

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

**Monday, June 9, 2025 | 8:00 am – 3:00 pm (CST)**

**Hyatt Regency DFW  
Dallas, TX**

## **SUMMARY OF MOTIONS AND ACTION ITEMS**

**MOTION:** To approve minutes from May 1, 2025. Richard Ross (AEP) motioned / Steve Gaw (APA) seconded. *The motion passed unanimously.*

**ACTION ITEMS:**

1. Staff to provide a comparison of policy implications for LREs choosing between load modifiers and market registration.
2. Staff to document feedback on the Demand Response framework and Peak Demand Assessment policy and provide to the REAL Team for review.
3. Staff to provide a presentation on formal action plans made in response to localized load shed events once the plans are finalized.

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## **MINUTES**

### **AGENDA ITEM 1 – ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS**

Chair Kristie Fiegen (SD PUC) called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m. CST, roll was conducted, and a quorum was established. Andrew Lachowsky (AECC) held proxy for Buddy Hasten (AECC) and Natasha Brown (OMPA) held proxy for David Osburn (OMPA).

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### **AGENDA ITEM 2 – DEMAND RESPONSE FRAMEWORK**

Natasha Henderson (SPP Staff) discussed the timeframe for the development of the Demand Response Policy Framework inclusive of the Peak Demand Assessment Policy. The REAL Team is expected to consider a revision request in the in August and September timeframe. Bradley Payne (SPP Staff) reviewed the changes made to the framework in response to stakeholder collaboration. Despite being listed as a voting item, the group elected not to vote at this time due to unanswered policy questions. An action item was established for Staff to provide a comparison of policy implications for LREs choosing between load modifiers and market registration.

### **AGENDA ITEM 2A – LRE PEAK DEMAND ASSESSMENT**

Charles Hendrix (SPP Staff) reviewed the LRE Peak Demand Assessment policy and its relevance to the Demand Response Policy Framework. The group discussed the need for weather normalized data and the appropriate guardrails for the policy. The SPP Market Monitoring Unit noted concerns regarding the policy. An action item was established for Staff to document feedback on the Demand Response Policy Framework and Peak Demand Assessment Policy and provide to the REAL Team for review.

### AGENDA ITEM 3 – LONG-TERM RESOURCE ADEQUACY STUDY SCOPE

Chirs Haley (SPP Staff) noted that this topic was in response to an initiative on the REAL Team work plan and has been extensively discussed at the SAWG. The scope was unanimously approved at the last May SAWG meeting. This study is intended to inform the normalized EUE standard discussions and align with 2025 LOLE study. The REAL Team is expected to consider this policy in March 2026.

### AGENDA ITEM 4 – GENERATION INTERCONNECTION UPDATE

- a. **Surplus+:** Steve Purdy (SPP Staff) reviewed the Surplus+ initiative which is slated for consideration at the July MOPC meeting. This initiative is a permanent process that respects queue priority and targets incremental capacity additions at existing facilities.
- b. **SPP ERAS Western Expansion:** Sarah Ruen (Tri-State) introduced the ERAS Expansion revision request which supports Western LREs in resource planning and interconnection processes. More information will be provided at the August REAL Team meeting.
- c. **Export Stability Issue** – Natasha Henderson (SPP Staff) provided an information update on this issue and noted that this is a strategic change to how SPP is considering dispatch for the 2023 DISIS. The revision request has been posted and is expected to be considered by MOPC in a special meeting.

### AGENDA ITEM 5 – STANDING UPDATES

- a. **FERC – Resource Adequacy:** Justin Hinton (SPP Staff) provided an update on dockets pending before FERC.
- b. **Ops Update:** CJ Brown (SPP Staff) reviewed localized load shed events in response to a previously established REAL Team action item. An action item was established for Staff to provide a presentation on the formal action plans made in response to localized load shed events once the plans are finalized.
- c. **SAWG Update:** Colton Kennedy (OPPD) highlighted issues being discussed at the Supply Adequacy Working Group.
- d. **Markets Update:** This update was changed to a written update.
- e. **REAL Work Plan:** Natasha Henderson (SPP Staff) reviewed the REAL Team work plan and directed members to review the Resource Adequacy diagram provided in the meeting materials for further discussion at an upcoming meeting.

## **AGENDA ITEM 6 – OTHER ITEMS**

### **a. Review of action items:**

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## **AGENDA ITEM 7 – NEW BUSINESS**

N/A

## **AGENDA ITEM 8 - ADJOURNMENT**

Chair Fiegen adjourned the meeting at 2:18 pm CST.

### **REAL TEAM MEMBERS**

Andrew French (KCC)	Buddy Hasten/Andrew Lachowsky (AECC)
Chuck Hutchison (NPRB)	Colton Kennedy (OPPD)
Cindy Ireland (APSC)	Ray Hepper (SPP Board)
David Osburn/Natasha Brown (OMPA)	Richard Ross (AEP)
Denise Buffington (Evergy)	Shawnee Claiborn-Pinto (PUCT)
Jason Chaplin (OCC)	Steve Gaw (Advanced Power Alliance)
Kristie Fiegen (SDPUC)	

### **MEETING PARTICIPANTS**

Aaron Doll	Chris Haley	Ian Harkins
Adam McKinnie	Chris Hanson	Jacob Strauss
Alex Baird	Chris Lyons	Jake Chapman
Alex Crawford	Christine Aarnes	Jake Weinberg
Amy Newton	Chuck Hutchison	James Peters
Andrea Harrison	Cindy Ireland	Jarred Cooley
Andrew French	CJ Brown	Jason Chaplin
Andrew Lachowsky	Claire Vigesaa	Jason Mazigian
Andrew Rogers	Colby Cecil	Jeff Wells
Angela Sartori	Colt Cornelius	Jill Jones
Annie Minondo	Colton Kennedy	Jim Flucke
Apryl Eby	Conor McKenzie	Jim Jacoby
Ash Mayfield	Dacia Turner	Joann
Austin Morman	Dana Shelton	Jodi Woods
Bernie Liu	David Busse	Joe Dan Wilson
Beverly Laios	David Sonntag	John Krajewski
Brad Cochran	Denise Buffington	John Luallen
Brad Lafler	Dennis Constien	John Varnell
Bradley Payne	Diana Gastelum	Jon Thurber
Brandon Ratterman	Don Frerking	Jonathan Hathhorn
Brett Springfield	Elizabeth Erhardt	Jordan Foster
Brian Rounds	Encore	Julie Bissen
Bryan Campbell	Erin Cathey	Julie Tackett
Bryce Keaton	Farris Jibril	Justin Grady
Bryn Wilson	Farrokh Rahimi	Justin Hinton
Caleb Tibbits	Fredrick Kolp	Kathleen Loa
Calvin Daniels	George Fee	Kayla Fitterer
Carrie Bivens	Greg Reed	Kelsey Allen
Casey Cathey	Greg Rislov	Kim O'Guinn
Charles Hendrix	Heather Starnes	Kristie Fiegen
Chris Bultsma	Hooker, Tim	Kylah McNabb

LaKeitha Rinks  
Lane Sisung  
Lee Elliott  
Leif Clark  
Loren Ditsch  
Luke Metcalf  
Malcolm Ainspan  
Margaret Kristian  
Maria Gingras  
Marisa Choate  
Mark Harris  
Matt Powell  
Matt Welch  
Matthew Jackson  
Maya Nevels  
Michael Redlinger  
Natasha Brown  
Natasha Henderson  
Nick Reedy

Nicole Wagner  
Nilesh Gowlani  
Olivia Hough  
Pablo Ruiz  
Patrick Clarey  
Peter Dotson-Westphalen  
Phillip Choi  
Printy, Marc  
Rachel Kane  
Raleigh Mohr  
Ray Hepper  
Richard Ross  
Riley Davis  
Robert Pick  
Ryan Benton  
Ryan Hubbard  
Ryan Johnson  
Ryan McCormick  
Ryan Tuter

Sarah Ruen  
Serhat Guney  
Seth Mayfield  
Shawnee Claiborn-Pinto  
Sherian Krause  
Sonny Bandak  
Steve Gaw  
Steve Purdy  
Steve Sanders  
Steve Wright  
Stuart Solomon  
Terra Higgins  
Tiffany Wu  
Tom Michelotti  
Trent Campbell  
Trenton F.  
Wendy Weaver  
William Hiller  
Zachary Borton