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**Statement of Interest and Qualifications for
Body of State Regulators Public Power Liaison**

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I appreciate the opportunity to express my interest and receive sector consideration for the role of a Public Power Liaison to the Body of State Regulators (BOSR).

For over two decades, I have provided counsel to public agencies on all manner of regulatory, commercial, and legislative issues associated with the electric utility industry. My experience includes state electric utility restructuring, establishment of the California Independent System Operator (CAISO) Corporation, implementation of the new market design, reformation of transmission planning processes and FERC Order No. 1000, development of resource adequacy requirements, renewable integration, and formation of the new Energy Imbalance Market (EIM).

Specific to regional market governance, I served on the Transitional Committee that made the original recommendations on how the current EIM might be governed. Those recommendations were approved and resulted in the formation of the EIM Governing Body and the grant of primary authority over certain EIM rules to the EIM Governing Body. The Transitional Committee recommendations also included the formation of the BOSR and the Regional Issues Forum (RIF) to advise the EIM Governing Body. Subsequent to that, I served as the initial Chair of the RIF, and continue to serve as a RIF Liaison on behalf of the Publicly-Owned Utility sector. I was also an active participant in the so-called “Flo-Jo” governance discussions that took place in the context of participation by PacifiCorp as a Participating Transmission Owner in the CAISO.

Most recently, I served on the Governance Review Committee that crafted the recent recommendations to add a public power voice to the BOSR, to expand the decisional role of the EIM Governing Body to a broader scope of market rules and activities, and to implement a Joint Authority model between the EIM Governing Body and the CAISO Board of Governors for those matters.

I am privileged to have worked closely with many of you over these years and to have developed relationships with many of the BOSR members and their staffs. My knowledge of market rules, governance structures, and my working relationships would enable me to well serve the public power sector as a BOSR Public Power Liaison.