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Unfortunately, I have to give the feedback that I do not feel that today's meeting made much headway towards solving problems that are keep our IRP's from being useful and productive.

Marty's presentation perhaps addressed the kinds of issues we had the last 10 years, but not the problems we are looking forward towards during the next 10 years, which I believe will be even more difficult.

We really do need a way to make IRPs productive and meaningful. There needs to be an expectation that when a utility tells something to participants that something is truthful, and not deceptive, nor evasive. If the utility cannot or will not answer participants' questions that should be honestly admitted, and recorded. Participants really do need an effective way to bring IRP problems to the meaningful attention of UTC, a way of saying: "Hey, this is really really not working for us, something has to be done to meaningfully change this situation!"

One suggestion I have made to UTC previously, and I make it here again, is that IRP meetings be audio recorded, and that those recordings be made part of the UTC record. There has been way too much "he said she said" going on. An actual recording would allow UTC to review what has actually been going on -- such as questions asked year after year, and never actually answered, but always evaded. And/or what participants, or Utility employees, have been "hogging the mic" thereby keeping others from participating.

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