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Comment on the workshop, Planning for interconnecting and integrating 12,000 MWs of Distributed Generation into the Distribution System by 2020

All I have available at this moment are the "Presentations Last Updated: (June 22, 2011)" and my comments are based on those.

From a public rate and tax payer's view the workshop does not try to answer the logical question , "Is this program of any value in solving the state's energy problems? Will it increase the cost of electricity to rate and taxpayers?"

The state's energy policy has left the state woefully short of in-state generation of reliable 24/7 electricity and forced it to import it from out of state at uncontrollable cost. The state in an effort to reduce greenhouse gas production by electric utilities has mandated that so called "renewable" energy be used to generate electricity. The energy sources allowed by the state are costly and not capable of generating reliable 24/7 electricity. The workshop should demonstrate how inserting the governor's proposed 12,000 MW of Distributed Generation will help solve either of these problems. I don't see any presentation that deals with this. I am skeptical that it is a worthwhile project.

All of the workshops planned to deal with the 2011 IEP should be addressing the need of any proposed plan as it deals with the real problems of generating reliable 24/7 electricity with reduced GHG production.

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