

**ORGANIZATION OF MISO STATES, INC.  
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES  
October 27, 2005**

**Approved November 22, 2005**

Commissioner Kevin Wright, President of the Organization of MISO States, Inc. (OMS), called the October 27, 2005 Meeting of the OMS Executive Committee to order via conference call at approximately 4:00 p.m. (CDT). The following directors participated in the meeting:

Kevin Wright, Illinois  
Dan Ebert, Wisconsin  
Mike Proctor, proxy for Steve Gaw, Missouri  
Ken Nickolai, Minnesota  
Kevin Holtsberry, proxy for Judy Jones, Ohio

Others participating in the meeting:

Laura Chappelle, Michigan  
Bob Cupit, Minnesota  
Bill Smith, OMS Staff

The directors listed above established the necessary quorum of three (3) Executive Committee members.

Ken Nickolai offered a motion to approve the minutes of the September 22, 2005 OMS Executive Committee meeting. Kevin Wright seconded the motion. By voice vote, the directors unanimously approved the minutes as distributed.

**Business Items**

**1. OMS Nominating Committee Report - Bill Smith**

Bill Smith reported for Greg Jergeson chair of the Nominating Committee. He indicated the committee will meet again Monday, October 31 to complete its recommendations to the board. It will circulate its report prior to the November 10 board meeting.

**2. OMS Strategic Plan - Kevin Wright**

President Wright indicated the report is nearly completed, but not available today. It will be distributed when available. President Wright asked that the OMS Strategic Plan be placed on the agenda of the OMS Annual meeting for a full board vote.

**3. OMS Annual Meeting Plans - Bill Smith**

Bill Smith indicated information material was distributed in draft form for the OMS Annual Board of Directors meeting to be held December 8 in Carmel, Indiana. Bill updated the members on the status of some of the presenters:

- Chairman Kelliher has accepted the OMS invitation and will be present.
- Graham Edwards, chair of the MISO board has agreed to speak, as has Jim Torgerson.
- The Market Monitor, David Patton, has also confirmed.

Hotel arrangements have been made. A block of hotel rooms has been reserved for OMS attendees at the Doubletree Hotel in Carmel. An OMS Recognition dinner has been planned for Wednesday, December 7 at 6:30 pm (EST) at Mitchell's Fish Market on Clay Terrace in Carmel.

Bill also mentioned that the OMS bylaws encourage attendance at the OMS Annual Meeting by allowing OMS to reimburse travel expenses for up to three individuals from each state.

Officer Transition - Bill also indicated that to facilitate officer transition, banking resolutions will be handled during the December annual meeting.

#### **4. Performance Review Process for OMS Staff**

Bill Smith mentioned that OMS may want to start the review process for OMS staff in November, so that it wouldn't have to be done retroactively. President Wright indicated he would give thought to the process and would decide in what direction he thinks OMS should go. In the meantime, he would re-activate the OMS Personnel Committee. (Bill indicated OMS staff contracts expire mid-2006)

#### **5. Energy Act Projects - Bill Smith**

Bill provided members with a score card to help track projects of particular interest to OMS. The grid follows the minutes. The following topics were mentioned:

- Charles River & Associates have been hired to help with the congestion study at DOE, which is a first part of the national corridor study.
- The economic dispatch study will be out November 7. The OMS/ PJM Joint Board will meet November 21 in Chicago to discuss this issue.

After some discussion, executive committee members voted to fund staff travel to this meeting.

**Ken Nickolai offered a motion that OMS will reimburse travel expenses for one staff member per state to attend a meeting with OPSI staff in Chicago November 21 to coordinate projects assigned by the Joint Board on Economic Dispatch.**

**Dan Ebert seconded the motion.**

By voice vote, the directors unanimously approved the motion.

#### **6. 2006 Attorney List Recommendations - Bill Smith**

Bill Smith indicated that one year ago OMS went through a solicitation process and selected five firms from which to choose should the need for outside counsel occur. In 2005 OMS used only one of these firms and on a small project. Bill suggested continuing to use the 2005 recommended list. With cost control incentives in the OMS, Bill doesn't see significant use of outside counsel in the near future.

**Ken Nickolai moved that in 2006 OMS continue to use the list of attorneys compiled by the OMS for use as outside counsel in 2005. Dan Ebert seconded the motion.**

By voice vote, the directors unanimously approved the motion.

#### **Administrative Report - Bill Smith**

Bill Smith reported on three items:

1. Pleadings by Louisville Gas & Electric and Kentucky Utilities to withdraw from MISO were filed at FERC October 7. There will not be an OMS position or filing with respect to Kentucky's withdrawal from MISO.
2. Joint and Common Market filing is anticipated. The OMS Market Rules and Implementation Work Group is working on comments to have ready about November 21.
3. 888 Review RM -25 Comments due November 27.

Work group chairs have looked at it. NARUC is looking at it. Mike Proctor indicated he has asked his FTR work group to review the NOI question and get back to him by November 2. (This is one part of 888, having to do with RTOs, that they may choose to comment on.) The FTR work group hopes to have comments ready for the OMS BOD meeting on November 10.

### **Announcements**

- The next OMS Executive Committee meeting is **TUESDAY**, November 22 at 2:00 pm CST
- The December Executive Committee Meeting is Thursday, December 15 at 2:00 pm CST
- There will be an OMS Special BOD Meeting Thursday, November 3 at 2:00 pm CST
- The next OMS Board of Directors meeting is Thursday, November 10 at 2:00 pm CST.

### **Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 4:30 pm CDT