

Production Cost Data Subcommittee Meeting Minutes April 19, 2022 Virtual

1. Welcome, Call to Order

Jamie Austin, Production Cost Data Subcommittee (PCDS) Chair, called the meeting to order at 10:34 a.m. on April 19, 2022. A quorum was present to conduct business. A list of attendees is attached as Exhibit A.

2. Review WECC Antitrust Policy

Tyler Butikofer, System Adequacy Planning Engineer, read aloud the WECC Antitrust Policy statement. The meeting agenda included a link to the posted policy.

3. Approve Agenda

Ms. Austin introduced the proposed meeting agenda.

On a motion by Chifong Thomas, the PCDS approved the agenda.

4. Review and Approve Previous Meeting Minutes

Ms. Austin introduced the minutes from the meeting on April 5, 2022.

On a motion by Chifong Thomas the PCDS approved the minutes from Aril 5, 2022.

The minutes from the meeting on April 12, 2022, will be approved during the next meeting.

5. Validating the GridView with fully Integrated Software Upgrades (including Weekly-Hydro)

Kostas Oikonomou, Pacific Northwest National Lab (PNNL), presented on validating the GridView (GV) with the fully integrated software upgrades including the weekly hydro. The final evaluation included the weekly hydro dispatch logic, and the modeling enhancements. Mr. Oikonomou presented the software updates with the new GV version 10.3.24. There was a comparison done between the new, and old version. The dispatch in the new version results in an increase in hydro generation in the Northwest region, and results in reduced output of natural gas in the Northwest and California. The presentation included a comparison of both versions showing the impacts of the hydro dispatch between core Columbia, and Lower Snake Plants. There was also a comparison between the balancing authorities. He presented the relationship between key optimization parameters for the weekly dispatch logic in the new GV version, the hourly dispatch for selected weeks in the new version, and the total interchange in



the power flows (PF). The purpose of the presentation is to decide which version to use. The PCDS held a discussion about using the new GridView Version.

Motion made by Steven Wallace, the PCDS approved to use the new GridView version 10.3.24 for the 2032 anchor dataset (ADS) that incorporates all the enhancements, and to use the new hydro data developed by PNNL. An amendment was added to the initial motion that allows for consideration of timely added enhancements to the software, and bug fixes.

The presentation is posted to the WECC website.

6. CO2 Price Forecast

Mr. Butikofer presented on implementing the CO2 price forecast for 2022 in the workbook as was approved at the preceding PCDS meeting. The spreadsheet focuses on California CO2 pricing. British Columbia's information is still needed. The spreadsheet is currently using British Columbia's pricing from the 2030 ADS.

Motion made by Steven Wallace, the PCDS approved to accept the CO2 workbook, concept, and the values that are in it as the representation of the 2032 ADS modeling. Future updates will be considered as prompted.

The presentation is posted to the WECC website.

7. Developing the Loads Hourly Forecast

Mr. Butikofer gave an update on developing the loads hourly forecast. The 2018 load shed should be complete this week.

8. Review of Old and New Action Items

- Update the 2032 ADS hydro portion with information provided by Kostas.
 - o Assigned To: Tyler Butikofer, Kostas Oikonomou
 - o Due Date: April 26, 2022
- Present the loads hourly forecast during the next meeting as available.
 - Assigned To: Tyler Butikofer
 - o Due Date: April 26, 2022

9. Public Comment

Ms. Austin said that NREL has updated their hourly profiles, and that it is now available online.



10. Review Upcoming Meetings

April 26, 2022,	Virtual
May 3, 2022	Virtual
May 10, 2022	Virtual.

11. Adjourn

Ms. Austin adjourned the meeting without objection at 11:52 a.m.



Exhibit A: Attendance List

Members in Attendance

Jamie Austin	PacifiCorp
Kevin Harris	Pacific Northwest National Laboratory
Hank McIntosh	San Diego Gas and Electric
Effat Moussa	San Diego Gas and Electric
Chifong Thomas	Thomas Grid Advisor
Steven Wallace	
Yi Zhang	California Independent System Operator
Members not in Attendance	
Lee Alter	
Hazel Aragon	
Ben Brownlee	
Jose Diaz	Los Angeles Department of Water and Power
Christopher Fecke-Stoudt	Arizona Public Service Company
Monica Garcia	El Paso Electric Company
Manuel Gomez	El Paso Electric Company
Michael Granados	Los Angeles Department of Water and Power
Chris Hagman	
Bill Hosie	
Tito Inga-Rojas	British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority
Anders Johnson	Bonneville Power Administration—Transmission
Harris Lee	Salt River Project
Amy Li	Southern California Edison Company
John Liang	Public Utility District No. 1 of Snohomish County
Peter Mackin	GridBright, Inc.
Akhil Mandadi	Arizona Public Service Company
John D. Martinsen	Public Utility District No. 1 of Snohomish County



Ahlmahz Negash	
Daniel Ramirez	Energy Strategies
Xiaobo Wang	California Independent System Operator
Stan Williams	Bonneville Power Administration—Transmission
Di Xiao	Southern California Edison Company
Others in Attendance	
Dave Angell	
Tyler Butikofer	WECC
Stan Holland	WECC
Jon Jensen	WECC
Richard Jensen	
Bhavana Katyal	WECC
BK Ketineni	WECC
Nicole Lee	WECC
Hongyan Li	Hitachi Energy
Kostos Oikonmou	Pacific Northwest National Laboratory
Emily Tozier	Salt River Project
Nathlie Voisin	Pacific Northwest Natinal Laboratory

