



Southwest Power Pool, Inc.
TRANSMISSION WORKING GROUP MEETING
May 5, 2020
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SUMMARY OF MOTIONS AND APPROVALS

- Approved RR 390 – Net Dependable Capacity

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MINUTES

AGENDA ITEM 1 – ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS

Transmission Working Group (TWG) Chair Nathan McNeil, Midwest Energy, Inc., called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m. The following members were in attendance or represented by proxy:

Derek Brown (Vice Chairman), KCP&L and Westar, Evergy Companies
John Boshears, City Utilities of Springfield Missouri
Scott Benson, Lincoln Electric Systems
Jarred Cooley, Xcel Energy
Clifford Franklin, Sunflower Electric Power Corporation
Kalun Kelley, Western Farmers
Joe Fultz, Grand River Dam Authority
James Ging, Kansas Power Pool
Joshua Verzal, Omaha Public Power District
Steve Hardebeck, OG&E
Chris Pink, Tri-State Generation and Transmission Association, Inc.
Shane McMinn, Golden Spread Electric Cooperative
Michael Mueller, Arkansas Electric Cooperative Corporation

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John Knofczynski, East River Electric Power Cooperative
Randy Lindstrom, Nebraska Public Power District
Jim McAvoy, Oklahoma Municipal Power Authority
Matt McGee, American Electric Power
Michael Wegner, ITC Holdings
Nate Morris, Empire District Electric Company
John Payne, Kansas Electric Power Cooperative
Jason Shook, GDS Associates
Phil Westby, Basin Electric Power Cooperative
Noman Williams, GridLiance High Plains LLC
Gayle Nansel, WAPA

Proxies:

Steve Hohman for Joshua Verzal (OPPD)
Rick Johnson for John Payne (KEPCO)

Adam Bell (SPP) confirmed there was a quorum and provided the antitrust statement. Nathan McNeil reviewed the agenda for any changes.

CONSENT AGENDA ITEM – MEETING MINUTES

The consent agenda consisted of four previous sets of TWG meeting minutes. (Attachment 01ei)

- February 4-5, 2020
- March 4, 2020
- April 7, 2020 (Joint TWG/ESWG/PCWG)
- April 9, 2020

Motion: Derek Brown (Evergy) made a motion for TWG to approve the consent agenda which included previous meeting minutes. Jason Shook (GDS) seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

AGENDA ITEM 2 – JANUARY 17TH, 2018 FERC REPORT AND RECOMMENDATIONS

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Casey Cathey, SPP Staff, informed the group of the report and recommendations issued by the FERC related to the January 17, 2018 Cold-Weather occurrence. Mr. Cathey tied the presentation and FERC recommendations to some of SPP's current activities. (Attachment 02 - January 17th, 2018 FERC report and recommendations)

AGENDA ITEM 3 – TPL-001-4 ASSESSMENT SCOPE (APPROVAL ITEM)

Melanie Hill, SPP Staff, provided the group the TPL assessment scope for 2021. The group reviewed changes from the 2020 version to the one that was posted for the meeting. There was a request that staff provide a redlined version of the scope to allow for the TWG to adequately review all the edits. Mrs. Hill informed the group staff would post the redlined version and pursue approval of the TPL scope at the next TWG meeting. (Attachment 03 – TPL-001-4 Assessment Scope)

AGENDA ITEM 4 – RR 390 - NET DEPENDABLE CAPACITY IN ATTACHMENT F (APPROVAL ITEM)

Bryce Bowie, SPP Staff, overviewed revision request 390 with the TWG. RR390 revised attachment F of the SPP OATT, regarding net dependable capacity. Mr. Bowie informed the group the TWG was responsible for secondary approval of the RR. (Attachment 04 – RR 390)

Motion: Scott Benson (LES) made a motion for TWG to approve RR390 on net dependable capacity. Derek Brown (Evergy) seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

AGENDA ITEM 5 – HITT T3 / AQITF UPDATE

Jason Davis, SPP Staff, informed the group of recent activity regarding HITT Transmission Planning Initiative #3. Mr. Davis made the group aware of some of the concepts being considered by the AQITF to accomplish HITT T3. (Attachment 05 – HITT T3 / AQITF Update)

AGENDA ITEM 6 – HITT T1 / NEDTF UPDATE

Derek Brown (Evergy) provided an update to the TWG on the efforts of the NRIS, ERIS, and Deliverability Task Force. Mr. Brown specifically focused on work related to the HITT initiative assigned to the TWG. (Attachment 06 – NEDTF / HITT T1 Update)

AGENDA ITEM 7 – EVALUATING SPONSORED UPGRADES FOR Z2 CREDITS (TWG AI 188)

Chris Davis, SPP Staff, provided an update to the TWG on the TWG Action Item 188. The action item was to review the process for evaluation sponsored upgrades for Z2 Credits. Mr. Davis went over the process SPP uses to accomplish this evaluation and answered questions. The agenda item was concluded with the group agreeing that TWG Action Item 188 had been satisfied and the action item was considered closed. (Attachment 07 – TWG AI 188)

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AGENDA ITEM 8 – TO PROJECT EVALUATION

Michael Odom, SPP Staff, provided an update on the proposed new TO Project Evaluation Process or Zonal Upgrade Study Process. Mr. Odom let the group know that SPP staff was still internally working on developing a whitepaper to better detail out process. More information will be provided on this topic at future TWG meetings. (Attachment 08 – TO Project Evaluation)

AGENDA ITEM 9 – TWG / MOPC ACTION ITEMS

Due to time constraints this item will be addressed at a future TWG meeting.

AGENDA ITEM 10 – TWG GOALS

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AGENDA ITEM 11 – ACTION ITEMS, FUTURE MEETINGS, AND IMPORTANT DATES

Adam Bell, SPP Staff, reviewed any new action items and noted an out of cycle meeting would likely be scheduled in late May to address the items that were missed in this meeting. Nathan McNeil (Midwest Energy) adjourned the open session of the TWG at 12:06pm

Closed Session

AGENDA ITEM 1 – MOD-030 FLOWGATE ASSESSMENT REVIEW (APPROVAL ITEM)

Motion: Matt McGhee (AEP) made a motion for TWG to approved the Flowgate Assessment. Randy Lindstrom (NPPD) seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

The TRM Analysis associated with the MOD-030 Flowgate Assessment will be asked for approval via email or at a future TWG meeting, once questions are addressed.

AGENDA ITEM 2 – 2020 PRC-023-4 ANNUAL ASSESSMENT (APPROVAL ITEM)

Motion: Nate Morris (Liberty) made a motion for TWG to approved the 2020 PRC-023-04 Annual Assessment. Jason Shook (GDS) seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

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