

From: Collard, Zachary W.

Sent: Tuesday, October 03, 2006 7:50 PM

To: 'Harris, Pat'; Horne, Kate

Cc: Emesih, Valentine A; Walker, DeAnn T.; Mereness, Matt; Munoz, Manuel ; Doggett, Trip; Deller, Art; Page, Dwight; Ashbaugh, Jackie; MIS Team

Subject: RE: MIS Task Force Contact Information Request

Thank you very much for clearing that up Pat. I will share this information with DEWG at the 10/19 meeting – at that meeting I will also ask them what type of information they would like you to present, thanks for the offer.

Just to clear things up I don't think I will be the CenterPoint Energy person assigned to MIS.

Thanks,
Zachary Collard
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From: Harris, Pat [mailto:pharris@ercot.com]

Sent: Tuesday, October 03, 2006 5:26 PM

To: Horne, Kate; Collard, Zachary W.

Cc: Emesih, Valentine A; Walker, DeAnn T.; Mereness, Matt; Munoz, Manuel ; Doggett, Trip; Deller, Art; Page, Dwight; Ashbaugh, Jackie; MIS Team

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Zach – thanks for your concern. We encourage lots of questions and welcome your participation!

The new design of the MIS web portal will no longer use API's, but will use web services. This will allow us to provide better performance and also to better control security and confidentiality of information. There will be no 'screen scraping' capability, but rather data will be available through web services which can be identified, created and documented in advance for use by all Market Participants.

If you'd like for us to do a presentation of web services capability and design, we'd be happy to provide that. We're currently only in the Design phase of the project so our final web services inventory is not yet available, but we'll commit to work with you and the entire community to see that the data you need is made available. Please feel free to call at any time – we're glad to have you on the SubGroup, too!

Pat Harris

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From: Horne, Kate
Sent: Tuesday, October 03, 2006 5:17 PM
To: Collard, Zachary
Cc: Harris, Pat; Taylor, Revis
Subject: RE: MIS Task Force Contact Information Request

Zach,

I understand your concern and I'll note it in our Issues Log.

Revis, can you add this to our Issues Log? It's been a big problem for a long time, but it's also not in scope of our project.

Kate

From: Collard, Zachary
Sent: Tuesday, October 03, 2006 3:29 PM
To: Horne, Kate
Cc: Emesih, Valentine; Walker, DeAnn; Mereness, Matt; Munoz, Manuel; Doggett, Trip; Deller, Art; Page, Dwight; Ashbaugh, Jackie; Harris, Pat
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The concern shared in the past at DEWG is that any information available on the screen should also be available through an API at the same or at a greater frequency. If it is not MPs will either grab (scrape) information off that screen or refresh that screen on a periodic basis.

Zach

From: Horne, Kate [mailto:khorne@ercot.com]
Sent: Tuesday, October 03, 2006 3:12 PM
To: Collard, Zachary W.
Cc: Emesih, Valentine A; Walker, DeAnn T.; Mereness, Matt; Munoz, Manuel ; Doggett, Trip; Deller, Art; Page, Dwight; Ashbaugh, Jackie; Harris, Pat
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Zachary,

The scope of the MIS project (and MIS subgroup) is limited to the MIS posting requirements specified in protocols. The nodal protocols specify the frequency at which data is posted. We are working to capture that frequency information for the protocols not affected by nodal. Only a very few posting requirements specify how the information is presented. We will be working with the nodal project teams to determine how the information will be made available (downloads, view on screen, spreadsheets, etc.).

Kate

From: Collard, Zachary
Sent: Tuesday, October 03, 2006 11:11 AM
To: Horne, Kate
Cc: Emesih, Valentine; Walker, DeAnn; Mereness, Matt; Munoz, Manuel; Doggett, Trip; Deller, Art; Page, Dwight; Ashbaugh, Jackie
Subject: RE: MIS Task Force Contact Information Request

Kate,

At the last few monthly Data Extracts Working Group (DEWG) issues around Screen Scraping and Continual Website Refreshing have been discussed. Last month several people mentioned that data that is needed today will be even greater and needed at a higher frequency in the Nodal world. With that in mind will the MIS group be ensuring that all data elements needed by market participants be available through APIs or some other means at a frequency either greater or the same as any ERCOT websites?

Thanks,
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From: Mereness, Matt [mailto:mmereness@ercot.com]
Sent: Monday, October 02, 2006 5:26 PM
To: Munoz, Manuel ; Doggett, Trip
Cc: Collard, Zachary W.; Emesih, Valentine A; Walker, DeAnn T.
Subject: RE: MIS Task Force Contact Information Request

See below.

Thanks,
Matt

From: Horne, Kate
Sent: Friday, September 15, 2006 1:19 PM
To: tptf@lists.ercot.com
Subject: Volunteers Needed for MIS Subgroup

As part of the Texas Nodal MIS project, the MIS project team would like to form a subgroup of market participants and ERCOT staff to participate in the development of the new MIS. (Note: In TPTF meetings, we referred to this as the MIS task force, but are renaming it to comply with Market Rules conventions.)

Members of the MIS subgroup will be called upon to review materials and provide input and feedback for

structured tasks. We estimate the time required to participate in the subgroup will be between one and four hours per week for the duration of a task. Some tasks will require SMEs and others will require a broad cross-section of MIS users. Most of the work can be performed remotely and will not require face-to-face meetings. As you know, the project team is working on an aggressive schedule, so meeting task deadlines is critical.

Examples of tasks that will be assigned to the subgroup include completing the missing information in the MIS Posting Matrix, reviewing proposed navigation at the macro and micro levels, reviewing the proposed role structure and identifying requirements for the dashboard (graphical display of data).

We want the new MIS to provide an optimal user experience and greatly value your input. If you are interested in volunteering for this subgroup, please send an e-mail to Kate Horne (khorne@ercot.com) and provide your name, e-mail address and phone number. Also, please indicate if you represent one or more of these roles and could participate as a SME:

- Load Resources
- CRR Account Holder
- RMR/Black Start
- QSE (Levels 1-4)
- TSP
- LSE
- NOIE
- Wind

From: Munoz, Manuel
Sent: Monday, October 02, 2006 5:13 PM
To: Doggett, Trip; Mereness, Matt
Cc: Collard, Zachary; Emesih, Valentine; Walker, DeAnn
Subject: MIS Task Force Contact Information Request

Trip/Matt,

Please forward me the name to contact for getting on this task force. We have personnel at CenterPoint Energy that need to participate on the issues that this task force is addressing.

Thanks -Manny