

Minutes of the meeting of the Retail Settlements Task Force of September 16, 1999.

The meeting was called to order at 10 AM, Thursday September 16, 1999.

The Minutes of the previous meeting were discussed and a motion was made to accept them. The motion was passed.

There were 20 voting members in the room. The chair held one proxy vote for one issue from task force member that was not in the room.

The next item on the agenda was the presentation of Sub-group 2's recommendation for formal vote with the Task Force. The following is a summary of voting on the issues from subgroup 2:

- Global Issue Outline III.A.2: Split Bill Option
Vote on the recommendation for this issue was 20 in favour and 0 against
- Global Issue Outline III.A.4: LDC Consolidated Bills
Vote on the recommendation for this issue was 18 in favour and 2 against (including one proxy vote held by the chair) and 1 abstention
- Global Issue Outline III.B.1.a: Should a retailer that provides a consolidated bill have to pay the LDC for energy and wires costs even if they are not paid by the end-use customer being served?
Vote on the recommendation for this issue was 16 in favour and 4 against. Voting went along LDC/Retailer lines.
- Global Issue Outline III.B.1.d: Who should assume non-payment risk where an LDC provides a consolidated bill?
Vote on the recommendation for this issue was 16 in favour and 4 against
- Global Issue Outline III.B.2.b: What should happen to a customer's deposit when a customer switches
Vote on the recommendation for this issue was 20 in favour and 0 against

- Global Issue Outline III.B.2.c(2): Should an LDC be allowed to refuse to reconnect a customer unless the customer has paid all past due bills associated with wires charges and standard supply?

The recommendation for this issue was withdrawn by the taskforce as it was viewed to be covered sufficiently under the act already.

The next item on the agenda was the presentation of Sub-group 1's recommendation for formal vote with the Task Force. The following is a summary of voting on the issues from subgroup 1:

- III.B.1.(a).(b) and III.C.2 dealing with prudential requirements were passed unanimously.

The next item on the agenda was the presentation of Sub-group 4's recommendation for formal vote with the Task Force. The following is a summary of voting on the issues from subgroup 4

- Global Issue Outline 4.A: Standardized EBT System Establishment
The voting was 18 in favour , 0 against, and 1 abstention
- Global Issue Outline 4.B: EBT System Development and Implementation
The voting was 19 in favour , 0 against, and 0 abstention
- Global Issue Outline 4.C: Market Opening Transactions Set
The voting was 19 in favour , 0 against, and 0 abstention
- Global Issue Outline 4.D: Participation
The voting was 17 in favour , 1 against, and 0 abstention
- Global Issue Outline 4.E: Testing
The voting was 18 in favour , 0 against, and 0 abstention
- Global Issue Outline 4.F: Agent Requirements
This issue was deferred to the next meeting
- Global Issue Outline 4.G: Arbitration
The voting was 15 in favour , 0 against, and 1 abstention
- Global Issue Outline 4.H: Reply Window
The voting was 15 in favour , 0 against, and 1 abstention
- Global Issue Outline 4.I: Minimum Access Configuration

The voting was 16 in favour , 0 against, and 0 abstention

- Global Issue Outline 4.J: Governance of Ongoing Operations and Maintenance

The voting was 14 in favour , 0 against, and 1 abstention

- Global Issue Outline 4.kFunding of the Initial work

The voting was 13 in favour , 0 against, and 0 abstention