1. Welcome, Call to Order

Glen Blackmon, Western Renewable Energy Generation Information System Committee (WC) Chair, called the meeting to order at 10:04 a.m. on September 9, 2022, MT. A quorum was present to conduct business. A list of attendees is attached as Exhibit A.

2. Review WECC Antitrust Policy

Andrea Coon, WREGIS Director, read the WECC Antitrust Policy. The meeting agenda included a link to the posted policy.

3. Approve Agenda

Mr. Blackmon introduced the proposed meeting agenda; Deana Carrillo raised the motion and Nathan Gallegos seconded it; there was no objection, and members approved the agenda.

4. Review and Approve Previous Meeting Minutes

Mr. Blackmon introduced the minutes from the October 7, 2021, and asked for a motion to approve the minutes; Anne-Marie Cuneo raised the motion, Ms. Carrillo abstained; there were no objections, and members approved the minutes.

5. WREGIS Director Report

Ms. Coon announced that the WC's election period closed on September 8, 2022, and the reelection of Ms. Cuneo and Nathan Gallegos for a two-year term at WC and congratulated and thanked them for their work.

Ms. Coon reported:

- WREGIS has 1,155 active Account Holders (AH), which represents an increase of 8% in comparison to 2021 but did not reach the 10% of new AHs gained on year 2020.
- WREGIS is tracking 9,000 generating units (GU), but one-third of those GUs include small-scale aggregation units where 1,165 are rooftop solar.
- A special trend with large scale hydro's AHs where they are tracking all their outputs due to programs requirements. This trend is not only in Washington, but also includes some Western Area Power Administration (WAPA) and Colorado territories.
- WREGIS is currently managing 13 programs in several states and provinces, and it is anticipated this number will increase next year due to 2025-year compliance.

- WREGIS's new software is scheduled to launch the first week of November 2022 with a prior 2-week blackout period (BP)
  - BP is arranged for data validation to verify everything is accurate in the transition from the old software to the new one. The transition will occur first for AHs and Qualified Reporting Entities (QRE), and then the Programs Administrators (PA).
  - During the BP, WREGIS will provide training according to the transition's phase, i.e., first AH and QRE, and PA later in the month. PAs will have a general training and then an intensive one-on-one training.
  - Future trainings will be task-based, demos, how to do things, not necessarily general explanations.
    - When stakeholders are confident on how the new system works, WREGIS will go back to regular online scheduled trainings starting next year.
- WREGIS's financial inputs are good, even the expenses raised during last year. Reserves made during the past decade, specifically intended to fund big projects or a system overhaul, helped WREGIS keep a reasonable spending budget.
  - WREGIS is not considering raising any fees in the coming fiscal year. If it is necessary to raise fees, the increase will be minimal.
  - WREGIS's new system will simplify the fee structure.
- Emerging trends in green hydrogen, hourly REC tracking, carbon, and other types of green gases will impact WREGIS at 2023 midterm.
  - WREGIS hourly REC tracking will be ready in six months.
  - Effects of green hydrogen will probably occur earlier than WREGIS expected because many groups in the West are working on it.
  - As in the past, WREGIS will consider any proposal that comes from the groups working in these emerging trends.

No questions were raised, and Ms. Coon ended her report.

6. WREGIS SAC Chair Report

John Pappas reported that:

- WREGIS SAC had eight meetings.

- Three new Program Change Requests (PCR) were introduced for 2022—245, 246, and 247, by WAPA, Pacific Gas and Electric Company, and Oregon Department of Energy, respectively. All needed to be implemented in the new WREGIS software at the beginning of 2023. WREGIS approved all PCRs.

- In the WREGIS SAC meeting of April 5, 2022, WREGIS announced the M-RETS agreement for the new WREGIS software that will launch in November 2022.

- The subsequent WREGIS SAC meetings handled the status and logistics of the new WREGIS software and Payment Portal.

- On July 29, 2022, WREGIS circulated the WREGIS Operating Rules (WOR) and Terms of Use (TOU) for comments. Only two parties submitted comments.

No questions raised and Mr. Papas ended with his report.

7. Review and Approve Changes to the Terms of Use and Operating Rules

Mr. Blackmon announced WC staff received the WOR and TOU redline versions, comments, and responses to the comments from WREGIS. Mr. Blackmon asked whether members had questions or needed clarification.

Ms. Coon clarified that the changes and edits made in both documents were to align them with the new WREGIS software and its functions and to create better understanding of WREGIS rules and procedures. She stated that WREGIS took the opportunity to discard some appendixes that were not used and explained why WREGIS prepared the two summary documents instead of sending redlined versions. Ms. Coon also stated the summary documents explain the changes and structure of the new documents in a clear and concise way, which gave stakeholders a better understanding of the proposed changes and edits. Ms. Coon also stated WREGIS received and posted two comments and their respective responses to WAPA and Center for Resource Solutions (CRS), the entities that sent comments.

Mr. Blackmon asked for a motion to approve the new WOR and TOU. Ms. Cuneo raised the motion to approve both documents; no objections were raised, and the motion was approved. Mr. Blackmon thanked WREGIS staff for their work and the stakeholders that submitted the comments in this process of updating both documents.

8. Public Comments

No comments.

9. Review of New Actions

The new WOR and TOU will be in effect when WREGIS's new software goes live.

10. Adjourn

Mr. Blackmon adjourned the meeting without objection at 10:43 a.m.