

SOUTHWEST POWER POOL REGIONAL STATE COMMITTEE ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING

May 5, 2025 1:00 pm CST Hilton Omaha | Omaha, NE

SUMMARY OF MOTIONS AND ACTION ITEMS

MOTION: To approve the minutes from February 3, 2025. Randel Christmann (NDPSC) motioned / John Tuma (MNPUC) seconded. *The motion passed unanimously*.

MOTION: The RSC approves the Delivery Point Rule policy, as presented, and inclusion of the policy in RR665 – HITT C1 Implementation. John Tuma (MNPUC) motioned / Andrew French (KCC) seconded. *The motion passed with 11 votes in favor and one opposed (LPSC)*.

MOTION: The RSC approves RR665 – HITT C1 Implementation, inclusive of the Delivery Point Rule modifications, as presented. Andrew French (KCC) motioned / John Tuma (MNPUC) seconded. *The motion passed with ten votes in favor, and two opposed (LPSC, PUCT)*.

MOTION: The RSC approves that the cost allocation in RR672 is the proper cost allocation for the Provisional Load Process in RR672, as presented. Sarah Martz (IUC) motioned / Mike Francis (LPSC) seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

MOTION: The RSC approves the GRID-Contribution formulas and associated cost control approach as the basis for determining load-based cost allocation impacts for ERIS and NRIS contributions. This policy direction shall be used to guide the development of revision request language. Andrew French (KCC) motioned / John Tuma (MNPUC) seconded. *The motion passed with 11 votes in favor and one abstention (LPSC)*.

<u>MOTION</u>: The RSC approves the approach to proportionally allocate incremental Long-Term Congestion Rights (iLTCRs) based on the GI GRID-Contribution to the overall CPP transmission portfolio cost. This policy direction shall be used to guide the development of revision request language. John Tuma (MNPUC) motioned / Chuck Hutchison (NPRB) seconded. *The motion passed unanimously*.

MOTION: The Regional State Committee approves RR664 – 2029 Planning Reserve Margin, as presented. Kristie Fiegen (SDPUC) motioned / Chuck Hutchison (NPRB) seconded. *The motion passed unanimously*.



MOTION: The RSC ratifies the SPP Expedited Resource Adequacy Study (SPP ERAS) Needs Assessment Report as justification for RR668, the SPP ERAS process, to address the forecasted resource adequacy deficiency in the SPP footprint. Kristie Fiegen (SDPUC) motioned / Chuck Hutchison (NPRB) seconded. *The motion passed unanimously*.

MOTION: RSC approves RR668 – SPP ERAS, including (1) the language in RR668 – SPP ERAS specific to Section 7.1.2, "LRE Ceiling Capacity Calculation" as approved by the MOPC and recommended by CAWG, and (2) the modification to RR668 – SPP ERAS that changes the notification window in Section 4.2.1, "ERAS System Impact Study Procedures", from 45 days to 30 days as recommended by the REAL Team. Kristie Fiegen (SDPUC) motioned / Randel Christmann (NDPSC) seconded. *The motion passed unanimously*.



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MINUTES

AGENDA ITEM 1 - CALL TO ORDER

President Patrick O'Connell (NMPRC) called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m. CST.

AGENDA ITEM 2 – PRELIMINARY MATTERS

a. **Roll Call and Declaration of a Quorum** – all members were accounted for, and a quorum was established.

The following members were in attendance or represented by proxy:

Patrick O'Connell, New Mexico Public Regulation Commission (NMPRC), RSC President

Chuck Hutchison, Nebraska Power Review Board (NPRB), RSC Vice President Kim David, Oklahoma Corporation Commission (OCC), RSC Secretary

Kristie Fiegen, South Dakota Public Utilities Commission (SDPUC)

Andrew French, Kansas Corporation Commission (KCC)

Kathleen Jackson, Texas Public Utility Commission (PUCT)

Justin Tate, Arkansas Public Service Commission (APSC)

Sarah Martz, Iowa Utilities Commission (IUC)

Mike Francis, Louisiana Public Service Commission (LPSC)

Kayla Hahn, Missouri Public Service Commission (MOPSC)

Randel Christmann, North Dakota Public Service Commission (NDPSC)

John Tuma, Minnesota Public Utility Commission (MNPUC)

b. Adoption of Minutes

MOTION: To approve the minutes from February 3, 2025. Randel Christmann (NDPSC) motioned / John Tuma (MNPUC) seconded. *The motion passed unanimously*.

c. **Review of Action Items** – Kim O'Guinn (SPP) stated that the HITT M1 action item would be closed due to the RSC vote at the February meeting.



d. **Introduction of Special Guests** – Chair O'Connell introduced and welcomed two special guests, Mary Throne from the Wyoming Public Service Commissioner and Greg Nibert from the New Mexico Public Regulation Commission.

AGENDA ITEM 3 – UPDATE

- a. **SPP Report** Lanny Nickell (SPP) provided the President's report and stated that there were several important resource adequacy issues on the agenda. Mr. Nickell also stressed the need to move faster to address critical work.
- b. **RSC First Quarter 2025 Financial Report** Paul Suskie (SPP) reviewed the 2025 first quarter financials and noted that it was approximately \$100,000 under budget.

AGENDA ITEM 4 – COST ALLOCATION WORKING GROUP REPORT

Agata Malek (NMPRC) provided the Cost Allocation Working Group (CAWG) report and presented several items for RSC consideration.

a. **Delivery Point Rule Policy** – Ms. Malek stated that the Delivery Point Rule is intended to address alignment between the location of an upgrade and the delivery point of the benefiting load and the CAWG voted to expand the rule to all resource types, not just wind, therefore making it resource agnostic. During the presentation, it was clarified that the Delivery Point Rule Policy would be included in RR665 – HITT C1 Implementation and would not return to the RSC for a separate revision request (RR) approval.

MOTION: The RSC approves the Delivery Point Rule policy, as presented, and inclusion of the policy in RR665 – HITT C1 Implementation. John Tuma (MNPUC) motioned / Andrew French (KCC) seconded. *The motion passed with 11 votes in favor and one opposed (LPSC)*.

b. RR665 – HITT C1 Implementation – Ms. Malek stated that this RR implements the CAWG approved policy to decouple schedule 9 and 11 pricing zones and create subregions for use in cost allocation.

MOTION: The RSC approves RR665 – HITT C1 Implementation, inclusive of the Delivery Point Rule modifications, as presented. Andrew French (KCC) motioned / John Tuma (MNPUC) seconded. *The motion passed with ten votes in favor, and two opposed (LPSC, PUCT)*.

c. **RR672 – Provisional Load Process** – Ms. Malek stated that this process would create a method for provisional load additions in cases where transmission customers do not have enough designated resources to cover ten-year load forecasts.



MOTION: The RSC approves that the cost allocation in RR672 is the proper cost allocation for the Provisional Load Process in RR672, as presented. Sarah Martz (IUC) motioned / Mike Francis (LPSC) seconded. *The motion passed unanimously*.

d. **CPP GRID Contribution Policy** – Casey Cathey (SPP) reviewed the policy highlights and recommendations and noted that the revision request is currently being drafted and will be available for review soon.

Commissioner French (KCC) provided supporting comments noting that the GRID Contribution is a consequential cost allocation voting item and enables all the Consolidated Planning Process goals and makes the merging of the planning processes possible.

MOTION: The RSC approves the GRID-Contribution formulas and associated cost control approach as the basis for determining load-based cost allocation impacts for ERIS and NRIS contributions. This policy direction shall be used to guide the development of revision request language. Andrew French (KCC) motioned / John Tuma (MNPUC) seconded. The motion passed with 11 votes in favor and one abstention (LPSC).

MOTION: The RSC approves the approach to proportionally allocate incremental Long-Term Congestion Rights (iLTCRs) based on the GI GRID-Contribution to the overall CPP transmission portfolio cost. This policy direction shall be used to guide the development of revision request language. John Tuma (MNPUC) motioned / Chuck Hutchison (NPRB) seconded. *The motion passed unanimously*.

AGENDA ITEM 5 – RESOURCE & ENERGY ADEQUACY LEADERSHIP TEAM

Kristie Fiegen (SDPUC) provided the REAL Team and presented the resource adequacy recommendations to the RSC.

a. RR664 – 2029 Planning Reserve Margin

MOTION: The Regional State Committee approves RR664 – 2029 Planning Reserve Margin, as presented. Kristie Fiegen (SDPUC) motioned / Chuck Hutchison (NPRB) seconded. *The motion passed unanimously*.

b. **SPP ERAS Needs Assessment** – Steve Purdy (SPP Staff) reviewed the conclusions addressed in the SPP ERAS Needs Assessment document. Specifically, Mr. Purdy highlighted the aggregate LRE deficiency outlined in the Needs Assessment.



MOTION: The RSC ratifies the SPP Expedited Resource Adequacy Study (SPP ERAS) Needs Assessment Report as justification for RR668, the SPP ERAS process, to address the forecasted resource adequacy deficiency in the SPP footprint. Kristie Fiegen (SDPUC) motioned / Chuck Hutchison (NPRB) seconded. *The motion passed unanimously*.

c. RR668 – SPP Expedited Resource Adequacy Study – Mr. Purdy summarized tariff language changes that were made in response to stakeholder comments and reviewed the changes made to the notification window by the Cost Allocation Working Group and the REAL Team. Mr. Purdy stated that in response to LRE's concerns related to a 15-day notification window, the REAL Team voted to approve a 30-day notification window.

Joe Lang (OPPD and MOPC Chair) provided a review of the discussion surrounding the MOPC approve change to the Commercial Operation Date (COD). Concerns expressed at MOPC included labor and supply chain issues impacting construction delays. Mr. Lang stated that the entity that made the motion to change the COD to seven years is now agreeable to a five-year COD. No motion was considered by the RSC to change the COD. Mr. Purdy reiterated that Staff had an action item to review the types of issues that LREs are concerned about regarding bringing resources online in timely fashion and propose changes for Generator Interconnection Agreements, not just within ERAS, but also for the regular Generator Interconnection process.

Stakeholders expressed concerns about restrictions to open access and competition. Concerns were also expressed related to the timing of the SPP ERAS Needs Assessment document.

Casey Cathey (SPP Staff) noted that the plan is to file the RR by the end of May and request a 60-day turnaround from FERC with an effective date of August 1st. In response to a question, Mr. Cathey stated that if there were any implications to consider as a result of a FERC order on MISO's ERAS filing, the RSC would be provided with an opportunity to consider those.

Several Commissioners provided additional supportive commentary. One Commissioner stated that the Needs Assessment document established a need to balance load and generation and despite guardrails not being as good as one would have liked, he can support the proposal due to the timing scope. Another Commissioner indicated that the ERAS process is necessary to meet the need and is one part of the solution to get resources online more quickly. A third Commissioner further indicated that ERAS was a pathway for LREs to comply with requirements, such as planning reserve margins, accreditation, and season requirements. He also stated that the Needs Assessment document is built on the best information that Staff had available and is a fair representation.



Kristi Fiegen (SDPUC) briefly reviewed the upcoming REAL Team workplan initiatives and noted that Demand Response is slated for a February 2026 RSC vote.

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AGENDA ITEM 6 - FERC ORDER 1920 & 1920 A/B

Paul Suskie provided a brief update on FERC Order 1920. FERC recently approved SPP's request to extend SPP's regional 1920 compliance filing to June 12, 2026, which extends the state engagement period for cost allocation related to Order 1920 to November 3, 2025. Mr. Suskie also noted that Staff made a filing to request an extension of the interregional compliance filing for sixteen months to December 2026, which aligns with MISO's request for an extension.

AGENDA ITEM 7 – OTHER BUSINESS

Chair O'Connell recognized Sarah Martz and Lori Cobos for their service to the RSC.

AGENDA ITEM 8 NEW ACTION ITEMS

No new action items were established.

ADJOURNMENT

President O'Connell adjourned the meeting at 3:06 pm CST.

UPCOMING RSC MEETINGS

MEETING DATE	PLATFORM
August 4, 2025	Kansas City, KS
November 3, 2025	Little Rock, AR



MEETING PARTICIPANTS

Aaron Dill Calvin Daniels **Emily Shuart** Abu Elteriefl Carl Huslig Eric Giddens Adam Bell Carly Masenthin Erica O'Neal Adam Hickman Carrie Bivens **Erin Cathey** Adam McKinnie Carrie Simpson Felek Abbas Adam Schieffer Casey Cathey Gayle Freier

Adam Snapp Charles Locke Gina Gargano-Amari

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Brett White Dennis Florom Joe Lang Brian Daschbach Derek Brown Joe Teric **Brian Korpics** Derek Sunderman John Cupparo **Brian Rounds** Diana Gastelum John Hudson **Bridget Sparks** Don Frerking John Krajewski John Luallen **Britney Lloyd Doug Kouskouris Bruce Doll** John Miller Dwayne Fulk **Bruce Rew** Elizabeth Moore John Stephens C. Patrick Woods Elizabeth Solano Joidi Woods C. Richard Ross **Emily Pennel** Jon Thurber



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