

Southwest Power Pool, Inc.
SEAMS STEERING COMMITTEE

December 6, 2016

Purpose

The Seams Steering Committee (SSC) is responsible for providing direction to SPP staff regarding staff's negotiation, development, implementation, and maintenance of SPP's seams agreements, joint operating agreements, or similar agreements with SPP customers or transmission providers.

Scope of Activities

In consultation with SPP staff the SSC will:

1. Identify seams coordination between SPP and adjacent transmission providers caused by different processes, procedures, tariffs, or business practices in the areas of planning, tariff administration, market development/operations, and real-time operations.
2. Propose improvements to seams agreements, business practices, processes, or tariffs, along with supporting rationale, implementation costs and any tariff changes or tariff revenue impacts to mitigate seams coordination issues.
3. Review and provide guidance on SPP staff proposed improvements to new or existing seams agreements that have been developed or are under development between SPP staff and parties to those agreements.
4. Provide guidance for the implementation of the planning and operational components of new or existing seams agreements.
5. The SSC will provide regular updates to the MOPC on its activities and when necessary, request feedback from MOPC on issues where the SSC is unable to reach a decision.
6. Advise SPP staff in matters related to interregional coordination through representation on SPP's various Interregional Planning Stakeholder Advisory Committees (IPSAC), along with other stakeholder representatives as prescribed in SPP's Joint Operating Agreements.

Representation

The SSC shall be comprised of not more than 13 members including the chair and vice-chair. These members should be selected based on their experience in areas impacted by seams issues such as transmission planning, regulatory, and system operations.

Reporting

The SSC reports to the Market & Operations Policy Committee.