

UELRR Advisory Committee Meeting

Meeting of February 8, 2023

MINUTES

The UELRR Advisory Committee met Thursday, February 8, 2023 at 10:01 AM, in person at the LAMPERS Building at 7722 Office Park Blvd., Baton Rouge, LA, 70809, and via Zoom virtual meeting.

- 1.) Chairman Krennerich declared the meeting duly convened at approximately 10:01 AM.
- 2.) Committee Members present were: Chairman, Kressy Krennerich, Secretary, Kevin Richard, Jon Betts, and Gary Dressler. A quorum was established with four of the five members present.
- 3.) With no opposition to the agenda items from committee members, the agenda was adopted with a motion by Mr. Dressler and seconded by Secretary Richard.
- 4.) Members were provided with a copy of the meeting minutes from the November 10, 2022 meeting. A motion was made to approve the meeting minutes by Mr. Betts and seconded by Mr. Dressler. With no requested corrections or opposition from members, and no public comment, the minutes were unanimously adopted without corrections.

The following agenda items were discussed by the committee:

5.) Review of current system operations/statistics

- Collections through the end of January 2023 were \$415.9 million, with over 238K returns filed.
- Total Collections to date are over \$ 30 billion, with over 18.4 million returns filed since the program's inception.

6.) Parish E-File Upgrade Report

- Nonso Chukwujekwu with Avenu gave an update on the upgrade. Mr. Chukwujekwu reported that all upgrades have been completed and nothing is outstanding.

7.) Review of issues or comments relating to Parish E-File System

- No major issues have been reported, only minor maintenance matters.

8.) Update regarding Change Requests for consideration

- CR 138877 – the upload request submitted at the request of the Dept. of Culture, Recreation, and Tourism to enable documents like exemption certificates, invoices and amended returns to be uploaded in the system for distribution to affected local collectors was revisited. Avenue previously provided estimates of

different timelines for the request at different levels of complexity. Avenu also provided LDR with cost estimates for all three options as requested at the last meeting. Current budget numbers and contract terms were discussed. Mr. Dressler offered that maybe the Committee could start with the most basic plan and review the capability and usage and then determine if other features should be added. Chairman Krennerich agreed and added that more functionality can be added and built upon if usage is good. Mr. Chukwujekwu offered a comment to the committee to remind them that if the remaining free CR hours are not used, they will be lost, adding that he sees nothing major that may come up prior to the new contract year.

- Mr. Dressler made a motion to move forward with the basic level of the CR 138877 estimate at \$17,325.00. The motion was seconded by Mr. Betts. With no opposition, the change request will be submitted for Secretary Richard's signature and sent to Avenu to begin work as soon as possible.

9.) Other Business

- There was no other business discussed by the Committee.

10.) Public Comment

- There was no public comment offered.

11.) Next Meeting

- The next regularly scheduled meeting is scheduled for Thursday, May 11, 2023 and will be held at the LAMPERS Building and via Zoom virtual meeting.

12.) Adjournment

- There being no further agenda items or public comment, Secretary Richard made a motion to adjourn which was seconded by Mr. Betts. With no opposition, Chairman Krennerich declared the meeting adjourned at approximately 10:32 AM.

Respectfully submitted by:

Kressy Krennerich, Chairman