

WREGIS Update

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**Electric Reliability
& Security for the West**

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WREGIS Committee (Purpose)

- ❑ Provide balanced advice, guidance, and feedback to WECC management regarding issues of interest to the WREGIS stakeholder groups that they represent.
- ❑ Share decision-making responsibility with WECC management for proposed substantive changes in the Terms of Use, the Operating Rules of the WREGIS program, and fee increases or the addition of new fees.
- ❑ Collaborate with WECC management and seek consensus on issues of interest to WREGIS stakeholders, such as WREGIS operations, policies, and/or operational changes that are in the best interests of the WREGIS stakeholders, WREGIS, and WECC as a whole.
- ❑ Ensure that industry perspective is considered in the decision-making process.
- ❑ Ensure that changes to WREGIS rules and functionality do not adversely affect the ability of state programs to utilize WREGIS for compliance.
- ❑ Ensure no prejudicial treatment for a single account holder or group.

WREGIS Committee (Responsibilities)

- ❑ Coordinate with and report its activities to WECC management, except as specified below.
- ❑ Upon request by the WREGIS Director, review proposals from WECC management regarding:
 - WREGIS's annual budget;
 - fee increases or the addition of new fees; and
 - substantive changes in the Terms of Use and Operating Rules.
- ❑ Seek the WECC CEO's approval for substantive changes to the Terms of Use and Operating Rules that the WC has asked WECC management to make and that WECC management has declined to make.

Note: WECC management may make decisions on changes to the Terms of Use and Operating Rules either (1) upon the advice and consent of the WC, or (2) on approval by the WECC CEO.

- ❑ Review for approval any stakeholder system change requests that will require a substantive change to the Operating Rules following any stakeholder input process and prior to change implementation.



Western Renewable Energy Generation Information System (WREGIS)

- **Overview**—An independent, web-based renewable energy registry and tracking system
 - Receives data on renewable energy generation
 - Creates Renewable Energy Certificates (REC)
 - Tracks their creation, transfers, and retirements
- **Coverage Area**—Serves the Western Interconnection and additional regions per state/provincial laws
- **Operations Model**—Functions like a banking system for certificates; WREGIS provides information and documentation to enable verification of compliance with policies and supporting green power markets
- **Goals**—Ensure accurate certificates, prevent double counting, and maintain policy neutrality regarding eligibility for programs
- **Customer Registration**—Users must register as customers within WREGIS to use its services

WECC and CleanCounts Agreement Update

- **Overview of the Current Agreement**
 - WECC and CleanCounts (f/k/a M-RETS) have an agreement for software services supporting WREGIS, the web-based REC tracking system for the West
- **Expiration Date**
 - Agreement ends on December 31, 2027; CleanCounts has chosen not to extend
- **Opportunity for WREGIS**
 - The expiration prompts reevaluation of WREGIS's future and how to enhance its service to users and programs

Path Forward for WREGIS

- **Consultant Engagement and Recommendations**

- A consultant was retained to consider potential paths forward for WREGIS, providing independent recommendations to management, which were presented to the WECC Board of Directors (Board) in June

- **Board Direction**

- **Request for Proposal**

- Issue an RFP to third-party software developers for a custom software solution

- **Explore Separation from WECC**

- Conduct outreach and solicit stakeholder feedback on corporate structure and governance to establish WREGIS as a stand-alone company

- **Key Considerations**

- Complexity of software customization and implementation risks of existing software solutions
- WREGIS is WECC's only non-statutory program
- Enables a focused approach to user needs

- **Next Steps**

- Begin user and broader stakeholder outreach to gather input, support, and insights on path forward
- Consider most effective corporate structure and governance of a new company

Summary of Recommended Structure

501(c)4 Nonprofit Corporation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nonprofit structure allows WREGIS to be 100% mission driven • Fits with WREGIS's focus on serving renewables generators and state renewables programs • Provides greater flexibility in government interactions than other nonprofit designations
Hybrid Board	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • WREGIS benefits from the industry expertise and stakeholder engagement/relationships while simultaneously benefiting from the focus on governance and fiduciary responsibilities • Diversity of views, expertise, and experience • Confidence that the organization is not being run for the benefit of one or a subset of WREGIS's stakeholders
Stakeholder Advisory Committee	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Transparency into WREGIS's decision-making • Perspectives and ideas that may be otherwise missing • A sense of joint ownership of key WREGIS issues • Leverage relationships across WREGIS's stakeholder community

Next Steps

- July 11 – FAQ document posted – will refresh as necessary
- July 17 – WREGIS Committee meeting
- July 28, 1:00-2:00 p.m. Mountain – Town Hall
 - Provide overview – answer questions
- August 1 – RFP issued
- August 1 – stakeholder comment period initiated
- August 5 – provide update at Stakeholder Advisory Committee meeting
- August 7 – share WREGIS update with WIRAB
- *August 18 – WREGIS Committee meeting [unconfirmed]*
- August 25, 2:00-3:00 p.m. Mountain – Town Hall
 - Provide update – answer questions
- August 29 – stakeholder comment period closes
- August 29 – RFP response deadline



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