



SOUTHWEST POWER POOL
REGIONAL STATE COMMITTEE ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING

August 4, 2025
1:00 pm CT
Kansas City Marriott | Kansas City, MO

SUMMARY OF MOTIONS AND ACTION ITEMS

MOTION: To approve the minutes from May 5, 2025. John Tuma (MNPUC) motioned / Kayla Hahn (MOPSC) seconded. *The motion passed unanimously.*

MOTION: The Regional State Committee approves the Nominating Committee, as presented. Randel Christmann (NDPSC) motioned / Andrew French (KCC) seconded. *The motion passed unanimously.*

MOTION: The Regional State Committee approves the revisions to the RSC Bylaws effective upon the Western States integration, April 1, 2026, as presented. John Tuma (MNPUC) motioned / Chuck Hutchison (NPRB) seconded. *The motion passed unanimously.*

MOTION: The Regional State Committee approves the 2026 RSC Budget, as presented. Kayla Hahn (MOPSC) motioned / Chuck Hutchison (NPRB) seconded. *The motion passed unanimously.*

MOTION: The Regional State Committee approves the 2024 Audit Report, as presented, authorizes payment for services rendered, and authorizes President O'Connell to sign related documents. Kathleen Jackson (PUCT) motioned / Andrew French (KCC) seconded. *The motion passed unanimously.*

MOTION: The Regional State Committee approves RR689 – TCR EESL Enhancement, as presented, and requests a detailed status report on the specifics of the market inefficiency noted in RR689, including a report from the MMU by the November RSC meetings. John Tuma (MNPUC) motioned / Randel Christmann (NDPSC) seconded. *The motion passed unanimously.*

MOTION: The Regional State Committee remands RR681 – Seams Projects Cost Allocation back to Staff to address the MOPC concerns and provide an update at the November RSC meeting. Kayla Hahn (MOPSC) motioned / Andrew French (KCC) seconded. *The motion passed unanimously.*

MOTION: The Regional State Committee approves the delay of a Safe Harbor review at this time. Andrew French (KCC) motioned / John Tuma (MNPUC) seconded. *The motion passed unanimously.*

MOTION: The Regional State Committee approves the RTO-to-RTO and Interregional Project Cost Allocation methodologies for the MISO-SPP Targeted Market Transmission Projects, as presented. John Tuma (MNPUC) motioned / Andrew French (KCC) seconded. *The motion passed with ten votes in favor and two opposed (PUCT, LPSC).*

MOTION: The Regional State Committee approves RR684 – Consolidated Planning Process Tariff, inclusive of the proposed GRID Contribution calculation, as presented. Andrew French (KCC) / Justin Tate (APSC) seconded. *The motion passed unanimously.*

ACTION ITEMS:

1. Staff and MMU to provide a detailed status report on the specifics of the market inefficiency noted in RR689 - TCR EESL Enhancements, at the November RSC meeting.
2. Provide an update at the November meeting on RR681 – Seams Projects Cost Allocation that address the concerns noted by MOPC.



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MINUTES

AGENDA ITEM 1 – CALL TO ORDER

President Patrick O'Connell (NMPRC) called the meeting to order at 1:04 p.m. CT.

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, *proxy Jason Chaplin (OCC)*
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)
Joshua Byrnes, Iowa Utilities Commission (IUC), *proxy Matt Alvarado (IUC)*
Mike Francis, Louisiana Public Service Commission (LPSC), *proxy Dana Shelton (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 May 5, 2025. John Tuma (MNPUC) motioned / Kayla Hahn (MOPSC) seconded. *The motion passed unanimously.*

- c. Review of Action Items** – Kim O’Guinn (SPP) provided an update on several action items.
- Items 20-8 and 23-02: The Netting of Flows RR is expected to come before the RSC in November 2025
 - Item 23-03: Attachment J, Sunflower changes were approved by the Commission and that is currently on appeal with the DC circuit along with the appeal of the latest rejection of the C2 filing.
 - Item 24-01: Engineering is initiating a study of deliverability in the western interconnection and expects it to be completed in 60 to 90 days. After that, western stakeholders will need to make a decision about adopting a deliverability framework.
- d. Introduction of Special Guests** – Chair O’Connell welcomed Chair Mike Robinson from the Wyoming Public Service Commission, Commissioner Greg Nibert from the New Mexico Public Regulation Commission, Chair Kevin Thompson from the Arizona Corporation Commission, and Commissioner Glen Kolkmeier from the Missouri Public Service Commission.

AGENDA ITEM 3 – UPDATE

- a. SPP Report** – Lanny Nickell (SPP) provided the President’s report.
- b. RSC First Quarter 2025 Financial Report** – Paul Suskie (SPP) reviewed the 2025 second quarter financials, noting that expenses were under budget primarily because only being one in-person RSC meeting held to date.

AGENDA ITEM 4 – ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS

Patrick O’Connell (NMPRC) presented the administrative voting items for consideration.

- a. RSC Nominating Committee** – The nominating committee responsible for developing a slate of officers for 2026 includes Patrick O’Connell, Kristie Fiegen, and John Tuma.

MOTION: The Regional State Committee approves the Nominating Committee, as presented. Randel Christmann (NDPSC) motioned / Andrew French (KCC) seconded. *The motion passed unanimously.*

- b. RSC Bylaws** – The revisions to the RSC Bylaws will ensure an appropriate voting structure on issues impacting the separate interconnections upon the RTO Western Expansion.

MOTION: The Regional State Committee approves the revisions to the RSC Bylaws effective upon the Western States integration, April 1, 2026, as presented. John Tuma (MNPUC) motioned / Chuck Hutchison (NPRB) seconded. *The motion passed unanimously.*

- c. **2026 RSC Budget** – The 2026 RSC Budget includes projections for increased membership due to the RTO expansion and an increase for principal consultant expense.

MOTION: The Regional State Committee approves the 2026 RSC Budget, as presented. Kayla Hahn (MOPSC) motioned / Chuck Hutchison (NPRB) seconded. *The motion passed unanimously.*

- d. **2024 Audit Results** – Landmark Certified Public Accountants audited the RSC's financial accounts and the audit produced no findings.

MOTION: The Regional State Committee approves the 2024 Audit Report, as presented, authorizes payment for services rendered, and authorizes President O'Connell to sign related documents. Kathleen Jackson (PUCT) motioned / Andrew French (KCC) seconded. *The motion passed unanimously.*

AGENDA ITEM 5 – COST ALLOCATION WORKING GROUP REPORT

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

- a. **RR689 – TCR EESL Enhancements** – This RR removes a market inefficiency with a system enhancement by establishing a systemic process for reviewing an entity's bid and nominations. John Tuma (MNPUC) requested Staff and the MMU provide a detailed status report on the specifics of the market inefficiency **MOTION:** The Regional State Committee approves RR689 – TCR EESL Enhancement, as presented, and requests a detailed status report on the specifics of the market inefficiency noted in RR689, including a report from the MMU by the November RSC meetings. John Tuma (MNPUC) motioned / Randel Christmann (NDPSC) seconded. *The motion passed unanimously.*
- b. **RR681 – Seams Projects Cost Allocation** – This RR addresses the current gap in evaluating and approving Seams Projects identified outside of an Order 1000 process or those that do not meet Order 1000 criteria. Additionally, this policy addresses cost allocation for upgrades to non-SPP facilities. While the MOPC failed to pass the RR, the RSC directed Staff to continue working to address the concerns expressed by the MOPC and provide an update at the November RSC meeting.
- MOTION:** The Regional State Committee remands RR681 – Seams Projects Cost Allocation back to Staff to address the MOPC concerns and provide an update at the November RSC meeting. Kayla Hahn (MOPSC) motioned / Andrew French (KCC) seconded. *The motion passed unanimously.*
- c. **Safe Harbor Limit Review** – The Safe Harbor limit establishes the maximum allowable cost of network upgrades associated with designating a generating resource that is eligible

for base plan funding. At the direction of the RSC, the CAWG performs an in-depth or limited review each year. Due to the number of on-going efforts underway at SPP, the CAWG has requested to delay an in-depth review at this time. Andrew French (KCC) expressed the importance of ongoing review of the Safe Harbor limit.

MOTION: The Regional State Committee approves the delay of a Safe Harbor review at this time. Andrew French (KCC) motioned / John Tuma (MNPUC) seconded. *The motion passed unanimously.*

- d. Targeted Market Efficiency Projects-** The objective of this policy is to develop a repeatable process to effectively study persistent historical market-to-market congestion issues through analyzing historical market data, including determination of applicable project criteria, and provide for this new process through Joint Operating Agreement (JOA) (and potentially Tariff) revisions. Kathleen Jackson (PUCT) and Dana Shelton (LPSC) noted concerns related to the criteria and cost allocation, respectively.

MOTION: The Regional State Committee approves the RTO-to-RTO and Interregional Project Cost Allocation methodologies for the MISO-SPP Targeted Market Transmission Projects, as presented. John Tuma (MNPUC) motioned / Andrew French (KCC) seconded. *The motion passed with ten votes in favor and two opposed (PUCT, LPSC).*

- e. RR684 – Consolidated Planning Process Tariff** – This RR reflects a new streamlined assessment process that minimizes delays in generator interconnections, enhances efficiency and allows quicker project approvals, ultimately benefiting the overall grid development.

MOTION: The Regional State Committee approves RR684 – Consolidated Planning Process Tariff, inclusive of the proposed GRID Contribution calculation, as presented. Andrew French (KCC) / Justin Tate (APSC) seconded. *The motion passed unanimously.*

AGENDA ITEM 6 – RESOURCE & ENERGY ADEQUACY LEADERSHIP TEAM REPORT

Kristie Fiegen (SDPUC) provided comments on the Demand Response and Peak Demand Assessment policies noting that the timelines would be merged with consideration of a revision request expected by the MOPC in January 2026 and the RSC in February 2026.

AGENDA ITEM 7 – SPP MMU: RR696 INTEGRATE & OPERATE HIGH IMPACT LARGE LOADS

Carrie Bivens (SPP MMU) provided comments on RR696 noting that the MMU seeks to ensure incentives are properly structured resulting in a market impact that is efficient and fair. Ms. Bivens also noted that the MMU is working to identify modifications to improve incentives and better align them with market principals.

AGENDA ITEM 8 – RSC COMMUNICATION TO BOARD

Chair O’Connell provided a summary of the RSC’s conversation of RR696 - Integrate and Operate High Impact Large Load and RR693 – GI Priority Processing/Surplus Plus but did not offer a resolution to the Board.

AGENDA ITEM 9 – OTHER BUSINESS

No other business was identified.

AGENDA ITEM 8 NEW ACTION ITEMS

Two new action items were established:

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ADJOURNMENT

President O’Connell adjourned the meeting at 2:35 pm CT.

UPCOMING RSC MEETINGS

MEETING DATE	PLATFORM
November 3, 2025	Little Rock, AR

MEETING PARTICIPANTS

Aaron Doll
Abu Elteriefi
Adam Bell
Adam McKinnie
Adam Schieffer
Adam Snapp
Adrian Rodriguez
Adriane Barnes
Al Tamimi
Alex Baird
Alex Crawford
Allison Duensing
Amber Joyce
Amy Newton
Andrew French
Andrew Lachowsky
Andrew Rogers
Angela Sartori
Anne Long
Annie Minondo
Antoine Lucas
Apryl Eby
Arash Ghodsian
Austin Morman
Bakhtawar Khan
Becky Bradley
Ben Bright
Ben Stearney
Ben Trowbridge
Beverly Laios
Bob Poehling
Brad Boutilier
Brad Cochran
Brad Lafler
Bradley Payne
Brand Hans
Brett White
Brian Rounds
Bronwen Bastone
Bruce Rew
C Richard Ross

C. Patrick Woods
Calvin Daniels
Carolyn Wetterlin
Carrie Bivens
Carrie Simpson
Casey Cathey
Cassie Thompson
Charles Hendrix
Charles Locke
Chase Adams
Chris Cranford
Chris Haley
Chris Hanson
Chris Jamieson
Chris Lyons
Chris Matos
Christine Aarnes
Christy Walsh
Chuck Hutchison
Cindy Ireland
Clint Savoy
Colin Hansen
Conor McKenzie
Dakota Lamb
Dana Shelton
Dave Osburn
David Busse
David Cohen
David Kelley
David Mindham
David Osburn
David Sonntag
Dawn Cash
Denise Buffington
Dennis Florom
Dennis Reed
Derek Brown
Derek Sunderman
Derek Wingfield
Diana Gastelum
Don Frerking

Donnie TeBeest
Doug Kouskouris
Drew Landoll
Eddie Watson
Elizabeth Moore
Elizabeth Solano
Emeka Anyanwu
Emily Pennel
Eric Alexander
Eric Giddens
Eric Henderson
Erin Cathey
Eugene Mauk
Gayle Freier
Glen Kolkmeier
Greg Nibert
Greg Reed
Greg Rislov
Heather Starnes
Irene Dimitry
J.P. Maddock
James Huang
James Peters
Jarred Cooley
Jason Chaplin
Jason Cox
Jason Davis
Jason Fortik
Jason Mazigian
Jay Caspary
Jean Schafer
Jeff Kline
Jeff Wells
Jennifer Hammitt
Jennifer Soloman
Jeremy Severson
Jessica Greenberg
Jessica Meyer
Jill Jones
Jill Ponder
Jillian Janik

Jim Flucke
Jodi Woods
Joe Lang
John Borgmeyer
John C. McClure
John Cupparo
John Krajewski
John Luallen
John Stephens
John Tuma
John Weber
Jon Thurber
Joseph Hegendeffeffer
Justin Grady
Justin Hinton
Justin Tate
Katheleen Jackson
Kaye McCarty
Kayla Hahn
Kelly Carney
Kelsey Allen
Ken Miller
Kim David
Kim O'Guinn
Kirk Hall
Kristie Fiegen
Kylah McNabb
LaKeitha Rinks
Lane Sisung
Lanny Nickell
Lee Elliot
Leif Clark
Len Tao
Lise Trudeau
Liz Salerno
Lloyd Linke
Loren Ditsch
Lori Cobos
Lori Frisk

Maria Gingras
Mark Foreman
Mark Price
Mark Rouse
Mary Harding
Matt Caves
Matt Jackson
Matt Prorok
Matthew Fioretti
Matthew Jackson
Maurice Moss
Maya Nevels
Michael Daly
Michael Ratliff
Michael Robinson
Michael Wise
Mike Riley
Mike Ross
Monsherra Blank
Natasha Henderson
Nick Abraham
Nick Detmer
Nick Reedy
Nicole Wagner
Olivia Hough
Orrie Walsvik
Patrick Clarey
Patrick O'Connell
Paul Suskie
Pratisha Solanki
Marc Printy
Raleigh Mohr
Ramunda Russell
Randy Christmann
Ray Bergmeier
Ray Hepper
Regan Fink
Rich Germinder
Richard Owen

Robert Pick
Robert Safuto
Rodney Massman
Russell Carey
Ryan Johnson
Ryan Tuter
Shawn Geil
Shawnee Claiborn - Pinto
Stacy Burbure
Stanley Wrozek
Steve Davis
Steve Gaw
Steve Johnson
Steve Purdy
Steve Sanders
Steve Wright
Stuart Soloman
Susan Certoma
Tammy Bright
Jason Tanner
Tara Smith
Terra Higgins
Terri Eaton
Terri Pemberton
Tessie Kentner
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Tyson Archie
Victor Schock
Victoria Doyle
Walt Cecil
Walt Shumate
Warren Brooks
Will McAdams