



THE ORG REPORT: SEPTEMBER 2018

A monthly summary of organizational group activities.

AUGUST MEETING SUMMARIES

SCHEDULE 1A TASK FORCE (1ATF): AUG. 8

The 1ATF is developing a rate structure to allow SPP to recover its operations costs from users of its services. The 1ATF will complete its work with a recommendation to the Market and Operations Policy Committee and SPP Finance Committee within six months of formation. During its first meeting, the 1ATF approved its charter and reviewed various analyses prepared by staff, including RTO/ISO fee structure comparisons, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission expense category allocations, historical rate and expense analysis. The mission of the 1ATF is to develop a rate structure that adheres to the following broad principles: recover costs of operations from all users, rate design should be simple to implement and administer, with rates based on annual budget and forecasts while allowing for adjustments during the year.

CHANGE WORKING GROUP (CWG): AUG. 16

The CWG discussed upcoming markets, settlements, transmission congestion rights, the credit-stacking system and revenue, requirements and rates file releases. The group received an update on enhancements to the replicated data server, geomagnetic disturbance testing and marketplace training. The group learned of system impacts related to RR 266 (JOU Combined Single Resource Modeling Post Settlement Share Allocation).

MARKET WORKING GROUP (MWG): AUG. 6 & 14-15

During the Aug. 6 meeting, NextEra Energy provided an educational session on energy storage technology and applications. SPP presented an overview of the proposed market design to comply with FERC Order 841 (Electric Storage Participation in Markets Operated by RTOs and ISOs).

During the Aug. 14-15 meeting, the MWG approved RR 316 (MCR Plant and Group Min Down Time Parameter Addition), RR 288 (DVER Dispatch Instruction Rule Clean-up) SPP comments and the annual violation relaxation limits (VRLs) analysis. SPP staff presented a draft copy of the proposed language for Order 841. Other topics discussed are detailed in the MWG minutes posted on SPP.org.

[OPERATING RELIABILITY WORKING GROUP \(ORWG\): AUG. 1-2](#)

The ORWG approved the June meeting minutes, RR 266 (JOU Combined Single Resource Modeling), RR 305 (Attachment O and Business Practice 7060 Clarification) and an ORWG charter update. The ORWG approved the Primary Frequency Response Task Force nominations list and selected Allen George (Sunflower Electric Power Corporation) as the chairman. The group discussed the inverter-based generation integration study, RR 318 (CR Calculations), business practice review, ORWG/MWG joint wind management, transmission switching and RC notification and the System Restoration Task Force charter. The group heard updates on the Jan. 17 event, the generation retirement process, replicated data servers, the reliability communication tool, phasor measurement units and SPP in the west.

[OPERATIONS TRAINING WORKING GROUP \(OTWG\): AUG. 1 & 13](#)

The OTWG met twice in August to finalize planning for 2019 training events. The host sites for the 2019 System Operations Conferences have been determined, and members will work over the next two months to finalize the content for these conferences. In 2019, members and market participants will be able to take advantage of eight black-start drills, two partial-restoration drills, virtual instructor-led training sessions on requested topics and regional emergency operations training. Nearly 500 continuing education (CE) hours will be offered in 2019, excluding those CE hours provided by eLearning courses. The group will vote on the 2019 training calendar at the September meeting. The group elected a new vice chairman, Michael Gaunder (OG&E), and added a new member, Gary Reed (NPPD).

UPCOMING MEETINGS

To view the current schedule of meetings, [visit the SPP.org calendar](#).

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