

OMS/SPP-RSC SEAMS LIASION COMMITTEE
Conference Call Meeting
November 9, 2020

Ted Thomas, Chairman of the Arkansas Public Service Commission, called the November 9, 2020, meeting to order via WebEx at approximately 1:00pm (CT). The following committee members or their proxies participated in the meeting:

Ted Thomas, Arkansas
Kimberly O'Guinn, Arkansas
Noel Darce, proxy for Erik Skrmetta, Louisiana
Ryan Silvey, Missouri
Julie Fedorchak, North Dakota
Kristie Fiegen, South Dakota
DeAnn Walker, Texas

Absent
Iowa

Others Present

MISO and SPP staff
Other OMS and SPP RSC Board Members
OMS staff and various staff participants from individual state commissions

ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS

- Chair Thomas welcomed participants and took the roll as noted above.
- Approval of Minutes from the October 12, 2020 SLC Committee Meeting

The minutes were unanimously accepted as submitted.

BUSINESS ITEMS

- **OMS Recommendations:** Chair Thomas reviewed the OMS SLC Members list of recommendations, which can be found [here](#). This list of issues was derived from the decision matrix and prioritized.
 - Issues 1, 6, and 7 are currently part of the existing stakeholder processes at each RTO.
 - Issues 3 and 5 are being addressed by the joint SPP/MISO study to roll out in December.
 - Issues 2 and 4 were prioritized as high priority, with some disagreement on Issue 4. Noel Darce from the Louisiana PSC noted that the process for the PJM/MISO seam was based on historical data and expressed concerns for this. Chair Silvey and Commissioner Fedorchak support this issue as a high priority.

Commissioner Fiegen asked about the OMS process in determining these recommendations. Chair Thomas responded that the OMS SLC Members had a separate meeting to further evaluate the decision matrix and provide succinct recommendations. This was then posted with the October OMS board meeting packet and reviewed with the full OMS board. They did not delve into opinions and concerns with Issue 4, though board members supported the other areas reviewed. Chair Thomas also

explained that the board is aware that final recommendations will be brought forth after consolidating the OMS and RSC recommendations.

- **RSC Recommendations:** Chair Walker noted that the RSC SLC Members do not have a prioritized list of recommendations at this time. At their October board meeting, they reviewed the RSC process and briefly discussed the matrix; however, they were left with very limited time available for further input and discussion. Chair Walker will work to determine the best way to provide further RSC recommendations.

Commissioner Fiegen expressed concern for the RSC members moving out of scope as they typically focus on cost allocation and resource adequacy. She also requested MISO/SPP collaborate to rank the issues from a cost-benefit ratio perspective and provide this information to committee members. Chair Walker agreed with Commissioner Fiegen's concerns, though also noted that SPP and other RSC members have found the input from this committee to be very valuable. Chair Thomas expressed understanding, and highlighted limitations/progress already initiated with the RTOs.

Commissioner Fiegen also asked if OMS was expecting all 7 issues to move forward. Chair Thomas again highlighted that issues 1, 6, and 7 are currently part of the RTOs' respective roadmaps, issues 3 and 5 are being addressed by the joint study, and 2 and 4 need further discussion. Commissioner Fiegen again requested SPP/MISO combined rankings and educational reports to both respective organizations.

Marcus Hawkins, OMS Executive Director, noted that we have already received feedback from the RTOs over the course of prior meetings. Commissioner Fedorchak recalled a joint presentation from MISO/SPP regarding their feedback and requested that this be recirculated. Melissa Seymour from MISO responded that SPP and MISO have already collaborated and provided a joint presentation on all items, which can be found [here](#) from the September meeting. She agreed with Chair Thomas, noting that they are now interested in what OMS and the RSC think about the issues.

Commissioner Fiegen again requested an actual joint ranking from the RTOs. Melissa Seymour reiterated that all items go through the stakeholder processes. She stated that they would be willing to provide a similar presentation if desired with updates and improvements they're making, but the stakeholders actually rank these processes for the RTO, so it will not be as helpful for the RTOs to provide their ranking. Sam Loudenslager from SPP agreed as they have a similar stakeholder process. He also noted that the market monitor reports provided cost benefits from specific issues being addressed.

- **Review of Next Steps for Seams Liaison Committee:** After further discussion amongst committee members, it was decided that the RSC will prioritize their recommendations in an open meeting in December. The committee will reconvene in January to identify joint recommendations to take back to each respective organization. Marcus noted that MISO/SPP are scheduling a webinar on December 11th at 9:30am CT to discuss the scope of the joint study. Commissioner Fedorchak also recommended that the OMS list be regrouped to reflect the current prioritization as listed above by Chair Thomas.

All materials from this meeting can be found on both the OMS and SPP-RSC websites.

The session concluded at approximately 2:00pm (CT).