

**Southwest Power Pool**  
**Business Practices Working Group**  
**Charter**  
**October 27, 2015**

**Purpose**

The Business Practices Working Group (BPWG) is responsible for discussing issues surrounding the development and implementation of SPP's OATT Business Practices. The BPWG will propose new practices and changes to existing practices that will facilitate effective and efficient administration of the SPP OATT. The BPWG will recommend tariff changes or modifications that will improve the effectiveness and efficiency of the SPP OATT. The BPWG will develop practices that supplement, clarify, and enhance the understanding of OATT provisions and principles without violating those provisions and principles as well as coordinate with other working groups and committees as appropriate in the development of business practices.

**Scope of Activities**

In carrying out its purpose, the BPWG will:

1. Meet periodically to review existing business practices, discuss needed improvements, and propose new practices,
2. Evaluate existing or proposed business practices to determine their consistency with SPP OATT provisions, FERC Orders and other established FERC precedent,
3. Work closely with the Regional Tariff Working Group (RTWG) and SPP Staff to assess tariff revenue impacts and/or the need for tariff changes associated with new or modified business practices being proposed,
4. Work closely with the Operating Reliability Working Group (ORWG) and SPP Staff to assess reliability impacts associated with new or modified business practices being proposed,
5. Work closely with the Market Working Group (MWG) and SPP Staff to assess protocol impacts associated with new or modified business practices being proposed,
6. Submit new or modified business practices being proposed along with supporting rationale, implementation costs, reliability impacts, and any tariff changes or tariff revenue impacts to the Markets and Operations Policy Committee for approval.
7. Develop solutions and recommendations to commercial issues raised at other SPP forums.

8. Respond to special assignments from the Board of Directors, and Markets and Operations Policy Committee.

9. Work with SPP Staff and other SPP organizational groups to prioritize activities.

### **Representation**

BPWG membership will consist of a Chair, a Vice-Chair, and at least 6 but no more than 12 voting members. Representatives will consist of transmission customers under SPP's tariff, half of which will be merchant group affiliates of transmission owners with facilities under the SPP OATT.

### **Duration**

Permanent.

### **Reporting**

The BPWG reports to the Markets and Operations Policy Committee. As necessary the BPWG may appoint a member of the BPWG as a liaison to other working groups for specific issues or action items being coordinated.