



WE Energies

(part of the WEC Energies Group Inc.)

Previously known as Corix Utility Services and part of the Corix Group of Companies since 2006, we are now Tribus Services, a Corix Company.

The Client

WE Energies is the umbrella name for Wisconsin Electric Power and Wisconsin Gas, both part of the WEC Energy Group Inc., based in Milwaukee, Wisconsin. WE Energies serves natural gas customers in Wisconsin, as well as electric customers in portions of Wisconsin and Michigan's Upper Peninsula, and steam customers in downtown Milwaukee.

The Challenge

In 2005, WE Energies was focused on upgrading the metering systems for both its gas and electrical customers. The upgrade plan included a service area comprised of both indoor and outdoor meters in urban and rural areas. To maximize the success, WE Energies sought an experienced, reliable partner to handle residential and commercial work across its service territory.

The Solution

Corix Utilities was selected to install the Landis+Gyr AMI system and Itron drive-by system for gas retrofits and electric meter installs. The full scope of the project included 424,000 gas meters, installed concurrently with 331,000 electric meters over a three and a half year period.

Corix's solution also took into consideration the challenges posed by a service territory comprised of both indoor and outdoor meters in urban and rural areas. The deployment plan divided the meter installations into 5 geographical roll out regions, staggering the timeline to best utilize the available resources.

The Results

To maximize project success, Corix Utilities provided a full project management and installation team, including an experienced on-site Project Manager to direct union affiliated field personnel. It created a 39-month deployment plan which provided project coordination and a work order management system, as well as rigorous background screening, training, quality and safety assurance, and supervision for a team of installation technicians.



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