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ComEd Smart Meters – Produced by GE – Certified by UL

Devices being installed throughout northern Illinois receive UL Certification

CHICAGO (April 24, 2014) – Representatives from UL, GE and ComEd announced today that residential smart meters produced by GE and being installed by ComEd across its service territory have received UL certification. These are the first smart meters in the world to receive this safety designation.

“We are proud to be the first global smart meter provider to market a UL certified meter. It is a testament to the innovation – and commitment to safety – of GE’s engineering teams. Today’s milestone announcement highlights the progress we are making to help modernize Chicago’s electrical infrastructure and the opportunity GE has to work with global utilities to deliver reliable power to consumers,” said Edward Myszka, General Manager, meters, GE’s Digital Energy business. “GE is committed to designing and producing meters that provide superior performance while adhering to high standards of safety.”

Earlier this year, UL published the Standard for Safety for Electric Utility Meters. This safety standard contains requirements for electric shock, fire, mechanical and radio-frequency (RF) emissions aspects of all residential electric utility meters, including smart meters, and is the foundation for both the UL product safety certification service and the product safety testing service. The GE smart meters meet this rigorous standard.

“ComEd was the first utility to require a UL certification for its smart meters and its customers – and the GE team clearly set the standard globally,” said Lisa Salley, Vice President and GM, Energy and Industrial Systems, UL. “Since it is a voluntary standard, the collaboration with ComEd, GE and UL signals a strong commitment to going above and beyond to help ensure the safety of smart meters for consumers and to raise the bar for the global marketplace.”

ComEd launched full deployment of smart meters last year with 70,000 meters. The utility recently announced that it would seek regulatory approval for accelerated deployment of smart meters to its 4 million customers – three years ahead of the current schedule.

“The safety of our customers is the top priority for ComEd,” said Terence R. Donnelly, executive vice-president and chief operating officer for ComEd. “Our customers will not only benefit from an advanced tool for reducing their energy consumption and costs, but will achieve it with the peace of mind that they possess smart meters certified for safety. Exelon utilities support UL testing and, when available, UL certified meters for smart meter deployments.”

Advanced meters being installed across Exelon utilities, have undergone independent analysis and testing for safety. In addition, manufacturers of other meters that will be installed in the future also are pursuing UL certification.

Customers can benefit from smart meters to access information on their individual energy consumption and costs on a 24/7 basis. By using “[My Energy Tools](#)” at ComEd.com, for example, customers can see their usage from the prior day, on an hour-by-hour basis, helping them make informed decisions about the overall and timing of use of appliances and other electrical devices.

The certified smart meters are made in America at GE’s Somersworth, NH, facility. As previously announced, GE will launch a new manufacturing center in Chicago specifically to develop and deliver additional UL certified meters for ComEd.

For more energy-saving tools, tips and resources, visit ComEd.com/SmartIdeas or call 855-433-2700.

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About ComEd

Commonwealth Edison Company (ComEd) is a unit of Chicago-based Exelon Corporation (NYSE: EXC), the nation’s leading competitive energy provider, with approximately 6.6 million customers. ComEd provides service to approximately 3.8 million customers across northern Illinois, or 70 percent of the state’s population.

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