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## **The NextGrid Utility of the Future Study Wants Your Input on Metering, Communications & Data**

Working Group #2: Metering, Communications and Data is now seeking input from interested stakeholders.

Working Group #2 is tasked with exploring ways to leverage existing technologies, including advanced metering infrastructure, and the capabilities of new communication architecture technologies to enhance customer value and meet the needs of Distributed Energy Resources (DER) and new technology integration. The group is also exploring pathways to a secure, connected grid and discussing methods and tools required to effectively manage and protect increasing amounts of data available through smart meters.

A Working Group #2 webpage has 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. Check back to this webpage over the next month, as presentations and meeting summaries will be added after each Working Group meeting. Public comments, white papers, and other presentations or documents for Working Group #2 will be accepted through email at [NextGridWorkingGroup2@Illinois.gov](mailto:NextGridWorkingGroup2@Illinois.gov) until May 15, 2018.

The NextGrid study is committed to ensuring a wide array of perspectives are included in the study and final report. There will be additional opportunities for comment on the work of the various working groups in the weeks and months ahead.