

# **Alexander Spain - Bonneville Power Administration**

## **Statement of Interest**

### **Regional Issues Forum - Power Marketing Administration Sector**

It is with strong interest in the newly-established Power Marketing Administration (PMA) Sector in the CAISO EIM Governing Body's (Governing Body) Regional Issues Forum that I submit this Statement of Interest to be considered for the PMA Sector Liaison.

Bonneville Power Administration (BPA) has a history of constructive involvement in CAISO initiatives including the recent two-year process of evaluating the governance structure of the Governing Body, as well as the many technical issues currently in play such as enhancements for CAISO Resource Adequacy, EIM Resource Sufficiency Evaluation, and Maximum Import Capability. My participation as the PMA Sector Liaison will further leverage BPA's extensive EIM experience attained from enabling the EIM participation of many entities from within BPA's Balancing Area Authority. Additionally, BPA representation brings a diverse perspective in that BPA:

- Has a primary customer base of public power, with a significant amount of that load in EIM entity Balancing Authorities that has given the agency insight into commercial service from the EIM;
- Has a diverse customer base of Marketers, Independent Power Producers, Investor-Owned Utilities, and Federal Agencies;
- Has a high-voltage transmission system that connects to 17 Balancing Authorities across the Pacific Northwest, including Canada and California;
- Has a large, low-carbon hydro generation fleet; and
- Is a large federal agency.

I have been with BPA for 19 years, with extensive expertise managing complex issues associated with power marketing in bilateral and organized markets. I am currently the acting Vice President of Bulk Marketing at BPA, responsible for marketing, sales, scheduling and account servicing for bulk power markets (non-preference cost-based service). This includes managing wholesale bulk marketing sales, making long term purchases up to 5 years in the future, and managing BPA transmission purchases for surplus marketing. My immediate prior role was Trading Floor Manager for BPA, where I led teams pursuing new markets and energy products that seek to capture the unique physical and low-carbon value of the BPA hydro system—valued in excess of \$300 million per year. I also have experience representing BPA externally at WSPP, Western Power Trading Forum, Public Power Council, and Northwest Power Pool meetings.

This opportunity to serve as the PMA Sector Liaison for the RIF will be supported fully by the agency through the commitment of resources to assist me during this tenure. I look forward to the opportunity to serve in this capacity if given the privilege to do so, and thank you for your consideration.

Respectfully,

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