

**DIRECT TESTIMONY OF DONALD L. SCHNEIDER, JR.
DIRECTOR, ADVANCED METERING
DUKE ENERGY BUSINESS SERVICES LLC
ON BEHALF OF DUKE ENERGY INDIANA, INC.
CAUSE NO. 44526 BEFORE THE
INDIANA UTILITY REGULATORY COMMISSION**

I. INTRODUCTION

Q. PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME AND BUSINESS ADDRESS.

A. My name is Donald L. Schneider, Jr., and my business address is 400 South Tryon Street, Charlotte, North Carolina 28202.

Q. BY WHOM ARE YOU EMPLOYED AND IN WHAT CAPACITY?

A. I am employed as Director, Advanced Metering by Duke Energy Business Services LLC, a service company subsidiary of Duke Energy Corporation ("Duke Energy"), and a non-utility affiliate of Duke Energy Indiana, Inc. ("Duke Energy Indiana" or "Company").

Q. WHAT IS YOUR PRIMARY RESPONSIBILITY AS DIRECTOR, ADVANCED METERING?

A. As Director, Advanced Metering, I am responsible for managing the project execution of all Advanced Metering Infrastructure ("AMI") related projects for all Duke Energy jurisdictions.

Q. PLEASE BRIEFLY DESCRIBE YOUR EDUCATIONAL AND PROFESSIONAL BACKGROUND.

A. I received a Bachelor of Science Degree in Electrical Engineering from the University of Evansville in 1986. Upon graduation, I was employed by Duke Energy Indiana (then known as Public Service Indiana) as an electrical engineer.

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1 Throughout my career with Duke Energy, I have held various positions of
2 increasing responsibility in the areas of engineering and operations, including
3 distribution planning, distribution design, field operations, and capital budgets.
4 Prior to my current position with the Company, I was General Manager, Midwest
5 Premise Services, responsible for managing all of Duke Energy's Midwest
6 premise service and meter reading departments. In 2008, prior to the Duke
7 Energy/Progress Energy merger, I was promoted to a position responsible for
8 managing the project execution for all Grid Modernization projects in the field,
9 including both AMI and Distribution Automation ("DA") devices, for all legacy
10 Duke Energy jurisdictions.

11 **Q. ARE YOU A REGISTERED PROFESSIONAL ENGINEER LICENSED IN**
12 **THE STATE OF INDIANA?**

13 A. Yes. I have been registered as a professional engineer with the State Board of
14 Registration for Professional Engineers in the state of Indiana since 1995.

15 **Q. WHAT IS THE PURPOSE OF YOUR TESTIMONY IN THIS**
16 **PROCEEDING?**

17 A. The purpose of my testimony is to discuss the Company's plans to implement
18 AMI technology in Indiana, including deployment timelines, as well as provide
19 background on Duke Energy's experiences deploying AMI in other jurisdictions.
20 Through this testimony I am also sponsoring exhibits to demonstrate the positive
21 business case for deploying AMI technology in Duke Energy Indiana's service
22 territory.

1 **II. AMI TECHNOLOGY**

2 **Q. PLEASE DESCRIBE THE PROPOSED METERING PLAN.**

3 A. Duke Energy Indiana is proposing implementation of an advanced metering
4 solution across its Indiana service territory. The Company estimates this effort
5 will include approximately 817,000 advanced meters and associated
6 communications and IT infrastructure. The project consists of a four-year phased
7 deployment of most meters for Duke Energy Indiana residential and commercial
8 customers. However, some larger commercial and industrial (C&I) customers in
9 Indiana already have an advanced metering solution including the ability to
10 automatically communicate with the Company. There is no need to change out
11 these large C&I meters.

12 **Q. PLEASE DESCRIBE THE METERING SOLUTION THE COMPANY IS**
13 **PROPOSING.**

14 A. The AMI metering solution is not a simple meter change-out. In addition to
15 changing out the meters, the AMI metering solution covers all of the components
16 necessary to communicate with the advanced meters and collect usage data and
17 event information from them. The overall solution includes advanced meters, a
18 two-way communication network, and central computer systems. Advanced
19 meters – often referred to as “smart meters” – are electricity meters that have
20 advanced features beyond traditional electricity meters. Some of the advanced
21 features include two-way communications capability, interval usage
22 measurement, tamper detection, voltage and reactive power measurement, and net

1 metering capability.

2 In order to create the two-way communications path to the advanced
3 meters, the Company will install a neighborhood area network ("NAN"). This
4 represents the network connecting advanced meters to a collection point. The
5 NAN will use a mesh architecture, as depicted in figure "A" – AMI Solution
6 Architecture below. Mesh networks are flexible in that the meters within the
7 mesh network establish an optimized communication path to a collection point
8 either through other meters or, in some cases, through network range extenders.
9 Range extenders may be used to extend the mesh signal to meters that would have
10 otherwise been outside the reach of the mesh network. Mesh communications
11 throughout the NAN occur using wireless radio frequency ("RF") transmissions in
12 the 902-928 MHz spectrum band.

13 Collection points serve as the interchange between NAN communications
14 and the Company's central computer systems. Collection point devices aggregate
15 the communications from all advanced meters within a NAN and communicate
16 the information over a Wide Area Network ("WAN") to the central computer
17 systems, and they also communicate commands, firmware/program updates, and
18 instructions from the central computer systems out to the advanced meters within
19 a NAN. The WAN is the two-way communication network used to move data
20 and instructions between the collection points and the central computer systems.
21 The Company will utilize a virtual private network over a public cellular network
22 in Indiana as its WAN.

The third component of the AMI solution is the central computer systems.

The central computer systems of an AMI solution include three major systems.

One is referred to as the head-end system, and this is the system responsible for sending information to and receiving information from the advanced meters.

Another system is the network management system, which is the system responsible for maintaining the health and reliability of the communications network. The third system is the Meter Data Management (“MDM”) System, and it is responsible for processing the data and events from the advanced meters.

Processing involves validating, editing, estimating, and packaging data for billing and other uses. Additional systems are interfaced to conduct other corporate functions, but are not considered part of the AMI solution.

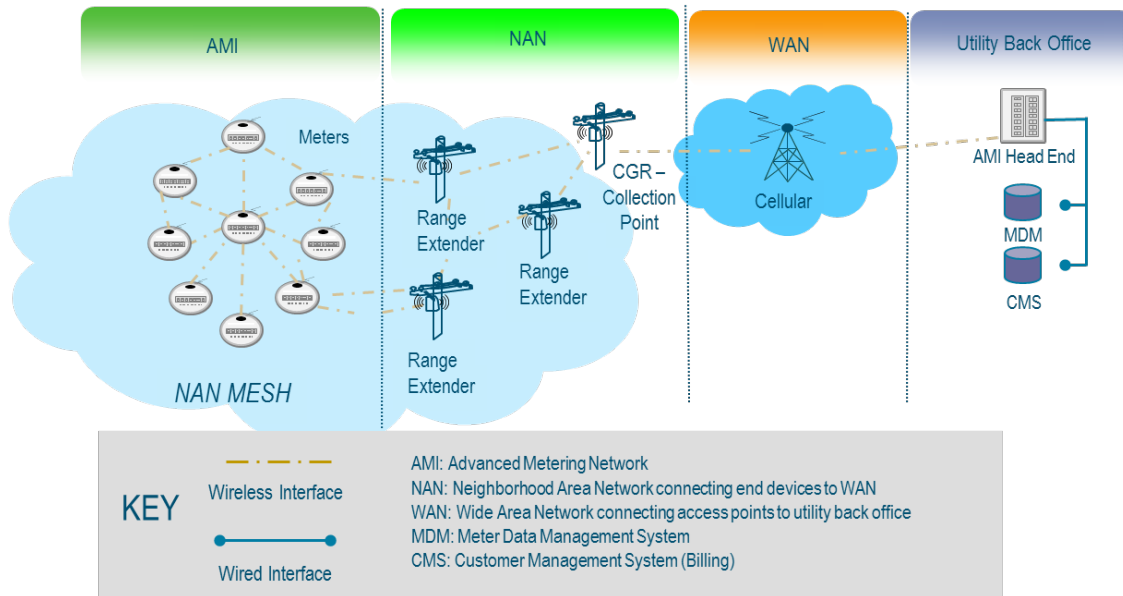


Figure “A” – AMI Solution Architecture

Q. PLEASE DESCRIBE THE PRIMARY VENDORS FOR THE PROPOSED METERING SOLUTION.

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1 A. The Company plans to implement the Itron OpenWay solution. This is the same
2 solution that Duke Energy is deploying in Ohio as its meter solution for
3 commercial and industrial customers and in the Carolinas for residential,
4 commercial and industrial customers. The Duke Energy AMI project will include
5 deployment of advanced meters and range extenders manufactured by Itron, as
6 well as collection point devices manufactured by Cisco, which are called Cisco
7 Grid Routers ("CGRs"). As noted above, the AMI solution also involves
8 expansion of the Company's current central computer systems, which are being
9 used today for deployments in Ohio and Carolinas. The head-end system is from
10 Itron; the network management system is from Cisco, and the MDM is from
11 Oracle. All three of these companies are considered leaders in their respective
12 industries.

13 **Q. WHAT TYPE OF DATA WILL THE NEW METERS BE SENDING TO**
14 **THE COMPANY?**

15 A. The Company plans to collect interval kilowatt-hour ("kWh") usage on all meters
16 for billing purposes as well as time tagged event and alert data such as tamper
17 alerts. Other site specific parameters such as voltage, amperage, phase angle, etc.,
18 may be collected as needed.

19 **Q. WHY IS THE COMPANY INTERESTED IN COLLECTING THIS TYPE**
20 **OF DATA?**

21 A. Outside of the kWh usage information for billing purposes, various alerts will
22 allow the Company to better manage the distribution grid. Tamper alerts will

1 allow for more efficient theft detection, allowing the Company to pinpoint
2 investigations, rather than simply conduct random meter audits. Site-specific
3 parameters will be used to improve system models for system planning and
4 system operations purposes.

5 **Q. DID THE COMPANY CONSIDER OTHER METERING**
6 **TECHNOLOGIES?**

7 A. Yes. Duke Energy issued a request for quotes (“RFQ”) to the leading AMI
8 solution vendors within the United State for bid proposals in 2013. A team of
9 individuals with diverse business and technical backgrounds performed the
10 evaluation of these bids and recommended Itron as the preferred solution provider
11 based on technical expertise, commercial merits, and price. The team also
12 concluded Itron was best aligned with the Company’s overarching grid strategy
13 and architectural guidance.

14 Four qualified vendors responded to our bids; three of the vendors
15 proposed an RF mesh solution and one vendor proposed an RF point-to-point
16 solution. These four vendors represent the large majority of AMI deployments in
17 the United States. One reason RF technologies are now predominant in North
18 America is economics. Due to the nature of the grid in North America (low
19 number of customers per distribution transformer) and the ease of installation and
20 functionality of wireless communication solutions compared to wired
21 communication solutions, most utilities that have deployed AMI solutions have
22 opted to install RF technologies.

1 **Q. WHAT ABOUT AUTOMATED METER READING (“AMR”)**
2 **SOLUTIONS?**

3 A. An AMR solution is more advanced than our current technology (no remote read
4 capability – walk by reads). However, an AMR solution typically requires a
5 drive-by meter read each month. With the additional capabilities of AMI over
6 AMR, there has been a general shift in the electric utility industry over the past 6
7 to 8 years away from installing AMR. Utilities are opting to install AMI instead,
8 due to the additional business value and customer options which AMI can offer.
9 For a utility like Duke Energy Indiana which has not previously invested in AMR,
10 making the switch directly from walk-by meters to the increased functionality and
11 cost savings of an AMI solution was the better choice.

12 **III. DEPLOYMENT PROCESS AND SCHEDULE**

13 **Q. PLEASE DESCRIBE THE PROPOSED DEPLOYMENT TIMEFRAME**
14 **FOR THE AMI METERS AND COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT.**

15 A. Duke Energy Indiana plans a four-year deployment schedule for the AMI meters
16 and communications equipment. Deployment will occur over the first four years
17 of the seven-year T&D Infrastructure Improvement Plan (“T&D Plan”) with a
18 ramp up for years two and three.

19 **Q. HOW IS THE INSTALLATION OF AMI DEVICES COORDINATED**
20 **THROUGHOUT THE DEPLOYMENT?**

21 A. Based on previous experience deploying AMI in other service territories, Duke
22 Energy Indiana anticipates deploying the AMI technology by zones. See

1 Petitioner's Exhibit D-1 for an example of deployment zones. To efficiently and
2 effectively deploy the metering solution, the Company first strategically places
3 CGRs in a deployment zone. Then the Company installs the meters that will
4 communicate through that CGR or a neighboring CGR, allowing some overlap for
5 redundancy purposes. This process is repeated on a rolling basis, in that the
6 Company will begin new zones while deployment in other zones is underway.
7 Once deployment is complete in a zone, there may still be ongoing work to
8 relocate CGRs or install range extenders in order to optimize the communication
9 network.

10 **Q. HAS DUKE ENERGY DEPLOYED AMI METERS IN OTHER**
11 **JURISDICTIONS?**

12 A. Yes, AMI meters are becoming the standard for Duke Energy and for the industry
13 as a whole. In fact, the penetration rate for smart meters (which include two-way
14 communication) is almost 40% in the U.S., according to a report from Innovation
15 Electricity Efficiency (IEE), an Institute of The Edison Foundation. Our affiliate,
16 Duke Energy Ohio, plans to complete its AMI deployment in 2014, which
17 included a blend of earlier generation AMI technology as well as the wireless
18 mesh AMI technology proposed for implementation in Indiana. Duke Energy is
19 incrementally rolling out AMI meters in North Carolina, South Carolina, and
20 Florida, and is considering further deployments.

21 **Q. DESCRIBE THE LESSONS LEARNED FROM THOSE DEPLOYMENTS**
22 **THAT WILL BE HELPFUL IN INDIANA.**

1 A. Duke Energy Indiana is proposing technology proven not only across the industry,
2 but specifically proven by Duke Energy in other jurisdictions, particularly Duke
3 Energy Ohio and the Carolinas. Each service territory presents its own
4 challenges, and Duke Energy Indiana will benefit from learned lessons in those
5 areas. Our customer engagement is a proven strategy, and will likely require only
6 minor tweaks between jurisdictions. The Company learned how to deploy
7 multiple AMI technologies in Ohio, including the technology proposed for
8 Indiana. Because AMI deployments will continue in the Carolinas throughout the
9 Indiana deployment, those project teams can share experiences and lessons
10 learned for any emergent challenges that may arise in Indiana. Each service
11 territory presents its own challenges for communication network optimization in
12 terms of topography and population density, among other things. The Company
13 has extensive experience in the approaches to communication network
14 optimization and is working with solid vendors with an even broader range of
15 experience in that area.

16 **Q. PLEASE DESCRIBE THE CUSTOMER ENGAGEMENT /**
17 **COMMUNICATION PROCESS DURING THE AMI DEPLOYMENT.**

18 A. Petitioner's Exhibit D-2 depicts the timeline for customer engagement as the
19 Company deploys meters in a zone. Through these multiple outreach attempts,
20 customers are informed of the upcoming installation and have ample time to reach
21 out to the Company if they have any questions that aren't answered in the
22 literature. Once a customer's meter is certified, they receive a notice informing

1 them that their interval usage data can now be accessed via their customer web-
2 portal. The project team also reaches out to city / town councils ahead of the
3 meter deployment to discuss the AMI solution and deployment methodology.

4 **Q. WHAT HAS THE RESPONSE BEEN TO DUKE ENERGY'S CUSTOMER**
5 **OUTREACH EFFORTS?**

6 A. Duke Energy's AMI deployment customer engagement process has been greatly
7 appreciated by customers, regulators, and customer advocates. As a result of this
8 approach in Ohio, very few customers initially refused AMI meter installation.
9 Of those who did refuse installation, the Company offered to meet with those
10 customers individually and ensure that all their concerns were heard and
11 addressed. We continue to monitor and adapt our outreach efforts as customer
12 inquiries evolve.

13 **IV. CUSTOMER CONCERNS**

14 **Q. WHAT ARE SOME OF THE CUSTOMER CONCERNS THE COMPANY**
15 **HAS EXPERIENCED WHILE DEPLOYING AN AMI SOLUTION IN**
16 **OTHER STATES?**

17 A. Overall customer concerns related to our AMI deployments have been minimal
18 and are generally focused on one of five areas: 1) communications, 2) installation,
19 3) service disconnection for non-access, 4) bill accuracy, and 5) smart meter
20 installation refusal. In most cases, we use existing processes to manage
21 complaints. For issue-based questions and complaints (*e.g.*, AMI meter
22 installation refusal), we connect the customer with internal subject matter experts

1 to discuss concerns in detail. In some situations, we have been able to use our
2 Envision Centers to explain our deployment program, and that has proven helpful.
3 Duke Energy Indiana witness Mr. Russ Atkins will highlight our plans for an
4 Indiana Envision Center in his testimony. We believe the Envision Center
5 concept has proven successful in other jurisdictions and can be improved upon
6 through lessons learned for our planned Indiana deployment.

7 The AMI meter installation refusals typically relate to concerns around
8 data security, data privacy and health concerns attributed to wireless RF
9 emissions.

10 Duke Energy Indiana is committed to using best practices identified
11 through the Company's deployments in several states and to being responsive to
12 customer concerns, while creating the least amount of disruption to the customer
13 during deployment. We continue to review feedback and adjust our
14 communications and processes as needed.

15 **Q. PLEASE DESCRIBE THE APPROACH TO CYBERSECURITY FOR THE**
16 **AMI SOLUTION.**

17 A. As we implement the AMI metering solution, the Company will follow IT
18 security policies that are based upon National Institute for Standards and
19 Technology ("NIST") guidelines for securing SmartGrid assets and risk
20 management. The data and systems associated with every component of the AMI
21 metering solution are secured against both internal and external security threats.
22 During and after implementation of the AMI solution, periodic audits and security

1 penetration tests will be performed to ensure the appropriate policies have been
2 applied to defend the potentially affected systems.

3 **Q. PLEASE EXPLAIN HOW THE DATA COLLECTED FROM THE**
4 **PROPOSED AMI SOLUTION IS TREATED FROM A PRIVACY**
5 **PERSPECTIVE.**

6 A. Duke Energy Indiana has collected data from meters since the Company's
7 inception and has privacy policies in place to protect customer information. The
8 Company will treat the data from an AMI metering solution with the same level
9 of privacy protection. Customer privacy is of the utmost concern to Duke Energy
10 Indiana, and the Company does not release private customer information to third
11 parties without the authorization of the customer.

12 **Q. SOME PEOPLE HAVE HEALTH CONCERNS REGARDING "SMART**
13 **METERS". CAN YOU COMMENT ON THIS?**

14 A. Numerous reliable studies by third party and governmental resources show that
15 wireless smart meters – or AMI meters – do not pose any health risk. In the
16 United States, the Federal Communications Commission ("FCC") sets limits for
17 public exposure to RF emissions and requires that all radio communicating
18 devices be tested to ensure that they comply with the FCC standards. The FCC
19 public exposure limits are set at a safety factor 50 times less than the threshold for
20 potentially adverse biological effects, and AMI meters emit low-power RF waves
21 at a fraction of those FCC limits. We plan to include information on the safety of
22 AMI devices in our customer communication plans.

1 **V. CUSTOMER SERVICE**

2 **Q. WHAT CHANGES WILL CUSTOMERS SEE IN THEIR SERVICE**
3 **AFTER THE NEW METERING SOLUTION IS INSTALLED?**

4 A. After AMI meters are installed and certified, customers will be able to view their
5 previous day's hourly interval usage data on the Duke Energy Indiana customer
6 web-portal. Another change in service for customers with certified AMI meters is
7 that they will no longer require monthly walk-by meter reads or estimated bills
8 when the meter cannot be read. Instead, meter reads will be reported back to the
9 Company through the AMI communication network. When customers move in or
10 out of properties, they will no longer need to wait for technicians to arrive to
11 activate or deactivate service, because that can be performed remotely for AMI
12 meters. AMI, working in parallel with grid automation efforts, assists the
13 Company in the outage restoration process. We can have more information about
14 where an outage has occurred and through the ability of pinging meters, we can
15 identify isolated outages more readily and restore service more efficiently.

16 **Q. WHAT NEW INFORMATION WILL BE AVAILABLE TO DUKE**
17 **ENERGY INDIANA CUSTOMERS ON THE PORTAL WEBSITE?**

18 A. Hourly interval usage data will be accessible to customers on the Duke Energy
19 Indiana customer web-portal the next day. The portal uses interval data in several
20 different views: hourly energy use by day or week, daily energy use by billing
21 cycle, month or week, and average energy use by day-of-week over a billing cycle
22 of month. Those customers that have multiple electric meters will see usage

1 broken out by meter, if desired. With this new data, customers are more
2 empowered to understand their energy usage and save energy. Petitioner's
3 Exhibit D-3 provides an illustrative example of screen shots showing the
4 customer usage information available on the Duke Energy Indiana customer web-
5 portal.

6 **Q. WHAT FUTURE OFFERINGS COULD BE POSSIBLE THROUGH THE**
7 **AMI?**

8 A. Provided customer interest and Commission approval, the AMI metering solution
9 could enable such offerings as dynamic pricing and flexible billing and payment
10 options, such as prepayment and pick your due date. The Company proposes that
11 these future offerings be developed in coordination with the OUCC and interested
12 stakeholders in a collaborative fashion. As discussed in more detail below, the
13 deployment schedule for AMI meters is phased-in over four years. The Company
14 proposes collaborative discussions begin upon approval of its Plan, so that future
15 pilot offerings could be developed for roll-out soon after meters are installed.

16 **VI. AMI BUSINESS CASE**

17 **Q. HAS DUKE ENERGY PREPARED A BUSINESS CASE FOR THE NEW**
18 **METERING SOLUTION?**

19 A. Yes. We have looked at proposed costs of our chosen AMI metering solution and
20 compared those costs to estimated benefits. There are benefits from AMI
21 solutions that can be readily quantified, such as savings from meter reading, and
22 those that are much more difficult to quantify, such as assumed energy efficiency

1 savings due to better customer understanding of their usage and reduced safety
2 incidents by elimination of walk-by meter reading and driving. The Company
3 took the approach of limiting the business case cost / benefit analysis to include
4 only the quantifiable benefits, while also discussing the potential for future
5 benefits from new customer offerings of products and services. Petitioner's
6 Exhibit D-4 provides a summary of the cost/benefit results.

7 **Q. PLEASE DESCRIBE THE COSTS ASSOCIATED WITH THE**
8 **PROPOSED METERING SOLUTION INCLUDED IN THE BUSINESS**
9 **CASE.**

10 A. The estimated cost for deploying the AMI solution in Duke Energy Indiana is
11 about \$181 M over the first four years of the 7-Year T&D Plan. That includes
12 approximately \$28 M in the first year, \$52 M in the second, \$56 M in the third,
13 and \$45 M in the fourth year. The costs include the cost of technology
14 components and the installation labor –including the AMI meters, communication
15 devices/grid routers, and IT systems.

16 In order to complete a 20-year business case, additional costs were added
17 in the out-years to reflect additional estimated expenditures necessary for ongoing
18 maintenance of the equipment as well as some equipment replacement costs as
19 equipment nears its life expectancy.

20 **Q. PLEASE DESCRIBE THE BENEFITS THAT WERE INCLUDED IN THE**
21 **BUSINESS CASE SUPPORTING THE AMI SOLUTION.**

22 A. As stated, we did not attempt to quantify every conceivable benefit from AMI, but

1 rather focused on quantifiable benefits. The main quantifiable benefits arise from
2 the elimination of monthly manual meter reads, enhanced theft detection that can
3 be conducted without a truck roll, and the ability to conduct customer-requested
4 service disconnects and reconnects remotely. Also included are the quantifiable
5 benefits from remote reconnects for non-pay. We have excluded benefits for
6 savings in remote disconnects for non-pay, as under current Commission rules,
7 the Company is still required to roll a truck in those situations. However, this is
8 an additional area of savings that could be achieved in the future. The Company
9 may propose alternate communication efforts for non-pay disconnects (based on
10 results of monitoring in-person notifications) in the future T&D Plan proceedings,
11 so these additional saving may be realized.

12 The business case also recognizes that the AMI solution serves as an
13 enabler to provide qualitative benefits expected to be achieved over time.
14 Examples include; integration of advanced technologies such as distributed
15 generation, energy storage and electric vehicles with our distribution system;
16 ability to offer our customers advanced products and services, such as choose
17 your own due date, usage alerts, pay-as-you-go offers, and time-differentiated
18 peak pricing rates; ability to offer expanded options for energy efficiency and
19 demand response programing.

20 The Company proposes to work collaboratively with interested
21 stakeholders on these customer offer-related qualitative benefits as the AMI
22 solution is rolled-out.

1 **Q. WHAT WERE THE RESULTS OF THE AMI BUSINESS CASE THE**
2 **COMPANY PERFORMED?**

3 A. Based on the business case, over a 20-year period, the net present value (“NPV”)
4 of the AMI solution is estimated to be approximately \$38M. Essentially, the
5 analysis demonstrates that over 10.4 years the investment in the advanced
6 metering solution pays for itself.

7 **Q. ARE THE ESTIMATED COSTS OF THE AMI SOLUTION**
8 **INVESTMENTS INCLUDED IN THE 7-YEAR T&D PLAN JUSTIFIED**
9 **BY INCREMENTAL BENEFITS ATTRIBUTABLE TO THE PLAN?**

10 A. Yes, the business case cost / benefit analysis demonstrates that there are
11 quantifiable benefits that outweigh the costs of the plan. Additionally, there are
12 qualitative benefits and future functionality that will result in further benefits.

13 **Q. IN YOUR OPINION, ARE THE COST/BENEFIT ESTIMATES**
14 **REASONABLE BASED ON YOUR REVIEW AND EXPERIENCE?**

15 A. Yes.

16 **VII. CONCLUSION**

17 **Q. WERE PETITIONER’S EXHIBITS D-1 THROUGH D-4 PREPARED BY**
18 **YOU OR UNDER YOUR SUPERVISION?**

19 A. Yes.

20 **Q. DOES THIS CONCLUDE YOUR PREFILED TESTIMONY?**

21 A. Yes, it does.

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VERIFICATION

I hereby verify under the penalties of perjury that the foregoing representations are true to the best of my knowledge, information and belief.

Signed: Donald L. Schneider, Jr. Dated: August 29, 2014



AMI Installation Process by Zone

Deployment Design

- Analyze RF Clusters
- Determine CGR Locations

Mesh Infrastructure and Meter Installations

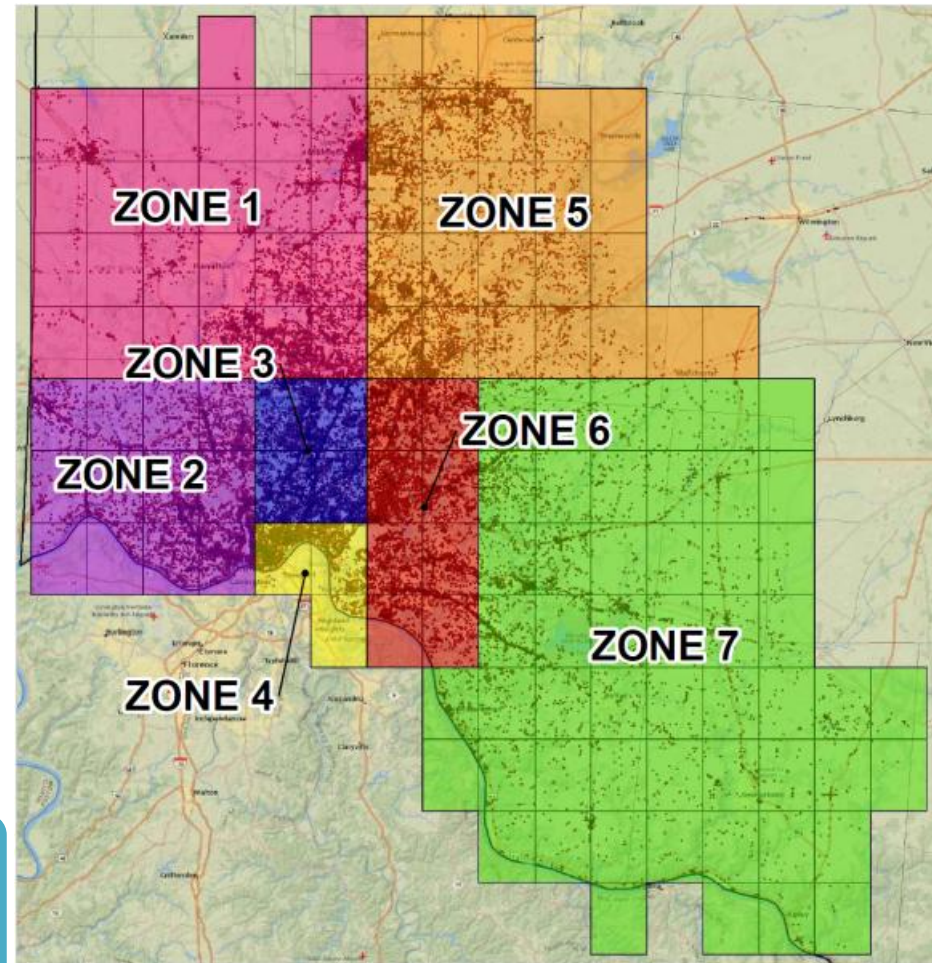
- Install CGRs
- Install Meters

Mesh Mitigation

- Monitor Meter Readings
- Install RF Range Extenders where necessary

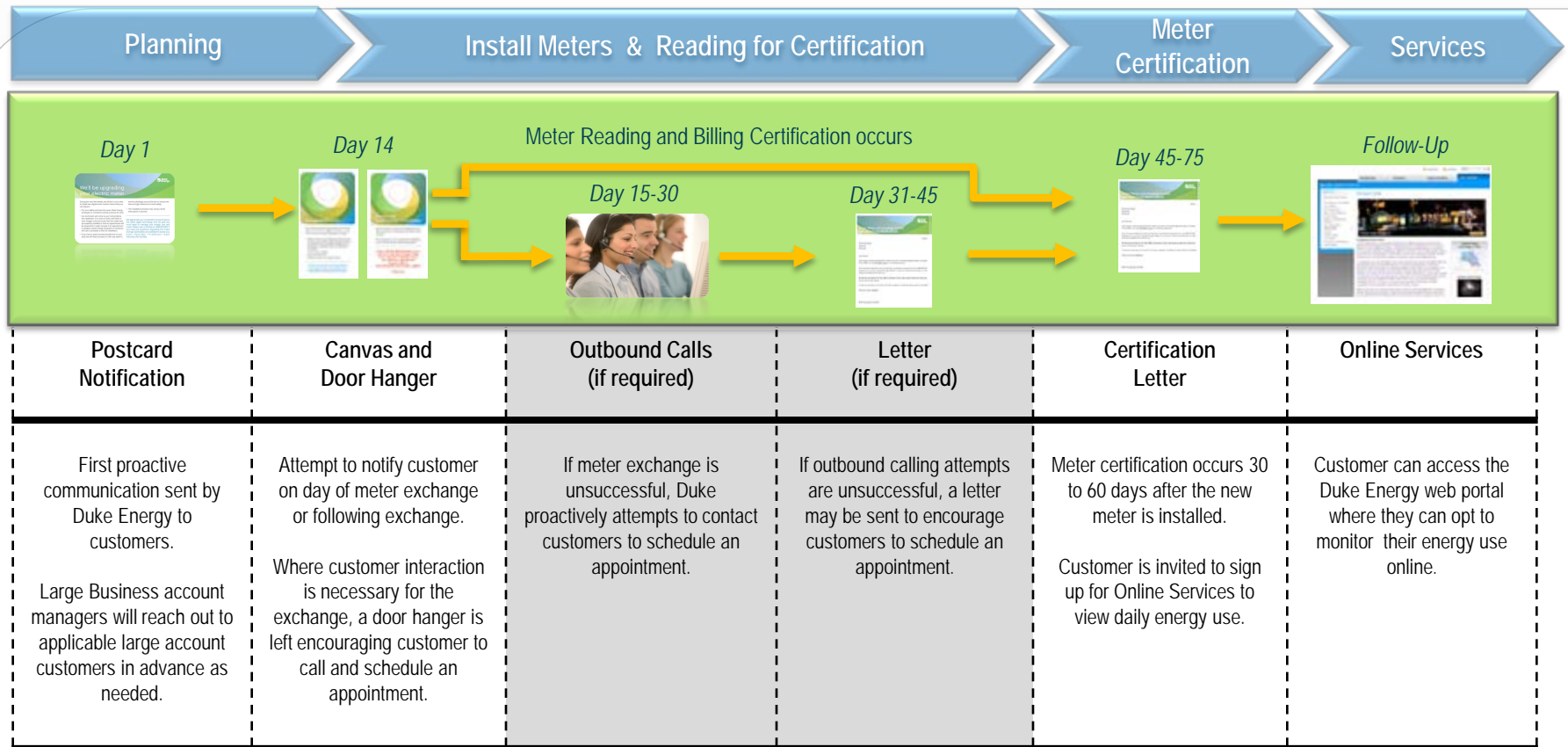
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- Install Direct Connect Electric Meters where necessary





AMI Customer Engagement





Customer Usage Data From Duke Energy Customer Portal

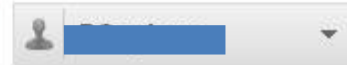


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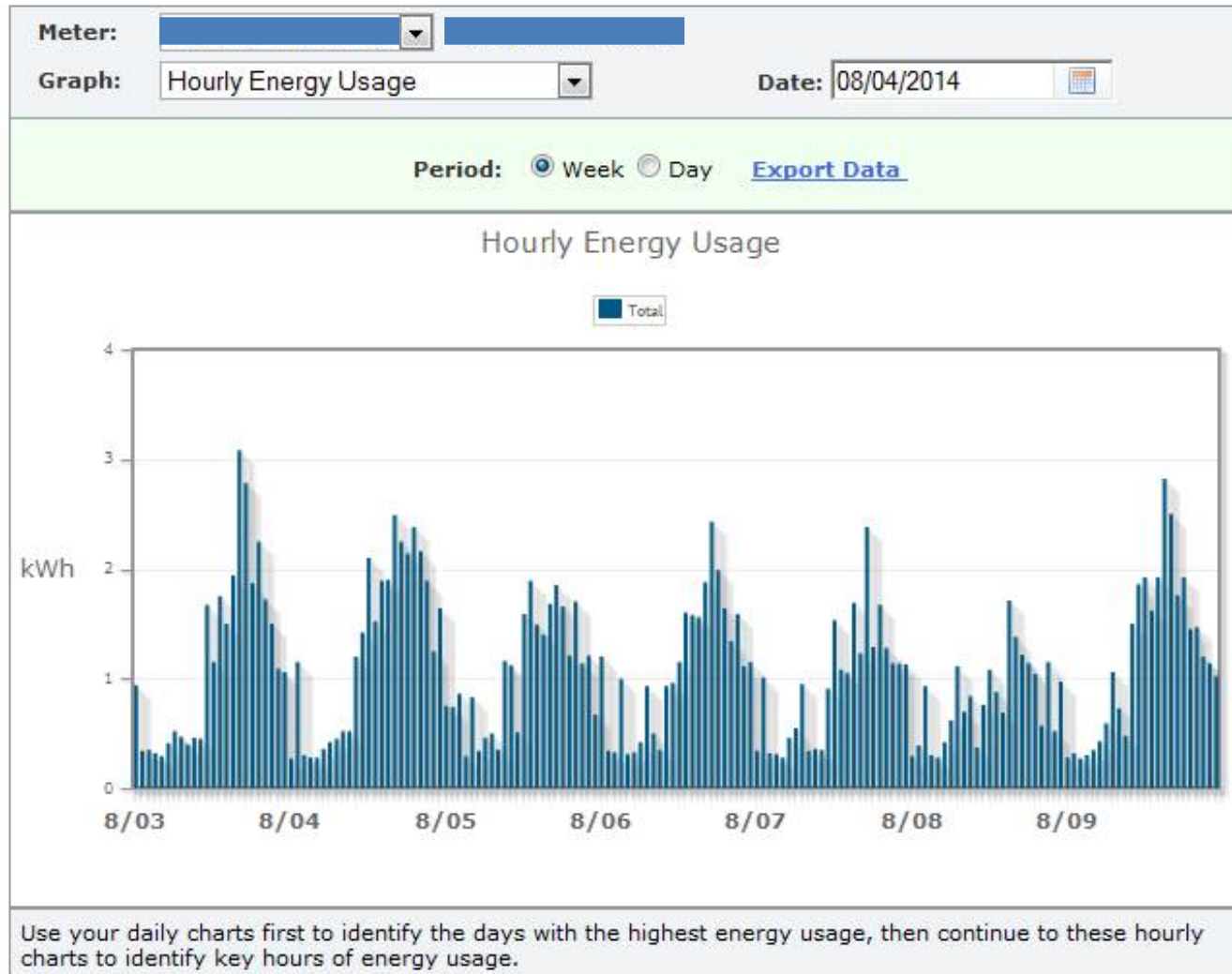
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Viewable over a Day or Week Timeline

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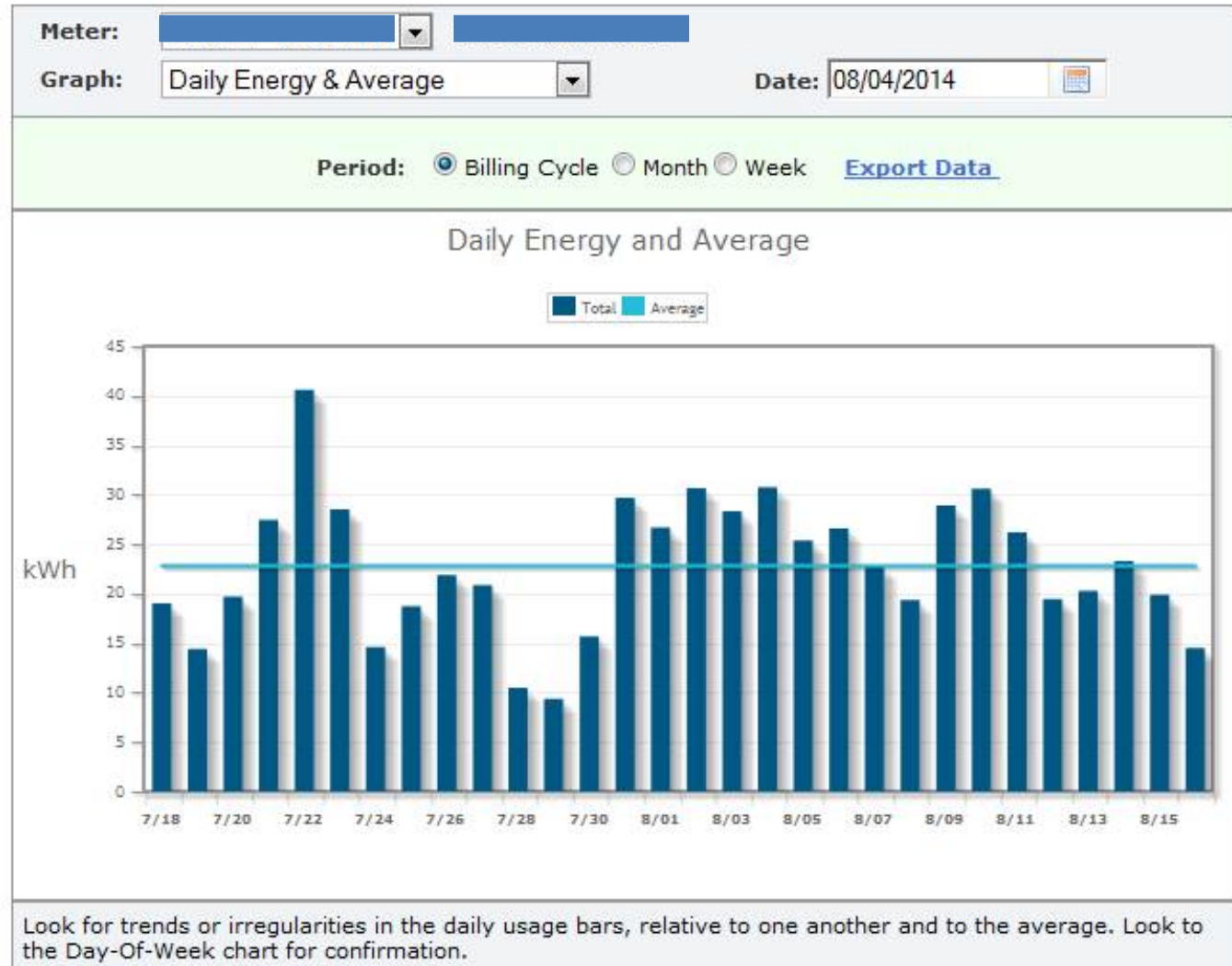


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Daily Energy Usage

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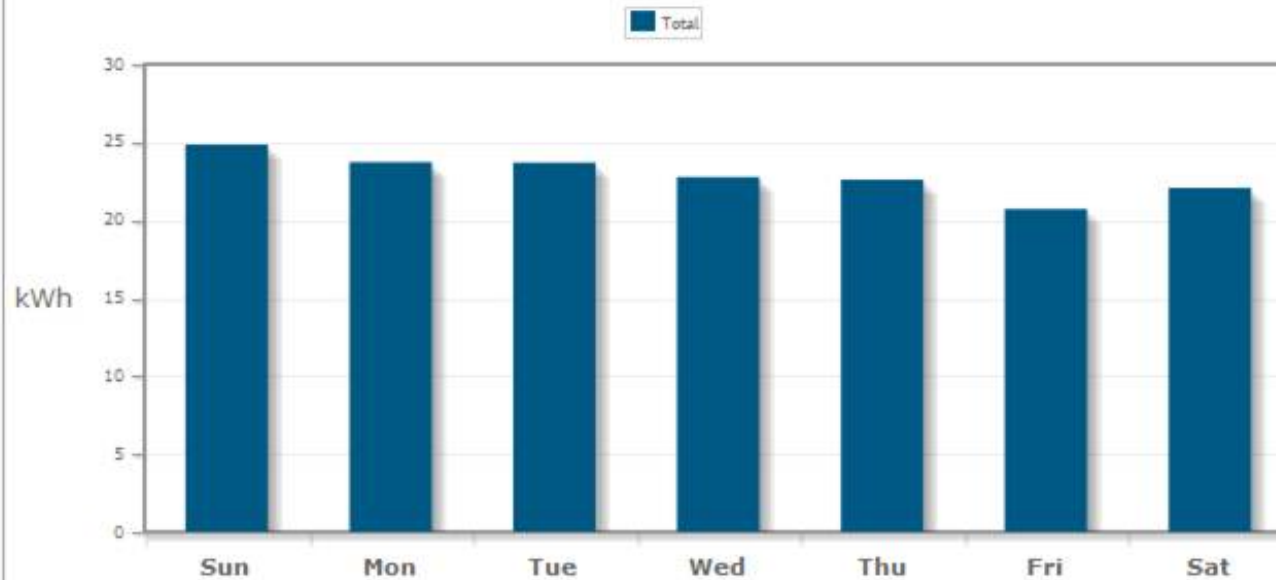
Meter:

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Period: ☒ Billing Cycle ☐ Month [Export Data](#)

Average Energy by Day-of-Week



Look for trends or irregularities. Are your weekdays pretty even or does one stand out? How about weekends?

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AMI Business Case

AMI Cost Details

Costs (\$MM)	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6	Year 7	Total Deployment	Total TDSIC Period	Total 20 Year
Capital										
Field Technology	\$14.8	\$45.5	\$48.5	\$37.7	\$0.2	\$0.7	\$0.7	\$146.5	\$148.2	\$161.8
Project Mgmt Office (PMO)	\$3.8	\$5.0	\$5.2	\$5.4	-	-	-	\$19.4	\$19.4	19.4
IT&T ¹	\$8.1	\$0.4	\$0.4	\$0.4	-	-	-	\$9.3	\$9.3	\$9.8
Total Capital Costs	\$26.7	\$51.0	\$54.1	\$43.5	\$0.2	\$0.7	\$0.7	\$175.3	\$176.9	\$191.0
O&M										
Field Technology	\$0.2	\$0.2	\$0.2	\$0.2	\$0.2	\$0.2	\$0.2	\$0.8	\$1.3	\$4.4
Project Mgmt Office (PMO)	<\$0.1	-	-	-	-	-	-	<\$0.1	<\$0.1	<\$0.1
IT&T ¹	\$0.3	\$0.4	\$0.5	\$0.6	\$0.6	\$0.6	\$0.6	\$1.8	\$3.7	\$14.2
Other	\$0.4	\$0.9	\$0.9	\$0.9	\$0.9	\$0.9	\$0.9	\$3.1	\$5.9	\$20.2
Total O&M Costs	\$0.9	\$1.5	\$1.6	\$1.7	\$1.7	\$1.7	\$1.8	\$5.7	\$10.9	\$38.9
Total AMI Costs	\$27.6	\$52.5	\$55.7	\$45.3	\$1.8	\$2.5	\$2.5	\$181.0	\$187.9	\$229.9

¹ IT&T - Information Technology & Telecommunications

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AMI Benefit Details

Benefits (\$MM)	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6	Year 7	Total Deployment	Total TDSIC Period	Total 20 Year
Reduced Equip. Failures	\$0.9	\$0.9	\$0.9	\$1.0	\$1.0	\$1.0	\$1.0	\$3.8	\$6.7	\$21.1
Misc. Capital Savings	-	\$1.0	\$1.0	\$1.0	\$1.0	\$1.0	\$1.0	\$0.3	\$0.6	\$1.9
Avoided Capital Costs	\$0.9	\$1.0	\$1.0	\$1.1	\$1.1	\$1.1	\$1.1	\$4.1	\$7.3	\$23.0
Reduced Meter Reading Cost	-	\$0.7	\$2.5	\$4.6	\$6.2	\$6.4	\$6.6	\$7.8	\$26.9	\$127.7
Reduced COW ¹ Costs	-	\$0.7	\$2.5	\$4.6	\$6.2	\$6.4	\$6.6	\$7.8	\$27.0	\$128.1
Reduced Restoration Cost	-	<\$0.1	<\$0.1	<\$0.1	<\$0.1	<\$0.1	<\$0.1	<\$0.1	\$0.3	\$1.1
Misc. O&M Savings	-	\$0.4	\$0.4	\$0.4	\$0.4	\$0.4	\$0.4	\$1.2	\$2.4	\$7.6
Expense Reduction	-	\$1.7	\$5.4	\$9.7	\$12.8	\$13.3	\$13.7	\$16.8	\$56.6	\$264.5
Reduce Theft, Equip Fail, Inst. Errors	-	\$1.8	\$6.8	\$12.1	\$15.9	\$16.1	\$16.2	\$20.7	\$68.9	\$287.2
Improved Rev. Capture	-	\$1.8	\$6.8	\$12.1	\$15.9	\$16.1	\$16.2	\$20.7	\$68.9	\$287.2
Total AMI Benefits	\$0.9	\$4.5	\$13.2	\$22.8	\$29.8	\$30.5	\$31.0	\$41.5	\$132.8	\$574.7

¹ COW - Consumer Order Worker (meter orders)

Key Financials	
Investment Period	20 Years
Net Present Value (NPV)	\$37.9M
Payback Period	10.4 Years
Benefit / Cost Ratio (20 yr)	2.50