

Modeling and Validation Subcommittee Meeting Minutes Virtual

Day 1—January 29, 2025 2:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

1. Welcome, Call to Order

Song Wang, Modeling and Validation Subcommittee (MVS) Chair, called the meeting to order at 2:02 p.m. MT on January 29, 2025. A quorum was present to conduct business. A list of attendees is attached as Exhibit A.

2. Review WECC Antitrust Policy

Doug Tucker, Senior Engineer, read aloud the WECC Antitrust Policy statement. The policy can be found on wecc.org.

3. Approve Agenda

S. Wang introduced the proposed meeting agenda.

The 2025-01-29 MVS Agenda was changed as follows:

- "Approved" was changed to "Un-approved" in Item 6;
- Item 8 and 9, "Discussion for Utilities on EMT/Positive Sequence Model Study Selection Criteria—Songzhe Zhu, All" and "Recap of the Applicability of the Generic Models, User-defined Model, and EMT Model—Song Wang, PGE", switched places;
- "Load Modeling Testing and Verification—MVS" was removed from Item 13.

By consensus, the MVS approved the agenda.

4. Review and Approve Previous Meeting Minutes

S. Wang introduced the minutes from the meeting on September 9-11, 2024.

The 2024-09-09 Minutes were changed as follows:

- "Break-node" was changed to "breaker-node" in Item 8;
- "Value proposition" was changed to "the value of" in Item 10;
- "Factor" was added to Item 13;
- "Situation" was changed to "saturation" in Item 13.

By consensus, the MVS approved the minutes from September 9-11, 2024.



5. Review Previous Action Items

Maya Brimhall, Administrative Coordinator, reviewed action items carried over from the MVS meeting on September 11, 2024. Action items that are not closed and will be carried forward can be found on the MVS page on the WECC website.

6. Review Unapproved Dynamic Model List

D. Tucker reviewed the unapproved dynamic model list.

7. Review MVS Member List and Update

D. Tucker encouraged MVS members to review and update their organizations' MVS representatives.

8. Recap of the Applicability of the Generic Models, User-defined Model, and Electromagnetic Transient (EMT) Model

S. Wang evaluated the applicability of the generic models, user-defined model, and EMT model.

9. Discussion for Utilities on EMT/Positive Sequence Model Study Selection Criteria

Songzhe Zhu, Qualus, LLC, led a discussion on utilities' criteria for EMT/Positive Sequence Model Study selection. She live edited a reference document with the MVS' inputs and stated that she will bring the document to relevant model planners to use in their model study selections.

10. Prioritizing the Next Set of Model Development

The MVS prioritized the following set of model development, listed from most important to least important:

- Series Capacitor MOV Model (SCMOV)
- VHVDC2
- IBR Controls—REEC E
- Grid-forming Inverter Model—Hybrid
- Large Load
 - o EV Charging Model
 - Data Center
 - o Electrolyzer model
- VHVDC3—Offshore Wind
- Advanced Pump Storage Model



- SVSMO4 Model
- Multi-terminal VSC-HVDC

Day 2—January 30, 2025 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

11. Renewable Energy Modeling

The MVS listened to the following presentations:

 Wei Du, Pacific Northwest National Laboratory, presented on the Model Specification of a Grid-forming Hybrid Inverter Control Model and called for a vote to approve both the REGFM_C1 model and the REPCGFM_C1 model.

Approval Item: Model Specification of a Grid-forming Hybrid Inverter Control Model

By consensus, the MVS approved the Model Specification of a Grid-forming Hybrid Inverter Control Model.

- S. Zhu shared the Invertor Based Resources (IBR) model and validation guidelines draft document on screen, describing which documents she compiled together and how she decided to organize the guidelines draft. Members of the MVS gave their feedback.
- Eric Heredia, Bonneville Power Administration (BPA), and S. Wang addressed renewable energy Interconnection requests and grid-forming requirements. He explained how clear grid-forming model (GFM) specifications will benefit system performance, shared example GFM requirement specifics, and asked the MVS whether a WECC whitepaper defining GFM minimum performance requirements would be beneficial. The MVS decided to move forward with developing a whitepaper.
- S. Wang updated the MVS on the study of the droop-based grid forming inverter model REGFM-A1 in the WECC system. He provided the background of the model and discussed the study purpose, parameters, scenarios, and contingencies. He also explained the IEEE 39 Bus System Test.
- P. Pourbeik updated the MVS on IBR model development and discussed adding enhancements and regional adaptations to generic WECC models. He also provided insights from Energinet and Global Applications. The MVS edited the model development priority list (see Item 10) to reflect the MVS's model specifications progress.
- The MVS discussed offshore wind model development. P. Pourbeik, S. Wang, and W. Du discussed the possibility of drafting a whitepaper and agreed to meet offline to evaluate whether offshore wind model development should stay on the model



development priority list (See Item 10). The MVS decided to keep the offshore wind model on the model development priority list.

12. Active Transmission System Modeling Update

The MVS listened to the following presentations:

- P. Pourbeik reviewed the VHVDC2, VHVDC3, and SVSMO4 active transmission system
 models. He explained the differences between VHVDC2 and VHVDC3 and shared that
 there were not significant updates to the modeling progress.
- Jay Senthil, Siemens Industry, Inc., discussed the implementation of the VHVDC2 model. He explained the differences between the existing VHVDC1 and the proposed VHVDC2.
- W. Du introduced the Standard Library High Voltage Direct Current (HVDC) and Multi-Terminal High Voltage Direct Current (MTDC) model development plan for offshore wind integration.

13. Load Modeling

The MVS listened to the following presentations:

- Nick Hatton, Staff Engineer, discussed the Positive Sequence Load Flow (PSLF)
 Composite Load Model Modular Model and the steps to finalize this Modular Model for
 WECC use. He shared the current Python script used to validate the models and
 confirmed that he and Andreas Schmitt, BPA, will continue refining the modular model
 script with the hope to finalize it by May 2025.
- Meng Yue, Brookhaven National Laboratory, updated the MVS on the Multi-event Twostage (METS) parameterization of WECC Composite Load Model (CLM). He presented the objectives, background, various tested methodologies, and case studies of the WECC CLM METS parameterization. He shared Brookhaven National Laboratory's efforts to release a paper detailing their findings.
- A. Schmitt and S. Wang presented the load modeling work plan, covering the following topics: transitioning the load model to the modular model; parameter calibration; testing and verification, including equipment testing and model performance verification based on system events or other methods; WECC load model composition data; system-wide simulation; Electric Vehicle and data center control and protection; and supporting NERC emerging load plans.

Day 3—January 31, 2025 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.



14. Power Plant Modeling

The MVS listened to the following presentations:

- Jin Tan and Ningcao Gao, National Renewable Energy Laboratory, and Zerui Dong,
 OPAL-RT Technologies Inc., presented pumped storage hydro (PSH) specification
 development updates. J. Tan shared the background, progress, and timeline of the PSH
 specification development. She presented a high-level overview of the ternary pumped
 storage hydropower system, configuration, and modeling and explained multiple model
 modes and simulations. J. Tan encouraged collaboration on the PSH specification
 modeling and asked for the MVS' feedback.
- Quincy Wang, British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority, shared his analysis of implementation errors in synchronous generator saturation functions across software platforms.
- Wayne Cassidy and Dan Leonard, Peregrine Engineering Consulting, compared the GENROU version to the GENQEC Models for a round rotor machine. The MVS agreed to continue the conversation concerning choice in modeling and D. Tucker encouraged the MVS to develop measurable next steps. D. Tucker will improve the language concerning the GENROU model in the Approved Dynamics Models list prior to the MVS meeting in May 2025.
- The MVS discussed saturation factors and their impact on field current accuracy.
- The MVS discussed the excitation system Type C model. Saurav Mohapatra,
 PowerWorld Corporation, showed where to find the Excitation Limiters information on the PowerWorld website.

15. MOD-33 Update

The MVS listened to the following MOD-33 updates:

- Licheng Jin, California Independent System Operator, shared which cases have been posted on the RC portal since the MVS meeting in September 2024 and which tools are getting updated.
- D. Tucker shared that Southwest Power Pool is still working on mapping their system one for one for California Independent System Operator. He also communicated that WECC has a mapping file for the generation for the RC West case; if anyone wants to build a case using the file, they can reach out to WECC to retrieve it.

16. Program Updates

The MVS listened to the following program updates:



- Mengxi Chen, GE Vernova, stated that her team is working on a PSLF software development update, and it should be released soon.
- Jay Senthil provided Power System Simulation for Engineering (PSSE) recent and upcoming releases and PSSE dynamics enhancements.
- Jamie Weber, PowerWorld Corporation, stated that there are no new PowerWorld program updates.
- Fred Howell, Powertech Labs, shared Powertech Labs Transient Security Assessment Tool (TSAT) release schedule and recent enhancements for model support and userdefined modeling.

17. Public Comment

No comments were made.

18. Review New Action Items

- Include approval item for WECC to use SCMOV model specification on May 2025 MVS Agenda
 - Assigned To: Doug Tucker, Song Wang
 - o Due Date: April 28, 2025
- Include approval item for WECC to use REEC_E and VHVDC2 model specifications on May 2025 MVS Agenda
 - o Assigned To: Pouyan Pourbeik; Doug Tucker; Song Wang
 - o Due Date: April 28, 2025
- Improve GENROU language on the Approved Dynamics Models list
 - Assigned To: Doug Tucker
 - o Due Date: May 9, 2025
- Create a presentation for the next MVS meeting on load modeling
 - o Assigned To: Malati Chaudary, Jackson Daly
 - o Due Date: May 9, 2025
- Create a presentation for the next MVS meeting on Excitation system Type C model
 - o Assigned To: Saurav Mohapatra, James Weber
 - o Due Date: May 9, 2025

19. Upcoming Meetings

May 7-9, 2025	lt Lake Cit	y, Utah
September 10-12, 2025		Virtual



20. Adjourn

S. Wang adjourned the meeting without objection at 12:00 p.m. MT on Friday, January 31, 2025.



Exhibit A: Attendance List

Members in Attendance

Angel Aquino	
Hassan Baklou	
Zachary Beus	Puget Sound Energy, Inc.
Jessica Boatwright	
Kevin Brooks	Southern California Edison Company
Sean Brosig	
Emerson Butler	Puget Sound Energy, Inc.
Daniel Cervantes	Los Angeles Department of Water and Power
Lakmal Chandrasekara	
Ken Che	Public Utility District No. 1 of Snohomish County
Mengxi Chen	
Christopher Corral	El Paso Electric Company
Jackson Daly	Idaho Power Company
Tuan Dang	Public Utility District No. 1 of Snohomish County
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Lesley Kayser-Sprouse	
Seong Tae Kim	
Slaven Kincic	
Rabi Kiran	Pacific Gas and Electric Company
Dmitry Kosterev	Bonneville Power Administration—Transmission
Mitchell Miller	
Saurav Mohapatra	
Pouyan Pourbeik	Power and Energy, Analysis, Consulting and Education, PLLC
Sergey Pustovit	Bonneville Power Administration
Iraj Rahimi	
Deepak Ramasubramanian	Electric Power Research Institute
Jayapalan (Jay) Senthil	
Spencer Tacke	Auriga Corporation
Jin Tan	National Renewable Energy Laboratory
Anthony Taylor	
Chifong Thomas	
Doug Tucker	WECC
Ramin Vakili	GE Vernova (GE Energy Consulting Group)
GuiHua Wang	British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority
Song Wang	Portland General Electric Company
Jeffery Watkins	NV Energy
Maggie Watkins	
James Weber	
Trevor Werho	Arizona Public Service Company
Steve Yang	Bonneville Power Administration—Transmission
Ratanan Yoopat	Bonneville Power Administration
Members not in Attendance	
Jim Ding	British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority



Chris Effiong	
Xiaoyuan Fan	Pacific Northwest National Laboratory
Jonathon Flores	Los Angeles Department of Water and Power
Carlos Flores Lopez	
Gordon Kawaley	Bonneville Power Administration—Transmission
James Keller	Western Area Power Administration - Rocky Mountain Region
Yuriy Komlev	U.S. Bureau of Reclamation
May Le	Public Utility District No. 2 of Grant County
Ron Markham	Pacific Gas and Electric Company
Parag Mitra	Electric Power Research Institute
Nathan Powell	
Anthony Rendon	Salt River Project
Tracy Rolstad	
Amanuel Selassie	Los Angeles Department of Water and Power
Hari Singh	Public Service Company of Colorado (Xcel Energy)
Jonathan Stahlhut	TransCo Energy, LLC
Patrick Truong	Sacramento Municipal Utility District
Xiaofei (Sophie) Xu	Pacific Gas and Electric Company
George Zhou	S&C Electric Company
Others in Attendance	
Shounak Abhyankar	
Bajarang Agrawal	
Ishrak Ahmed	
Chris Albrecht	WECC
Sayan Asamanta	Tesla, Inc.
Eric Bahr	
Dirk Barton	Public Service Company of New Mexico
Maya Brimhall	WECC



Theodis Brown	Southwest Power Pool
Pedro Calle	Independent Subject Matter Expert
Jared Campbell	Electrical Consultants, Inc.
Wayne Cassidy	Peregrine Engineering Consulting
Malati Chaudhary	Public Service Company of New Mexico
Jon Cichosz	Peak Power Consulting
Alejandro Conti	
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Fred Howell	Powertech Labs, Inc.
Brandon Johnson	Westwood Professional Services
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Liam Segarty	British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority
Nitish Sharma	BayWa r.e. Solar Projects LLC
Sachin Soni	I2R Grid Solutions, Inc
Mauricio Soria	Escuela Politécnica Nacional



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Bernd Weise	DIgSILENT GmbH
Michael Xia	Powertech Labs, Inc.
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Meng Yue	Brookhaven National Laboratory
Augusto Zanin Bertoletti	Portland General Electric Company
Jimmy Zhang	Electric Reliability Council of Texas
Zhiqi Zhao	British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority
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Songzhe Zhu	
Scott Zuloaga	Electric Reliability Council of Texas

