**Battery Energy Storage Task Force Charter**

**TAC Approved on “Month Day TBD”, 2019**

**Purpose & Scope:**

The Battery Energy Storage Task Force (BESTF) is a non-voting body that reports directly to the ERCOT Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) and provides recommendations to TAC under the scope of this Charter.

BESTF will develop policy recommendations for consideration by TAC relating to the integration of battery Energy Storage Resources into the ERCOT System. BESTF will consider operational and market design policies that may be implemented using a two-step approach: (1) rules that can be implemented in the short-term to integrate battery Energy Storage Resources under the “combination model” structure, and (2) rules that can be implemented on a longer timeline to integrate battery Energy Storage Resources under a “single model” structure.

**Participation:**

**Membership**

Participation in BESTF shall consist of ERCOT stakeholders, Public Utility Commission of Texas (PUCT), Independent Market Monitor (IMM), Office of Public Utility Counsel (OPUC), ERCOT, and other interested parties.

**Chair and Vice Chair**

BESTF shall be led by a Chair and a Vice Chair. The Chair shall be a member of ERCOT staff, as appointed by ERCOT. The Vice Chair shall be nominated at the first BESTF meeting, and approved by TAC.

**Meetings**

BESTF shall meet as often as necessary to perform its duties and functions. BESTF meetings shall be open to the public. All BESTF meetings shall be called by the Chair or Vice Chair, and meeting notices shall be posted to the ERCOT website at least one week prior to the meeting. BESTF’s written presentations, reports, and recommendations shall be posted on the ERCOT website.

**Duties & Governance:**

BESTF will develop policy recommendations within the scope of this Charter for consideration by TAC. BESTF will review Revision Requests (RRs) relating to its policy recommendations. BESTF may take other actions as directed by TAC.

BESTF is a non-voting body that reports directly to TAC. BESTF shall provide the TAC with a report of its activities at each regularly-scheduled TAC meeting. Although a non-voting body, BESTF will strive for consensus in reporting recommendations to TAC, including minority positions.

**Duration:**

The first meeting of BESTF will be on October 18, 2019. BESTF will continue to meet as needed until dissolved by TAC.