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It has been pretty quiet since the last Board meeting, between vacations, holidays, and weather. The guys got Christmas decorations up, and looks good, in my opinion.

We've dealt with a couple snow storms and no outages were reported. There was a couple tree limbs on wires, and a wire down, which turned out to be a phone service. Nothing major at all.

With the snow and rain, we've been focusing on equipment maintenance, such as repairs, and servicing vehicles and equipment.

Working on USA software with Aliha and Rick Palumbo, and getting it set up for use. There are some changes that will have to be made in the way we do things, (ie, the way we return used stock, the way I code certain things), but it looks very promising in the sense of it working the way we want it to, and making life easier, not only for Aliha, but myself, and our accountants. It should also provide more accurate numbers for future rate cases.

Been working on meter tester during downtimes, and almost have it figured out. We are able to test everything except the Light Load test at this time. For some reason this test comes back very high on every meter we've tried so far. I will have to research as to what the issue may be.

I was on a conference call for NYSEDA's grants. The \$2 million, PON 5737 grant for Technical Assistance Funding to Develop Grid Modernization Projects, has been depleted. It is what we were going to use for PLM to assess our system. However there is expected to be another grant coming up The PON 5896 "Grid Resilience State and Tribal Formula Grant Implementation Funding" is coming up and due in February of 2025. This is more for projects to upgrade your system, whether it be substation upgrades, distribution upgrades/reconductoring or something to guard against extreme weather or natural disasters. This funding is \$22 million for grants going to these projects. They are also expecting another round of that funding to open up again later in the year.

We can expect a bill from National Grid for work they did on trying to use their substation. I have not seen it yet, but was emailed about it by our National Grid contact. This was known about, when we first talked about it, that there would be some costs, but forgotten about until now.

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