	• The stakeholders discussed the following topics needing to be addressed
1150	in MEDSIS working groups: performance-based ratemaking, tax
1151	incentives, market competition, social equity, rate design, policy and
1152	utility business model alignment, interconnection, DER technology
1153	intelligence, incentives to market players, cost-allocation, community
1154	outreach and education, consumer data protection, cybersecurity,
1155	reliability and physical security, and regulatory reform and assessment.
1156	• The stakeholders felt that it was very important to spend the time to $(1)$
1157	gather up all relevant information and resources and package it for
1158	stakeholders to reference before starting working groups and (2) ensure
1159	that there is a strong focus on alignment with existing related policies
1160	and regulations including City of DC Clean Energy Plan, other Pepco
1161	regulatory proceedings, etc we should be coordinating efforts as it
1162	relates to other grid modernization efforts.
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1164	• In response to the question "If your group thinks the MEDSIS working groups
1165	should be structured differently than proposed, list what working groups you
1166	believe are key for Phase 2 with a short description.":
1167	• The stakeholders collectively came up with the following potential
1168	working groups: pilot projects, DER/NWAs, rate design, consumer
1169	protection/engagement, market design and market roles, microgrids and
1170	resiliency, workforce development, policy alignment, utility business
1171	models, regulatory review including interoperability and code of
1172	conduct.
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1178	Breakout Group	p 4 Discussion
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1180	• In resp	onse to the question "Regardless of what working groups are formed, what
1181	specific	c topics need to be addressed in MEDSIS working groups?":
1182	0	Landis+Gyr stated that it may need a separate or parallel process focused
1183		on EV chargers and grid impacts.
1184	0	GRID2.0 mentioned rate design, including performance-based rates, as
1185		current rates do not address what we want to advance.
1186	0	Landis+Gyr stated efficiency and demand response as important topics to
1187		be part of working groups.
1188	0	EKM Law, on behalf of Tesla, Inc., made it clear that it was in opposition
1189		of mandatory residential demand charges.
1190	0	AECOM commented that regardless of what working groups are formed,
1191		the MEDSIS initiative needs to address the potential benefits of multiple
1192		energy delivery systems (e.g. electricity, gas, water, district energy) and
1193		take this into consideration in future regulatory policies, rate structures
1194		and pilot demonstration projects. GRID2.0 noted that the District did not
1195		define storage as generation and expressed that storage is a DER.
1196	0	GRID2.0 noted that DERs and DERMs could be categorized as virtual
1197		power plants (VPPs)
1198	0	ICF International commented that the smart city approach on how gas
1199		and electricity converge should be covered in the working groups.
1200	0	Several stakeholders agreed that storage should be considered as an DER
1201	• In resp	onse to the question "If your group thinks the MEDSIS working groups
1202	should	be structured differently than proposed, list what working groups you
1203	believe	are key for Phase 2 with a short description.":
1204	0	ICF International noted that planning and DIRP should include NWA
1205		solutions.
1206	0	GRID2.0 stated that customer protection should include customer facing
1207		utility programs.
1208	0	EKM Law commented about the District's municipal aggregation statute
1209		and described it as a customer program to be considered within the
1210		customer protection working group.

1211	0	GRID2.0 suggested the microgrid working group to include VPPs and
1212		DERM to allow microgrids to be geographically isolated but aggregated
1213		as VPPs.
1214	0	ICF International agreed that microgrids, energy storage aggregation, and
1215		VPPs are good ideas to potentially fold into DIRP and NWA working
1216		groups.
1217	0	AECOM proposed resilience as a working group.
1218	0	ICF International replied that perhaps resilience could be covered
1219		throughout other working groups.
1220	0	EKM Law, on behalf of Tesla, Inc., said that Tesla strongly supports a
1221		separate working group on EVs, particularly on EV charging station
1222		infrastructure; but if addressed in the context of an existing working
1223		group, then preferably, on a separate or accelerated schedule.
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1226	Breakout Group	p 5 Discussion
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1228	• In resp	onse to the question "Regardless of what working groups are formed, what
1229	specific	c topics need to be addressed in MEDSIS working groups?":
1230	0	Urban Ingenuity commented on the need for a level playing field for
1231		wires versus NWA. Urban Ingenuity discussed the regulatory structure
1232		of today assumes a monopoly player and customer and asked the
1233		question, "what is a customer versus utility?". Urban Ingenuity noted
1234		financial mechanisms, acceptance criteria, and market prices for capacity
1235		constraints as potential topics for working group discussion.
1236	0	BioSmart Solar noted that there is no bioengineering in the language and
1237		mentioned its concerns over the health issues and implications of solar
1238		manufacturing. BioSmart Solar noted that it likes customer protection.
1239	0	ThinkEco stated that we should call it customer empowerment rather
1240		than customer protection.
1241	0	All stakeholders agreed that rate design is important, and the District
1242		needs a new model to allocate cost.

1243	0	GridLion stated interoperability and hierarchy structure of investments as
1244		topics for working group consideration.
1245	0	All stakeholders agreed that there needs to be an improved
1246		interconnection process.
1247	0	All stakeholders agreed that the public needs to be able to get hosting
1248		capacity information quicker.
1249	0	All stakeholders agreed that the working groups should produce a
1250		roadmap for the future.
1251	0	All stakeholders agreed that working groups should consider low income
1252		upfront and often during this process.
1253	0	The summarized input that was provided and rolled up to the main group
1254		was (1) the need for a level playing field, (2) review of cost allocation,
1255		and (3) customer empowerment and the definition of what is a utility
1256		versus a customer.
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1258	• In resp	onse to the question "If your group thinks the MEDSIS working groups
1259	should	be structured differently than proposed, list what working groups you
1260	believe	e are key for Phase 2 with a short description.":
1261	0	The stakeholders broke down the topics into the following:
1262		<ul> <li>Pilot Projects</li> </ul>
1263		• Focus not only on technology but how data will be
1264		shared between parties and how data ownership is
1265		defined.
1266		■ DER/NWA
1267		• Stakeholders suggested this group be called "Market
1268		Design"
1269		• Encompasses NWA, capacity/connection costs, and
1270		where distribution system operators are needed.
1271		<ul> <li>Microgrid</li> </ul>
1272		• Includes definitions and ownership structures.
1273		Customer/Human Impact
1274		• Includes customer service, protection, empowerment,
1275		and access.

1276	<ul> <li>Transitioning Resource Plan</li> </ul>
1277	• Suggested alternate name to DIRP to be less utility
1278	oriented.
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1280	Breakout Group 6 Discussion
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1282	• In response to the question "Regardless of what working groups are formed, what
1283	specific topics need to be addressed in MEDSIS working groups?":
1284	• The group brainstormed several topics that need to be addressed in the
1285	MEDSIS working groups, including: accountability, performance based
1286	ratemaking / alternative ratemaking, regulations, utility programs (e.g.
1287	DLC Load Control, dynamic pricing), cost-allocation, utility 2.0, low-
1288	moderate income customers and programs, rate classes versus customer
1289	type, value of DERs, value of the grid, customer engagement, data
1290	access/ownership/security, risk allocation and volatility, legal implication
1291	(e.g. statues beyond policy).
1292	• GRID2.0 noted that performance-based ratemaking and regulations
1293	should be a topic of consideration in MEDSIS.
1294	• Sunrun stated it does not want DER ownership and/or control for Pepco.
1295	Sunrun noted that customer and legal protection should be addressed in
1296	the working groups.
1297	• GRID2.0 noted that Pepco should be asked how they want to handle
1298	electric vehicles in the DER working group and in the working group
1299	process in general given that there are ongoing cases as part of MEDSIS.
1300	• Pareto Energy recommended that the U.S. Federal Trade Commission
1301	(FTC) participate in the hypothetical microgrid working group given
1302	their experience with the topic.
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1304	• In response to the question "If your group thinks the MEDSIS working groups
1305	should be structured differently than proposed, list what working groups you
1306	believe are key for Phase 2 with a short description.":

1307	0	All stakeholders agreed that a separate microgrid working group
1308		potentially covering definitions, jurisdiction, regulation, case
1309		studies/projects, retrofits, etc. should be considered.
1310	0	The stakeholders discussed how to best handle DERs and NWA – as
1311		standalone working groups or separate. The consensus was that because
1312		DERs include several topic areas unrelated to non-wires alternatives (e.g.
1313		valuation, interconnection, customer protection, ownership, security,
1314		standards, new technology), it should be covered in its own working
1315		group. Similarly, it was agreed upon that non-wires alternatives not only
1316		include DERs thus it should be a separate working group.
1317	0	GRID2.0 and Pepco agreed that the DER working group could
1318		potentially include several case studies to help formulate the road map
1319		for more DER integration for several different use cases and
1320		applications.
1321	0	The stakeholders discussed how the staging and the duration of each
1322		working group is variable and dependent per recommendations and the
1323		decided purpose of each working group.
1324	0	All stakeholders agreed that it was important that the system assessment
1325		conversation was to be addressed as part of the potential Utility
1326		Distribution Integration Resource Planning (DIRP) working group.
1327	0	The stakeholders came up with 6 working groups to recommend to the
1328		Commission: Pilot Project, NWA, DER, Microgrids, Ratemaking and
1329		Rate Design, and Utility Distribution Integration Resource Planning.
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1333	Breakout Grou	p 7 Discussion
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1335	• In resp	onse to the question "Regardless of what working groups are formed, what
1336	specifi	c topics need to be addressed in MEDSIS working groups?":
1337	0	EnerSys asked what the process is and anticipated outcomes of the
1338		working groups?

1339	• OPC stated that its understanding was that the working groups create a
1340	white paper with recommendations to the Commission
1341	• The entire group expressed that it did not fully understand the value of
1342	Phase 3 of the MEDSIS effort, which is the Working Group
1343	Recommendations. The group stated concern that the Pilot Projects will
1344	not be implemented until many years into the future.
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1346	• In response to the question "If your group thinks the MEDSIS working groups
1347	should be structured differently than proposed, list what working groups you
1348	believe are key for Phase 2 with a short description.":
1349	• The stakeholders agreed with several working group recommendations to
1350	move forward with Phase 2 of MEDSIS, including, microgrids, customer
1351	protection, future rate design, transportation electrification, future utility
1352	business models, EV, customer education, data transparency, grid and
1353	data security including cyber and resiliency, energy efficiency, carbon
1354	reduction, combined heat-to-power (CHP), battery storage, and cost
1355	benefit analysis.
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1358	Breakout Group 8 Discussion
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1360	• In response to the question "Regardless of what working groups are formed, what
1361	specific topics need to be addressed in MEDSIS working groups?":
1362	• Groundswell noted affordability and interconnection of DERs as topics
1363	for consideration. Groundswell commented about how the modernized
1364	grid impacts low income families and how DERs will impact the
1365	modernized grid.
1366	• Pareto Energy agreed on low income and interconnection and referenced
1367	learning experiences from New York. Pareto Energy noted additional
1368	interconnection concerns including process for application, timing,
1369	review, queues, interconnection studies, etc.
1370	• DC Climate Action noted that there is clear direction for projects less
1371	than 5 MW that will not feed into PJM. DC Climate Action emphasized

1372		a call for public service criteria for interconnection for projects greater
1373		than 5MW but less than 20MW. DC Climate Action commented on the
1374		role of advanced inverter functionality, financial considerations for
1375		interconnections, and capacity to grid as components of interconnection
1376		processes that require consideration.
1377	0	Siemens asked if the upgrade is needed who will pay?
1378	0	Pareto Energy commented about the differences of ancillary transmission
1379		services and NWA, specifically what these differences mean to Pepco's
1380		adherence to FERC planning process. Pareto Energy proposed
1381		compatibility of regional and national planning as a result to this
1382		discussion.
1383	0	Siemens mentioned the topic of how to value stack NWA, specifically
1384		how to take advantage to the transmission and distribution portions of the
1385		grid since Pepco is only a distribution company.
1386	0	Siemens noted the need for a DER definition.
1387	0	DoEE included interactivity, efficiency, and sustainability to extract grid
1388		functionality as measurable topics to working groups and MEDSIS.
1389	0	DoEE stated the importance of independent verification of hosting
1390		capacity, load forecasting, etc. DoEE referenced the load forecasting
1391		methodology for Pepco and calls for an examination of load forecasting
1392		criteria.
1393	0	Siemens replied and stated that Pepco should use a consistent process
1394		similar to other utilities that is evaluated annually.
1395	0	DC Climate Action mentioned that there is a public interest proceeding
1396		critiquing Pepco's load forecasting and there are ongoing filings with the
1397		Commission about the topic.
1398	0	Siemens noted distribution forecasts need to be matched to PJM forecast
1399		and be included in integrated planning working group.
1400	0	DoEE commented that Pepco tries to align with PJM forecast.
1401	0	Siemens stated the need for the forecast to be built from the bottom up,
1402		starting with Pepco, and fed into PJM.

1403	0	Siemens and DC Climate Action agreed the forecast needs to be done
1404		hourly and agreed that the topic of DER forecasting into PJM and in
1405		coordination with IRP should be considered in the working groups.
1406	0	Siemens asked if energy efficiency (EE) is considered a part of DERs.
1407	0	Pareto Energy noted that identifying areas on the grid that could value
1408		from NWA should be addressed in the working groups.
1409	0	DC Climate Action included that the value of NWA presents an
1410		opportunity for utilities.
1411	0	Siemens mentioned that Pepco should make the value of NWA and
1412		optimal location for DERs data available to customers
1413	0	The stakeholders discussed advanced inverter functionality and
1414		capabilities and the questions of ownership and control.
1415	0	The stakeholders agreed that the business model for utility, alternative
1416		ratemaking (e.g. performance-based metrics) must be addressed.
1417	0	Siemens noted the need for defining VARs, loss elimination and
1418		frequency regulation to level set.
1419	0	DC Climate Action mentioned that carbon emissions should be top of
1420		mind during the working group process as one of the guiding principles
1421		of MEDSIS is meeting the carbon emission reduction goals for the
1422		District.
1423	0	Pareto Energy noted the topic of customer interaction with the grid and
1424		the idea of users organizing together to create a legal entity to do all DER
1425		related activities (e.g. Connecticut Energy Improvement District,
1426		Maryland Taxing District)
1427	0	All stakeholders discussed the benefits of electrification on reliability,
1428		sustainability, and other MEDSIS mission statements.
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1430	In respo	onse to the question "If your group thinks the MEDSIS working groups
1431	should	be structured differently than proposed, list what working groups you
1432	believe	are key for Phase 2 with a short description.":
1433	0	DC Climate Action wanted to ditch consumer protection, noting that it
1434		means nothing.

1435		0	Siemens believed that consumer protection was meant to cover cyber
1436			security.
1437		0	DC Climate Action commented about the excuse for not releasing data
1438			being a privacy issue.
1439		0	DoEE noted data access can be a working group that informs the DER
1440			planning process and distribution system planning process.
1441		0	Pareto Energy stated future rate design working group could cover real
1442			and reactive power. Pareto Energy noted cyber and customer
1443			information management could cover several discussed topics in a
1444			working group.
1445		0	All stakeholders agreed that data access could be a potential working
1446			group to secure information and appropriate actors.
1447		0	DOEE and DC Climate Action agreed that microgrids should not be a
1448			standalone working group and it should be a part of DER.
1449		0	Pareto Energy disagreed and stated that microgrids should be separate.
1450		0	All stakeholders agreed that the DER working group would cover use of
1451			DERs to meet climate and energy goals, along with specific NWA
1452			criteria.
1453		0	DoEE argued against "Alignment with Regional and Federal
1454			Jurisdiction" being a standalone working group, even though this issue
1455			may impact microgrids.
1456		0	DoEE stressed the need to review the terms of the MEDSIS Vision
1457			Statement and translate them into specific measurable objectives - to
1458			determine functionalities, standards, and capabilities needed to achieve
1459			those objectives. DoEE noted that this process would inform the types of
1460			working groups that should be recommended.
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1463	F.	Aftern	oon Session 6 - Working Group Review
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1465	•	SEPA l	brought the groups back to the hearing room to lead a facilitated
1466		discuss	ion related to the results from each breakout group.

1467	• The results from individual breakout sessions have been summarized by SEPA
1468	(see Attachment No. 6, Breakout Groups Summary)
1469	• Each facilitator of the 8 breakout groups recapped their groups discussion and
1470	answers to the two breakout questions (see Attachment No. 6, Breakout
1471	Groups Summary)
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1474	G. Afternoon Session 7 - Review
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1476	• SEPA presented the results and recommendations from the technical conference.
1477	Objective 1 Result/Recommendation
1478	• SEPA determined that the consensus amongst the stakeholders was that a
1479	system assessment was not appropriate at this time.
1480	Objective 2 Result/Recommendation:
1481	• SEPA collected feedback and input from the stakeholders and will
1482	summarize the results in the Technical Conference Report and will use
1483	the feedback towards its formal working group recommendation to the
1484	Commission.
1485	• A representative from Groundswell asked how the issues and working groups
1486	ideas that did not making the top list within the summaries will be considered.
1487	• SEPA stated that the initial meeting minutes report will include all
1488	discussion items raised during the conference.
1489	• SEPA explained that the input produced at the technical conference is
1490	not the only input that will be collected through the MEDSIS initiative
1491	and that all stakeholder comment proceeding the technical conference,
1492	including the comment gathered at the technical conference will be
1493	considered in SEPA's formal working group recommendations and
1494	descriptions to the Commission.
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1497	Technical Conference Feedback
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1499	• SEPA sent a feedback survey to all Technical Conference attendees on June 29 <sup>th</sup> ,
1500	2018. 18 stakeholders submitted feedback and the results are summarized in
1501	Attachment No. 7, Technical Conference Feedback Summary.
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1504	<b>Other Points Made During the Course of the Day</b>
1505	A list of items that came up during the course of the day that were not directly part of the
1506	discussions are captured below.
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1508	System Assessment Breakout Groups Parking Lot Notes:
1509	<ul> <li>Inclusion of safety and health impacts in the MEDSIS initiative</li> </ul>
1510	• Specifics of MEDSIS funding and the scheduling of the budget
1511	• Understand load implication of EVs and explore a pilot project studying EV
1512	adoption and deployment solutions
1513	Data formatting and streamlining
1514	• Learning lessons and data gathered from pilot projects made readily available
1515	and open to the public to allow the industry to facilitate market competition
1516	rather than causing a barrier to entry
1517	• Changes in hosting capacity and load forecasting over time and by location
1518	• Distinctions between commercial and residential customers and projects
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1520	Working Group Breakout Groups Parking Lot Notes:
1521	Review ongoing DIRP activities and investigate a District energy study
1522	• Specifics regarding funding pilot projects amongst various investment options
1523	(e.g. CAPEX from Pepco, MEDSIS funds)
1524	Understanding existing pilot projects
1525	• Review the specific inputs and outputs of hosting capacity analysis
1526	• Inclusion of Formal Case No. 1143 (Pepco EV Managed Charging Pilot) in
1527	Phase 2 of MEDSIS (working group process).
1528	• Tackle social equity and justice
1529	• Repository of existing information to access and use as a resource
1530	• Expansion of sustainability definition to include health impacts

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1532	Next Steps:
1533	• <u>www.DCGridMod.org</u> will provide updates to the stakeholder process, including
1534	the presentation from the Technical Conference along with information on how
1535	to register for the working groups once they are ordered by the Commission.
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**Attachment No. 1 - Technical Conference Attendee List** 

<u>First Name</u>	<u>Last Name</u>	<u>Company</u>
Lilia	Abron	PEER Consultants, P.C.
Rhoda	Alale	BioSmart Solar, Inc.
Sharon	Allan	SEPA
Jason	Allnutt	IEEE
Matthew	Bearzotti	Sierra Club
Jeremy	Bedine	GridLion
Torrey	Beek	DC Department of Energy and Environment (DoEE)
Ronald	Bethea	PRESS
Sylwia	Bialek	Institute for Policy Integrity, NYU
Nicholas	Bihun	New Columbia Solar
Kenneth	Boley	pdvWireless, Inc.
David	Borden	Washington Gas
Patti	Boyd	DC Sustainable Energy Utility (DCSEU)
Robert	Burkhardt	pdvWireless, Inc.
Robert	Cain	Washington Gas

Brian	Caldwell	Office of the Attorney General for the District of Columbia
H.G.	Chissell	Advanced Energy Group
Dan	Chwastyk	SEPA
Bryan	Clark	Рерсо
Bicky	Corman	EKM Law, LLC
Jason	Cumberbatch	DC Office of the People's Counsel
Harry	Cuttler	SEPA
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Erik	Desrosiers	ADL Ventures
Zach	Dobelbower	DC Department of General Services
Nina	Dodge	DC Climate Action
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Edward	Drew	Blue Pillar
Ryan	Edge	SEPA
Shalom	Flank	Urban Ingenuity
Emp	Francia	
Frann	Francis	АОВА
Jay	Frankhouser	EnerSys, Inc.
Rachel	Gold	ACEEE
Andrea	Harper	РНІ

Andy	Haun	Schneider Electric
Rachel	Henderson	SEPA
Ethan	Holmes	Рерсо
Mike	House	AECOM
Eugene	Imhoff	GRID2.0
Ernest	Jolly	DC Water and Sewer Authority (DCWASA)
Erick	Karlen	Greenlots
Bart	Krishland	New Columbia Solar
Mike	Kruger	SEPA
Robert	LaCount	M.J. Bradley & Associates LLC
Rajesh	Lakhiani	Athena Power
Jared	Leader	SEPA
Alan D.	Lee	World Bank
Andrew	Levitt	PJM Interconnection
Nina	Lobo	Groundswell
Alex	Lopez	Oracle Corporation
John	Macgregor	DC Climate Action

Yohana	Mariam	DC Office of Peoples Council
Larry	Martin	GRID2.0 / U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
Erika	Meyer	SEPA
Adrienne	Mouton-Henderson	DC Office of the People's Counsel
Chinyere	Osuala	EarthJustice
Clark	Pierce	Landis+Gyr
Natasha	Rao	Environmental Defense Fund (EDF)
Noel	Rivera	Рерсо
Al	Roark	ABB, Inc.
Robert	Robinson	DC Consumer Utility Board (DCCUB)
David	Schatz	ChargePoint
John	Slocum	Exelon
Aaron	Smallwood	SEPA
Bianca	Smith-Incas-Allen	BioSmart Solar, Inc.
Christine	Stearn	SEPA
Samir	Succar	ICF International
Stephen	Swern	NV5

Jen	Szarro	SEPA
Jim	Taylor	Siemens
Mishal	Thadani	District Solar
Mark	Thomson	ThinkEco
Lily	Wang	Exelon
Guy	Warner	Pareto Energy
Chet	Warner	Pareto Energy
Thomas	Weaver	Prospect Solar LLC
Erica	Weyer	Sierra Club
Alison	Williams	Edison Electric Institute (EEI)
Zach	Wilson	New City Energy
David	Wright	Groundswell
Edward	Yim	DC Department of Energy and Environment (DoEE)

### **Attachment No. 2 - Technical Conference Agenda**

<u>Time</u>	Description	<u>Presenter</u>
9:30am	Introduction & Agenda Overview	PSC, SEPA
9:40am	MEDSIS Overview	SEPA
9:50am	System Assessment Overview	SEPA
10:00am	System Assessment Description	Burns & McDonnell
10:45am	System Assessment Data & Tools	РЕРСО
11:15am	System Assessment Breakout Sessions	All
12:15pm	System Assessment Summary & Recommendations	SEPA
1:00pm	Lunch	
1:45pm	Working Group Introductory Discussion	SEPA
2:15pm	Working Group Breakout Sessions	All
3:15pm	Working Group Breakout Session Review & Recommendation Discussion	SEPA
4:15pm	Review Technical Conference Results & Recommendations	SEPA
4:30pm	Conclude & Adjourn	

### **Attachment No. 3 – Technical Conference Presentation**

# **MEDSIS Technical Conference**

June 27<sup>th</sup>, 2018 9:30am – 4:30pm ET

DC Public Service Commission Commission Hearing Room



Modernizing the Energy Delivery System for Increased Sustainability



PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION of the District of Columbia

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# **MEDSIS Vision Statement**



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## **MEDSIS Overview**





March '16

## **Evolution of MEDSIS Initiative**





### Scope of MEDSIS Initiative:

- 1. Stakeholder Engagement (Phase I)
- 2. Working Group Process (Phase II)
- 3. Working Group Recommendations (Phase III)
- 4. MEDSIS Pilot Project Program (Phase IV)

## **Interrelated Cases to MEDSIS**

### FC 1144 -Capital Grid Project

- DC PSC approves Notices of Construction for substations and underground transmission.
- Pepco proposed a new underground transmission line that will cross the District of Columbia.
- Pepco also proposed to rebuild two substations and build a new one to serve the Mt. Vernon area.
- Total original cost estimate: Approximately \$700 million (both transmission and distribution).
- FC 1144 is an open docket; Pepco will make a new, comprehensive filing on June 29, 2018.

### FC 1050 – Interconnection

- The Council of the District of Columbia enacted the Community Renewable Energy Amendment Act in 2013. The Community Net Energy Metering Rules were published in the D.C. Register in May 2015
- The Commission is currently considering changes to its Small Generator Interconnection Rules for Small Generating Facilities
- A Technical Conference was held to discuss proposed interconnection rules and implementation costs for CREFs on May 17, 2018

### FC 1145 – Power Line Undergrounding (PLUG)

- Recommended by Mayor's Task Force and adopted by Council of the District of Columbia.
- In 2017, PSC approved the First Biennial Plan with six projects.
- Effort is focused on undergrounding the worst performing distribution feeders to reduce and prevent stormrelated outages.
- Legislation authorized \$500 million over at least six years.



## Technical Conference Objective #1: Discuss the Appropriateness of a System Assessment



• Receive stakeholder input regarding the appropriateness of a system assessment of the Pepco energy delivery system in the District





# What is a System Assessment?

- Holistic & integrated analysis of the grid and relevant business practices (recommended) to optimally address areas of need.
- Scope based on Objectives
  - Targeted (I.E. improve a metric like reliability) or more broadly based.
  - Whole electrical system or a piece of the system (e.g. circuit, substation and circuits)
# Why do a System Assessment?

- Limited Resources < Project / Spend Opportunities</li>
- Changing Utility Customer Needs
- Assess Emerging Technology & Tools



Enable

flexibility

# Why do a System Assessment?

- Integrated / Holistic Look vs Silos & Buckets
- Plan & Forecast vs React



# **System Assessment Components**

- Data Collection & Cleanup
- Model Creation / Cleanup
- Model Tuning
- Initial Analysis / Need Identification
- Project Creation & Evaluation
  - Costing & timing
  - Estimated improvement(s)



# System Assessment Input & Analysis Checklist

Input	Analyses
Existing Circuit Models	Hosting Capacity
Load Forecasts	Load Flow
Construction Standards	Reliability
Load Profiles	rtendonity
Outage History	Distribution Automation
Critical Customers	Asset Optimization
Major Asset Details	Fault Protection Coordination

# **Recent System Assessment Example**

Grid Modernization Study (Distribution + Substation)







PHASE I (2016)	PHASE II (2017)	PHASE III (2018)
<ul> <li>Review Design, Maintenance &amp; Operating Standards for Modernization Gaps</li> <li>Develop Grid Modernization Planning Criteria</li> <li>Execute Engineering Analysis (Distribution Planning) on pilot set of feeders to prove out planning procedure, tools and criteria</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Identify Phase II Circuits (~10% of the system)</li> <li>Execute Modernization Analysis &amp; Planning on over 400 feeders</li> <li>Identify Recommendations for Improvement and Update to Standards, Processes, and Tools</li> <li>Score and Rank all Projects Developed in Planning process and Prioritize according to comprehensive criteria</li> <li>Develop a Roadmap for Prioritized Project Investment and Execution</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Support Internal and External Approvals</li> <li>Deliver Go-Forward Processes</li> <li>Deliver and Train on New Planning Tools</li> <li>Establish Benefit Tracking to be maintained throughout execution</li> </ul>

# **Costs of a System Assessment**

### • Cost

- \$8,000-\$30,000 per circuit mean is \$25,000
- Highly dependent on complexity & objectives
- Timeline
  - Months → Year+



# **System Assessment - Considerations**

- Factors for justifying a System Assessment
  - Scope, Timeline, Budget
  - Deliverable/project horizon
  - Existing initiatives & processes
  - Existing planning/study processes
- Alternatives
  - Strategic Pilots
  - Constraints screening / k-means cluster analysis
  - Localized focused study





#### Assessment of Pepco's System and System Constraints

Bryan Clark, Director Utility of the Future June 27, 2018



#### **District of Columbia Electric Distribution System Overview**

- 296,150 customers
- 50 substations
- 777 distribution feeders
  - 647 overhead circuit miles
  - 1,737 underground circuit miles
- 22,150 distribution transformers
  - 12,902 overhead
  - 1,793 padmount
  - 2,303 underground
  - 512 subsurface
  - 184 subway
  - 11 OH stepdown
  - 13 UG stepdown
  - 4,431 network
- 59,519 manholes
- 302,551 automated metering infrastructure (AMI) meters activated<sup>1</sup>

\*Data as of 12/31/2017 <sup>1</sup>PEPCO Customer AMI Data is available to third parties upon written consent of the AMI customer

A A B B Map of Washington, DC Primary Conductors Underground Overhead



#### **Managing Pepco System**

Aging infrastructure, emergence of new technologies, change in customer expectations, reliability assurance and traditional regulatory obligations drive the need to continue with a comprehensive asset management strategy for PHI



#### Pepco's District of Columbia LVAC Networks

- LVAC networks consist of up to 6 feeders with an operating capacity of approximately 45 MVA
- A secondary network is supplied from two or more transformers with secondaries tied between transformers
  - 120V / 240V @ 500, 750 and 1000 kVA
  - 265V / 460V @ 500, 750, 1000, 1500 and 2000 kVA
- Pepco has approximately 4,400 network transformers in the District
- Pepco currently has approximately 46,500 residential customers connected to a LVAC Network
- Primarily located within the central business district to support the high-density commercial loads





#### **Pepco System Assessment Processes**

- Reliability
  - Continuous review of system and feeder level performance
  - Continuous review of customers experiencing multiple interruptions
- Load Forecasting
  - Annual review of loading on half the system: feeders, substation transformers, and substations
  - Load flow analysis using various software packages
  - Incorporates DERs, energy efficiency, and other known load reducing factors
- Control Center Operations
  - Continuous monitoring of system
  - Leverages data supplied by multiple sources



#### **Distribution System Planning Mission and Role**

- The mission of PHI Distribution System Planning is to provide for the safe, reliable, economic and orderly modification and expansion of the PHI electric system to meet existing and future customer demands
- PHI companies maintain engineering and operating criteria used in the design of new and modified portions of the distribution system
  - These criteria govern how:
    - 。 Load carrying capacity of system facilities are determined and utilized
    - Required service voltage levels are maintained
    - Distribution system reliability is maintained



#### **DER Interconnection and Non-Wires Deferral**

- For more than a year, Pepco has been evaluating project alternatives incorporating DER and using non-wires solutions to defer wires investment
  - Deferral of an overhead substation in Maryland
  - Deferral of a substation transformer in the District of Columbia
  - Expansion of Conservation Voltage Reduction (CVR) to include more District of Columbia feeders
  - Expansion of hosting capacity on closed feeders
  - Other storage projects being evaluated
- Pepco looks for solutions that will ensure the safe and reliable distribution of electricity to its customers
- Pepco plans its distribution system to account for the increase in DER interconnected to the system and provides information and tools that help identify where incremental DER can be interconnected



#### **Hosting Capacity Map**

- Pepco makes a Hosting Capacity Map available
  - Provides data that customers can use to determine if solar or other DER can be accommodated at their home
  - Developers can use to help size or site large projects
  - https://www.pepco.com/MyAccount/MyService/Pages/MD/HostingCapacityMap.aspx



#### Hosting Capacity (Radial)

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#### **Restricted Circuit Map**

- Pepco hosts a Restricted Circuit Map
  - Provides information regarding circuits that can no longer accept additional DER installations without distribution system upgrade
  - Without upgrades, there is DER threshold beyond which violations of voltage operating limits can cause damage to Pepco and customer equipment
  - https://www.pepco.com/MyAccount/MyService/Pages/MD/RestrictedCircuitMap.aspx



#### **Restricted Circuit**



#### **Solar Heat Map**

- Pepco hosts a Solar Heat Map in an effort to provide more information to customers reflecting the amount of solar generation currently installed and pending installations
- The map is color-coded and can be filtered to display the active projects only, pending queued projects only, or the combination of active and pending queued projects
  - https://www.pepco.com/MyAccount/MyService/Pages/MD/HeatMap.aspx



#### Solar Heat Map (in development)

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#### Annual Consolidated Report (ACR) Docket "PEPACR"

- The ACR, filed in April each year, provides significant amounts of data and information on Pepco's system, including:
  - · Overview of Pepco's system and system planning procedures
  - Scopes of planned substation projects
  - Complete scopes of all distribution projects
  - Work Plan including the past year spending and current year budget by individual project
  - Detailed description of equipment standards and inspection schedules
    - Includes detailed Equipment Condition Assessment meeting minutes
    - Includes Overhead Feeder Inspection results
  - Scopes of distributed automation projects, voltage conversion projects, and detailed plans for each of the feeders scheduled to be worked under the 2% priority feeder program
  - Manhole Event Report
    - Underground Failure Analyses
    - Descriptions of each manhole event
    - Details for the manhole inspection program



#### **Independent System Audits**

- Comprehensive system reliability audit, as directed by the Commission
  - Siemens Reliability Audit/Liberty Management Audit of system planning and operating procedures ended in 2013
    - Siemens found that "Pepco is effective in planning its capital expenditures for substation and feeder investments to attend load growth"
    - Liberty found "Pepco's distribution planning practice to be consistent with good utility practice"
    - Docket "PEPACR"
  - Siemens also performs annual audit of Pepco's manhole inspection program, includes:
    - Audits of program elements, inspection cycles, and past year's inspections
    - Docket "PEPMIR"



#### **MSO Plan & Monthly Outage Reports**

- Annually, Pepco updates its Commission-directed Major Service Outage (MSO) Restoration Plan
  - Details include storm priorities, pre-event planning, storm response roles and procedures, and post-storm activities
  - Dockets FC 766 and FC 982
- On a monthly basis, Pepco provides detail concerning non-major outages\* sustained, including date and cause
  - Includes GIS-enabled map of outages allowing for tracking by neighborhood and Ward
  - Docket example "SO2018"

Outage Cause / Incident Description / Actual Repair	Location	Ward	Time of Outage/Incident	Actual Restoration Time	Duration of Outage (hrs/min)	Max Number of Customers Affected
Equipment failure/Cable failure/Fuse blown/ Isolated fault/Made tie/All load restored	5th Place ne/o Congress Place, SE	8	642	918	2/36	124
* Non-major service outages - custo	mer service outages caused by	the failu	e of devices suc	nas		

breakers, fuses, feeder lines, substation equipment, etc., lasting over eight (8) hours, regardless of how many customers are affected; or customer service outages affecting over 100 but less than 10,000 customers, regardless of duration.



#### Rate Cases Dockets FC 1139 and 1150

- Construction Report
  - Pepco is required to supplement its rate case filings with a detailed description of its construction program
  - Details project plans and budgets from the period recovery is requested through four years beyond the current year
  - Includes detailed project plans including prioritization, timeline, and project justifications
- Load Forecasting
  - Pepco has filed testimony and exhibits describing its load forecasting methodology including the consideration of DERs



#### **DER Reports**

- Quarterly and annually, Pepco provides information concerning the number of interconnections it has processed and approved and also detailing the amount of DER capacity processed to date through its Green Power Connection (GPC) team (FC 1050 and FC 1119)
- Annually, Pepco provides a report showing information related to its Direct Load Control (DLC) program (FC 1086), including
  - Numbers of participants and the amount of potential capacity.
  - Budgetary and program-related information.
- As part of the NOC filing in FC 1144 (6/29), Pepco will also be providing more granular data showing Pepco DLC customers by location/feeder and capacity, and Pepco now has the capability to tie DLC to most locations/feeders in the District.



#### **Reliability Forecast Report**

- Pepco annually provides (as an attachment to the ACR)
  - Information on all of its planned reliability distribution construction work for a given year
  - Descriptions and schedules for maintenance and inspections that support reliability
- This information includes project descriptions and budgets as well as performance measures

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## **System Assessment Breakout Sessions**



**Objective:** Determine the appropriateness of a system assessment

- Facilitated breakout groups will discuss a series of questions related to the system assessment
- Results will be compiled and reviewed in the breakout groups
- Entire group will review and discuss

## **Breakout Group Locations**





# System Assessment Summary & Recommendations



- Results to be included in the MEDSIS Technical Conference Report sent to participating stakeholders for comment on July 16<sup>th</sup> at the latest.
- Comments will be due back to SEPA by July 18<sup>th</sup>.

## Lunch

Roti Modern Mediterranean - 1311 F St NW, Washington, DC 20004 District Taco - 1309 F St NW, Washington, DC 20004 Moe's Southwest Grill - 1331 Pennsylvania Ave NW, Washington, DC 20004 Five Guys - 13th NW & F St NW, Washington, DC 20004 Chopt Creative Salad, Co - 618 12th St NW, Washington, DC 20005 Potbelly Sandwich Shop - 555 12th St NW, Washington, DC 20004 Panera - 601 13th St NW, Washington, DC 20005

Be back for immediate start at 1:15pm

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#### **Objectives for the Day**

- 1. Determine the scope and appropriateness of a system assessment of D.C.'s energy delivery system
- 2. Identify the working groups for Phase 2 of the Initiative

## **MEDSIS Scope & Vision Statement**



## 1. Sustainable

- a. Environmental Protection
- b. Economic Growth
- c. Social Equality
- 2. Well-Planned
- 3. Safe and Reliable
- 4. Secure
- 5. Affordable
- 6. Interactive
- 7. Non-Discriminatory



#### **Scope of MEDSIS Initiative:**

- 1. Stakeholder Engagement (Phase I)
- 2. Working Group Process (Phase II)
- 3. Working Group Recommendations (Phase III)
- 4. MEDSIS Pilot Project Program (Phase IV)

"The District of Columbia's modern energy delivery system must be sustainable, wellplanned, encourage distributed energy resources, and preserve the financial health of the energy distribution utilities in a manner that results in an energy delivery system that is safe and reliable, secure, affordable, interactive, and non-discriminatory."

## Technical Conference Objective #2: Receive input on potential working groups for phase 2 of the initiative



**Objective:** Make recommendations regarding the working groups for phase 2 of the MEDSIS initiative

- Facilitated breakout groups will discuss a series of questions related to the MEDSIS working groups
- Results will be compiled and reviewed in the breakout groups
- Entire group will reconvene and review

# **Working Group Introductory Discussion**



Based on our understanding of MEDSIS, stakeholder priorities, and needs within the District, below is our strawman of MEDSIS working groups for discussion:

- 1. Pilot Projects Program
- 2. Distributed Energy Resources (Non-Wires Alternatives)
- 3. Utility Distributed Integration Resource Planning (DIRP)
- 4. Customer Protection
- 5. Microgrids
- 6. Future Rate Design

#### (bold = Commission required working group)

# MEDSIS Working Group Structure proposal for discussion



Pilot Projects Program Working Group

Distributed Integration Resource Planning Working Group

Microgrids Working Group Distributed Energy Resources (NWA) Working Group Customer Protection Working Group

Future Rate Design Working Group

## **Breakout Group Locations**





## **Technical Conference Summary**



- Results to be included in the MEDSIS Technical Conference Report sent to participating stakeholders for comment on July 16<sup>th</sup> at the latest.
- Comments will be due back to SEPA by July 18<sup>th</sup>.
### **Conclude & Adjourn**

Thank you for your participation!

#### http://www.dcgridmod.org



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#### Attachment No. 4 – Burns & McDonnell Presentation





## What is a System Assessment?

- Holistic & integrated analysis of the grid and relevant business practices (recommended) to optimally address areas of need.
- Scope based on Objectives
  - Targeted (I.E. improve a metric like reliability) or more broadly based.
  - Whole electrical system or a piece of the system (e.g. circuit, substation and circuits)

## Why do a System Assessment?

- Limited Resources < Project / Spend Opportunities</li>
- Changing Utility Customer Needs
- Assess Emerging Technology & Tools



Enable

flexibility

## Why do a System Assessment?

- Integrated / Holistic Look vs Silos & Buckets
- Plan & Forecast vs React



## **System Assessment Components**

- Data Collection & Cleanup
- Model Creation / Cleanup
- Model Tuning
- Initial Analysis / Need Identification
- Project Creation & Evaluation
  - Costing & timing
  - Estimated improvement(s)



## System Assessment Input & Analysis Checklist

Input	Analyses
Existing Circuit Models	Hosting Capacity
Load Forecasts	Load Flow
Construction Standards	Reliability
Load Profiles	rtendonity
Outage History	Distribution Automation
Critical Customers	Asset Optimization
Major Asset Details	Fault Protection Coordination

## **Recent System Assessment Example**

Grid Modernization Study (Distribution + Substation)







PHASE I (2016)	PHASE II (2017)	PHASE III (2018)		
<ul> <li>Review Design, Maintenance &amp; Operating Standards for Modernization Gaps</li> <li>Develop Grid Modernization Planning Criteria</li> <li>Execute Engineering Analysis (Distribution Planning) on pilot set of feeders to prove out planning procedure, tools and criteria</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Identify Phase II Circuits (~10% of the system)</li> <li>Execute Modernization Analysis &amp; Planning on over 400 feeders</li> <li>Identify Recommendations for Improvement and Update to Standards, Processes, and Tools</li> <li>Score and Rank all Projects Developed in Planning process and Prioritize according to comprehensive criteria</li> <li>Develop a Roadmap for Prioritized Project Investment and Execution</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Support Internal and External Approvals</li> <li>Deliver Go-Forward Processes</li> <li>Deliver and Train on New Planning Tools</li> <li>Establish Benefit Tracking to be maintained throughout execution</li> </ul>		

## **Costs of a System Assessment**

#### • Cost

- \$8,000-\$30,000 per circuit mean is \$25,000
- Highly dependent on complexity & objectives
- Timeline
  - Months → Year+



## **System Assessment - Considerations**

- Factors for justifying a System Assessment
  - Scope, Timeline, Budget
  - Deliverable/project horizon
  - Existing initiatives & processes
  - Existing planning/study processes
- Alternatives
  - Strategic Pilots
  - Constraints screening / k-means cluster analysis
  - Localized focused study



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Attachment No. 5 – PEPCO Presentation



#### Assessment of Pepco's System and System Constraints

Bryan Clark, Director Utility of the Future June 27, 2018



#### **District of Columbia Electric Distribution System Overview**

- 296,150 customers
- 50 substations
- 777 distribution feeders
  - 647 overhead circuit miles
  - 1,737 underground circuit miles
- 22,150 distribution transformers
  - 12,902 overhead
  - 1,793 padmount
  - 2,303 underground
  - 512 subsurface
  - 184 subway
  - 11 OH stepdown
  - 13 UG stepdown
  - 4,431 network
- 59,519 manholes
- 302,551 automated metering infrastructure (AMI) meters activated<sup>1</sup>

\*Data as of 12/31/2017 <sup>1</sup>PEPCO Customer AMI Data is available to third parties upon written consent of the AMI customer

A A B B Map of Washington, DC Primary Conductors Underground Overhead



#### **Managing Pepco System**

Aging infrastructure, emergence of new technologies, change in customer expectations, reliability assurance and traditional regulatory obligations drive the need to continue with a comprehensive asset management strategy for PHI



#### Pepco's District of Columbia LVAC Networks

- LVAC networks consist of up to 6 feeders with an operating capacity of approximately 45 MVA
- A secondary network is supplied from two or more transformers with secondaries tied between transformers
  - 120V / 240V @ 500, 750 and 1000 kVA
  - 265V / 460V @ 500, 750, 1000, 1500 and 2000 kVA
- Pepco has approximately 4,400 network transformers in the District
- Pepco currently has approximately 46,500 residential customers connected to a LVAC Network
- Primarily located within the central business district to support the high-density commercial loads



TYPICAL PEPCO LVAC NETWORK ONE LINE SCHEMATIC



#### **Pepco System Assessment Processes**

- Reliability
  - Continuous review of system and feeder level performance
  - Continuous review of customers experiencing multiple interruptions
- Load Forecasting
  - Annual review of loading on half the system: feeders, substation transformers, and substations
  - Load flow analysis using various software packages
  - Incorporates DERs, energy efficiency, and other known load reducing factors
- Control Center Operations
  - Continuous monitoring of system
  - Leverages data supplied by multiple sources



#### **Distribution System Planning Mission and Role**

- The mission of PHI Distribution System Planning is to provide for the safe, reliable, economic and orderly modification and expansion of the PHI electric system to meet existing and future customer demands
- PHI companies maintain engineering and operating criteria used in the design of new and modified portions of the distribution system
  - These criteria govern how:
    - 。 Load carrying capacity of system facilities are determined and utilized
    - Required service voltage levels are maintained
    - Distribution system reliability is maintained



#### **DER Interconnection and Non-Wires Deferral**

- For more than a year, Pepco has been evaluating project alternatives incorporating DER and using non-wires solutions to defer wires investment
  - Deferral of an overhead substation in Maryland
  - Deferral of a substation transformer in the District of Columbia
  - Expansion of Conservation Voltage Reduction (CVR) to include more District of Columbia feeders
  - Expansion of hosting capacity on closed feeders
  - Other storage projects being evaluated
- Pepco looks for solutions that will ensure the safe and reliable distribution of electricity to its customers
- Pepco plans its distribution system to account for the increase in DER interconnected to the system and provides information and tools that help identify where incremental DER can be interconnected



#### **Hosting Capacity Map**

- Pepco makes a Hosting Capacity Map available
  - Provides data that customers can use to determine if solar or other DER can be accommodated at their home
  - Developers can use to help size or site large projects
  - https://www.pepco.com/MyAccount/MyService/Pages/MD/HostingCapacityMap.aspx



#### Hosting Capacity (Radial)

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#### **Restricted Circuit Map**

- Pepco hosts a Restricted Circuit Map
  - Provides information regarding circuits that can no longer accept additional DER installations without distribution system upgrade
  - Without upgrades, there is DER threshold beyond which violations of voltage operating limits can cause damage to Pepco and customer equipment
  - https://www.pepco.com/MyAccount/MyService/Pages/MD/RestrictedCircuitMap.aspx



#### **Restricted Circuit**



#### **Solar Heat Map**

- Pepco hosts a Solar Heat Map in an effort to provide more information to customers reflecting the amount of solar generation currently installed and pending installations
- The map is color-coded and can be filtered to display the active projects only, pending queued projects only, or the combination of active and pending queued projects
  - https://www.pepco.com/MyAccount/MyService/Pages/MD/HeatMap.aspx



#### Solar Heat Map (in development)

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#### Annual Consolidated Report (ACR) Docket "PEPACR"

- The ACR, filed in April each year, provides significant amounts of data and information on Pepco's system, including:
  - · Overview of Pepco's system and system planning procedures
  - Scopes of planned substation projects
  - Complete scopes of all distribution projects
  - Work Plan including the past year spending and current year budget by individual project
  - Detailed description of equipment standards and inspection schedules
    - Includes detailed Equipment Condition Assessment meeting minutes
    - Includes Overhead Feeder Inspection results
  - Scopes of distributed automation projects, voltage conversion projects, and detailed plans for each of the feeders scheduled to be worked under the 2% priority feeder program
  - Manhole Event Report
    - Underground Failure Analyses
    - Descriptions of each manhole event
    - Details for the manhole inspection program



#### **Independent System Audits**

- Comprehensive system reliability audit, as directed by the Commission
  - Siemens Reliability Audit/Liberty Management Audit of system planning and operating procedures ended in 2013
    - Siemens found that "Pepco is effective in planning its capital expenditures for substation and feeder investments to attend load growth"
    - Liberty found "Pepco's distribution planning practice to be consistent with good utility practice"
    - Docket "PEPACR"
  - Siemens also performs annual audit of Pepco's manhole inspection program, includes:
    - Audits of program elements, inspection cycles, and past year's inspections
    - Docket "PEPMIR"



#### **MSO Plan & Monthly Outage Reports**

- Annually, Pepco updates its Commission-directed Major Service Outage (MSO) Restoration Plan
  - Details include storm priorities, pre-event planning, storm response roles and procedures, and post-storm activities
  - Dockets FC 766 and FC 982
- On a monthly basis, Pepco provides detail concerning non-major outages\* sustained, including date and cause
  - Includes GIS-enabled map of outages allowing for tracking by neighborhood and Ward
  - Docket example "SO2018"

Outage Cause / Incident Description / Actual Repair	Location	Ward	Time of Outage/Incident	Actual Restoration Time	Duration of Outage (hrs/min)	Max Number of Customers Affected
Equipment failure/Cable failure/Fuse blown/ Isolated fault/Made tie/All load restored	5th Place ne/o Congress Place, SE	8	642	918	2/36	124

\* **Non-major service outages** - customer service outages caused by the failure of devices such as breakers, fuses, feeder lines, substation equipment, etc., lasting over eight (8) hours, regardless of how many customers are affected; or customer service outages affecting over 100 but less than 10,000 customers, regardless of duration. page 30



#### Rate Cases Dockets FC 1139 and 1150

- Construction Report
  - Pepco is required to supplement its rate case filings with a detailed description of its construction program
  - Details project plans and budgets from the period recovery is requested through four years beyond the current year
  - Includes detailed project plans including prioritization, timeline, and project justifications
- Load Forecasting
  - Pepco has filed testimony and exhibits describing its load forecasting methodology including the consideration of DERs



#### **DER Reports**

- Quarterly and annually, Pepco provides information concerning the number of interconnections it has processed and approved and also detailing the amount of DER capacity processed to date through its Green Power Connection (GPC) team (FC 1050 and FC 1119)
- Annually, Pepco provides a report showing information related to its Direct Load Control (DLC) program (FC 1086), including
  - Numbers of participants and the amount of potential capacity.
  - Budgetary and program-related information.
- As part of the NOC filing in FC 1144 (6/29), Pepco will also be providing more granular data showing Pepco DLC customers by location/feeder and capacity, and Pepco now has the capability to tie DLC to most locations/feeders in the District.



#### **Reliability Forecast Report**

- Pepco annually provides (as an attachment to the ACR)
  - Information on all of its planned reliability distribution construction work for a given year
  - Descriptions and schedules for maintenance and inspections that support reliability
- This information includes project descriptions and budgets as well as performance measures

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<u>Attachment No. 6 – Breakout Groups Summary</u>

#### Q1: What information was the most helpful in considering the Non-Wires Alternatives options available to the MEDSIS initiative in the presentations from Burns and McDonnell and Pepco?



Group	Most helpful	2 <sup>nd</sup> most helpful
1	Clarification of the issue	Assessment costs
2	Level setting	
3	Hosting Capacity information is helpful but not user friendly	Assessment costs were good to know but lacked detail of full scope and value of doing full scope
4	Presentations were higher level than could be applicable to this question	System design criteria was helpful but not clear how it is additive to the process already in place
5	Like will take stakeholder input	NWA is still new
6	Data/info provided already by PEPCO	Experts to conduct S.A.
7	Discussion regarding when assessments may not be needed / possibility to do localized assessments	Availability of tools the Pepco has available to public
8	Can do targeted need-based	General level setting of vision (electrification, goals), w/interplay between the pieces (economics, goals, metrics, other mission statement req. etc.)

#### Q2: Based upon what you know and have learned, do you feel there is sufficient information from available sources to make DC Grid Modernization recommendations? If no, what is missing?

Group	Sufficient info provided?		If not, what's missing?	
	Yes	No		
1		5	Sustainability/resiliency objectives of the commission; cost-benefit analysis of traditional vs. NWA/DER options; CVR plans (peak reduction vs. power quality?); assumptions used for hosting capacity maps	
2			Data transparency	
3	2	8	What problem are we solving? Coordination of available data and end uses. Social equity considerations. Disconnect between DC policy and MEDSIS initiative, gap between current process and incentive structures and objectives of DC MEDSIS initiative	
4		6	What is the justification? What is the value add of an assessment that exceeds what is already in place?	
5	8	2 abstentions	Burns/Mac was internally focused perspective of a utility and it didn't consider other things like policy and new developments that need to happen more solar, EE for green buildings, EV	
6	0	9	Lack of institutional design, lack of technology roadmap from PHI	
7	7	0	The information is there, but getting the information and interpreting it is challenging.	
8		6, 1 abstention	1) need end state objective - what is modernized grid on goals of system assessment?, 2) Consideration of forecast/electrification in planning process. 3) long-term scale, 4) info on small planning areas where those physical boundaries.	

## Q3: Do you feel that a system assessment is needed for the MEDSIS initiative?

Group	Assessment Needed?		Reasons for why		
	Yes	No	Yes	No	
1	1	4	More information for stakeholders (assume that stakeholders would have input on how narrow/broad it would be)	The original intent of the system assessment is less of an issue today than three years ago. Too expensive	
2	0	9		Move forward w/o full assessment but address info gaps and transparency moving forward.	
3	0	8	2 abstentions	Time and money. Partial assessment once objectives are defined.	
4	1	5	Some assessment is needed though not a full system assessment. should be targeted	Justification has not been made	
5	3	4	4 abstentions	There are 4 unsures	
6	0	9	No straightforward yes/no.	ID gaps and provide info. Handle thru DIRP.	
7	0	7		Localized assessments are a better use of time. There is enough low hanging fruit, and obvious areas where pilots would help that a full assessment is not needed.	
8		8 (full SA)		needs to be targeted, focused needs-based SA	
TOTALS	5	54	6 abstentions	4 unsures	

## Q1: Regardless of what working groups are formed, what specific topics need to be addressed in MEDSIS working groups?

Group	Most important topic	2 <sup>nd</sup> most important topic	3 <sup>rd</sup> most important topic
1	Data Availability	Microgrids	Sustainability objectives & role of the utility
2	Utility business model, role of utility behind the meter	Urban planning and business codes, safety, data, etc.	Standards, electrification, consumer equity
3	Cost Allocation / Rate Design	Policy Integration / Alignment	Consumer Equity/Education/Engagement
4	Rate design, regulatory issues, and consumer education	Utility business models	Consumer Products & Services
5	Level playing field for wires/NWA	Cost Allocation	Customer Empowerment/Protection, Def'n of a utility/customer
6	Rate Making	Utility 2.0 / Customer eng. / Data / Risk	Value of solar, DER, grid
7	Consumer Issues (Protection/Education/Equity)	Legislation & Policy (Rate Design)	Cost Benefit of Pilots (Backend)
8	Meeting emissions reduction goals for gas and electric	Value stack of NWA	Interconnection (criteria, pricing/cost, sizing, advanced inverter, etc.)

# Q2: If you think the MEDSIS working groups should be structured differently than proposed, list what working groups you believe are key for phase 2 with a short description.

Group	WG #1	WG #2	WG #3	WG #4	WG #5	WG #6
1	Pilot Projects	DER/Smart Mobility	Microgrid	DIRP (move NWA here)	Consumer Protection	Rate Design
2	Pilot Projects	DER (NWA)	Future of the Utility	Utility DIRP	Consumer Protection	Ratemaking
3	Pilot Projects	DER (NWA)	Consumer Protection / Engagement	Utility Business Models	Policy Alignment	Rate Design
4	Pilot Projects	DER (NWA)	Microgrids VPPs and DER aggregation	DIRP	Consumer Protection, Products, and Programs	Future Rate Design
5	Pilot Projects	DER (NWA)	Microgrid	Customer / Human Impact	Transitioning Resource Planning	
6	Pilot Projects	DER	Microgrids	DIRP	NWA	Rate Design/Making
7	Pilot Projects	DER (NWA)	Microgrids	Customer Protection	Transportation Electrification	Future Rate Design
8	Pilot Projects	DER (sub groups: NWA, MG, EV, EE, etc.)	Data Access	DIRP	Policy Alignment (All Levels)	Future Rate Design
**Attachment No. 7 – Technical Conference Feedback Summary** 

# Q1 Did you find the Technical Conference was worthwhile?1 - Not at all 10 - Very much so



ANSWER CHOICES	AVERAGE NUMBER	TOTAL NUMBER	RESPONSES
	7	126	18
Total Respondents: 18			

10 -

### Q2 Was the day well organized and efficient?1 - Not at all Very much so



ANSWER CHOICES	AVERAGE NUMBER	TOTAL NUMBER	RESPONSES
	7	132	18
Total Respondents: 18			

10 - Very

### Q3 Did you feel your day was well spent?1 - Not at all much so



ANSWER CHOICES	AVERAGE NUMBER	TOTAL NUMBER	RES	SPONSES	
	7		129		18
Total Respondents: 18					

# Q4 Did you feel your contributions were heard and recorded?1 - Not at all 10 - Very much so



ANSWER CHOICES	AVERAGE NUMBER	TOTAL NUMBER	RESPONSES
	9	145	17
Total Respondents: 17			

# Q5 Did you like the format with the breakout sessions?1 - Not at all 10 - Very much so



ANSWER CHOICES	AVERAGE NUMBER	TOTAL NUMBER	RESPONSES
	8	149	18
Total Respondents: 18			

### Q6 Do you have any comments you would like to make?

Answered: 15 Skipped: 3

### Attachment No. 8 – Breakout Groups Sticky Notes

<u>System Assessment Breakout Session Sticky Notes</u> Group2

1. (continued) Group 2 - specific deferrals were goal context Questions 2. Is there sufficient information 1. What info is most helpf ! in determining NWA (BEM) -Maps lacking EVs and other - Business model questions - B&M presentation lacking sufficient into to NWA, focused more on - HC Maps - What is an assessment System Assessment - What is PERCO "doing" - PEPCO may have into, but not business comm. - Assessment durations and range of options - How is AMI being used - How is System Assessment Paid? Seemed as though talking out of System Assessment - cost, score 2. (Continued 2) 2. (continued) - If moving to working - B&M did not make strong groups, how does is Assers. Enough case for "10%" as madel get us there? for cost savings - How does Sys. Assess. contribute - System Assessment presentation + to MG development Scope may be better suited for utility of less into ou its system - Pilot projects stillned PSC approval 3. Do we need an assessment? - System Assessment would be redundant - Definition is not clear enough - PEPCO would like to more - Who requested this be investigated Fud w/ projects -D maybe information a ready exists - CBA weeds out many pilot - WG'S will answer what into gaps if any projects as compared to 62 and what is needed from PEPCO to make informed decisions "Wired" (traditional) alternatives 62

3. (continued) - What are alternatives to Syr. Assess. Lo lack of data availability - If pursuing Sys. Assess. who would do this - Is it the goal of MEDSIS to grand the find or set up long-term change - "pilot" -> by definition implies there will be more - Sometimes greater education campaign necessary to inform stateholders is available 62



Sufficient? Gaps? Connot answer What restricting Pepco from reaching grid - Cannot be power supplier-should they be - Policy Lack of Institutional design - all Orginaering design - Need bottom-up institutional design - Always have angreering system design Future state of load Not aware of type investments made + plan for future Interaction w/DCSEU System Assessment Necessary? Levels of assessment? Unsure if necessary Yes, unloss have gaps filled Handled as part of DIRP gr working group Frame Win Cost - from MEDSIS Not at this timed withis budget. What extra Value does this 0007

..... 2) DC Grid -Non-wired 8-Troup into WhAt - What is needed to Leverage - Access a) Wired Conditions to the grid ? = interconnact -resource vs resistance. a) sconomic interplay S Better forcast i transf officing use 6) Requirements -a) what she they to give - Electrification direction to new components ie ... Ven END STAGE Objective ie Performance Statement. Suco ones. a.1) Busi NESS MODEL to daes it need to Charge What A MODERNIZED GRIQ LOOK Like ?- CARAbilities -Small planning Any health Elector "Substation 2000 Meeting the Dequipment Community NEES. c) Electreification d) old electric grid = valos changes in business MODEL 2 Topics 3) Is System Assess Trugelad NELO BASED ASSESS System NEEDED MEDSIS Vision Statement 2) Benzficia 1 olectritertian a) END STAGE Objections. CLARIFICATION - veliability - Sustainability T SUSTAINABI lity - Vecup Nition of interplay E MEDN'S ECONOMICS, Meters, other MISDI'S Missim statements - Vemissions Pilot Systems Assess a) Non-wines - Demo / Trials - Under Pablic Ste Commission Assessment - Needs to be focused driven.

Working Group Breakout Session Sticky Notes Group2

· Custom Equity opics · Unique Chara of DC Grid ·Storage (everyv) - Safety ● New approach of Rate making / · Safety / Sustain. Utility Bussiness rodel V - Kate Design · intangable benefits • Trans. Electrification • Data Audit/verification v · 51 State · Auto. Control (DR management) · Building heritage Codes • Urban Planning + Building Codes . Utility app. behind the meter V TEEE Standards · Links w/MD · Interconnection Process (JEEC 1547/41/174) "Low income inclusion 62 • Resilloncy 62 \* Demond side management CONSUMER PROTECTION PILOT PROJECTS + ENGAGEMENT PROGRAM - Governance - Customer equity - Microgrids - low/income inclusion - Value of pilot projects (insights + future deus) - Clustomer data/privacy - Cost recovery - who pays - Cost causation 2) DER RESOURCES / NWAS ( RATEMAKING - include demand-side management? - how to value DER as NWAs? BENEFICIAL ELECTRIF. (quidelines) GZ - system bunefit cost analysis GZ



Group 3 Groups: G3 TOPICS FOR MAPPING PATH - PILOTPROJECTS ·Interconnection ·DRP -DER/Non-wiresalternatives ·Pilots ? Policy Integration/alignment PRate Design S. CONSUMER EQUITY/ACCESS/Engagement Consumer Protection/Engagement UTILITY BUSINESS MODELS / S Market Design / Roles NCENTINES TO MARKET PLAYERS DER TECHNOLDGY INTELLIGENCE MICrogrids / Resiliency CONSUMER DATA PROTECTION · Workförce development · CYBER SECURITY Policy Alignment OUTREACH/EDUCATION (COMMUNITY] REGULATORY REFORM/Assessment JUtility Business Models RELIABILITY / PHYSICAL SECURITY Regulatory Review - Inc. Inter operability / code of conduct Data access · cost-allocation/rate design Brainstorm -Performance Based Ratemaking Diversity - Existing Tax Incentives EX. ITCJ expiration -competition in markets 263

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Group5 Mar Aster man Customer Protection - don't like a Shalom: Should be D Create a level playing Field for Wires : Non-Wires approvolus · Customer Empowerment Roda likes bid sostainability · Financial Mechanism are Need bioengineering Who is looking at health effects Electromagnetic Static identical · Acceptance Giteria Market to frice for Capacity · Cost Allocation Do we need a new mode | Constraints 2. R: Participant definition - What is a utility ... customer 2 - who get acess - who can you still to - who can bey Interconnection · Cost & Der study to born · How to improve intercons by Dor. vs wires study process w/1 those constraints 6y All -> load at transformer · How to relieve those • Multifamily : Low Income considerations : impoct Constraints -> incentives to do things · A toget to get hosting capacity guicker Road map of we - tackical Steps to get there · Dav got Oda on an undergad Xfmr... non-binding. It was · Comp. for suc provided to grid wrong caused issues - DSO - Transactive - Locational Net Benefit Feeder level prices for Grid Sucs.

-D.S.P. (access, ownership, control) - LEGAL implication in ea W.C. (statutes beyond policy) Accountability. Regulation Cost-Allocation tility 20 LIVIL Rate Class / Customer Type Value of -Solar - DER Cust Engament Data (access/ownership (security) Risk (volatility/Allocation)

11,50 DER /NWA -case studies use cases - careful about placing MG- under NWA - Stova gre - Valuation - Valuation FC 1050-ongoing - EVS FC1143 (Pepro EV) Group 6 Topics for roadmapping: - FC 1145 /FC 1144 - DERS not for capital - NUT HIMNDLED IN U.G. DIRP \* Non-Wires Alternatives (DERs) Consumer Protection Customer Protection Future Rate Design Microgrids - Data Security \* Pilot Project # DER/NWA - Accountability - Account as they - RAD/LMI Program - B.O. R. Program - B.O. R. - STAND-ALONE or TOPIC of ALL - Rate Design / Non-Rate Design Regs - Microgrid: defin, jurisdiction, resultation, projects Fod. Eng. Manage. WG retrotits \*- DIRP. ID gaps, info



