



**SOUTHWEST POWER POOL**  
**IMPROVED RESOURCE AVAILABILITY TASK FORCE (IRATF)**  
July 21, 2022

Conference Call

## SUMMARY OF MOTIONS AND ACTION ITEMS

**MOTION:** Move to approve the consent agenda. (Jim Jacoby (AEP) moved/Tom Hestermann (Sunflower) seconded.) Motion passed unanimously.

**MOTION:** Move to approve SIR382 RPA 2.14 the Generation Retirement Evaluation and Process Improvement white paper as a basis for stakeholder discussion and development of governing document changes with the understanding that this document does not provide for or endorse a process that would permit SPP to explicitly reject or delay a requested generator retirement. (John Krajewski (NPRB) moved/Lane Sisung (LAPSC) seconded.) Motion passed unanimously.

**MOTION:** Move to approve a new initiative, RPA 2.15, as modified during the IRATF meeting. (Hestermann moved/Allen Klassen (Evergy) seconded.) Motion passed unanimously.

**MOTION:** Move to close initiative SIR 229 RPA 2.9. (Jacoby moved/Valerie Weigel (BEPC) seconded.) Motion passed unanimously.

**MOTION:** Move to close initiative SIR 212 FA 2.3. (Jacoby moved/Bryn Wilson (OG&E) seconded.) Motion passed unanimously.



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**MINUTES**

**AGENDA ITEM 1 – CALL TO ORDER, INTRODUCTIONS AND ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS**

Vice Chair Natasha Henderson (Golden Spread) called the meeting to order and a quorum was established.

**AGENDA ITEM 2 – CONSENT AGENDA**

**MOTION:** Move to approve the consent agenda. (Jim Jacoby (AEP) moved/Tom Hestermann (Sunflower) seconded.) Motion passed unanimously.

**AGENDA ITEM 3 – REVIEW IRATF TRACKING REPORT**

Erin Cathey (SPP) reviewed the IRATF tracking report. The MMU gap analysis is complete. Identified gaps between the MMU initiatives and the IRATF initiatives will be discussed at the August 24, 2022 IRATF meeting. John Krajewski (NPRB) will provide a list of initiatives for further discussion next month during the IRATF tracking report.

**AGENDA ITEM 4 – APPROVAL: SIR234 RESOURCE PLANNING AND AVAILABILITY 2.14**

Lee Elliott (SPP) reviewed the Generation Retirement Evaluation and Process Improvement white paper. The white paper is a basis for stakeholder discussion and development of governing document changes. This document does not provide SPP the authority to stop a generator from retiring.

**MOTION:** Move to approve SIR382 RPA 2.14 Generation Retirement Evaluation and Process Improvement white paper as a basis for stakeholder discussion and development of governing document changes with the understanding that this document does not provide for or endorse a process that would permit SPP to explicitly reject or delay a requested generator retirement. (Krajewski moved/Lane Sisung (LAPSC) seconded.) Motion passed unanimously.

#### **AGENDA ITEM 5 – APPROVAL: NEW TIER 1 INITIATIVE RESOURCE PLANNING AND AVAILABILITY 2.15**

Yasser Bahbaz (SPP) reviewed a proposed initiative to develop a compensation mechanism to incentivize continued operation of resources until associated reliability impacts can be mitigated. MOPC action item 309 directed staff to review other RTO/ISO methods used to compensate generators for continuing to run in order to mitigate reliability impacts. Initial discussions have occurred at the Market Working Group (MWG). The new objective will be to “evaluate a compensation mechanism associated with Generation Retirement Process to incentivized continued operation of resources until associated reliability impacts can be mitigated.”

**MOTION:** Move to approve a new initiative, RPA 2.15, as modified during the IRATF meeting. (Hestermann moved/Allen Klassen (Evergy) seconded.) Motion passed unanimously.

#### **AGENDA ITEM 6 – APPROVAL: SIR229 RESOURCE PLANNING AND AVAILABILITY 2.9**

Casey Cathey (SPP) reviewed the completion of studies and processes used to understand the adequate generation to withstand extreme events and seasonal demands (LOLE studies and ELCC). Cathey reviewed the transmission planning processes to be implemented (SCRIPT PPI numbers SIR156, SIR158 and SIR160) and SIR301 Tier 2 WWE TXP2.1.

**MOTION:** Move to close initiative SIR 229 Resource Planning and Availability 2.9. (Jacoby moved/Valerie Weigel (BEPC) seconded.) Motion passed unanimously.

#### **AGENDA ITEM 7 – SIR212 FUEL ASSURANCE 2.3**

Barbara Stroope (SPP) reviewed the steps SPP has taken across various organizations including ISO/RTO Council, NERC and NAESB. Additionally, SPP has engaged various gas suppliers and pipeline operators to ensure communication and understanding. SPP is exploring a potential headcount addition to increase gas/electric coordination and will continue to engage organizations as part of SPP’s responsibility as an RTO.

**MOTION:** Move to close initiative SIR212 Fuel Assurance 2.3. (Jacoby moved/Bryn Wilson (OG&E) seconded.) Motion passed unanimously.

#### **AGENDA ITEM 8 – SIR212 FUEL ASSURANCE 2.2**

Stroope reported that SPP has presented an initial education and timeline to the Market Working Group on possible gas cap solutions. In the third quarter, SPP will present a position paper of options to the IRATF.

## AGENDA ITEM 9 – FUTURE MEETINGS

### **2022 Meeting Schedule**

- *August 24, 2022 – Conference Call (1:00 pm)*
- *September 21, 2022 – Conference Call (1:00 pm)*
- *October 19, 2022 – Conference Call (1:00 pm)*
- *November 16, 2022 – Conference Call (1:00 pm)*
- *December 14, 2022 – Conference Call (1:00 pm)*

MEETING ADJOURNED.



## **MEMBERS**

Ted Thomas (ARPSC) - Chair  
Natasha Henderson (Golden Spread) - Vice Chair  
Allen Klassen (Evergy)  
Jeff Wells (GRDA) (proxy for Bryn Wilson)  
Jim Jacoby (AEP)  
John Krajewski (NPRB)

Lane Sisung (LAPSC)  
Randy Christmann (NDPSC)  
Shari Albrecht (KCC)  
Tom Hestermann (Sunflower)  
Valerie Weigel (BEPC)  
Victor Schock (NDPSC)

## **PARTICIPANTS**

Aaron Castleberry (OGE)  
Allen Klassen (Evergy)  
Ashley Gibbons (Xcel)  
Bakhtawar Khan (Gabel Assoc)  
Barbara Stroope (SPP)  
Bert Bressers (SPP)  
Brad Cochran (OG&E)  
Brian Rounds (AESL)  
Bryn Wilson (OGE)  
Calvin Daniels (WFEC)  
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Casey Cathey (SPP)  
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Charles Yeung (SPP)  
Chris Bultsma (WAPA)  
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Christine Aarnes (Sunflower)  
CJ Brown (SPP)  
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Kristie Fiegen (SDPUC)  
Kylah McNabb (Vesta)  
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John Stephens (CUS)

William Vestal (SPP)  
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