

# GENERAL SESSION MINUTES WESTERN EIM GOVERNING BODY MEETING June 29, 2022 Teleconference

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The WEIM Governing Body convened the general session teleconference meeting at approximately 12:00 p.m. and the presence of a quorum was established.

## **ATTENDANCE**

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

Anita Decker, Chair Robert Kondziolka, Vice Chair Valerie Fong Jennifer Gardner John Prescott

#### **GENERAL SESSION**

The following agenda items were discussed in general session:

WEIM Governing Body Chair Anita Decker announced Susan Pope as the new market expert noting that she will report to the WEIM Governing Body. Welcoming remarks followed.

Next, Chair Decker and the WEIM Governing Body members provided remarks in regard to Governing Body member Valerie Fong's retirement, and expressed appreciation for her service, and dedication to the mission of the WEIM Governing Body. Chair Decker read the following resolution.

WHEREAS Valerie Fong was appointed to the inaugural Western Energy Imbalance Market Governing Body in July 2016, and

WHEREAS Ms. Fong served faithfully and enthusiastically during her tenure, including holding the leadership positions of Vice Chair and Chair, and

WHEREAS Ms. Fong served as a valued member of the WEIM Nominating Committee and an exemplary member of the WEIM Governance Review Committee, and

WHEREAS Ms. Fong used her unique expertise and expansive industry knowledge to help facilitate the remarkable growth and effectiveness of the WEIM, and

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WHEREAS Ms. Fong made an extra effort to conduct outreach to WEIM participants and stakeholders throughout the Western region in order to understand their unique perspectives, and

WHEREAS Ms. Fong's ability to walk her beloved Labrador Rosie while conducting important virtual conversations demonstrated her dedication to the success of the WEIM, and

WHEREAS Ms. Fong generously provided tasty fruit from her famous lemon tree, and freely shared her gardening knowledge and hand-crafted pandemic masks with others, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Western Energy Imbalance Market Governing Body Members hereby express their utmost appreciation and sincerest gratitude to Valerie Fong for her outstanding service and dedication to the Western Energy Imbalance Market, and its many participants and, stakeholders with their varied interests, as well as California ISO staff and management.

Member Prescott moved for approval of the resolution and the motion was seconded by Member Gardner, and approved 4-0.

# Public comments:

The following provided comments in recognition of Member Fong's service to the WEIM Governing Body:

Tony Braun on behalf of Braun Blaising & Wynne, P.C. Scott Miller on behalf of Western Power Trading Forum

Member Fong expressed her sincere appreciation to the WEIM Governing Body, stakeholders and market participants, and ISO staff.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

No public comments on items not on the agenda were received.

#### **DECISION ON GENERAL SESSION MINUTES**

Member Gardner moved for approval of the WEIM Governing Body general session minutes for the May 10, 2022, WEIM Governing Body meeting. The motion was seconded by Member Fong and approved 5-0.

#### CEO REPORT

Elliot Mainzer, President and CEO, provided updates on several key topics, including summer grid conditions; ISO's on-going engagement in the California Public Utilities Resource Adequacy proceedings; recognition of Bonneville Power Administration and Tucson Electric

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Power as new WEIM participants; an update on the outage management system migration effort; and updates on policy development activities for the extended day-ahead market, resource sufficiency evaluation, and wheel through initiatives. Mr. Mainzer concluded his report with an update on ISO's flexible and remote work policy.

#### **BODY OF STATE REGULATORS UPDATE**

Thad LeVar, Chair of the Utah Public Service Commission, and Chair – WEIM Body of State Regulators (BOSR), provided an update on behalf of the BOSR. Chair LeVar discussed the BOSR's engagement in the EDAM initiative stakeholder process, including a high-level overview of comments submitted by the BOSR on the straw proposal. Chair LeVar then provided an update on the BOSR's engagement in the WEIM Governance Review Committee's efforts to develop an EDAM governance proposal. Finally, Chair LeVar noted the BOSR's next public meeting would be held on July 8, 2022.

## **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 discussed the framework in which the RIF will deliberate and address stakeholder issues related to the WEIM. He then provided an overview of the changes to the RIF recommended by the WEIM Governance Review Committee, which includes expanding the scope of the RIF and updates to the sector liaison definitions. Chair Satyal concluded with an update on upcoming engagement activities and priorities for the RIF. Discussion followed.

# WEIM GOVERNANCE REVIEW COMMITTEE UPDATE

Therese Hampton, a consultant representing public power, and Chair – WEIM Governance Review Committee (GRC), provided an update on behalf of the WEIM GRC. Chair Hampton discussed the upcoming release of EDAM governance straw proposal and process steps leading up to publication. Chair Hampton provided an overview of topics that will be included in the proposal. Brief discussion ensued.

#### WEIM IMPLEMENTATION UPDATE

Mark Symonds, on behalf of Bonneville Power Administration and Blake Pederson on behalf of Tucson Electric Power Company, provided an update on their experience as participants in the western energy imbalance market since the two entities joined on May 3, 2022. The representatives shared lessons-learned, including successes and challenges. Both representatives expressed appreciation to ISO staff for their support in the onboarding process. Discussion ensued.

#### **DECISION ON WEIM GOVERNING BODY NOMINATIONS**

Nicole Hughes presented on behalf of the WEIM Nominating Committee candidate recommendations for the two open seats on the WEIM Governing Body: *Member Valerie Fong and Member John Prescott*. Ms. Hughes provided a brief overview of the selection process. Next, she recognized the members of the WEIM

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Nominating Committee and ISO staff for their contributions to the nomination process. To conclude, Ms. Hughes summarized the background of both candidates. Discussion ensued amongst the WEIM Governing Body in support of the appointment of Andrew Campbell and the reappointment of Member John Prescott.

# **Public comment**

There was no public comment offered at this time.

# **Motion**

# **Member Fong**

Moved, that the Western Energy Imbalance Market Governing Body reappoints John Prescott, and appoints Andrew Campbell as members of the Western Energy Imbalance Market Governing Body, each for three-year terms beginning July 1, 2022, and ending June 30, 2025.

The motion was seconded by Member Kondziolka with Member John Prescott abstaining. The motion was approved 4-0.

#### **ELECTION OF WEIM GOVERNING BODY CHAIR AND VICE CHAIR**

Chair Decker introduced the topic and turned the item over to the WEIM Governing Body members for discussion and proposed recommendations. WEIM Governing Body members acknowledged Chair Decker for her contributions over the past year.

# Public comment

There was no public comment offered at this time

#### Motion:

# **Member Fong**

Moved, that the WEIM Governing Body elects Robert Kondziolka to serve as Chair of the WEIM Governing Body, pursuant to section 3.3 of the Charter for Western Energy Imbalance Market Governance, effective July 1, 2022 to June 30, 2023, or until such time thereafter as a successor is elected.

Moved, that the WEIM Governing Body elects Jennifer Gardner to serve as Vice Chair of the WEIM Governing Body, effective July 1, 2022 to June 30, 2023, or until such time thereafter as a successor is elected, whose role will include substituting for the Chair when the Chair is unable to fulfill their duties due to conflicts, absence, or unforeseen reasons, and who will be designated as the WEIM Governing Body representative to the

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# Nominating Committee.

# The motion was seconded by Member Prescott. The motion was approved 5-0.

In-coming Chair Kondziolka recognized current Chair Decker for her contributions to the WEIM Governing Body over the past year and newly appointed WEIM Governing Body member, Andrew Campbell, thanked the nominating committee and the WEIM Governing Body, including a special recognition of Member Fong.

# BRIEFING ON THE EXTENDED DAY-AHEAD MARKET, RESOURCE SUFFICIENCY EVALUATION, AND WHEEL-THROUGHS POLICY INITIATIVES

Greg Cook, Executive Director of Market and Infrastructure Policy – provided a briefing on the resource sufficiency evaluation, wheel-through, and extended day-ahead market initiatives, including updates on the policy development efforts and upcoming stakeholder engagement activities. Mr. Cook also provided a brief update on the day-ahead market enhancements initiative that will be completed by end of 2022, and he announced the launch of the price formation enhancements initiative, which will address real-time pricing in the ISO's market. Discussion followed.

## **Public Comment**

There was no public comment offered at this time.

#### WEIM GOVERNING BODY PLANNING CALENDAR

Chair Decker advised that the WEIM Governing Body members to review the posted version of the planning calendar. No verbal update was provided.

#### INFORMATIONAL REPORTS

There were no comments or questions on the following informational report: stakeholder initiative milestones.

#### **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 2:00 p.m.

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