



**ORGANIZATION OF MISO STATES, INC.
Board of Directors Meeting
Conference Call Minutes
December 4, 2014**

Approved January 15, 2015

Eric Callisto, President of the Organization of MISO States, Inc. (OMS), called the December 4, 2014 meeting of the OMS Board of Directors to order via conference call at approximately 1:00 p.m. (CST). The following board members or their proxies participated in the meeting:

Elana Wills, proxy for Colette Honorable, Arkansas
Linda Wagner, proxy for John Colgan, Illinois
Angela Weber, Indiana
Libby Jacobs, Iowa
Linda Breathitt, Kentucky
Paul Zimmering, proxy for Eric Skrmetta, Louisiana
Regis Gosselin, Manitoba
Sally Talberg, Michigan
David Boyd, Minnesota
David Carr, proxy for Brandon Presley, Mississippi
Robert Kenney, Missouri
Kirk Bushman, Montana
Phil Movish, proxy for Jason Williams, City of New Orleans
Jerry Lein, proxy for Brian Kalk, North Dakota
Greg Rislov, proxy for Gary Hanson, South Dakota
Richard Greffe, proxy for Ken Anderson, Texas
Eric Callisto, Wisconsin

Absent

None

Agency members participating

Keith Berry – Arkansas consultant
Randy Rismiller– Illinois
Beth Roads – Indiana
Angie Butcher, Chris Devon, Al Freeman – Michigan
Burl Haar, Commissioner Betsy Wergin – Minnesota
Sam Mabry – Mississippi
Dave Charles – North Dakota
Andrew Kell – Wisconsin

Others on the call

Tanya Paslawski, Colleen Dougherty, Julie Mitchell – OMS Staff

The directors and proxies listed above established the necessary quorum for the meeting of at least nine directors being present.

Approval of Minutes from the November 13, 2014 Board Meeting

The minutes were approved as submitted.

Treasurer's Report

The November 2014 treasurer's report was accepted as submitted.

Review of the November 25, 2014 Executive Committee Meeting:

The following items from the meeting:

- ROE settlement status;
- SPP dispute;
- Personnel Committee action in closed session.

Executive Director's Report

A written report was distributed prior to the meeting. The proposal for 2015 OMS Grid School stipends was presented and approved by acclamation.

BUSINESS

1. MISO Advisory Committee

- Libby Jacobs provided the Advisory Committee report and introduced the four voting items;
- The white paper for this month's hot topic on Demand Response was introduced and discussed.

Linda Wagner moved to approve the Hot Topic paper as amended. Angela Weber seconded. A roll call vote was taken:

**Arkansas – Aye
Illinois – Aye
Indiana – Aye
Iowa – Aye
Kentucky – Aye
Louisiana – Abstain
Manitoba – Abstain
Michigan – Aye
Minnesota – Aye
Mississippi – Abstain
Missouri – Aye
Montana – Aye
New Orleans – Abstain
North Dakota – Aye
South Dakota – Aye
Texas – Abstain
Wisconsin – Aye**

The motion passed with 12 ayes, 0 nays, and 5 abstentions

2. MISO Planning Advisory Committee

- Sally Talberg provided the PAC update. She highlighted the following items:
 - The PAC has not met since the last OMS Board meeting;
 - The next PAC meeting is December 17.

3. Possible Action Item: MISO Guiding Principles due 1/9/2015

- Eric Callisto introduced this item. Following discussion, it was agreed that a revised set of comments would be circulated via email for electronic voting before January 9th.

4. Action Item: OMS OPSI JCM Comments to FERC

- Chris Devon introduced the comments.

Following discussion, Libby Jacobs moved to approve the comments as revised. Angela Weber seconded. The motion passed by voice vote with Manitoba and Arkansas abstaining.

5. Action Item: Consumers Energy Waiver Filing

- Tanya Paslawski explained the request for OMS to file a doc-less intervention in this item.

Following discussion, Linda Wagner moved to approve filing a doc-less intervention. Libby Jacobs seconded. The motion passed by voice vote with Manitoba abstaining.

6. MISO Boot Camp Follow Up

- Tanya Paslawski presented this update.

7. Open Mic

- There were no new issues brought forward.

8. Possible Action Item: Parameters for Executive Committee on ROE Matters

- Pursuant to OMS By-Laws, this issue was discussed in closed session.

Updates and Work Group Status Reports

Demand Response WG

- No report;

Transmission Cost Allocation WG

- No report;

Markets and Tariffs WG

- A written report was provided;

Resources WG

- A written report was provided;

Regional Planning WG

- Verbal report; Dave Johnston discussed a work group call to be held December 15 on MISO futures.

Governance and Budget

- A written report was provided;

Seams WG

- No report;

Administrative Ad Hoc WG

- No report;

Ad Hoc 111d WG

- No report;

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting of the OMS Board of Directors meeting adjourned at 2:20 pm CST.

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The Organization of MISO States Board of Directors will hold its monthly meeting via conference call **Thursday, December 4, 2014 at 1:00 pm (Central)**.

- Call-in number is **866-554-6142**. The conference code is **1385092764** followed by the # sign.
- Board members who cannot attend the call should notify Secretary Linda Breathitt (Linda.Breathitt@ky.gov) with a copy to Julie at (julie@misostates.org) and Colleen at (colleen@misostates.org) to designate a proxy for this meeting.

Agenda

Call Meeting to Order – President Eric Callisto 1:00
Attendance, Recognition of Proxies, Declaration of a Quorum
Approval of Minutes from the November 13, 2014 Board meeting
Treasurer’s Report – November 2014 – Colette Honorable
Review of Executive Committee meeting – November 25, 2014

Administrative Update

Report from the Executive Director 1:05

- FERC dockets
- **OMS Grid School Stipends**

Business

1. MISO Advisory Committee 1:10
 - Action Item: OMS Response on Hot Topic: Demand Response
2. Planning Advisory Committee – Sally Talberg 1:20
3. Possible Action Item: MISO Guiding Principles due 1/9/15 1:30
4. Action Item: OMS OPSI JCM Comments to FERC 1:40
5. **Action item: Consumers Energy Waiver Filing** 1:50
6. MISO Boot Camp follow up 2:00
7. Open Mic – membership comment opportunity 2:05

OMS will adjourn to closed session to discuss the following item:

8. Possible Action Item: Parameters for Executive Committee on ROE matters Closed Session

OMS Work Group Status Reports

- a. Demand Response WG
- b. Transmission Cost Allocation WG
- c. Markets and Tariffs WG
- d. Resources WG
- e. Regional Planning WG
- f. Governance and Budget WG
- g. Seams WG
- h. Administrative Ad Hoc WG
- i. 111(d) Ad Hoc WG

Announcements

- Next OMS Executive Committee meeting: Thursday, December 18, 2014 at 1:00 pm CT
- OMS Office Closed for Christmas holiday: Wednesday, December 24 and Thursday, December 25, 2014
- Next regular OMS Board of Directors meeting: Thursday, January 15, 2015 at 1:00 pm CT

Adjourn

2:15



**Organization of MISO States
Report of the Treasurer
Chairman Colette Honorable, Arkansas Public Utilities
Commission
to the Board of Directors
Report for November 2014**

CASH ON HAND

The beginning balance for the Wells Fargo Business Performance Savings Account on November 1 was \$25,336.16. Interest earned for this month totaled \$0.63 and there was no other activity. The November 30, 2014, ending balance was \$25,336.79.

The beginning book balance for the Chase Bank One Checking account on November 1 was \$154,554.55. The total disbursements from the checking account for November 2014 amounted to \$91,812.10. Deposits, interest and adjustments were \$60,315.38 which includes one month of MISO funding transactions. As of November 30, 2014, the checking account bank balance was \$135,131.24 (with 18 check payments outstanding) and the book balance was \$123,057.83.

The total savings plus checking account balance as of November 30, 2014, is \$148,394.62.



TREASURER'S REPORT
Organization of MISO States
November 30, 2014

Wells Fargo Business Performance Savings Account

Book Balance as of 10/31/14			\$	25,336.16
10/31/2014	DEP	Interest on Savings	\$	0.63
Business Performance Savings Account Balance at 10/31/2014				<u>\$ 25,336.79</u>

Chase Bank One Commercial Checking with Interest

Book Balance as of 10/31/14			\$	154,554.55
11/3/14	ACH	Midcontinent ISO	\$	60,000.00
11/28/14	DEP	Interest on checking	\$	1.40
11/24/14	DEP	Miscellaneous reimbursements	\$	313.98
Total Deposits				<u>\$ 60,315.38</u>

Checks and Charges

Date	Check #	Descriptions		
11/06/2014	4914	Renaissance Indianapolis North	\$	16,073.24
11/06/2014	4910	100 Court Investors LLC	\$	1,924.69
11/06/2014	4920	State of Iowa (V. Bujimalla)	\$	1,020.46
11/06/2014	4913	Expert Plan - Management Fee.	\$	725.00
11/06/2014	4917	Donna Attanasio	\$	689.41
11/06/2014	4918	State of Iowa (Chancy Bittner)	\$	652.15
11/06/2014	4919	State of Iowa (Libby Jacobs)	\$	626.51
11/06/2014	4916	Bert Finzer (AR)	\$	511.30
11/06/2014	4915	Al Freeman (MI)	\$	320.46
11/06/2014	4911	Combined Systems Technology (CST)	\$	261.23
11/06/2014	4912	Diversified Management Services (DMS)	\$	97.50
11/06/2014	4921	Walt Cecil (MO)	\$	11.09
11/07/2014	w/d	WF Payroll Service - Processing Fee	\$	50.00
11/10/2014	4922	Kirk Bushman (MT)	\$	947.76
11/10/2014	4923	Stephanie Taylor (MS)	\$	596.00
11/10/2014	4924	Tanya Paslawski (OMS-DED)	\$	548.33
11/17/2014	w/d	VISA (Chase Bank One)	\$	7,689.29
11/17/2014	4927	Customized Energy Solutions	\$	3,500.00
11/17/2014	4936	Minnesota PUC (Bret Eknes)	\$	818.20
11/17/2014	4937	Richard Greffe (TX)	\$	800.90
11/17/2014	4935	Linda Breathitt (KY)	\$	652.93
11/17/2014	4925	David Schaffer (New Orleans)	\$	599.00
11/17/2014	4946	Indiana URC (Angela Weber)	\$	517.20
11/17/2014	4938	South Dakota (Greg Rislov)	\$	419.20
11/17/2014	4929	New Horizons of Des Moines	\$	260.00
11/17/2014	4928	Energy Data LLC	\$	150.00
11/17/2014	4930	Angela Weber (IN)	\$	119.95
11/17/2014	4926	Crystal Clear Water	\$	17.57
11/20/2014	4956	Marcos Munoz (IA-OCA)	\$	1,609.16
11/20/2014	4950	Christopher Garbacz (MS PUS)	\$	1,454.87
11/20/2014	4954	Eric Stocking (MI)	\$	734.63
11/20/2014	4947	Laura Dixon (MS-PSC)	\$	596.00
11/20/2014	4955	Jennifer Easler (IA-OCA)	\$	480.33
11/20/2014	4952	David Binkley (MI)	\$	393.73
11/20/2014	4958	Richard Raff (KY)	\$	258.84
11/20/2014	4948	Qwest/CenturyLink	\$	231.64
11/20/2014	4959	Tim Phillips (IN-SUFG)	\$	86.13
11/25/2014	w/d	WF Payroll Service - Net Wages	\$	19,180.31
11/25/2014	w/d	WF Payroll - Taxes	\$	8,746.35
11/25/2014	w/d	WF Payroll Service - Processing Fee	\$	56.60
11/17/2014	4934	Julie Mitchell (travel)	\$	746.72
11/17/2014	4932	Chris Devon (MI)	\$	421.70
11/17/2014	4939	Wisconsin PSC (A. Bohage)	\$	351.51
11/17/2014	4941	Wisconsin PSC (Don Neumeyer)	\$	322.15
11/17/2014	4933	Jerry Lein (North Dakota)	\$	66.00
11/17/2014	4943	Wisconsin PSC (J. Wheeler)	\$	58.48
11/17/2014	4942	Wisconsin PSC (Gail Maly)	\$	54.29
11/17/2014	4944	Wisconsin PSC (M. Hawkins)	\$	35.52
11/17/2014	4945	Wisconsin PSC (Randy Pilo)	\$	32.75
11/17/2014	4940	Wisconsin PSC (A. Kell)	\$	18.83
11/20/2014	4949	Bert Finzer (AR)	\$	1,291.33
11/20/2014	4953	David Brightwell (IL)	\$	637.68
11/20/2014	4961	Wisconsin PSC (Lori Sakk)	\$	495.05
11/20/2014	4957	Mark Hanson (Illinois)	\$	379.76
11/20/2014	4960	Wisconsin PSC (Eric Callisto)	\$	322.78
11/25/2014	4963	State of South Dakota (D. Kearney)	\$	726.70
11/25/2014	4962	Darren Kearney (SD)	\$	401.01
11/28/2014	10013	Expert Plan - MG Trust Co. (Nov)	\$	5,711.15
11/07/2014	10012	Expert Plan - MG Trust Co. (Oct)	\$	5,990.93
11/30/2014	10011	Voided Uncleared Check from Oct.	\$	(680.20)

Total Disbursements - Checks and Charges

\$ 91,812.10

CHECKING ACCOUNT BALANCE at 11/30/14

\$ 123,057.83

TOTAL Certificates of Deposit, Savings and Checking Account Balances as of: 11/30/14

\$ 148,394.62

CHASE CHECKING ACCOUNT RECONCILIATION

Bank Balance 11/30/14			\$ 135,131.24
<u>Less Checks Outstanding</u>			
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Total Outstanding Checks			\$ 12,073.41
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OMS Executive Director Report December 2, 2014

FERC Issues

1. The first settlement conference in the MISO TO ROE case took place November 13th. The consumer groups provided a list of proposed settlement terms on November 21st and the TOs are due to respond by December 8th. The next conference is scheduled December 16th.
2. Settlement conference on the MISO-SPP dispute was held November 20th. Bill attended. Next conference scheduled January 29th.
3. OMS filed the following since the last meeting:
 - a. Request for Rehearing in the MISO TO ROE docket on November 14th asking that the incentives and equity structure be included in the ROE settlement discussions.
 - b. Comments on November 25th asking that the settlement established in the Beaver Channel docket include notice to OMS members when payments are made to PJM from MISO.
 - c. Support for MISO's Motion for Expedited Consideration on November 25th in the SPP service agreement docket.
 - d. Intervention and Protest in docket to add 50 basis point adder to MISO TO ROE's on November 25th.

MISO Matters

1. OMS is preparing responses to the December hot topic on demand response due December 4th. OMS will present its position to the MISO Advisory Committee meeting on December 10th.
2. MISO is taking feedback on its guiding principles for transmission expansion. OMS is evaluating its comments.
3. MISO filed its comments on 111(d) with EPA on November 25th.

Upcoming dates:

- Next Executive Committee Meeting: December 18
- Next Board Meeting: January 15, 2015
- Future OMS Board meetings: February 19, March 19
- Future OMS Executive Committee meetings: January 29, March 5, April 2

MISO Advisory Committee
December 10, 2014
Hot Topic: Demand Response
Organization of MISO States (OMS) Response
For the State Regulatory Authorities Sector¹

I. Introduction

The Organization of MISO States (OMS) appreciates the opportunity to comment on demand response (DR) as a Hot Topic for the MISO Advisory Committee (AC) for a second time in 2014. DR was no doubt selected as a policy issue of high interest given the ruling of the United States Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit (the Court) to vacate Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) Order 745. This ruling has created uncertainty with regard to jurisdiction and future DR participation in MISO and other RTOs. The OMS expects that this AC Hot Topic debate may jumpstart more structured discussions on how this ruling will impact MISO markets and ultimately, lead to a more stable market environment for market participants (MP) using DR to meet their energy or capacity needs.

Other DR policy topics covered in this debate are also important, such as: 1) the appropriate capacity accreditation and validation of Load Modifying Resources (LMR), and 2) how DR can help support efficient market operations. MISO's Independent Market Monitor (IMM) has reiterated the recommendation to reexamine LMR accreditation, and the OMS would like to discuss this process with other MISO stakeholders in order to identify any valuable improvements that could be made. The OMS also believes there is room for improvement in the way that MISO processes the review of new DR programs that may not fit perfectly into current protocols, and discusses this below. Given the rapid development of new technologies and the complex regulatory environment that DR programs must face, the OMS believes a plan for enhanced MISO coordination and communications will help ensure efficient market operations.

State regulatory authorities in some states have extensive DR experience working with Load Serving Entities (LSE) and end-use customers within their respective states, although not every state within OMS is at the same level in terms of DR development, deployment, and sophistication². LSEs, under state oversight, have created DR programs like direct load control (DLC) of customers' air conditioning units, and interruptible load tariffs that give end-use customers credit on their bill if the LSE is allowed to interrupt service for purposes of emergencies. These programs are commonly referred to as "legacy programs" and have provided system benefits for many years. Working from this regulatory experience, the OMS developed DR principles in 2007³.

Whether it is a legacy program, or an innovative program that utilizes new technologies or pricing mechanisms, the OMS believes that DR should play an increasingly important role in the overall resource mix provided it is attractive to participating customers, reliable from a system operations perspective, and economic compared to other resource alternatives. State

¹ Louisiana, Manitoba, Mississippi, Texas, and the City of New Orleans abstained from these comments.

² It is prudent of MISO to keep in mind that not all of the 17 regulatory entities within OMS have completed their analysis of these issues or finalized policy positions. In fact, a lot of variability exists in this regard.

³ The OMS's DR Principles can be downloaded at:

<http://www.misostates.org/files/DRPrinciplesApproved8November2007.pdf>

regulatory authority engagement on these wholesale/retail market issues will help ensure that DR's value is realized by all retail customers, and that DR efforts by states and LSEs are effectively integrated with MISO's markets. Similarly, MISO's tariffs and business practices can play an important role in enabling (or stifling) DR participation, so it is essential that state regulatory authorities, MISO, and stakeholders work together on this important and complex topic.

II. OMS Responses to AC Hot Topic Questions

1. Demand resources help support efficient market operations:

a. Has MISO done enough to support fair and non-discriminatory treatment of demand resources across all MISO markets? What do you see as the potential for future DR in MISO markets?

In general, the OMS believes that MISO has done an adequate job of meeting FERC requirements for DR, while balancing stakeholder desires for sometimes conflicting market parameters. For example, before FERC Order 745, MISO worked with stakeholders to outline several options in order to determine fair pricing for cleared DR offers in the energy market. Despite differing views, MISO submitted a filing to FERC in October of 2009 that was most widely acceptable to stakeholders, including the OMS. This filing ensured that DR would not be subsidized without state regulatory approval, and that non-participating entities would not be allocated costs for which they did not benefit. Ultimately, FERC rejected the tariff filing that was derived through the MISO stakeholder process and issued Order 745 to set prices in MISO's energy market.

In terms of non-discriminatory treatment of DR, MISO should review new DR technologies and programs being developed by MPs, and work to address market barriers prohibiting participation. The OMS is aware of MPs implementing new technologies to directly control customer-owned electric water heaters in order to support grid reliability. MPs would like to develop programs to offer this DR in MISO's ancillary services market (ASM), however current MISO protocols, relating to metering and zonal boundaries, may be prohibiting participation. A thorough review of this program type has yet to occur at the MISO Demand Response Working Group (DRWG), and MISO staff has not reached out to state regulatory staff for purposes of update and status review. The OMS's recommendation on how to better follow state regulatory authority and address these market barrier issues is dealt with in response to the next question.

In order to meet FERC's vision for non-discriminatory treatment of demand resources, the OMS believes that MISO should focus on how these resources are modeled and considered as part of the transmission planning process. This is an area where states and MISO could work together. There is considerable energy waste – in terms of overall electricity consumption and opportunities to shift peak usage. Reducing this waste through cost-effective DR and energy efficiency programs could offset or delay the need for expensive capital upgrades, thereby saving customers. Yet under the current planning structure, it is often difficult for demand resources to be identified to address a specific system need *and* be placed under a satisfactory contractual commitment in order to be adequately considered by MISO as an alternative to a wires solution. This is particularly difficult if MPs do not stand to benefit directly from a demand-side

alternative and therefore, do not sponsor the alternative even though customers would be better off. If the reliability or other need were identified first and shared with stakeholders, it may provide a greater opportunity for alternatives to emerge and receive appropriate consideration. The OMS recognizes this may not be appropriate in every case but we suggest that more can and should be done in this area. In addition, as the OMS Regional Planning Work Group has stated previously, MISO could enhance the modeling of demand-side resources in the long-term MTEP futures. This will undoubtedly become more challenging in the coming years given the potential for increased customer engagement through emerging technologies such as energy management systems, energy storage, distributed generation, plug-in electric vehicles, etc. It is essential to start understanding potential opportunities and challenges as part of the long-range (20-year) planning analysis.

Regarding the potential for future DR in MISO markets, the OMS believes LSE legacy programs will continue to provide a backbone for DR participation within MISO, and that new technologies and program approaches may spur innovative programs if reviewed, approved, and implemented appropriately. Any new DR program will have aspects that may not easily fit within existing MISO DR protocols, in which case these protocols may need to be reexamined in order to determine adjustments that both maintain performance standards and flex to allow new participation. During this review process, it is essential that MISO recognizes applicable state jurisdiction, and engages relevant state regulatory authorities for purposes of awareness and oversight.

Given capacity constraints facing portions of the Midwest region over the next decade, some OMS states expect demand response to play an increasingly important role in meeting capacity needs. Expansion and design of DR programs would typically be examined and approved by state regulators through integrated resource planning, rate case, or other formal regulatory proceedings. Other states may engage stakeholders in a collaborative manner to review and identify improvements to existing state-approved DR tariffs, including communication and testing protocols as well as innovative program design and pricing that could expand current offerings in order to reduce peak demand.

b. How can MISO coordinate with the OMS and participants to better position retail demand response programs to align these programs for qualification in MISO's markets?

MISO should be fully aware of state regulatory authorities that exist for each state within its operational footprint. Differences among these states include the status of retail choice, the level of vertical integration of utility services, and nuances with regards to regulatory oversight of investor-owned, municipal and cooperatively-owned utilities. In relation to DR in particular, some states have actively prohibited participation of Aggregators of Retail Customers (ARC) within their respective borders, while others have not. In order for various DR programs to qualify for MISO market participation, MPs need to ensure compliance with MISO's tariff provisions as well as the state-specific retail tariffs and other requirements. Conflicts could arise that could be costly for LSEs if DR programs are not counted by MISO (and replacement capacity is needed) or MISO's requirements related to notification, testing, etc. effectively make state-approved programs unworkable or unattractive for customers. It is important to remember that participation in DR is voluntary by design. While participating (and all) customers can

benefit from rate discounts, rebates, or other incentives, the requirements such as the form and timing of notification, testing requirements, measurement and verification, reporting, and limits on number of occurrences need to be workable for customers. Given that different types of customers are able to respond differently depending on existence of Behind the Meter Generation (BTMG), characteristics of industrial processes, economic considerations, seasonality, and control and communication technologies, there may be the need to further segment the retail/wholesale products. MISO's awareness of state-approved provisions and its input on the design of state tariffs on the front end could be helpful to ensure its goals related to reliability and market efficiency are considered while at the same time increase MISO's awareness of the opportunities and limitations of MPs and end-use customers in delivering DR. For example, if MISO sought to improve the transparency and granularity of DR resources (e.g., locations, size, and terms such as seasonal capabilities and maximum number of curtailments) to better enable MISO to use DR for emergency operations, such issues could be discussed in the context of retail program design.

To address the example of market barriers mentioned above, MISO management should develop a consistent review process for new DR programs, and implement a stakeholder communications plan, coordinating with relevant state regulatory authorities in particular, as well as the OMS. Since additional state regulatory standards and oversight may be required in the states where these new DR programs or resources are located, MISO should prioritize communications with the MPs developing these programs, as well as with relevant state regulators who must be aware of their development. Establishing a DR point person at each state regulatory authority, and regularly engaging these state staff within its communications plan will help ensure programs are in alignment with MISO market protocols as well as state regulations.

Occasional DR forums may also be needed to follow and understand new technologies, laws, and initiatives. Forums would provide the opportunity for MPs and other sectors to discuss new program details in person, and create an opportunity for MISO staff to convene meetings with state staff on particular regulatory issues that arise.

c. What are the top three demand resource issues that should be addressed?

The OMS submits five DR issues below that should be addressed.

Jurisdiction

When the Court vacated FERC Order 745, many questions arose across the electric sector; chief among them were pertaining to jurisdiction. Prior to issuance of Order 745, the OMS supported an energy market price of Locational Marginal Pricing (LMP) minus the marginal foregone retail rate (MFRR). The MFRR is a retail rate component that the OMS argues relevant state regulators have the authority to set. FERC ignored state regulatory authority to set this retail component, and this was one of the primary reasons Order 745 was vacated. If the Court ruling is upheld, stakeholders will likely want to revisit energy market pricing assigned to DR participation on the supply side, and discuss jurisdictional issues relating to individual state authority, such as the process to set the MFRR where states do not set retail rates. Jurisdictional issues relating to capacity and the ASM may also need to be discussed.

Pricing for DR participation

Along with jurisdictional issues that arise from the vacating of Order 745, questions pertaining to appropriate DR compensation within MISO markets have also arisen. While this AC Hot Topic discussion will offer sectors the opportunity to respond to DR compensation in a post-745 world, this dialog will also need to continue in the appropriate venues of the DRWG and the Markets Subcommittee (MSC). Beyond revisiting DR compensation in the energy market, perhaps compensation within MISO's ASM should be revisited as well.

Discount for LMRs

Given the ongoing IMM recommendation to review and perhaps discount LMR capacity credit, this discussion should be prioritized and continued in the appropriate MISO venues, such as the DRWG, the Supply Adequacy Working Group (SAWG), and the MSC. This will help ensure that the IMM recommendation is fully addressed, and any proposals for changes are fully vetted by the stakeholders. Absent new information, the OMS is very concerned with the IMM recommendation to discount DR resources based on a limited event many years ago. The OMS recognizes that some legacy programs may need enhancement in terms of testing or notification protocols – but that enhancement discussion should be the focus, not indiscriminately discounting the capacity value of this resource type.

Supply side versus demand side

Currently, within the MISO energy market, LSE DR programs have the option to participate on either the demand side (reducing load forecast and avoiding costs) or the supply side (offering the reduction in the market and receiving payment), however most of that participation is likely occurring on the demand side. Where direct ARC participation is not prohibited within MISO, the ARC has to offer on the supply side because it doesn't serve load. For capacity market participation, MISO has been transitioning LSE DR programs to move all qualifying LMR capacity to the supply side.

Meanwhile, PJM is putting together a proposal to move DR to the demand side in their energy and capacity markets in light of Order 745 being struck down (they note that ancillary services may be different as a transmission balancing product, and therefore may need to remain on the supply side). MISO should work with its stakeholders to address this "supply side versus demand side" DR issue as it pertains to each MISO market, and realize that states may hold differing views on this subject. Discussion of how LSE legacy programs would be affected by any moves should also be addressed if this issue is taken up.

New DR program review process

As stated previously, MISO should develop a process to review aspects of new DR programs given market barriers and the complexity of MISO protocols and individual state standards and regulatory oversight. Communications will be essential during this review, and therefore a plan to coordinate across sectors will also need to be set to ensure consistency and appropriate review. MISO will need to regularly engage MPs that are developing the new programs, state regulatory authorities where the DR will be located, and MISO working groups that can provide a multi-sector review for new MISO proposals.

2. Post FERC Order 745:

- a. Should MISO and the stakeholder community do anything before the Court's final mandate is issued and FERC provides guidance to the RTOs/ISOs? What actions or guidance should the states consider?**

Regardless of FERC Order 745 (745), DR will continue to have an important role within MISO markets. Hopefully legal clarity will soon be achieved with regards to 745, and therefore the OMS believes that MISO should begin to formally discuss with stakeholders what a post-745 world will look like within MISO markets. Even if 745 were to be upheld, an initial stakeholder review of a post-745 environment would bear value in its review and comparison of status quo operations.

These formal discussions with stakeholders should include: 1) a review of other ISO/RTO policy development in reaction to 745 being struck down, as well as if those developments are applicable within MISO's markets and state jurisdictions; 2) a review of individual state DR policies and standards; and 3) a discussion of appropriate DR compensation that begins with the 719 filing, which MISO submitted to FERC before 745, that outlines the MISO stakeholder approved methodology for ARC compensation.

These multi-stakeholder discussions will then give states the opportunity to become more familiar with MISO status quo operations, DR policies that exist in other states, and stakeholder input so that states may review their own DR policies when appropriate.

- b. Given the Court decision on 745, and in light of Order 719, what's the appropriate role of demand resources in MISO's markets? Address energy, operating reserves and capacity markets separately.**

As stated in the introduction, the OMS has developed a "Statement of Principles for Demand Resources" that contains a list of values for DR, and includes: lower costs for safe and adequate electric service; reduced volatility in power prices; efficient maintenance in system reliability; diminished potential for generators to exert market power; and delayed or avoided new electric generation. In short, based on these values the OMS believes the appropriate role of DR continues to be helping keep system costs down (including energy, capacity, and other charges), while assuring the lights stay on.

The decision on FERC Order 745, while awaiting possible further legal action, has essentially put the OMS states back in the position they were in prior to the issuance of Order 745. This brings into question the role of states versus MISO and FERC in areas such as participation by ARCs, the overall role of DR in the energy, ancillary services, and capacity markets, and DR capacity accreditation requirements.

c. If demand resources can participate in MISO markets, what's the appropriate level of compensation for the various markets that DR participates and how should these costs be allocated?

The OMS's position on compensation and cost allocation of DR remains the same as it was before 745⁴. In relation to the energy market, compensation for DR should be LMP minus the MFRR. The MFRR is to be set by the relevant state regulatory authority, and should reflect the marginal cost of energy that would have been bought by the end-use customer if DR did not occur. A state could also view this differently if they would like to subsidize DR, in which case the state could choose to set the MFRR at zero, or even at a negative value. This method allows state regulators to establish a DR policy and enforce components of retail rates, sends an efficient price signal (participation makes sense when LMPs are higher than the retail rate), and is equitable (the end-use customer must purchase something before it can resell it in the market). Costs associated with payments made to demand resources for energy offers must be reconstituted by being allocated to the LSE that serves the end-use customer where the DR occurred. This makes the LSE indifferent (they still face LMP, but receive the retail rate), provides a beneficial option to the end-use customer when prices are high, and keeps individual MFRR state policy impacts within state borders.

Compensation for DR in the capacity market should follow this same principle. For example, many LSEs have legacy DR programs that implement state regulatory approved tariffs with their end-use customers who are willing to be interrupted under certain terms. These tariffs will establish a demand charge, as well as a demand or capacity credit for allowing interruption of service. These LSEs can then use the capacity represented by the load-reduction capability in MISO's resource adequacy construct.

If DR participation on the supply side of the capacity market is allowed going forward, and where ARCs are not prohibited by the state regulator, then end-use customers and ARCs should be allowed to buy and sell capacity associated with their load-reduction capability. In this case the LSE should have the ability to collect appropriate demand charges (as approved by the state regulatory authority), and the end-use customer should then have the ability to qualify as an LMR and sell their own qualified load-reduction capability as capacity to entities besides its own LSE.

Compensation for DR in the ASM should be further discussed and reviewed with MISO stakeholders, as this market may be unique when compared to energy and capacity markets.

⁴ OMS supported MISO's original 719 filing with regards to ARC compensation and cost allocation: <http://www.misostates.org/files/FERC/2009/OMSARCCComments091105.pdf>. Additionally, OMS followed up with another filing once FERC issued a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking to pay ARCs full LMP. In this filing, OMS fully articulated its argument that the appropriate compensation is LMP minus the MFRR, and that costs for these payments should be allocated to the LSE that serves the load where the DR occurred: <http://www.misostates.org/files/FERC/2010/OMSARCCCompensationCommentsRM10-17.pdf>.

3. Demand Response capacity credits

a. How concerned are you about the reliability of LMR-DR assets if and when they are called on to drop load during MISO emergency events?

The OMS has minimal concerns with regards to LMRs performing required load reductions when called upon during MISO emergency events. The OMS states take their responsibilities with regards to resource adequacy very seriously, desire high standards for all resources that qualify within MISO's resource adequacy construct, and believe a high standard for LMRs has been set through the MISO stakeholder process in establishing protocols.

In order to qualify for MISO's resource adequacy construct, traditional generators must submit required information to MISO in relation to Generation Verification Test Capacity (GVTC), and are subject to a forced outage rates that may decrease capacity credits. LMRs backed by generation, or with BTMG must meet similar standards as traditional generators. LMRs without generation, such as DLC and interruptible load, must meet standards that MISO stakeholders have developed to achieve comparability with resources associated with generation. Such LMRs must meet one of these four standard options: submit information that the LMR capacity qualifies under a state standard (if applicable); submit verification information developed by a qualified third-party auditor; submit sufficient historical performance data; or submit mock test data⁵.

The success of DR falls on more than just adherence to standards. Standards ensure that LMRs *can* curtail load when called upon, however they do not ensure that LMRs *will* curtail load. Additional confidence in DR may be gained by examining the effectiveness of incentives (or disincentives) facing those participating in DR at every level. For example, penalties have been established for LMRs that do not respond to MISO emergency events when called upon⁶. These penalties include exposure to LMPs during an emergency event (likely very high prices), as well as other charges and possible disqualification.

A review of some existing state-approved LSE interruptible tariffs suggests, however, that additional testing or verification requirements may be warranted to provide greater assurance of the availability of these resources. Some of these tariffs were developed before MISO existed and have been used infrequently. Thus, unanticipated challenges could emerge if these resources are curtailed more regularly. The OMS also believes that it is incumbent on LSEs to communicate with customers that are on these tariffs about the likelihood of future events and related preparation as we move into a more capacity constrained environment in the Midwest.

b. Can you identify more appropriate accreditation & validation protocols for crediting LMR-DR assets?

At present the OMS believes the protocols described above for LMRs are appropriate, however if stakeholders, MISO, or the IMM wish to present proposals for improvements, the OMS would be interested in reviewing these proposals and engaging in further discussion. The OMS is aware of monthly LMR drills that MISO staff has instigated, and hopes this process can be improved in order to create another element that adds value to LMR qualification protocols.

⁵ See section 4.2.8 in MISO's Resource Adequacy BPM

⁶ See section 6.4.2 in MISO's Resource Adequacy BPM

- c. Is the capacity credit granted by MISO for LMR-DR assets in Module E too generous? Should a discount factor be applied on LMR-DRs as suggested by the IMM to ensure sufficient resources are procured in the PRA to support resource adequacy objectives?**

The OMS believes that the capacity credit granted to LMRs is appropriate given the standards listed in the response to 3a above. The IMM recommendation to reexamine the capacity accreditation process for LMRs is based primarily on a single emergency event in the summer of 2006, well before requirements in the Business Practices Manuals (BPM) were developed to the extent they exist today. The IMM states that about half of the LMR capacity responded when called upon in 2006, and therefore the credit assigned to LMRs is too much. However, the OMS has yet to see a complete analysis of the event, and wonders to what extent LMRs were already deployed before the event was called due to economic actions of LSEs and/or local reliability challenges faced by Local Balancing Authorities. Further analyses of system-wide emergency response by LMRs are not available, as no events have occurred in MISO since 2006.

Rather than concentrate efforts discussing whether or not to apply a discount factor to LMRs, the OMS prefers to improve confidence that LMRs will in deed respond when called upon for future MISO emergency events. As stated previously, the OMS is open to discussing proposals that aim to improve protocols for notification, testing, and verification while maintaining the attractiveness of DR programs.



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Date: January 12, 2015

To: MISO Board of Directors System Planning Committee
From: Commissioner Angela Weber, OMS PAC Representative

Re: OMS Input on MTEP Guiding Principles

The Organization of MISO States (OMS) appreciates the opportunity to provide feedback on the MTEP Guiding Principles. In lieu of commenting on all of the principles as we have done in the past, OMS is focusing on only one issue this year: reevaluation. As state regulators responsible for protecting the public interest through just and reasonable rates, it is imperative that only those projects that meet the threshold for approval at the time of construction actually go forward to be paid for by end-use customers. As such, we believe this concept should be embodied in the Guiding Principles and offer the following language as a proposed seventh principle:

7. Conduct appropriate reevaluation of approved projects to ensure continued need, and when applicable, achievement of the required minimum benefit cost ratio, before projects are built.

We welcome the opportunity to discuss this important matter further with the members of the committee as part of this comment process. You can reach me using the contact information below to schedule time to do so.

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**UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
BEFORE THE
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Capacity Deliverability Across the) Docket Nos. AD12-16-000
Midwest Independent Transmission System)
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Coordination Across the Midcontinent Independent) AD14-3-000
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Seam)

**JOINT COMMENTS OF THE
ORGANIZATION OF MISO STATES AND
THE ORGANIZATION OF PJM STATES, INC.**

The Organization of MISO States (OMS) and Organization of PJM States Inc. (OPSI) appreciate the invitation to address efforts to enhance coordination across the Midcontinent Independent System Operator, Inc. (MISO) and PJM Interconnection, L.L.C. (PJM) seam and provide an update on the progress of the MISO PJM Joint and Common Market (JCM) Initiative before the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (Commission) today.

OMS and OPSI continue to monitor the development of seams issues within the JCM Initiative and are pleased to report that we have observed progress on a number of seams items. State regulators would like to see further efforts on some outstanding issues, and we also wish to stress the need for a continued sense of urgency in addressing certain issues. OMS and OPSI recognize that these complex issues take considerable time to address through the JCM Initiative process. OMS and OPSI welcome this opportunity to inform the Commission of areas we believe need further attention.

Since OPSI and OMS last presented to the Commission on the JCM Initiative in June 2013, there have been a number of positive developments and progress on work plan items that have been completed and others that are on track towards completion. OMS and OPSI are pleased to have observed noticeable improvements in communication and collaboration between PJM and MISO throughout the course of the JCM Initiative process. It is evident that there has been a greater willingness to negotiate and work together through these difficult coordination issues by both RTOs. OMS and OPSI are encouraged to see progress in communication and partnership between the RTO staffs and greater engagement of Stakeholders on both sides of the seam.

OMS and OPSI would like to highlight items that have been addressed through the JCM work plan since the last OMS and OPSI presentations to the Commission:

- Coordination and Data Exchange items,
- Scheduling rule alignment,
- Market-to-Market resettlement procedures,
- Financial Transmission Rights (FTR) auction scheduling alignment,
- Interconnection Queue coordination (longer term studies are still being discussed)¹, and;
- Fact Finding on capacity deliverability to address questions that OMS and OPSI identified as needing more work by the RTOs.

Previously before the Commission, OMS and OPSI advocated for a Fact Finding process on the overhanging issues surrounding capacity deliverability. The RTOs have answered some of the questions posed by OMS and OPSI and completed considerable analysis to help inform the JCM Initiative. Some of the notable Fact Finding results that have been valuable to OMS and OPSI include: Fact Finding No. 1, the Cross border resource deliverability analysis; and Fact Finding No. 2, the Export and Import limit study between MISO Local Resource Zones and external systems. Other outstanding

¹ See JCM Presentation: Queue Coordination Proposal: <http://www.miso-pjm.com/~media/pjm-jointcommon/stakeholders-group/20140910/20140910-item-03-queue-coordination.ashx>

issues were also identified and described by the RTOs in their Draft Fact Finding report. The RTOs have indicated they intend to finalize the Fact Finding report but have not yet posted a final version on the JCM website as of the drafting and approval of these OMS and OPSI comments. These Fact Finding studies have helped shed light on the potential operations of the two RTOs and the Joint System's capabilities. These studies, when combined with valuable discussions, have helped the RTOs move forward on the issue and resolve some of the disagreement that was the impetus for the JCM work plan and initiation of the Fact Finding.

In the last JCM meeting, OMS and OPSI have observed one promising development in the area of capacity deliverability. MISO has indicated its willingness to pursue a one-directional effort, for transfers from PJM to MISO, regarding the issue of capacity deliverability. OMS and OPSI believe this is a good first step in implementing a concept like capacity deliverability that has been long debated between the RTOs and Stakeholders. OMS and OPSI support MISO's decision to move forward with the concept of capacity deliverability in a one-directional manner at this time, and subject to potential enhancements in the future.

The importance of this MISO decision on capacity deliverability is highlighted by projected reserve margin shortfalls in the MISO footprint, and is complicated by the potential future need for state compliance with Environmental Protection Agency rules. Initially engaging in a PJM to MISO directional method makes sense because the MISO to PJM transfer capability is essentially subscribed up to the recently implemented PJM Capacity Import Limit (CIL). Furthermore, because of PJM's three-year forward capacity procurement and associated requirements to complete network upgrades for resource deliverability, there is the potential for a multitude of complicating issues associated with trying to use MISO network resources in the PJM three-year forward capacity procurement process. OMS and OPSI look forward to more collaboration and implementation as details on this complex issue are worked out. We also emphasize that OMS and OPSI are not suggesting that MISO adopt changes to make its capacity market

structure more similar to PJM's, and nothing in these comments should be read as support for changes to MISO's current Resource Adequacy construct.

While there has been progress made on a number of JCM issues, OMS and OPSI would like to bring to the attention of the Commission some other seams issues that OMS and OPSI believe are in need of further attention and significant continued work to properly address. First and foremost among these is Seams/Cross-Border Interregional Planning. This issue has already been identified for further work within the JCM Initiative and the MISO PJM Interregional Planning Stakeholders Advisory Committee (IPSAC). OMS and OPSI eagerly await the Commission's Orders on the MISO and PJM Order 1000 Interregional Compliance filings. Other seams issues that need additional attention and focus from the RTOs in order to move towards completion are Interface Pricing and Interchange Optimization, also known as Coordinated Transaction Scheduling (CTS).

OMS and OPSI appreciate this opportunity to highlight these issues before the Commission and we look forward to continued work with PJM, MISO, and JCM Stakeholders to address the outstanding items that have been raised today.

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**ORGANIZATION OF MISO STATES, INC.
Board of Directors Closed Meeting
Conference Call Minutes
December 4, 2014**

Approved January 15, 2015

Eric Callisto, President of the Organization of MISO States, Inc. (OMS), called the December 4, 2014 Closed meeting of the OMS Board of Directors to order via conference call at approximately 2:25 p.m. (CST). The following board members or their proxies participated in the meeting:

Elana Wills, proxy for Colette Honorable, Arkansas
Linda Wagner, proxy for John Colgan, Illinois
Angela Weber, Indiana
Libby Jacobs, Iowa
Linda Breathitt, Kentucky
Paul Zimmering, proxy for Eric Skrmetta, Louisiana
Regis Gosselin, Manitoba
Sally Talberg, Michigan
David Boyd, Minnesota
David Carr, proxy for Brandon Presley, Mississippi
Robert Kenney, Missouri
Kirk Bushman, Montana
Phil Movish, proxy for Jason Williams, City of New Orleans
Jerry Lein, proxy for Brian Kalk, North Dakota
Greg Rislov, proxy for Gary Hanson, South Dakota
Richard Greffe, proxy for Ken Anderson, Texas
Eric Callisto, Wisconsin

Absent

Agency members participating

Randy Rismiller – Illinois
Burl Haar, Betsy Wergin – Minnesota
Dave Charles – North Dakota

Others on the call

Tanya Paslawski, Colleen Dougherty, Julie Mitchell – OMS Staff

The directors and proxies listed above established the necessary quorum for the meeting of at least nine directors being present.

BUSINESS

1. Parameters for Executive Committee on ROE Matters

A special OMS Board meeting was tentatively scheduled for either Thursday, December 11th or Friday, December 12th to continue the discussion once the TO's counter-offer was received.

ADJOURNMENT

The closed meeting of the OMS Board of Directors meeting adjourned at approximately 3:10 pm CST.