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Take our Membership Survey Today

As part of our effort to better serve our members, SGIP is conducting a survey. Please take 15 minutes today to complete this short online survey. Your input will serve as a valuable guide to how we plan activities and will be deeply appreciated!

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Survey will close on April 30, 2012.

VOTING REMINDER: Plenary Secretary and ByLaw Changes

A special election for Plenary Secretary is still underway and we have three candidates on the ballot:

- Karlton G. Fredebeil, Tennessee Valley Authority
- Gregory Obenchain, Edison Electric Institute
- Tobin Richardson, ZigBee Alliance

The Plenary Secretary election is combined with proposed changes to the SGIP Charter and ByLaws. **Voting closes this Friday, April 6 at 5pm Eastern.** Voting Representatives of Participating Members in good standing please be sure you vote (a failure to vote may result in a loss of Voting Rights). Voting results will be announced in early April.

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ATTENTION CATEGORY 13 MEMBERS!

The Candidate Evaluation Committee has nearly completed their vetting of the nominees. On April 10th, the vote to elect a new Governing Board Member of Category 13: Professional Societies, Users Groups, Trade Associations and Industry Consortia will open. An email notice will be sent to the Voting Representatives of Participating Member organization of good standing in Category 13.

Two New Priority Action Plans Approved by Governing Board

PAP 19 - ISO RTO / Wholesale Market Interfaces for Demand Response (DR): While adequate for today's business models, enhancement of wholesale market interfaces is desirable to meet evolving Smart Grid architectures. This effort will identify electricity market requirements and identify gaps with current standards frameworks (including but not limited to Energy Interoperation, OpenADR profiles and the International Electrotechnical Commission (IEC) Common Information Modeling (CIM)) to adequately address the role of and Demand Response wholesale market interfaces in the Smart Grid.

This Priority Action Plan seeks to build a profile for the ISO/RTO to market participant (utility, 3rd party aggregator) interface. It builds upon the previous work of the ISO/RTO Council based on IEC 61968/61970/62325 and OpenADR, in conjunction with OASIS Energy Interop to derive a best practice and specification for a profile.

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PAP 20 – GreenButton ESPI Evolution: In September 2011, former U.S. Chief Technology Officer Aneesh Chopra challenged utilities across the country to realize the common-sense idea that consumers should have access to their own energy usage information in a downloadable, easy-to-use electronic format, offered by their utility or retail energy service provider. The “Green Button” was born.

Green Button is based on the SGIP shepherded standards for Energy Usage Information (EUI) that was part of PAP-10 including NAESB REQ18/WEQ19 and

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later NAESB REQ21 (Energy Service Provider Interface (ESPI). This Priority Action Plan follows the evolution of the Green Button and ESPI fostering the requirements for and establishment of standards evolution, testing and certification specifications, and noting sample or reference implementations and test harnesses. Collectively these actions will support a robust and rapid penetration of interoperable goods and services in support of exchange of EUI.

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APEC To Host Workshop on Regulatory Approaches to Smart Grid Investment and Deployment

The United States, on behalf of the Asia Pacific Economic Cooperation (APEC) Subcommittee on Standards and Conformance, is organizing a Workshop on Regulatory Approaches to Smart Grid Investment and Deployment. This workshop will be held May 16-17, 2012, in Quebec City, Canada (immediately following the 5th World Forum on Energy Regulation). The focus of the workshop will be standards and conformance issues associated with the deployment of the Smart Grid. Participants will discuss issues associated with ensuring that regulations facilitate trade, such as the use of relevant international standards and conformity assessment programs that support good regulatory practices. Specific topics to be considered include:

- 1) Interoperability
- 2) International standardization
- 3) Lessons learned from Smart Grid Projects
- 4) Cybersecurity
- 5) Data access and privacy, and
- 6) Vision of grid modernization.

Participation in this workshop is open with advanced registration. This workshop builds on recommendations from the APEC Regulatory Cooperation Advancement Mechanism on Trade-Related Standards and Technical Regulations (ARCAM) Dialogue on Smart Grid Interoperability held in May 2011 in Big Sky, Montana. The SGIP Governing Board was well represented at that May 2011 meeting; Vint Cerf gave the luncheon keynote, and Paul Centolella and John McDonald were panel session moderators. **(Further details about the May 2011 meeting are available online: http://collaborate.nist.gov/twiki-sggrid/pub/SmartGrid/SGIPReleases/Montreal_GB_news_release_721.pdf.)**

To learn more and/or to register for the May 2012 workshop in Quebec City, please see the workshop website at: <http://gsi.nist.gov/global/index.cfm/L1-8/L2-31/A-622>.

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