



Southwest Power Pool
REGIONAL ENTITY TRUSTEES MEETING

June 15, 2015

Teleconference

A G E N D A

9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.

Background Materials

- 1. Call to Order/Introductions ... John Meyer
2. Antitrust Guidelines ... John Meyer
3. Approval of Meeting Minutes - April 27, 2015 ... John Meyer
4. SPP RE 2016 Business Plan & Budget ... Debbie Currie

Direct expenses decreased by 8% and indirect expenses decreased by 25%. Two large expenses were removed from the budget, including \$250,000 for an Engineering Data Validation Tool that will be completed by the end of the year and hearing costs. An additional \$160,000 was removed from the SPP, Inc. overhead charge for a legacy SPP retirement plan that applies to only a few SPP RE employees.

After the June 15 approval of the budget, it will be held open until June 30 for any penalty payments received prior to July 1, although none are expected. The budget's Reliability Assessment and Performance Analysis narrative will be updated with additional information on preparation of the seasonal and long-term reliability assessments. The budget will be submitted to NERC in July 2015 and send to FERC in August.

The Trustees approved the SPP RE 2016 Business Plan & Budget, subject to adjustment for violation penalty payments received prior to July 1, 2015, plus other non-substantive changes required for filing with NERC.

- 5. Regional Delegation Agreement (RDA) Update ... Debbie Currie
NERC made some changes to the pro forma RDA, including removing the SPP Bylaws and regional standard development procedure. The revised document designates the SPP RE Trustees Chairman as an alternative to the SPP RE General Manager for authorizing funds transfer. The structure of the SPP, Inc. overhead charge was also changed.

Initially, NERC removed the pro forma RDA's automatic renewal clause for SPP RE, due to SPP RE's structure with SPP, Inc. However, SPP RE now has the same renewal clause as all other regions.



he Trustees endorsed the RDA, and the SPP RE General Manager and SPP, Inc. President will execute the RDA on June 16. The other REs will approve their RDAs within the next week and NERC will file the RDAs with FERC no later than July 1.

6. **New Action Items** John Meyer

- The SPP RE General Manager will work with other RE Regional Managers in future budget cycles to define the phrase “shared staff”. Definition is needed because some REs attach a different meaning to the term.
- The SPP RE General Manager and SPP RE staff will develop a white paper that addresses some of the known concerns with the Regional Delegation Agreement. Among other items, the white paper should address cost-savings to the Regional Entity for using SPP shared staff/facilities.
- Agenda Item for July: **SPP Bylaws (Regional Entity Trustee Nomination, Election and Compensation)**. The SPP bylaws allow SPP members to nominate and vote for Regional Entity Trustees. SPP’s bylaws also allow SPP members to approve Regional Entity Trustee compensation. This topic should be discussed because the SPP RTO footprint is becoming even more divergent from the SPP RE footprint; this might implicate “independence” issues.
- Agenda Item for July: **Expansion of Regional Entity Trustees**. SPP’s bylaws currently only allow for three persons.

7. **Other Items**John Meyer

- Trustees will send signed Standards of Conduct to Sheila Scott to file.
- John Meyer will hire an attorney to be available to the SPP RE Trustees in case a legal opinion is needed.

8. **Upcoming Meetings** John Meyer

July 27, 2015 - Kansas City
October 26, 2015 - Little Rock

John Meyer adjoined the meeting at approximately 10:00 a.m.

Respectfully,

Emily Pennel
SPP RE Trustees Secretary



ATTENDEES:

Dave Christiano, SPP RE Trustee
John Meyer, SPP RE Trustee
Gerry Burrows, SPP RE Trustee
Ron Ciesiel, SPP RE General Manager
Christopher Matos, Golden Spread
Jennifer Flandermeyer, KCP&L
Debbie Currie, SPP RE
Kim Van Brimer, SPP RTO
Leesa Oakes, SPP RE
Steven Keller, SPP RE
Andrea Doucette, SPP RE