

Government Relations Committee Meeting Minutes

23-Mar-15

Jacksonville, Florida

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| Meeting Attendance | Twenty persons were in attendance at the beginning of the committee meeting | See Attendance Form |
| Teleconference and presentation given by Mr. Chris Bolton, Chief-Technical Management Team for Project Manager Environmental Energy and Sustainment Systems (E2S2) | <p>Upcoming DoD procurement programs</p> <p>AMMPS generators development for microgrids</p> <p>DoD, DoE Industry Day - Possible R&D funding opportunities</p> | <p>DPGDS (840 kW) Recapitalization Industry Day and AMMPS Re-buy Industry Day are planned for late April, announcement to be posted shortly. Plan is for both events to coincide at same location near the end of April.</p> <p>Functional change underway by Cummins to include single-unit remote start stop capability over CAN bus network; addressing to be made available to industry.</p> <p>Date and agenda to be announced. Expect focus to be on power system improvement, adding alternative energy, storage, waste heat to energy etc.</p> |
| Update on Tactical Microgrid Standards Consortium (TMSC) coordination with EGSA | EGSA Digital Paralleling Standard (DPS): TSMC would like to work with EGSA on this standard, they are reviewing the last draft from July 2013 and will provide feedback. EGSA has been added to the TSMC All Partners Access Network (APAN) working group site. | <p>ACTIONS:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Need to appoint an EGSA member as liaison to TSMC working group, APAN site. 2) Acquire and distribute TMSC presentation to GRC members (Paul Wilhelm) 3) Acquire TMSC working group "partnership agreement" language (Paul Wilhelm) 4) Recommend that Codes and Standards resume DPS working group effort (Dennis Pearson) |

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| Raymond G. Russell Scholarship grants status. | Five scholarships were awarded in 2014; to date only 3 applicants. Advertising in Army Times is cost prohibitive. Concerns about narrow scope of requirements that applicants must meet as defined in the grant language. When asked for input on spreading info about the grant, Chris Bolton voiced concern about EGSA taking the Army's skilled generator techs. | <p>ACTIONS:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Investigate writing an article for Army News featuring EGSA and the Russell Scholarship, in lieu of paid advertising (David Stringer, Jalane Kellough). |
| Broader GRC government agency involvement. | Historically, GRC's scope has focused mainly on PM-MEP/E2S2. E2S2 participation has waned due to sequestration budget cuts and very few new military genset opportunities through 2025. | GRC should expand scope; investigate other government agencies and NGO's that purchase gensets. EGSA can provide training, education on best practices. Experience has shown that government is often behind the technology curve; EGSA involvement may help bridge the gap and lead to opportunities for member companies. |