



Distribution System Planning

- ❖ The Joint Utilities posted the Stage 2 hosting capacity displays for distribution circuits above 12kV by October 1, 2017 to their respective utility web portals. The [JU webpage on hosting capacity](#) contains web links to the utility-specific sites.
- ❖ The Joint Utilities held their second stakeholder session on Hosting Capacity issues in NYC on Thursday, November 2. The Joint Utilities solicited feedback from stakeholders on the Stage 2 hosting capacity displays, as well as engaged stakeholders in a detailed discussion on both the end-user and technical considerations of the development of Stage 3 analysis. A summary of the main discussion items and next steps can soon be found on the [JU website](#).
- ❖ The Joint Utilities have provided draft recommendations and materials for discussion by the ITWG to support future energy storage interconnections.

Grid Operations

- ❖ The JU-NYISO Task Force is addressing coordination issues related to registration of aggregations, mapping of DER to substation load bus transformers, operational coordination and communications. Initially the Task Force is mapping the flow of data/information necessary for coordination between the aggregator, DER, NYISO, and DSP necessary to preserve system reliability and safety. The JU ISO-DSP Coordination Working Group hosted a stakeholder engagement group session on October 23 in NYC to review progress. A summary deck of the major discussion areas and next steps can be found on the [JU website](#).
- ❖ At the November 9 ITWG meeting, DPS Staff notified the JU that the interim Monitoring and Control (M&C) requirements will be revised and reposted to the ITWG web-page with different size thresholds and requirements.
- ❖ The Monitoring and Control Working Group continues to evaluate lower cost alternatives for monitoring and control.

Market Operations

- ❖ The Joint Utilities are actively releasing their Request for Proposals for Non-Wires Solutions (NWS) and want to keep stakeholders apprised of the progress to date. The Joint Utilities hosted a stakeholder webinar on November 9, 12:00noon – 2:00PM focused on the NWS RFP process. During this session the JU shared some of the



challenges that surfaced during the current process and discuss how the JU are addressing these challenges to continue to improve the evolving Non-Wires RFP process. More importantly, the JU invited stakeholders that have participated, or have considered participating in these initial RFPs to share their perspectives on the process.

- ❖ The Joint Utilities created a [page on the JU website](#) to provide users a central location to find links to utility-specific web pages or portals to review potential NWS opportunities and RFPs. The Joint Utilities also worked with the REV Connect team to develop content for a NWS opportunities page on the [REV Connect website](#).
- ❖ The Joint Utilities are developing their EV readiness framework as identified in the November 2016 JU [Supplemental DSIP filing](#). A draft of the framework will be posted to the JU website in January for stakeholder review. Following the release of the draft framework, the Joint Utilities will host another stakeholder session focused on the framework; details will be posted on the [JU website](#).

Data Access

- ❖ The second Joint Utilities Customer Data stakeholder engagement session was held on September 14 in Albany. A summary of the main discussion items and next steps was posted on the [JU website](#).
- ❖ The Joint Utilities continues to maintain a [System Data webpage](#) on the JU website that provides a catalog of JU system data that is currently available to the public, with links to the locations of the utility-specific websites or portals. Please email info@jointutilitiesofny.org with any feedback or suggestions regarding accessibility or usefulness of the information.
- ❖ At the November 2 stakeholder engagement group meeting, the Hosting Capacity working group provided an update on what additional system data will be included in future iterations of the hosting capacity displays.

Company DSP Enablement Work

- ❖ The Joint Utilities convened an Advisory Group (AG) of about 15 stakeholder organizations that advises the JU on goals and decisions regarding DSP implementation. The AG held a webinar on November 17 to discuss a variety of issues including 2017 implementation efforts, the 2018 DSIPs, 2017 lessons learned for stakeholder engagement and how to improve the process moving forward, as well as a preview of the JU 2018 Distributed



System Platform (DSP) implementation efforts. More details on the AG can be found on the [JU website](#).

- ❖ The Joint Utilities held a full day in-person Annual Stakeholder Engagement Conference on November 30 at the Con Edison Learning Center. About 70 stakeholders representing about 50 companies joined in-person or via webinar. Presentation material can be found on the JU website under the '[November Conference](#)' tab. The conference consisted of several panels covering topics in DER integration, market services, and information sharing as well as Value of DER. If you attended the conference, please fill out the [short survey](#).
- ❖ Each utility submitted [compliance filings](#) documenting that Phase 1 of the Interconnection Online Application Portals (IOAP) has been implemented.
- ❖ The NY PSC September 14 VDER Implementation Order approved each utility's Locational System Relief Value (LSRV) zones, capacity caps, and values. Utilities submitted filings on the application of VDER credits to bills as well tariffs.

Regulatory Policy

- ❖ The Joint Utilities continue to work with DPS Staff and stakeholders on VDER Phase 2 Implementation matters in the Low and Moderate Income (LMI), Value Stack, and Rate Design working groups
 - The Companies are preparing comments on DPS Staff's October 3, 2017 "Staff Scope of Study to Examine Bill Impacts of a Range of Mass Market Rate Reform Scenarios" white paper, which will be filed on December 11.
 - The Joint Utilities look forward to working with Staff and stakeholders to assess what effect a behavioral response to different rate design modifications will have on customer bills. This work is expected to begin in early 2018.
 - The Companies are working with Staff and stakeholders to identify a process framework for Value Stack and Rate Design that will ensure the Commission's goals for mass-market rate design are achieved on-time (i.e., by the end of 2018).
- ❖ The Joint Utilities remain engaged with DPS Staff and stakeholders on the details of proposals the companies have made for Earnings Adjustment Mechanisms in individual company rate case proceedings.
- ❖ The Companies have implemented Uniform Business Practices ("UBP") procedures for DER providers, and are working with customers to ensure that data is shared efficiently and securely.