

# Production Cost Data Subcommittee Meeting Minutes August 3, 2022 Virtual

#### 1. Welcome, Call to Order

Jamie Austin, Production Cost Data Subcommittee (PCDS) Chair, called the meeting to order at 9:04 a.m. MT on August 3, 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 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 Chelsea Loomis, the PCDS approved the agenda.

#### 4. Review and Approve Previous Meeting Minutes

The previous meeting minutes will be approved during a future meeting.

# Status of addressing discrepancies in BAA level Generation by technology, L&R versus 2032 ADS

Mr. Butikofer presented the status of addressing discrepancies in balance authority area (BAA) level generation by technology for the loads and resources (L&R) versus the 2032 Anchor Data Set (ADS). The combined cycles and the gas turbines are showing the biggest differences. After the max capacity is decided the discrepancies should be fixed.

Jon Jensen, System Adequacy Engineer, presented a spreadsheet showing the biggest differences by area for hydro capacity. British Columbia (BC) hydro is showing a large discrepancy along with large units for Bonneville Power Administration (BPA) and will need further research. The PCDS discussed that the weekly hydro data might be different than the generator list. The output restriction could be coming from the power flow (PF) combined unit restrictions. There will be contact with the transmission planners to verify this isn't the cause of the discrepancies. Concern was expressed about implementing what came through the L&R capacity and that discrepancies should be researched.

The presentation is posted to the WECC website.



#### 6. Pmax to use in the PCM

Kevin Harris, Pacific Northwest National Laboratory (PNNL), presented the Pmax to use in the Production Cost Model (PCM). Rules are needed to assist with time and to assist with the guidelines. The PCDS discussed the percentage of discrepancies that are acceptable to follow. Discrepancies are not wanted but the smaller ones will take too much time to address.

#### On a motion by Steven Wallace, the PCDS approved the following threshold:

- Address issue if the difference greater than the lesser of 5% or 25 MW and ignore difference less or equal to 1 MW
- Denote how WECC resolves any issue.

The presentation is posted to the WECC website.

# 7. Develop and summarize a "Observation/Issues List" of pending issues with assignments and timeline

This will be presented during a future meeting.

## 8. Addressing Unserved BAA Loads: PSCO, WACM and CFE

This will be presented during a future meeting.

## 9. Result of Analyses, Fixing Alberta Resources issues

Steven Wallace, Comprehensive Power Solutions (CPS), led the discussion on the results of analyses fixing Alberta resource issues. Mr. Wallace improved the flows by cutting the CO2 penalty in half to reflect that Alberta would not rely on imports from other areas.

Yi Zhang, California Independent System Operator (CAISO), presented the results of analyses fixing Alberta resource issues. The PCDS discussed that adjusting phase shifters and the CO2 price will help fix issues. Washington and Oregon passed a law to not be carbon neutral in the future. Washington and Oregon generators will need some sort of carbon cost in the model to implement this law. This will be determined at a later time.

The presentation is posted to the WECC website.

# 10. BPA Hydro Data \_ Report on an agreement that there is no need to change the Daily Operating range for BPA

This will be presented during a future meeting.



# 11. Addressing sustained Congestion on Transmission Paths and Branches

This will be presented during a future meeting.

#### 12. Public Comment

No comments were offered.

#### 13. Review New Action Items

• Reach a conclusion with the CO2 in Alberta and Washington.

o Assigned To: The PCDS

o Due Date: August 10, 2022

# 14. Upcoming Meetings

August 17, 2022	Virtual
August 24, 2022	Virtual
August 31, 2022	Virtual

## 15. Adjourn

Mr. Harris, PCDS Vice Chair, adjourned the meeting without objection at 10:42 a.m.



# **Exhibit A: Attendance List**

## **Members in Attendance**

Jamie Austin	
Michael Granados	Los Angeles Department of Water and Power
Kevin Harris	
John Liang	
Chelsea Loomis	Western Power Pool (formerly Northwest Power Pool Corporation)
Hank McIntosh	San Diego Gas and Electric
Effat Moussa	San Diego Gas and Electric
Matthew Stajcar	
Chifong Thomas	
Steven Wallace	
Stan Williams	Bonneville Power Administration—Transmission
Yi Zhang	
Members not in Attendance	
Lee Alter	
Hazel Aragon	
Jose Diaz	Los Angeles Department of Water and Power
Christopher Fecke-Stoudt	
Jonathon Flores	Los Angeles Department of Water and Power
Monica Garcia	
Manuel Gomez	
Chris Hagman	
Bill Hosie	PSI Power System Innovation Corp.
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



Peter Mackin	GridBright, Inc.
Akhil Mandadi	Arizona Public Service Company
John D. Martinsen	
Kimberly McClafferty	
Ahlmahz Negash	Tacoma Power
Daniel Ramirez	
Sirisha Tanneeru	Public Service Company of Colorado (Xcel Energy)
Emily Tozier	Salt River Project
Xiaobo Wang	California Independent System Operator
Di Xiao	
Others in Attendance	
Tyler Butikofer	WECC
Nick Hatton	WECC
Stan Holland	WECC
Jon Jensen	WECC
Richard Jensen	
Bhavana Katyal	WECC
BK Ketineni	WECC
Luba Kravchuk	California Independent System Operator
Nicole Lee	WECC
Katie Rogers	WECC
Louis Vigil	El Paso Electric Company
Byron Woertz	WECC

