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## **Benchmarking Work Group – Meeting Notes**

Teleconference – 9:30-10:00 am; Tuesday, March 09, 2010

### **Attending:**

Benchmarkata - Sukhwant Singh

EPA – Peter Flippen (ICF), Quoc Le (SRA), Justin Kent (SRA), Alice Liddell (ICF)

HMG - Josh Rasin

PG&E – Theda Silver-Pell, Yogesh Pagadala

SCE – Michael Wadler, Bob Levine

SMUD – Martie Desmangles, Pam Benedict, Kristy Aldrich

LADWP – James Wang, Nam Tran, Carla Day

- 1) IOU Statewide Benchmarking Implementation Group - utility updates, marketing/outreach coordination plans
  - a) PG&E
    - i) Customer workshops, targeted emails, large commercial office response was overwhelming.
    - ii) Using benchmarking as part of strategic marketing plan
    - iii) Investigate some possible enhancements, waiting on clarification from CPUC
    - iv) Getting an erroneous error code, almost fixed, SRA is working on it. Still needs to be tested.
      - (1) Meeting with Quoc Le (SRA) coming up Friday
  - b) SCE
    - i) Technical problems have been resolved with ABS, customers accessing their data.
    - ii) Not going outside the company. Started to do some internal training of account execs related to benchmarking. Waiting to hear from PUC related to recent EE decision
  - c) Sempra – no update.
  - d) SMUD
    - i) Not doing outreach. Helping large accounts (school system enrolled in Account manager)
    - ii) Privacy issue with AB1103 between tenant and building owner



- (1) Ask if they want to enter this information because they need an EnergyStar rating due to leasing, refinancing or reselling.
    - (a) If they say yes, ask them to enter one meter number,
    - (b) Uses SAP connection object. Can access the rest of the data at the address, aggregate, and provide 12-months of data.
    - (c) Just the one meter will show aggregated data for past 12 months.
  - (2) If customer does not check this box, standard process will apply. SUMD.org will contain additional information.
- 2) ABS status and outreach efforts - Overview of what is changing for the new schemas for ABS.
    - a) Upcoming ABS 2.3 release – beta release Monday April 19.
    - b) Published upcoming release notes (draft schemas) on portfolio manager website.
    - c) Adds 2 new tags to building metrics group, data center XML elements changed slightly
      - i) New ability to track IT energy loads
      - ii) ABS 2.2 will include 2 new data center metrics. Uses XML responses.
    - d) Theda – Update option screen that chooses whether to allow utilities to add buildings or just update meters. Just need the update option (bypass screen).
  - 3) Benchmarking materials available online at: <http://www.h-m-g.com/downloads/EnergyBenchmarking/Default.htm>