Meter Installation Vendor (MIV) Procurement and Deployment Support Services

Smarter Smart Meter Rollouts

A large-scale Advanced Metering Infrastructure (AMI) rollout is complex, requiring careful planning, effective project management, and the right talent. By helping you choose the most capable meter installation vendor (MIV) and supporting your team through the rollout, Util-Assist can help you avoid potential meter installation pitfalls that include:

- **Safety Hazards:** inadequate installation practices, lack of training, or improper personal protective equipment (PPE)
- Operational Inefficiencies: lack of expertise or disregard of industry standards
- Increased Maintenance and Repair Costs: faulty connections, loose wiring, or malfunctioning components
- Regulatory Non-Compliance: failure to comply with local, state/provincial, and/or federal regulations
- Legal and Financial Liability: substandard work leading to damages, injuries, or legal violations
- Customer Dissatisfaction: inaccurate bills, service disruptions, and safety concerns

When quality and efficiency are crucial, finding the right meter installation vendor with the right skills and experience is key. That's why it's important to work with a consulting company that can advise you every step of the way, from procuring meter installation services through meter rollouts.

Procure Expert Meter Installation Services

Util-Assist follows a systematic approach to procurement that helps you select the best-fit meter installation vendor for your specific project requirements, aligned with your AMI rollout goals and vested in your overall AMI project success. Our services include:



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Solutions

Vendor Identification

We conduct a comprehensive market analysis to identify potential meter installation vendors for your utility.



Request for Proposal (RFP) Development

We prepare a custom RFP that addresses your requirements, specifications, and expectations.



Vendor Evaluation & Selection

We help you evaluate vendor proposals based on our proprietary evaluation tools that eliminate biases and deliver a consensus verdict.



Contract Negotiations

We help draft the contract and statement of work and support vendor negotiations, ensuring that final agreements protect your best interests.

Instill Confidence in Your Meter Deployment

Engage Util-Assist to oversee every aspect of your meter deployment, or pick and choose the services you need to complement your staff and address gaps in your team's skillset.



Strategic Planning

We establish an achievable rollout plan that minimizes disruption and maximizes effiency.



Testing

We advise on testing the quality and reliability of the meters and how to ensure optimal network performance.



Project Management

We develop a detailed deployment plan and alert you to potential issues, risks, and dependencies.



Quality Assurance

We perform quality assurance to monitor for quality deliverables and adherence to project standards.



Vendor Management

We liaise with your vendors and coordinate with your stakeholders to ensure a smooth installation process.



Reporting

We work with your stakeholders to report on progress and overall vendor performance.



Meter Inventory Management

We work with your chosen AMI technology vendor to establish an efficient supply of meters.



Business Process Engineering

We transform your business processes to streamline operations.



Util-Assist is a recognized innovator in technology and data-driven solutions for utilities. Our solutions merge technology with strategy to streamline processes, boost productivity, enable data-driven business decisions, and deliver enhanced customer experiences—transforming how utilities operate and deliver value to their customers.

Driving digital innovation with professional services and managed services for electric, water, and gas, Util-Assist is shaping the utility of the future.

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