

# SOUTHWEST POWER POOL RESOURCE AND ENERGY ADEQUACY LEADERSHIP (REAL) TEAM MEETING

Monday, March 3, 2025 | 9:00 am – 12:00 pm (CST)

Dallas/Fort Worth Airport Marriott

Dallas, TX

## SUMMARY OF MOTIONS AND ACTION ITEMS

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## **ACTION ITEMS:**

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- 2. SPP Staff to develop a diagram that shows how all the resource adequacy policy efforts interact and impact the resource adequacy of an LRE and provide feedback of stress conditions in this same framework.
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## **MINUTES**

## AGENDA ITEM 1 – ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS

Chair Kristie Fiegen (SD PUC) called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. CST, roll was conducted and a quorum established. Andrew Lachowsky (AECC) held proxy for Buddy Hasten (AECC).

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## **AGENDA ITEM 2 – STANDING UPDATES**

- a. FERC Resource Adequacy Justin Hinton (SPP Staff) provided an update on dockets pending before FERC. Mr. Hinton noted that several briefs had been filed in the consolidated PBA/ELCC and the Fuel Assurance dockets. Reply briefs are due March 10, 2025. He also noted that the NRIS+ filing was approved by FERC with an effective date of February 1, 2025.
  - SPP Staff is developing a revision request that will allow entities the ability to be granted interim service pursuant to Attachment V without being in a current interconnection queue. After approval of this revision request, SPP will file with FERC pursuant to Section 205. This revision request is in response to the rejection of the waiver filing related to interim service FERC Docket No. ER24-2863.
- b. Ops Update CJ Brown (SPP Staff) discussed recent cold weather and indicated that the Balancing Authority set a peak of 48,142 MW during the event but depended on 3,000 megawatts of imports to avoid an energy emergency alert (EEA). However, the system was within 25MW of an EEA. Mr. Brown highlighted improvements in fleet performance. In response to a question regarding prices during the event, he indicated MISO prices spiked, and that an outage in TVA led to a halt in imports. The group discussed the performance of wind generation and the gas industry during the event. A more robust presentation will be provided at the upcoming MOPC meeting in April.



- c. REAL Work Plan Natasha Henderson (SPP Staff) reviewed the work plan and noted that an update on the Demand Response Cohort will be provided at the next meeting. Ms. Henderson also noted that the Warm Weather De-rates item has been marked as complete. She also reviewed the interrelated load policies that are ongoing and discussed prioritization and overlap.
- d. SAWG Update Colton Kennedy (OPPD) provided a brief update on recent SAWG meeting discussions which included PBA and Fuel Assurance, the ceiling capacity limit for the SPP ERAS proposal, the Resource Adequacy Incentive Settlement, and LRE Peak Demand Assessment.
- e. Markets Update Yasser Bahbaz (SPP Staff) discussed price action related to the recent cold weather. Mr. Bahbaz also stated that Staff is working market mechanism solutions that will directly or indirectly improve resource adequacy.

### AGENDA ITEM 3 – RR664 – 2029 PRM

Chris Haley (SPP Staff) reviewed the RR664 language and the proposed addition to the Section 4.0 of the Planning Criteria. Mr. Haley noted that the RR had been approved by the SAWG and indicated that the opposing vote was related to the timing of the PRM increase and not necessarily the language of the RR. The REAL Team will vote on this RR at the April meeting.

## AGENDA ITEM 4 - RR668 - SPP ERAS

Steve Purdy (SPP Staff) reviewed RR668 and indicated the language was derived from Attachment V and outlined the sections of the RR. Mr. Purdy also reviewed a proposed plan for presenting a Needs Document to the RSC which will describe the need from SPP and the LREs' perspective and reviewed the key provisions of the LRE selection form. During the discussion, it was clarified that it is LRE responsibility, not SPP, to attest to the need. The REAL Team will vote on this RR at the April meeting.

## AGENDA ITEM 5 – RESOURCE ADEQUACY INCENTIVE SETTLEMENT

Jonathan Hathhorn (SPP Staff) made a presentation on the Resource Adequacy Incentive Settlement (RAIS) which is in response to a February 2024 REAL Team motion to develop a straw proposal for a market mechanism to incentivize availability. This proposal establishes a post-season settlement for Resources and LREs to incentivize real time capacity through a direct incentive settlement. There was discussion regarding whether or not this proposal was necessary given at this time given the other resource adequacy efforts currently underway.

An action item was established for SPP Staff to develop a diagram that shows how all the resource adequacy policy efforts interact and impact the resource adequacy of an LRE and provide feedback on stress conditions in this same framework.



## AGENDA ITEM 6 – LRE PEAK DEMAND ASSESSMENT

Charles Hendrix (SPP Staff) discussed peak demand assessment which addresses what policies can be put in place to increase the predictability and performance of load. The REAL Team will receive more information on this topic at a future meeting.

## AGENDA ITEM 7 – OTHER ITEMS

- a. Action Items two new action items were established.
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- b. Future Meetings the next meeting will be held, in-person, on April 2, 2025 at the Hyatt Regency DFW in Dallas, TX.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

Chair Fiegen adjourned the meeting at 11:59 a.m. CST.

## **REAL TEAM MEMBERS**

Andrew French (KCC)

Chuck Hutchison (NPRB)

Buddy Hasten/Andrew Lachowsky (AECC)

Colton Kennedy (OPPD)

Cindy Ireland (APSC) Ray Hepper (SPP Board)
David Osburn (OMPA) Richard Ross (AEP)

Denise Buffington (Evergy) Shawnee Claiborn-Pinto (PUCT)

Jason Chaplin (OCC) Steve Gaw (Advanced Power Alliance)

### **MEETING PARTICIPANTS**

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