

RESOURCE AND ENERGY ADEQUACY LEADERSHIP TEAM

September 14, 2026
1:00 p.m. – 4:30 pm CT
Virtual

SUMMARY OF MOTIONS

Motions

MOTION: Move to approve the REAL Team meeting minutes from June 17, 20026. Cindy Ireland (APSC) motioned/Andrew French (KCC) seconded. *The motion passed unanimously.*

MOTION: The REAL Team directs Staff to continue evaluating a RA construct in conjunction with the COMPASS Task Force efforts. Steve Gaw (APA) motioned/Andrew French (KCC) seconded. *The motion passed unanimously.*

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MINUTES

Agenda Item 1 – CALL TO ORDER & ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS

Chair Kristie Fiegen (SDPUC) called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m. CT. Kim O'Guinn reviewed the administrative items and a quorum was established. The following members were present or represented by proxy:

Kristie Fiegen, Chair – South Dakota Public Utilities Commission (SDPUC)

Denise Buffington, Vice Chair – Evergy

Jason Chaplin – Oklahoma Corporation Commission (OCC)

Shawnee Claiborn-Pinto – Public Utility Commission of Texas (PUCT)

Andrew French – Kansas Corporation Commission (KCC)

Steve Gaw – Advanced Power Alliance (APA)

Ray Hepper – SPP Board of Directors

Chuck Hutchison – Nebraska Power Review Board (NPRB)

Cindy Ireland – Arkansas Public Service Commission (APSC)

Buddy Hasten (Arkansas Electric Cooperative Cooperation) and John Cupparo (SPP Board of Directors) were not present.

A. June 17, 2026 Meeting Minutes Approval

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Agenda Item 2 – FERC RESOURCE ADEQUACY UPDATE

Kim O’Guinn (SPP) provided an update of resource adequacy dockets pending at FERC. Ms. O’Guinn noted that SPP’s response to the FERC deficiency letter regarding Demand Response and Peak Demand Assessment was due soon. Chair Fiegen noted that coordination efforts would occur regarding the response.

Agenda Item 3 – RESOURCE ADEQUACY SEASONAL CONSTRUCT

Charles Hendrix (SPP) provided an update on the resource adequacy (RA) seasonal construct, focusing on risks during the spring and fall shoulder seasons. Staff discussed options including four-season, two six-month seasons, and annual constructs, as well as the role of the COMPASS Task Force in improving outage coordination and maintenance scheduling.

Staff recommended continuing development of an annual RA construct in parallel with COMPASS efforts. The proposed annual construct would require Load Responsible Entities (LREs) to provide capacity year-round based on their annual peak demand. Discussion highlighted potential benefits and concerns, including equity among LREs, administrative complexity, planning reserve margin (PRM) impacts, accreditation, seasonal differences in LRE peak demand, transmission deliverability, contracts, and transition from the existing seasonal constructs. Several participants requested additional data and analysis, including examples illustrating impacts on summer- and winter-peaking LREs.

Group members clarified that the request was to continue studying and evaluating the annual construct, rather than select or implement an annual PRM. Members emphasized the need for transparency and communication with regulators and encouraged continued consideration of alternative seasonal constructs.

MOTION: The REAL Team directs Staff to continue evaluating a RA construct in conjunction with the COMPASS Task Force efforts. Steve Gaw (APA) motioned/Andrew French (KCC) seconded. *The motion passed unanimously.*

Agenda Item 4 – COINCIDENT PEAK VS NON-COINCIDENT PEAK

Alex Crawford (SPP) provided an update on discussions regarding coincident peak (CP) versus non-coincident peak (NCP) methodologies. Staff reviewed prior polling results and outlined two potential approaches. Staff also reported that discussions are continuing with the Supply Adequacy Working Group (SAWG) to further develop potential policies. Additional information and possible action by the REAL Team is anticipated at the December REAL Team meeting.

Agenda Item 5 – COST OF NEW ENTRY FUTURE INITIATIVES

Alex Crawford (SPP) provided an update on the Cost of New Entry Process revision request (RR743) and noted future discussion on Accreditation/Multiplier, Sufficiency Valuation Curve, and Scaling Factors. Staff will continue working with the SAWG and the Cost Allocation Working Group (CAWG) to refine these issues.

Agenda Item 5 – REAL TEAM WORKPLAN

Charles Hendrix (SPP) reviewed the REAL Team workplan, noting Staff is beginning work on the 2026 Loss of Load Expectation (LOLE) study results. The non-firm import and non-weathered load uncertainty studies are also progressing. Phase one results were presented to the SAWG and indicated modest import availability from MISO, while phase two is examining potential future infrastructure impacts on non-firm imports and is targeted for completion by December 2026.

Staff also provided an update on the magnitude and duration standard, which remains under evaluation due to evolving load shapes and changes in the resource mix. Recent studies reflect less solar and storage and increased thermal generation, including significant proposed additions of thermal resources. Staff will continue evaluating the results of ongoing and upcoming studies to inform future resource adequacy standards and methodologies.

Agenda Item 6 – SUMMARY OF NEW ACTION ITEMS

No new action items were established.

Agenda Item 7 – UPCOMING MEETINGS

MONTH	DATE	START TIME	FORMAT
December	Monday, December 14, 2026	1:00 pm CT	Virtual

Agenda Item 8 – ADJOURNMENT

A motion to adjourn was moved by Shawnee Claiborn-Pinto (PUCT) and seconded by Cindy Ireland (APSC) and unanimously approved at 3:16 p.m.