



# ADVANCED METERING PROGRAM UPDATE

Seattle City Council – Energy Committee

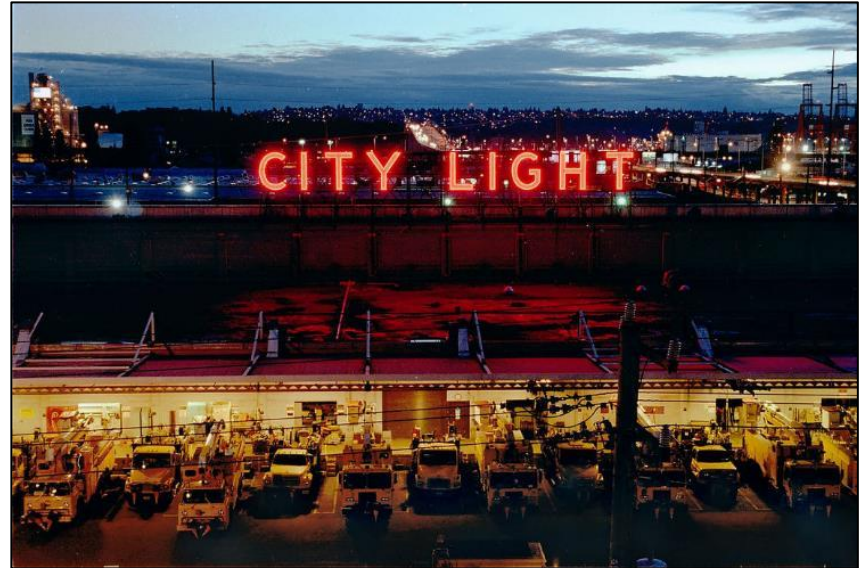
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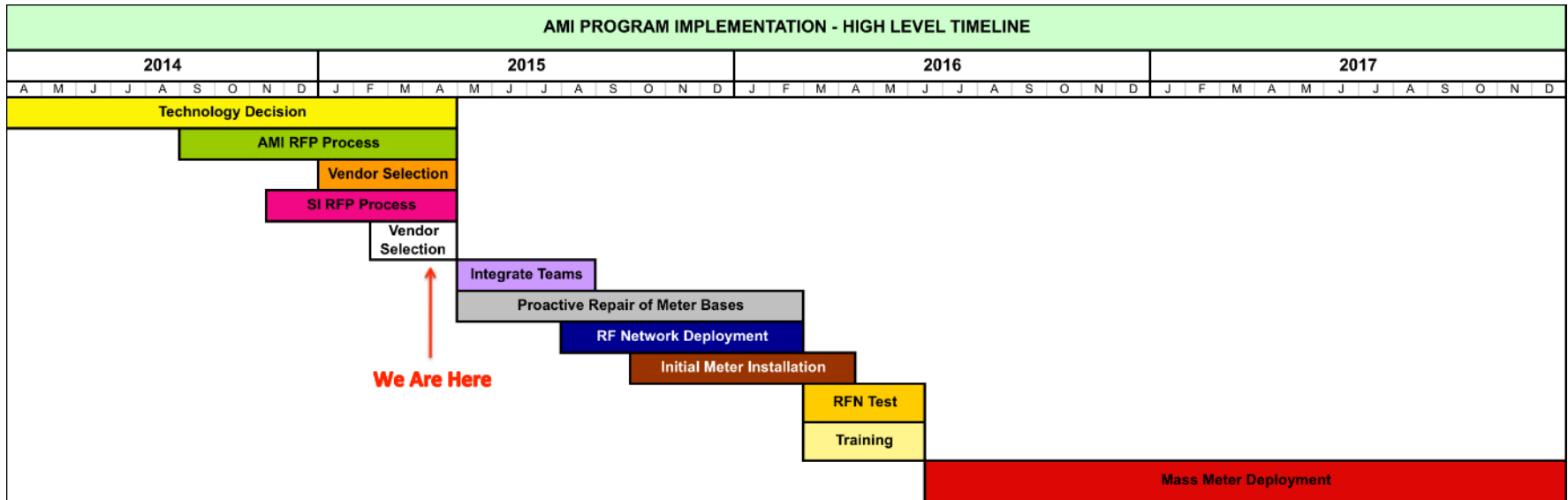
# INTRODUCTION

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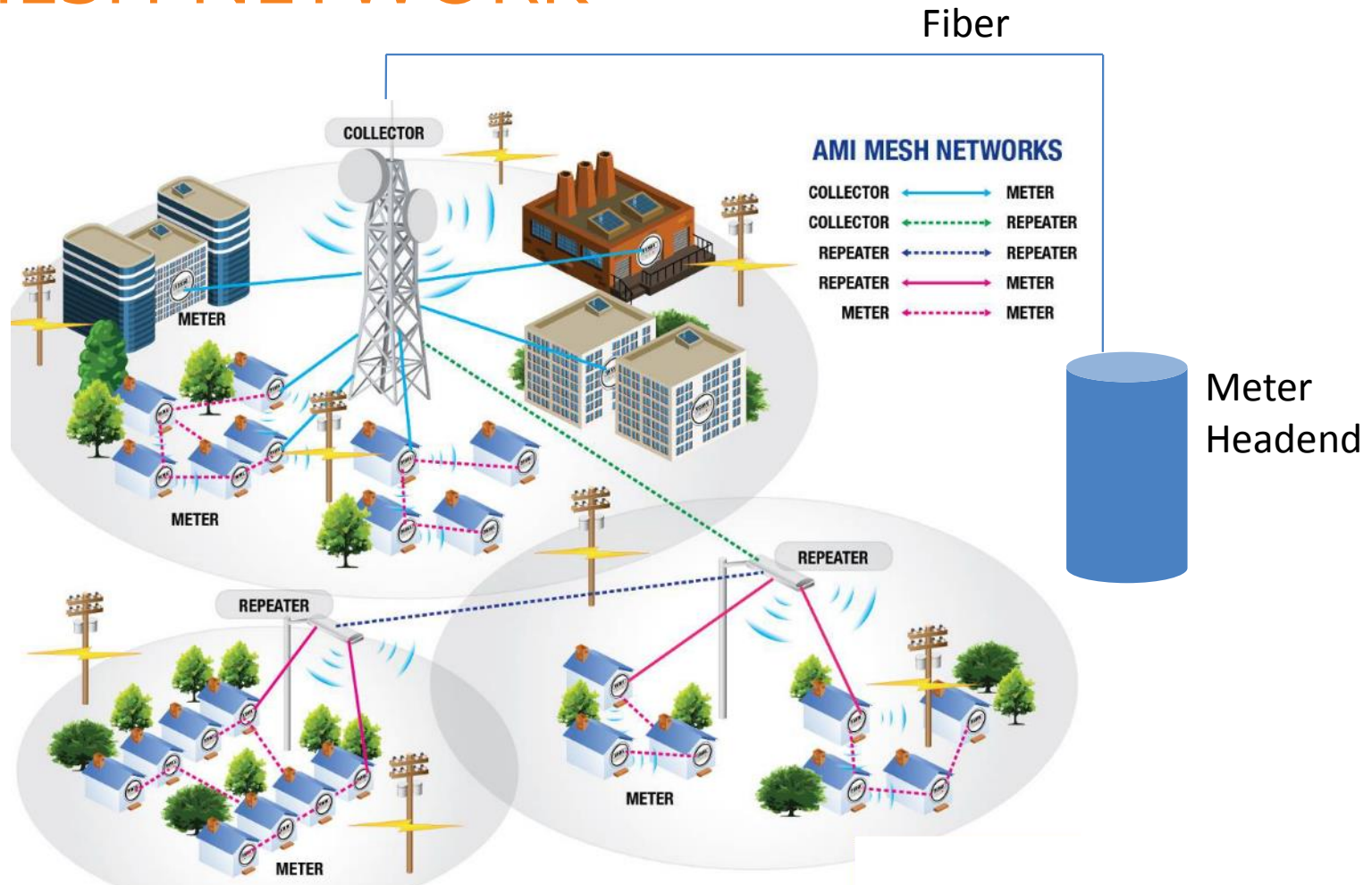
- High Level Schedule
- Technology – Mesh Network
- Vendor Selection Process
- Privacy & Security
- Opt-Out Policy
- Communications Plan
- Workforce Impacts
- Budget



# HIGH LEVEL SCHEDULE



# AMI MESH NETWORK



Schematic from EDX Wireless

# VENDOR SELECTION PROCESS

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- RFP Released in November, 2015
- Received 8 Proposals
- Three vendors eliminated through Blind Pricing Review
- Key evaluation criteria (technology/reliability, functionality, experience in electric utility market, price)
- Three vendors selected for demonstrations
- Currently wrapping up interviews and reference checks
- Next up site visits
- Contract negotiations should begin week of April 6th

# PRIVACY & SECURITY

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## **Data Privacy**

- Will manage energy-use data just as today.
- Compliant with Public Records Act and Privacy Principles adopted by the city of Seattle in February of 2015.

## **Security**

- Data is encrypted and transmitted to the utility with multiple layers of security throughout the system.

# OPT-OUT POLICY

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- There will be an Opt-Out Policy
- The policy will entail a fee, which will require City Council approval
- Currently evaluating all options with an emphasis on the least onerous selection
- More information about this policy will be provided in 4<sup>th</sup> quarter 2015

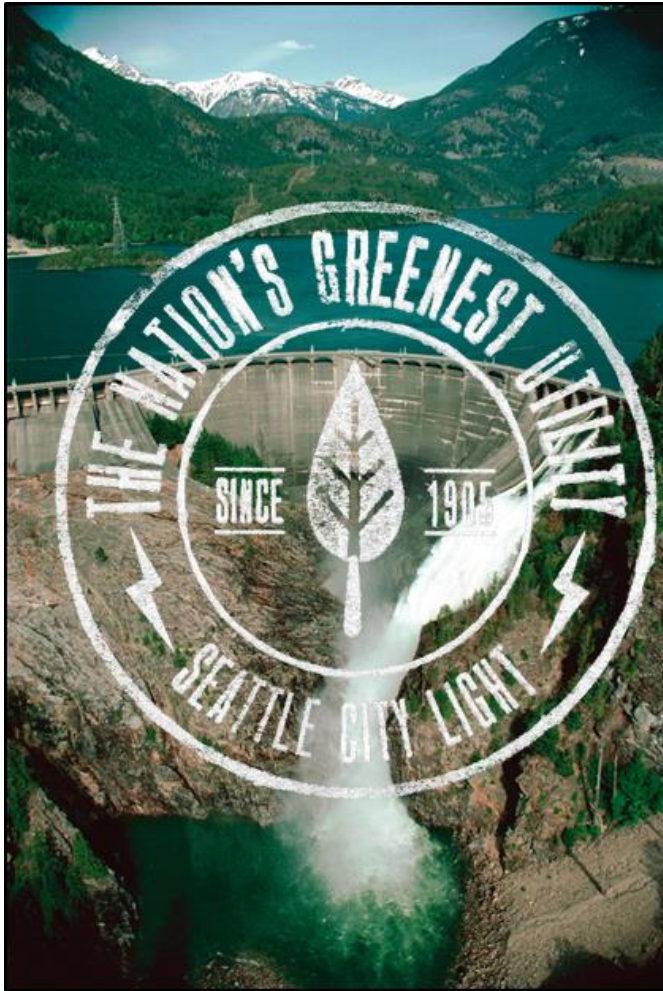
# WORKFORCE IMPACTS



- City Light is committed to preserving its workforce and does not anticipate any layoffs as a result of advanced meter installation.
- Meter readers and other impacted employees will be trained in positions either within City Light or in other City departments.
- Change Management Program Team already engaging the needs of impacted employees.

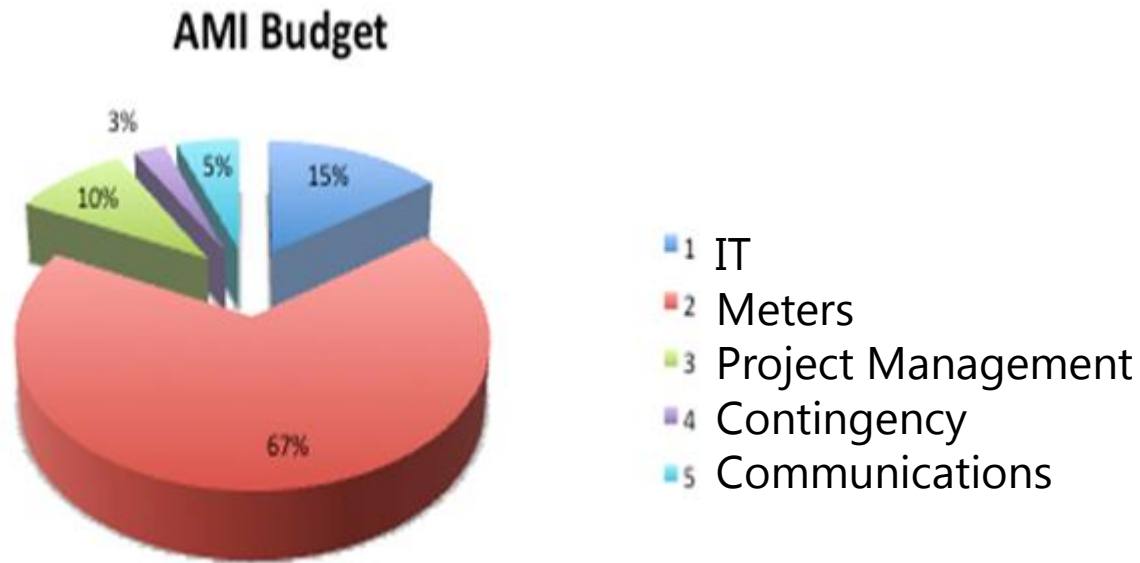


# COMMUNICATION STRATEGY & PLAN



- Developed a comprehensive communication plan for customers, employees and key stakeholders
- Customer engagement efforts include:
  - Holding city wide open houses including online
  - Providing bill inserts/newsletters
  - Deploying community ambassadors
  - Using social media
  - Holding customer advisory group meetings

# BUDGET



Continue to remain on track with the proposed \$94 million budget