



Southwest Power Pool, Inc.
Markets and Operations Policy Committee
Recommendation to the Corporate Governance Committee
September 24, 2015
ORWG Charter Update

Organizational Roster

The following persons are members of the Operating Reliability Working Group (ORWG):

Jim Useldinger, Chairman, KCPL
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Paul Lampe, City of Independence
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Background

The ORWG Charter outlines that the ORWG coordinates the review, comments on and proposes changes to, and implementation of NERC or Regional standards related to operational reliability. Further, it outlines the ORWG coordinates the implementation of Criteria related to reliable and secure operation of the bulk electric system operated by members of Southwest Power Pool. With the implementation of the Regional Compliance Working Group (RCWG) and the implementation of the SPP Balancing Authority function, the changes made to the ORWG charter approved at the April 2015 Markets and Operations Policy Committee (MOPC) transfer applicable responsibilities to the newly created RCWG, as well as clarify the ORWG scope to include the Balancing Authority function. It should be noted that the Balancing Authority Operating Committee (BAOC) reports to the ORWG and will continue for the foreseeable future. One final update was to expand the ORWG group to allow seats for the Integrated System membership.

Recommendation

The MOPC recommends the CGC approve the change to the ORWG Charter to further clarify scope of responsibilities between RCWG and ORWG, as well as seat expansion and to clarify the three major SPP business functions in scope; the SPP Reliability Coordinator, Balancing Authority, and SPP Reserve Sharing Group (RSG).

Approved: MOPC April 14-15, 2015
Passed Unanimously

Action Requested: Approve Recommendation

**Southwest Power Pool
Operating Reliability Working Group
Charter
May 7, 2015**

Purpose

The Operating Reliability Working Group (ORWG) develops, maintains, and coordinates the implementation of policies related to the reliable and secure operation of the Bulk Electric System within the SPP Reliability Coordinator, Balancing Authority, and SPP Reserve Sharing Group (RSG) footprints. The ORWG ensures these operating policies are consistent with NERC and Regional Reliability Standards. The ORWG provides oversight and direction for the Reliability Coordinator and Balancing Authority functions of the SPP and assigned SPP working groups. The ORWG provides policy input to the MOPC and BOD and its committees, if requested.

Scope of Activities

In carrying out its purpose, the ORWG will:

1. Review, modify and develop any necessary SPP policies related to:
 - The reliable and secure operation of the bulk electric system within the SPP.
 - The development, maintenance, and compliance with NERC Standards of the SPP state-estimator model and ensure that the model adequately supports the needs of the SPP Reliability Coordinator, SPP Balancing Authority, regional Tariff Administration, and any Integrated Marketplace functions.
 - The real-time exchange of reliability related power system data, submission of one-line displays, and other system information.
 - The data exchange needs of SPP and between SPP and its members as it relates to the Reliability Coordination, Balancing Authority, and Reserve Sharing Group functions of SPP.
2. Review, modify and develop any Reliability Coordinator, Balancing Authority and Transmission Tariff procedures related to the operational implementation of the SPP OATT in cooperation with the Regional Tariff Working Group.
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5. Direct and coordinate the activities and policies of the SPP Reserve Sharing Group (RSG).
6. Coordinate with the SPP RE and other SPP Working Groups on the development of SPP Regional Reliability Standards and Compliance. The ORWG will coordinate with other working groups on any changes that affect the groups.
7. Work with Staff and other SPP organizational groups to prioritize activities.

Representation

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Duration

Permanent.

Reporting

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~~November 5, 2014~~ May 7, 2015

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