

GENERAL SESSION MINUTES WESTERN EIM GOVERNING BODY MEETING January 31, 2023 ISO Folsom Campus/Hybrid

January 31, 2023

The WEIM Governing Body convened the general session teleconference meeting at approximately 1:30 p.m. and the presence of a quorum was established.

ATTENDANCE

The following members of the WEIM Governing Body were in attendance:

Robert Kondziolka, Chair
Jennifer Gardner, Vice Chair (via videoconference)
Andrew Campbell
Anita Decker
John Prescott

GENERAL SESSION

The following agenda items were discussed in general session:

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment offered at this time.

DECISION ON GENERAL SESSION MINUTES

Member Decker moved for approval of the WEIM Governing Body general session minutes for the December 13, 2022, WEIM Governing Body meeting. The motion was seconded by Member Campbell and approved 5-0.

CEO REPORT

Elliot Mainzer – President and CEO, provided highlights of the following sections from his CEO report: Storms and the bulk electric system; high natural gas prices and their impact on wholesale electricity costs; summer readiness preparations; highlights of the Ten West Link transmission project groundbreaking event; update on Assembly Concurrent Resolution 188 draft report; and release of the Q4 2022 WEIM benefits report, which shows more than \$3 billion in cumulative benefits since the market launched in 2014. Mr. Mainzer concluded his report noting three new WEIM entities would be transitioning into parallel operations on February 2, 2023, including Avangrid, WAPA Desert Southwest, and El Paso Electric.

BODY OF STATE REGULATORS UPDATE

Thad LeVar, Commission Chair of the Utah Public Service Commission, and Chair of the WEIM Body of State Regulators (BOSR), provided an update on behalf of the BOSR. Chair LeVar first noted the addition of new three new commissioners to the BOSR. Then, Chair LeVar provided an overview of the BOSR's positions on the GRC's extended day-ahead market (EDAM) governance proposal followed by the EDAM design, noting the BOSR generally supports these proposals. Discussion ensued.

REGIONAL ISSUES FORUM UPDATE

Vijay Satyal, Manager of Regional Energy Markets, Western Resource Advocates, and Chair – Regional Issues Forum (RIF), provided an update on behalf of the RIF. Chair Satyal first provided a recap of the RIF meeting topics over the past year and also noted their significant accomplishments, including the RIF's submission of joint comments to the GRC's EDAM governance proposal. Chair Satyal also provided an overview of the RIF's issue prioritization process related to ISO's policy roadmap. Chair Satyal encouraged the WEIM Governing Body to continue to provide feedback to the RIF on specific initiatives for further discussion in the stakeholder process. Brief discussion ensued.

WEIM GOVERNING BODY MARKET EXPERT BRIEFING ON TRANSMISSION SERVICE AND MARKET SCHEDULING PRIORITIES PHASE 2

Susan Pope, the WEIM Governing Body market expert, presented her opinion on the transmission service and market scheduling priorities phase 2 final proposal. Ms. Pope summarized her observations and assessments regarding the various elements of the wheel-through proposal, including calculation of available transfer capability (ATC); accessing and reserving ATC; application of priorities in the post-hour-ahead scheduling process; and the transmission study and expansion process. Ms. Pope concluded her briefing with an overview of her conclusions, specifically recommendations for monitoring certain outcomes of the proposal and other conditions for inclusion in the WEIM Governing Body advisory approval. Discussion ensued.

Public comment

The following provided comments on the briefing:

- Bonnie Blair on behalf of Six Cities

WEIM GOVERNING BODY MARKET EXPERT BRIEFING ON EXTENDED DAY-AHEAD MARKET

Susan Pope, the WEIM Governing Body market expert, began her presentation with an overview of her observations and assessments of the various elements of the extended day-ahead market final proposal, including resource sufficiency evaluation; transmission scheduling; and greenhouse gas modeling. Ms. Pope concluded her briefing by providing an overview of her recommendations for additional development and monitoring of specific EDAM rule changes. Discussion ensued. In response to stakeholder feedback, Chair Kondziolka committed to

developing process and timing guidelines with regards to publicly posted documents provided by the market expert.

Public comment

There was no public comment offered at this time.

BRIEFING ON IMPLEMENTATION OF ASSEMBLY CONCURRENT RESOLUTION 188

Stacey Crowley, Vice President of External Affairs, provided a briefing on Assembly Concurrent Resolution 188, a resolution requiring the ISO to prepare a report summarizing recent relevant studies on the impacts of expanded regional cooperation on California and, among other things, discuss engagement between neighboring states on regional transmission organizations in the west. Ms. Crowley noted that National Renewable Energy Laboratory (NREL) was contracted to help author the report. Ms. Crowley highlighted the California balancing authorities who will be partnering on the report. She then provided an overview of the process for developing and finalizing the report; discussed the value and benefits of regional collaboration; reviewed the list of regional cooperation frameworks that are being considered in the studies; and provided an overview of NREL's study process and findings on impacts to California. Ms. Crowley concluded with an update on the SB 100 joint agency report, which tracks progress on California's clean energy goals. Discussion ensued.

BRIEFING ON WEIM GOVERNING BODY PLANNING CALENDAR

Anna McKenna, Vice President, Market Policy and Performance, provided a briefing on the WEIM Governing Body planning calendar, which included an overview of the decisional and briefing items planned for the WEIM Governing Body meetings and joint meetings with the ISO Board of Governors in 2023. Brief discussion followed.

Public comment

There was no public comment offered at this time.

INFORMATIONAL REPORTS

There were no comments or questions on the WEIM Governing Body budget report or policy initiative milestones informational report.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

There were no future agenda items.

ADJOURNED

There being no additional general session matters to discuss, the general session was adjourned at approximately 3:45 p.m.