

**SOUTHWEST POWER POOL, INC.**  
**Load Forecasting Task Force Meeting**

**Net Conference**

**November 5<sup>th</sup>, 2024: 8:00 am – 12:00 pm**

**\*Meeting Minutes\***

**Meeting Attendance**

Cochran, Brad	Oklahoma Gas & Electric
Olsen, Connor	Arkansas Electric Cooperative Corporation
Hebble, Eric	Golden Spread
Harris, Mark	American Electric Power
Maddock, JP	Basin
Flucke, Jim	Evergy
Brown, Scott	NextEra
Rosenkranz, Jason	Nebraska Public Power District
Goodenough, John	SPS
Beck, Betsy	Google
Cocklin, Joe	Lincoln Electric System

**Administrative Items**

1. LFTF Chair, Brad Cochran, called the meeting to order at 08:00 AM on November 5<sup>th</sup>, 2024
2. Roll call and review of proxies
3. Agenda review

**Approval Item**

Motion: Motion to approve meeting minutes from the 10/8/2024 LFTF meeting.

JP Maddock made the motion. It was seconded by Jason Rosenkranz. Motion passed unanimously through verbal approval, no abstentions.

**RTO Presentations**

Arthur Maniaci from NYISO presented load forecasting practices. He introduced their Load Forecasting Task Force and how it collaborates with other committees within NYISO. He described the LF manual which sets criteria for acceptance of a forecast. He also went over long-term forecasts, hourly forecasts, sources of variation, weather normalization, issues, and challenges.

ISO-NE's Jonathan Black presented long term load forecasting for his organization. He described the forecasting challenges from the past decade and how ISO-NE has responded to these challenges. Some of the recent changes are forecasts of energy-efficiency measures, forecasts of DERs, and forecasts of heating electrification. In 2025, they are anticipated to transition to an hourly forecast framework. He also explained stakeholder involvement through the Load Forecast Committee.

### **Member Presentations**

Betsy Beck gave a presentation on Data Center Load Forecasting. She described Google's demand growth and some of the considerations when developing a data center.

### **SPP Staff Presentation**

Alex Crawford brought forward a request from the Supply Adequacy Working Group for the LFTF to develop a weather normalized process for actual data prior to January 2025. John Goodenough, Jim Flucke, Jason Rosencranz, and Connor Olsen were identified as LFTF members who can assist with this request. A meeting was scheduled between SPP RA staff and these individuals to follow up on this request.

Afshin Salehian gave a presentation on risks and uncertainties in forecasting. He highlighted the discrepancy between the transmission planning and resource adequacy demand forecasts to frame the problem and show how risks and uncertainties may impact accuracy of forecasts.

### **Future Meetings**

2025 meeting schedule will be posted in the coming weeks.

### **Administrative Items**

4. Brad Cochran adjourned the meeting at 12:07 PM on November 5<sup>th</sup>, 2024

Respectfully submitted,

Sonny Bandak