

**SOUTHWEST POWER POOL**  
Markets + Development Update – Governance Design Session V  
Governance Straw Proposal Review  
June 2, 2022

**SUMMARY OF MOTIONS AND ACTION ITEMS**

**MOTIONS:**

No motions were taken.

**ACTION ITEMS:**

No new action items were taken.

**MEETING NOTES**

Bruce Rew (SPP) welcomed everyone and reviewed the agenda for the meeting. The first session for the day was a review of the Governance Design Team Straw Proposal.

Paul Suskie began the review by stating that the principles in the governance straw proposal are consistent with how SPP has historically worked with stakeholders – letting stakeholders drive with SPP acting as facilitator. Paul described how the proposal balances: (1) the consensus views of stakeholders to the maximum extent possible; (2) consideration of what FERC may approve; (3) SPP’s best practices; and (4) minimizing the impact to SPP, Inc. He then reviewed some definitions (i.e., Market Participants, Market Stakeholders, and Non-Voting Stakeholders) that are used in the straw proposal. Finally, Paul reviewed the overall structure of the governance for Markets+ by describing the schematic components.

Kara Fornstrom (SPP) then discussed the two participation phases in Markets+. The first phase is the Funded Investigation where entities make a non-refundable deposit to develop the market protocols, governing documents and the tariff to be filed with FERC. During the initial phase, SPP will leverage the governance structure described in the straw proposal to determine consensus among stakeholders. Phase two is the implementation stage where, after FERC approval, SPP will incur the costs to develop or acquire software necessary to build the market and its processes where participating entities have committed financially and will be integrated into the system.

Paul then went into more detail on the structure of the governance model beginning with the SPP Board of Directors oversight and how the Markets+ Independent Panel (MIP) would be established and nominated. He then discussed how the SPP Board of Directors functions and how the members of the Board are currently selected. Paul provided additional details about each of

the current Board members. He spoke generally about the current Corporate Governance Committee, who selects SPP Board members, and the composition of that committee. Paul then reviewed, in more detail, the composition of the MIP, how it would function and the qualifications they would be expected to have. Four of the MIP members would be selected by a sector-based nominating committee. Paul discussed the composition of the Markets+ Participants Executive Committee and its authorities, including appointment of working groups and ad hoc task forces. He reviewed how appeals of any issue would be handled. Then, Paul introduced the Markets+ State Committee and how it would be structured, funded, and its authorities. He stated that each committee, working group and task force would have a SPP Staff Secretary, who will be independent, impartial and fair. Kara reviewed how the governance model will be reviewed in the future. She then discussed the "Plus 3 Option" that require proposals for potential modification of SPP's governance documents.

Kara opened up the floor for questions on the straw proposal. After a number of questions from the group, Kara reviewed future webinars and a written comment opportunity for the Governance Design Team.

#### **SCHEDULE:**

- June 24 – Governance Design Team Webinar (11:00-1:00 CDT)
  - SPP to present revised straw proposal
- July 15 – Written Comments Due
- July 22 – Governance Design Team Webinar (11:00-1:00 CDT)
  - SPP to summarize written comments