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The NextGrid Utility of the Future Study Wants Your Input on Reliability, Resiliency, and Cyber Security, and Customer and Community Participation

The NextGrid Utility of the Future study is announcing an opportunity for stakeholders and the public to offer input on topics being discussed by Working Groups #3 and #4. The NextGrid study is committed to including a wide array of perspectives in the study and final report.

Working Group #3: Reliability, Resiliency, and Cyber Security is tasked with studying existing and new challenges to the physical and cyber security of the electric grid. The group is also assessing the impact of feasible attacks and the suitability of existing solutions to mitigate risks to the grid, in both its current and future state.

Working Group#4: Customer and Community Participation is exploring ways to empower all customers to help shape and fully benefit from the possibilities created by the future grid. Topics being covered include demand response, intelligent devices (IoT), energy efficiency, and DER incentives. This working group is also considering the impact of new technologies on underserved customers and communities.

Webpages for Working Groups #3 and #4 have been set up to allow the public to review and provide feedback to meeting agendas and summaries, presentations and other information related to the topics being discussed. Click here to access the Working Group #3 webpage. Click <a href=here for the Working Group #4 webpage. Public comments, white papers, and other presentations or documents will be accepted through email at ICC.NextGridWorkingGroup3@illinois.gov until July 2, 2018 for Working Group #3 and ICC.NextGridWorkingGroup4@illinois.gov until June 7, 2018 for Working Group #4.

The NextGrid study values and appreciates your input, and will be announcing further opportunities for comment on the work of the various working groups in the weeks and months ahead.