**DRAFT**

**Minutes of the Retail Market Subcommittee (RMS) Meeting**

**ERCOT Austin – 8000 Metropolis Drive (Building E), Suite 100 – Austin, Texas 78744**

**Tuesday,** **February 11, 2025 – 9:30 a.m.**

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
|  |  |  |
| Attendance |  |  |
| *RMS Representatives:*  |  |  |
| Arnold, Jonathan | APG&E | Via Teleconference |
| Bevill, Rob | Texas-New Mexico Power Company (TNMP) |  |
| Blakey, Eric | Pedernales Electric Cooperative (PEC) |  |
| Callender, Wayne | CPS Energy |  |
| Doerrfeld, Mindy | Tenaska Power Services (Tenaska) | Via Teleconference |
| Gardner, Clint | Lubbock Power and Light (LP&L) |  |
| Ghormley, Angela | Calpine Corporation (Calpine) |  |
| Hermes, Connie | South Texas Electric Cooperative (STEC) | Via Teleconference |
| Khan, Amir | Chariot Energy | Via Teleconference |
| Kueker, Dan | Mid-South Electric Cooperative Assoc. (Mid-South) |  |
| Lyles, Doug | Bryan Texas Utilities (BTU) | Via Teleconference |
| McKeever, Debbie | Oncor Electric Delivery (Oncor) |  |
| Patrick, Kyle | Reliant Energy Retail Services (Reliant) |  |
| Pokharel, Nabaraj | Office of Public Utility Council (OPUC) | Via Teleconference |
| Schatz, John | Vistra Operations Company (Vistra) |  |
| Schmitt, Jennifer | Rhythm Ops | Via Teleconference |
| Scott, Kathy | CenterPoint Energy (CNP) |  |
| Shepherd, Bill | Denton Municipal Electric (DME) | Via Teleconference |
| Snyder, Bill | American Electric Power Service Corporation (AEPSC) |  |
| Wilson, Frank | Nueces Electric Cooperative (NEC) |  |
|  |  |  |
| *Guests:* |  |  |
| Ainspan, Malcolm | NRG | Via Teleconference |
| Aldis, Laura | Renew Home | Via Teleconference |
| Apodaca, Amber | Oncor | Via Teleconference |
| Armstrong, Tamela | Alliance Power | Via Teleconference |
| Ashley, Kristy | Customized Energy Solutions (CES) | Via Teleconference |
| Baiza, Elizabeth | LP&L | Via Teleconference |
| Bonde, Vrushal | TXNM | Via Teleconference |
| Bournazian, Peter | Vistra | Via Teleconference |
| Broach, Eric | NextEra Energy | Via Teleconference |
| Butler, William | LP&L | Via Teleconference |
| Callahan, Ryan | Gexa Energy | Via Teleconference |
| Claiborn-Pinto, Shawnee | Public Utility Commission of Texas (PUCT) | Via Teleconference |
| Compton, Dawn | Oncor |  |
| Considine, Lucy | PUCT |  |
| Dillavou, Hayden | Balyasny Asset Management (BAM) | Via Teleconference |
| Doehring, Lee | CNP | Via Teleconference |
| Dollar, Zachary | PUCT |  |
| Downey, Adrienne | Gexa Energy | Via Teleconference |
| Faulk, Jeffrey | Gexa Energy | Via Teleconference |
| Fernandez, Tomas | NRG |  |
| Flowers, Randi | Champion Energy | Via Teleconference |
| Gibbs, Dale | Just Energy | Via Teleconference |
| Gomez, Laura | LP&L | Via Teleconference |
| Hansen, Matthew | Gexa Energy | Via Teleconference |
| Hughey, Christine | BP | Via Teleconference |
| Jones, Monica | CNP |  |
| Keefer, Andrew | DME | Via Teleconference |
| Kimaniece, George | CNP | Via Teleconference |
| Langdon, James | Vistra | Via Teleconference |
| Lee, Jim | CNP | Via Teleconference |
| Levine, Norm | NRG | Via Teleconference |
| Lotter, Eric | Grid Monitor | Via Teleconference |
| MacDonald, Amy | Pogo Energy | Via Teleconference |
| Maddox, Jarrod | TXU | Via Teleconference |
| Mardis, Myranda | LP&L | Via Teleconference |
| Meazle, Melenda | Oncor | Via Teleconference |
| Ortiz, Krista | LP&L | Via Teleconference |
| Pak, Sam | Oncor |  |
| Pena, Edelmira | Revolution Energy | Via Teleconference |
| Pere, Yvette | OEUS | Via Teleconference |
| Pueblos, Jameel | Occidental (Oxy) | Via Teleconference |
| Rochelle, Jennie | CES | Via Teleconference |
| Rohrer, Carrie | Big Data Energy (BDE) | Via Teleconference |
| Rowley, Chris | Oncor |  |
| Smith, Carla | Oncor | Via Teleconference |
| Solomon, Shanette | Champion Energy | Via Teleconference |
| Stokes, Wilmer | Competitive Assets | Via Teleconference |
| Strobel, Rob | PEC | Via Teleconference |
| Tumlinson, Katy | LP&L | Via Teleconference |
| Valdez, Viviana | LP&L | Via Teleconference |
| Walcott, Gary | TXNM | Via Teleconference |
| Walker, Floyd | PUCT | Via Teleconference |
| Wall, Kim | Hansen Technologies | Via Teleconference |
| Whigham, Dawud | BP |  |
| Wiegand, Sheri | Vistra |  |
| Wilson, Stephen | Vistra | Via Teleconference |
| Winegeart, Michael | LP&L | Via Teleconference |
|  |  |   |
| *ERCOT Staff:* |  |   |
| Abbott, Kristin |  | Via Teleconference |
| Albracht, Brittney |  |  |
| Anders, Dana |  | Via Teleconference |
| Benavides, Marcos |  | Via Teleconference |
| Boren, Ann |  | Via Teleconference |
| Carswell, Cory |  | Via Teleconference |
| Clifton, Suzy |  |  |
| Gonzales, Nathan |  | Via Teleconference |
| Gross, Katherine |  |  |
| Hanna, Mick |  |  |
| Meiners, Catherine |  | Via Teleconference |
| Michelsen, Dave |  |  |
| Phillips, Cory |  | Via Teleconference |
| Raish, Carl |  |  |
| Ramthun, Eli |  | Via Teleconference |
| Rossero, Nicole |  | Via Teleconference |
| Thurman, Kathryn |  | Via Teleconference |
| Troublefield, Jordan |  |  |
|  |  |  |

*Unless otherwise indicated, all Market Segments were present for a vote.*

Debbie McKeever called the February 11, 2025 RMS meeting to order at 9:30 a.m.

Antitrust Admonition

Ms. McKeever directed attention to the ERCOT Antitrust Admonition, which was displayed.

Agenda Review

Ms. McKeever reviewed the agenda.

Approval of RMS Meeting Minutes (see Key Documents) [[1]](#footnote-2)

*January 7, 2025*

Ms. McKeever reviewed the January 7, 2025 RMS Meeting Minutes.v2, highlighting corrections submitted by Kathy Scott, and noted that this item could be considered for inclusion in the [Combined Ballot](#Combined_Ballot).

Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) Update
Ms. McKeever reviewed the disposition of items considered at the January 22, 2025 TAC meeting.

2025 RMS Working Group/Task Force Leadership (see Key Documents)

Ms. McKeever presented the 2025 RMS Working Group/Task Force Leadership nominees and noted that this item could be considered for inclusion in the [Combined Ballot](#Combined_Ballot).

ERCOT Updates (see Key Documents)

*Flight Update*

Dave Michelsen previewed Retail Market Test Flight 0225, which was displayed.

*Retail Projects Update*

Mr. Michelsen highlighted potential projects and encouraged stakeholders to attend Protocol Revision Subcommittee (PRS) for future relevant discussions.

*Information Technology (IT) Report*

Mick Hanna reviewed the January 2025 IT Report. Participants discussed the root cause of the February 10, 2025 MarkeTrak incident and opportunities for improvement prior to next failover. Mr. Hanna emphasized that, when facing an issue, best practice is to call ERCOT to open a help ticket. Sheri Wiegand referenced additional vendor discussions scheduled for the February 19, 2025 Texas Data Transport and MarkeTrak Systems (TDTMS) Working Group meeting.

*2024 Survey/Analysis of Retail Electric Provider (REP) and Non-Opt-In-Entity (NOIE) Demand Response*

Carl Raish reviewed the 2024 Survey/Analysis of REP and NOIE Demand Response and remarked upon steps taken to adjust for new factors. Mr. Raish remarked upon the survey’s expected relocation from Other Binding Documents to Nodal Protocols through a future Nodal Protocol Revision Request (NPRR).

*PUCT Rule Regarding Residential Demand Response Using Smart Devices*Mr. Raish previewed upcoming REP data submission requirements in response to P.U.C. SUBST. R. 25.186, Goal for Average Total Residential Load Reduction. Some participants requested that ERCOT provide additional workshops and/or training and submit a Market Notice reminder in March. Other participants questioned the new process’s efficiency in favor of “Transmission and Distribution Utility” (TDU) reporting. Mr. Raish reiterated that REPs, not Transmission Service Providers (TSPs), are in best position for total reporting.

New PRS Referrals (see Key Documents)

*Nodal Protocol Revision Request (NPRR) 1266, Opt-Out Status Held by a Transmission-Voltage Customer Cannot be Transferred*
Katherine Gross reviewed NPRR1266 and its February 7, 2025 ERCOT comments. Some participants expressed concern that NPRR1266 puts unnecessary burden on TSPs to manually review approximated, third-party data and argued that, instead, ERCOT ought to be the verifying party as it receives more contextualizing information than TSPs. ERCOT remarked that NPRR1266 was drafted with TSP participation. Some participants requested NPRR1266 switch from daily to 30-day monitoring. Other participants proposed that ERCOT, as an alternative, provide Customers’ info, Load, and Tax ID Number using confidential Customer Billing Contact Information (CBCI) that was previously used for the ERCOT Value of Lost Load (VOLL) Study by the Brattle Group, and is updated on a monthly basis as a requirement in P.U.C. SUBST. R. 25.43 Provider of Last Resort (POLR) Rule. Participants and ERCOT Staff debated the crudeness of Customer enrollment data via CBCI files and, in the interest of future discussion, agreed to jointly examine data quality through triangulation of January records. Mr. Michelsen emphasized that results of the exercise will not determine NPRR1266’s outcome. Mrs. McKeever noted that this item could be considered for inclusion in the [Combined Ballot](#Combined_Ballot).

Revision Requests Tabled at RMS (see Key Documents)
*Retail Market Guide Revision Request (RMGRR) 182, Related to NPRR1264, Creation of a New Energy Attribute Certificate Program*
Ms. McKeever noted RMGRR182’s relationship to NPRR1264, Creation of a New Energy Attribute Certificate Program, which PRS tabled and referred to the Wholesale Market Subcommittee (WMS) at their January 15, 2025 meeting. RMS took no action on RMGRR182 in anticipation of WMS’s eventual NPRR1264 resolution.

NPRR1264 (See Key Documents)

Ms. McKeever referenced the February 7, 2025 WMS comments in which WMS requested PRS continue to table NPRR1264 for further review by the Wholesale Market Working Group (WMWG). RMS took no action on NPRR1264 in anticipation of WMS’s eventual resolution.

Combined Ballot

**Kyle Patrick moved to approve the Combined Ballot as follows:**

* **To approve January 7, 2025 RMS Meeting Minutes.v2 as presented**
* **To approve 2025 Working Group/Task Force Leadership as presented**
* **To request that PRS continue to table NPRR1266**

**Bill Snyder seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.** *(Please see ballot posted with Key Documents)*

Profiling Working Group (PWG) (see Key Documents)

Sam Pak reviewed PWG activities including Texas-New Mexico Power Company (TNMP) discussion and updates on current and future Annual Validation. Mr. Pak encouraged participants to attend the February 13, 2025 PWG meeting to discuss the future Annual Validation process enhancements. Mr. Pak also reviewed 2024 PWG Accomplishments and 2025 PWG Goals.

TDTMS Working Group (see Key Documents)

Monica Jones reviewed TDTMS Working Group activities including 2024 TDTMS Accomplishments and 2025 TDTMS Goals.

Texas Standard Electronic Transaction (Texas SET) Working Group (see Key Documents)

Mr. Patrick reviewed Texas SET Working Group activities including 2024 Texas SET Accomplishments and 2025 Texas SET Goals.

Retail Market Training Task Force (RMTTF) (see Key Documents)

Tomas Fernandez reviewed RMTTF activities and previewed upcoming trainings.

Other Business (see Key Documents)

*2025 RMS Goals*

Ms. McKeever continued to invite participants to consider 2025 RMS Goals, reminding them that RMS will take up the item upon finalization of 2025 TAC Goals.

*Lubbock Stabilization Update*

Laura Gomez highlighted open issues and provided updates on discretionary fees remediation and process.

*Possible March RMS Cancellation*
Ms. McKeever remarked upon the possible cancellation of the March 4, 2025 RMS meeting due to shortened turnaround between February and March meetings. Mrs. McKeever remarked that further consideration will be given during the February 20, 2025 March RMS Agenda Planning Call.

Adjournment

Ms. McKeever adjourned the February 11, 2025 RMS meeting at 12:56 p.m.

1. Key Documents referenced in these minutes may be accessed on the ERCOT website at: <https://www.ercot.com/calendar/02112025-RMS-Meeting> [↑](#footnote-ref-2)