



**MISO-SPP
Interregional Planning Stakeholder Advisory Committee
(IPSAC)**

July 13, 2018

**WebEx and Conference Call
2:30 to 4:30 pm ET / 1:30 to 3:30 pm CT**

Dial-in and WebEx information available at www.misoenergy.org

Meeting Notes

1. Introductions and Overview (D. Lopez)

a. Welcome and Roll Call

The meeting was called to order at 2:30 pm ET.

b. Review of Agenda

The agenda was reviewed and accepted as posted

2. Review of Stakeholder Feedback on CSP Process Improvements (A. Bell)

Adam Bell kicked off the stakeholder feedback presentation by reviewing the February 27th IPSAC meeting held at the SPP offices in Little Rock, AR. Adam reminded stakeholders that based on feedback from the IPSAC, MISO staff, and SPP staff that there would not be a CSP study performed in 2018. Staff will instead focus on new CSP process improvements.

Adam then reviewed the stakeholder feedback request that came out of the February IPSAC meeting and listed the 13 stakeholders that provided feedback by March 30th. Feedback received included several topics which included: Joint Model and Study Structure, Benefit Metrics, Project Criteria, Approval Process and Flexibility, MISO Voltage Threshold and additional feedback received.

Adam walked through each of these topics and summarized the stakeholder feedback. Valerie Green (Mississippi Public Service Commission and the Advisors for the Council of the City of New Orleans) disagreed that stakeholder feedback was split on whether or not to remove the joint model. Adam assured her that all of the stakeholder feedback was taken under advisement and that staff thought that feedback was split given that some stakeholders were open to removing the joint model, if other concerns were addressed. Most concerns were related to an equitable cost allocation if the joint model is removed. Davey Lopez added that some of the rationale used for MISO and SPP's proposal in the next agenda item was meant to address some of the concerns heard from stakeholders. Davey and Adam asked that stakeholders please raise concerns throughout the presentations that stakeholder feedback was welcomed and the purpose of today's meeting was for open dialogue on these topics.

On the MISO Voltage Threshold, Adam Bell stated that SPP continues to encourage MISO to pursue lowering its current 345 kV voltage threshold for interregional economic projects. Davey Lopez replied that MISO views the voltage threshold as strictly a regional issue and it is being discussed at MISO's Regional Expansion Criteria & Benefits Working Group. MISO's current proposal is to lower the voltage threshold for interregional economic projects with SPP to 100 kV, which is similar to the MISO-PJM process.

3. SPP-MISO Staff Proposal on CSP Process Enhancements (D. Lopez)

Davey Lopez shared MISO and SPP's proposal for enhancements to the CSP process. Those enhancements included: removing the joint model, removing the \$5 M cost threshold and evaluating projects by through Adjusted Production Cost (APC) and Avoided Cost benefits. Davey let stakeholders know that stakeholder feedback was heard and the proposal on these enhancements really tries to address stakeholder concerns.

Stakeholders expressed concern over an equitable cost allocation if the joint model is removed. Steve Gaw (The Wind Coalition) and Natalie McIntire (Wind on the Wires) stressed the need for MISO and SPP to develop an objective cost allocation rather than promising negotiations. Davey promised some cost allocation examples and more details and the next IPSAC meeting. Valerie Green added that it was good to hear MISO and SPP are talking about examples because they are needed.

Davey continued the discussion around benefit metrics and looking at APC and avoided cost for all potential future projects. This would broaden the current JOA benefit metrics and hopefully help with more opportunities for interregional projects. MISO and SPP will continue to explore additional metrics that may make sense for interregional projects in the future. There were several stakeholder questions regarding other benefit metrics such as transmission outages. Finally, Davey discussed removing the \$5 M cost threshold for interregional projects. Davey stated that past studies have shown that there have been some barriers because beneficial projects have not moved on in the process solely due to the cost threshold.

Stakeholders asked when MISO and SPP realistically believe another CSP study would begin. Adam answered by saying the RTOs hope to produce another CSP study in 2019 although filing timelines could interfere with that goal.

4. Next Steps (A. Bell & D. Lopez)

Davey and Adam said the next step would be to have some cost allocation examples and draft JOA redlines at an August IPSAC meeting that will be held via WebEx/Conference Call.

5. Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 4:30 pm ET.

Next Meeting: August 27, 2018 (WebEx/Conf Call)