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Perhaps it would be better to not rely on numbering systems not under the commission's jurisdiction?

The commission currently uses multiple "numbering" systems while not completely identifying the items under the commission's jurisdiction.

This costly and prone to error.

Automated data processing is more efficient when key fields using integers are used for identification.

Avoiding "intelligent numbering" can help in reducing errors.

Intelligent numbering is when a portion of the identification contains alpha characters that someone thinks are useful.

Alpha characters slow data processing.

The description of items should use noun/modifier combinations that make the identification system user friendly.

The user does not have to remember the identification number to use this type of system.

The system can completely hide these foreign identifying features while allowing the user to complete their task with less effort.

Modern data entry systems based on relational databases with referential integrity will allow the user to both find the identification of the item and ensure the correct selection is made in with the smallest effort.

Item master tables will allow transfer of data with the smallest footprint because the data is normalized.

The value of such a numbering system will be felt by all commission systems not just power source disclosure.

Commonality between systems is easily identified, saving much effort that can be applied to far more important tasks because the entire process can be easily automated with low cost data processing tools.

I believe the performance of the power source disclosure system will be higher and less costly by using the above described system than with the system described in staff's express terms for identifying information.

This will enable the commission to better inform the public in all aspects of energy use.

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