

**GENERAL SESSION MINUTES  
EIM TRANSITIONAL COMMITTEE MEETING  
October 21, 2015  
California Energy Commission, Sacramento, CA**

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The Energy Imbalance Market Transitional Committee, an advisory committee to the ISO Board of Governors, convened the general session meeting at approximately 1:45 p.m. and the presence of a quorum was established.

**ATTENDANCE**

The following members of the EIM Transitional Committee were in attendance:

Rebecca Wagner, Chair  
Brad Albert  
Steve Beuning  
Tony Braun  
Sarah Edmonds  
Dede Hapner  
Kevin Lynch  
David Mills, via teleconference  
Mark Smith  
Walter Spansel  
Robert Weisenmiller  
Carl Zichella, via teleconference

**GENERAL SESSION**

The following agenda items were discussed in general session:

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

No public comment was offered at this time.

## **DECISION ON MINUTES**

Committee member Hapner moved for approval of the EIM Transitional Committee's general session minutes for the August 25, 2015 meeting. The motion was seconded by Committee member Kavulla and approved 11-0, with Committee member Edmonds abstaining.

## **CHAIR REPORT**

Chair Wagner provided opening remarks and welcomed Committee member Edmonds. She informed the Committee that the ISO Board of Governors approved the governance proposal at its September 17, 2015 meeting.

## **BRIEFING ON ENERGY IMBALANCE MARKET**

Committee member Zichella joined the meeting via teleconference.

Stacey Crowley, Director – Regional Affairs, provided an implementation update on energy imbalance market governance matters and noted that the goal was to seat the governing body during the 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter of 2016. Ms. Crowley provided an overview of a graph that depicted major milestones leading up to the ISO Board decision on the EIM governing body.

Mark Rothleder, Vice President – Market Quality and Renewable Integration, provided an energy imbalance market operations update. Mr. Rothleder informed the committee that the EIM benefits assessment for Q3 2015 will be issued by October 30. He reviewed a graph that depicted how 15-minute prices in PACW were affected by the waiver in September due to unavailability of transfer from PACE to PACW. He stated that 5-minute pricing continued to perform well. He described how PACE to PACW transfer was unavailable for part of September and October due to maintenance work. Mr. Rothleder discussed two graphs that depicted 5-minute and 15-minute infeasibilities. He concluded his presentation by providing an overview of a chart listing transfer in to the ISO by supporting resource type. Brief discussion followed.

John Anders, Lead Counsel, provided a status overview of regulatory matters related to the energy imbalance market. He informed the committee of several pending ISO matters that required FERC action prior to moving forward with NV Energy implementation. He explained that the EIM available balancing capacity proposal was not required for NV Energy implementation. Mr. Anders also provided an overview of the elements of the EIM year one enhancements phase two proposal and informed the committee that Management will be presenting it to the Board at its November meeting. Brief discussion followed.

Petar Ristanovic, Vice President – Information Technology, provided the committee with an update on the implementation of NV Energy. He stated that NV Energy was set to go with financially binding EIM operations on November 1, 2015, pending FERC action

on readiness. He noted that the ISO published a market quality report on October 1. Committee member Spansel noted NV Energy's appreciation to the ISO throughout the process and stated the readiness criteria was complete pending FERC approval. Discussion followed regarding the effectiveness of communications with FERC given the ex parte rules.

Mr. Ristanovic next advised that Puget Sound Energy and Arizona Public Service Company implementations are on track for October 1, 2016 and noted that both entities had executed an EIM Entity Agreement. Committee members' Mills and Albert provided an update on the status of implementation efforts for Puget Sound Energy and Arizona Public Service, noting that implementation tasks were going well and schedules were on track.

Don Fuller, Director – Strategic Initiatives, informed the committee that Portland General Electric had announced its intention to pursue a Fall 2017 energy imbalance market participation with the ISO. He noted that Portland General Electric serves over 849,000 customers in 52 cities and has a population of about 1.8 million people. He next informed the committee that Idaho Power plans to explore participation in the energy imbalance market and will be initiating a cost/benefit study for EIM with an expected decision in Q1 2016.

## **BRIEFING PACIFICORP INTEGRATION**

The committee members stated that there were no additional questions for Mr. Rothleder on this item.

## **BRIEFING ON CALIFORNIA SENATE BILL 350**

Karen Edson, Vice President – Policy and Client Services, provided the committee with an overview of California Senate Bill 350: Clean Energy and Pollution Reduction Act of 2015. Ms. Edson first provided an overview of the steps leading up to the development of the bill. She then discussed the following three elements of the bill: (1) By 2030, double energy efficiency for electricity and natural gas by retail customers, (2) 50% renewable portfolio standard, and (3) Process for the ISO to transform into a regional organization. Ms. Edson concluded by describing how a governance change would set the stage for integrating Western States.

## **COMMITTEE PLANNING**

There were no committee planning items to discuss.

## **FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

There were no future items discussed.

**ADJOURNED**

There being no additional general session matters to discuss, the general session was adjourned at approximately 3:15 p.m.