

Studies Subcommittee
DRAFT Meeting Minutes
July 16, 2024
Virtual

1. Welcome, Call to Order

Matt Zapotocky, Studies Subcommittee (StS) Liaison, called the meeting to order at 10:02 a.m. MT on July 16, 2024. A quorum was present to conduct business. A list of attendees is attached as Exhibit A.

2. Review WECC Antitrust Policy

Mr. Zapotocky read aloud the WECC Antitrust Policy statement. The meeting agenda included a link to the posted policy.

3. Approve Agenda

Thomas Carr introduced the proposed meeting agenda.

On a motion by Mr. Carr, the StS approved the agenda.

4. Review and Approve Previous Meeting Minutes

Mr. Carr introduced the minutes from the meeting on March 20, 2024.

On a motion by Karen Reedy, the StS approved the minutes from March 20, 2024.

5. Review Previous Action Items

Natalie Carter, Administrative Coordinator, reviewed action items carried over from the StS meeting on March 20, 2024.

6. Review and Approve Annual Progress Report

Doug Tucker, Senior Reliability Assessment Engineer, reviewed the 2024 Annual Progress Report. There was an Opposition Letter submitted, and waivers have been approved.

On a motion by Chifong Thomas, the StS approved the 2024 Annual Progress Report.

7. 2023 Study Program Update and Results

Katie Rogers, Reliability Assessment Manager, presented the Y20 Compound Load Impacts Study. Some observations were that electrification could stress peak demand hours based on the Y20FC assumptions, and demand response could help custom shaping based on subregion.



Jon Jensen, Reliability Modeling Engineer, presented on the Y20 Cold Weather Event Study. The goal for this study was to identify vulnerabilities during an extreme cold weather event. To do this, there was a need to develop a Year 20 dataset, define an extreme weather scenario, and translate extreme weather into a power system model.

Amanda Sargent, Senior Resource Adequacy Analyst, presented on the Y20 Extreme Heat Event Study (pre-recorded). The purpose for this study is to record changing climate risks and trends. There were other extreme heat studies suggested that could be explored in the future.

8. Geomagnetic Disturbance Studies

Patrick Truong with Sacramento Municipal Utilities District gave a presentation on TPL-007-4 R4 and R8 going forward. The options that were presented were each member going forward on their own, or members team up and perform studies.

9. Public Comment

No comments were made.

10. Review New Action Items

- Discussion and determination of forum for GMD study collaboration
 - Assigned To: StS
 - o Due Date: September 30, 2024

11. Upcoming Meetings

To be determined Virtual

12. Adjourn

Mr. Carr adjourned the meeting without objection at 12:29 p.m.



Exhibit A: Attendance List

Members in Attendance

Brenna Andrews	NorthWestern Energy
Waseem Arif	FortisBC, Inc.
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Thomas Carr	
Ken Che	Public Utility District No. 1 of Snohomish County
Chris Gilden	Tri-State Generation and Transmission—Reliability
Talal Hanna	
Jeff Hanson	
Daniel Johnson Jr.	Black Hills Corporation
Todd Lichtas	
Peter Mackin	GridBright, Inc.
Patrick MontPlaisir	
Eepsita Priye	Puget Sound Energy, Inc.
Dipendra Rai	British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority
Karen Reedy	Public Service Company of New Mexico
Katie Rogers	WECC
Trevor Schultz	
Chifong Thomas	
Patrick Truong	Sacramento Municipal Utility District
Xiaofei (Sophie) Xu	
Cole Youngers	
Wenjuan (Wendy) Zhang	Pacific Gas and Electric Company
Quinten Ziegler	Transmission Agency of Northern California



Members not in Attendance

Nayeem Mohammad Abdullah	Metropolitan Water District of Southern California
Robby Anderst	Puget Sound Energy, Inc.
Ian Beil	Portland General Electric Company
Scott Beyer	Western Power Pool
Aseem Bhatia	California Department of Water Resources
Ron Calvert	
Shawn Carlson	Basin Electric Power Cooperative
David Cathcart	Bonneville Power Administration—Transmission
Desmond Chan	
Patrick Corrigan	Public Service Company of Colorado (Xcel Energy)
Tuan Dang	
Thomas Duane	Public Service Company of New Mexico
Jonathon Flores	Los Angeles Department of Water and Power
Thomas Flynn	
Alex Fratkin	NV Energy
Fred Heutte	
Bryant Hicks	Salt River Project
Bill Hosie	
Robert Jackson	Burns & McDonnell (1898 and Co.)
Lesley Kayser-Sprouse	Hetch Hetchy Water and Power
Michael Korhonen	
Christopher Kulink	Portland General Electric Company
David Le	California Independent System Operator
May Le	Public Utility District No. 2 of Grant County
Chelsea Loomis	Western Power Pool
Richard Maguire	Public Utility District No. 2 of Grant County
Jake Maxfield	PacifiCorp



Daniel McGuire	Salt River Project
Christopher McLean	
Mitchell Miller	
Valeriy Jr. Oleshko	
Michael Pokallus	
Ebrahim Rahimi	California Independent System Operator
Daniel Ramirez	Energy Strategies
Benjamin Rodriguez	El Paso Electric Company
Faranak Sarbaz	Los Angeles Department of Water and Power
Amanda Sargent	WECC
Erik Schellenberg	
Гim Schiermeyer	Transmission Agency of Northern California
Masoud Shafa	
Hari Singh	Public Service Company of Colorado (Xcel Energy)
Alejandro Solis	El Paso Electric Company
an Strack	San Diego Gas and Electric
Spencer Tacke	Auriga Corporation
Angela Tanghetti	
Khanh Thai	
ameson Thornton	Burns & McDonnell (1898 and Co.)
David Tovar	El Paso Electric Company
Dhayanesh Velusamy	Burns & McDonnell (1898 and Co.)
eremy Webber	FortisBC, Inc.
Di Xiao	Southern California Edison Company
Dennis Yegorov	PacifiCorp
Hayk Zargaryan	Southern California Edison Company
anice Zewe	Sacramento Municipal Utility District
Kevin Zhang	British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority



Others in Attendance [Only for technical committees]

Robin Arnold	
Hassan Baklou	
Tyler Butikofer	Energy Strategies
Natalie Carter	WECC
Jyotsna Ch	NV Energy
Lakmal Chandrasekara	Turlock Irrigation District
Christopher Corral	El Paso Electric Company (EPE)
Donna Enriquez	El Paso Electric Company
Rene Fabro	Tri-State Generation and Transmission—Reliability
Jackie Gonzales	Salt River Project
Jim Hadley	Black Hills Corporation
Mensur Haskovic	Western Area Power Administration
Jon Jensen	WECC
Colby Johnson	Energy Strategies
Hyun Joo Lee	PacifiCorp
Cole Mares	Salt River Project
Nima Miri	Seattle City Light
Anuj Patil	WECC
Cuong Phan	Eurowind Energy
Austin Pollard	
Anthony Rendon	Salt River Project
Laura Rennick	
Kellen Romero	WECC
Stina Trast	Eurowind Energy
Doug Tucker	WECC
Matt Twardy	Public Service Company of Colorado (Xcel Energy)



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Jimmy Zhang	Alberta Electric System Operator

