

ADS Policy Committee

What will the ADS Policy Committee do?

The ADS Policy Committee will work to use the expertise and experience of ADS and its members to educate those involved in policymaking on demand response and smart grid. The Committee will identify specific issues and policy proposals where it is felt that it could make a contribution. It will provide an ongoing structure and process for ADS relative to policy.

The Committee will develop a process for how ADS positions are taken on policy when appropriate. The Committee will stay informed on relevant matters and bring proposals to the ADS Board or its designee when appropriate.

What are the parameters for Policy Committee positions?

The Committee will only become involved in general policy proceedings, and not be involved in proceedings that involve specific companies/parties. Its perspective will be that of the collective demand response and smart grid community and industry. In doing so, ADS will seek to be a reliable source for information regarding DR & smart grid.

What type of actions could the ADS Policy Committee undertake?

Among the actions that could be undertaken are: adoption of a position of support or opposition, creation of a written position paper, and/or contribution of formal comments during a governmental request for such during a policy process.

Who will determine what a position of ADS might be?

The Policy Committee will first develop a platform against which possible actions will be compared. The platform must be approved by the Board. Specific proposals of the Policy Committee must be approved by the Board or its designee.

Who can or should serve on the ADS Policy Committee?

This Committee is at the outset open to all interested members. If interest is too large for efficiency of operation, there may be a limit placed on the total number of committee members. Committee members will ideally be those with some experience in public policy on behalf of their present or former companies/organizations. It is also important to have representation from the varied stakeholder groups that are group members (e.g. utilities, ISOs/RTOs, CSPs, technology companies, consultants, etc).