



Southwest Power Pool, Inc.
GAS ELECTRIC COORDINATION TASK FORCE MEETING
March 14, 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. CST
Conference Call, WebEx

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- 1. Administrative Items Jake Langthorn
- 2. Review Prior Action Items Sam Ellis
- 3. Multi Day Commitment Informational Report RR Jodi Woods
- 4. Multi Configuration Resources/Gas Day Timeline Changes Update Jodi Woods
- 5. Gas Electric Task Force Charter Review and Sunset Discussion Jake Langthorn
- 6. Review New Action Items..... Sam Ellis
- 7. Next Meetings..... Jake Langthorn
- 8. Adjourn Jake Langthorn

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Color-code indicators:

Complete	On Hold	In Progress	Past Due	Abandoned	No Work to date
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GECTF Action Log

No.	Action Item Description	Reference (CY items #, decision log #, other)	Assigned to	Est. Completion Date	Final status/ comments	Status	Closed Date
124	SPP staff to coordinate transition of gas supply issues into SAWG		GECTF	12/8/2016	Discussed during 12/8/2016 meeting	Complete	
126	Staff to provide analysis of Gas Electric Day Project costs		GECTF	12/8/2016	Discussed during 12/8/2016 meeting	Complete	
127	Staff to send information on NERC Task Force		GECTF	2/22/2017		Complete	

Southwest Power Pool, Inc.
GAS ELECTRIC COORDINATION TASK FORCE
Charter
October 1, 2015

Purpose:

This Gas Electric Coordination Task Force (GECTF) assists SPP members and staff with supporting and responding to the gas and electric coordination issues which impact the SPP. The GECTF will coordinate developing solutions to the issues presented from standards and regulatory bodies, and will enable SPP staff to adequately comment and influence the regulations and standards. This group will provide SPP Staff guidance regarding operating experiences, filings and presentations, direction for industry engagement, and support to ensure that SPP provides the appropriate member support in this gas and electric coordination effort.

Scope of Activities:

1. Develop and recommend changes to SPP business practices, protocols, and tariff, as necessary, to improve system reliability through gas and electric coordination.
2. Develop responses to standards and regulatory bodies relating to the impacts of gas and electric coordination. For example, responding to the directives of FERC's Orders (e.g. those established in Docket AD-12-12-000) which will require SPP to address a number of issues including seasonal reporting of any natural gas transportation concerns or fuel related generator outages, as well as reporting on the progress being made in refining existing practices to provide better coordination between the natural gas and electric industries to ensure adequate fuel supplies.
3. Develop and implement specific plans for the improvement of the coordination between the gas and electric utilities in the SPP region. This could include coordinating meetings with SPP members and Staff and representatives from the gas industry, providing specific changes needed to information systems, communication systems, operation systems which would be coordinated through the relevant working groups, task forces, members, and staff.
4. Provide SPP Staff with the needed perspectives of the members, who are the actual fuel users, as Staff may be called upon to participate in industry and regulatory proceedings, conferences and etc. These include but are not limited to the NAESB, the NERC, and the FERC.

5. Report periodically to the Markets and Operations Policy Committee (MOPC) and other committees as needed

Representation:

The GECTF will be composed of at least six and up to 15 members, including a chairman and vice-chair. Meetings are open, however by sufficient notice; the GECTF may limit attendance during specific portions of a meeting by an affirmative vote of the GECTF for the reasons that are consistent with the SPP Bylaws. Representatives should be experienced in matters where the gas and electric industries converge including but not limited to gas scheduling, gas generation operation, Balancing Authority functions, Transmission Operations, and system reliability.

Duration:

The GECTF will sunset on December 31, 2016, unless extended by the MOPC.

Reporting:

The GECTF reports to the MOPC for all activities.

Meeting Schedule:

Generally, meetings will be scheduled twice per year with additional meetings as needed. The chair and secretary will adjust meeting arrangements as needed.

Gas Electric Task Force Charter Review

- 1. Develop and recommend changes to SPP business practices, protocols, and tariff, as necessary, to improve system reliability through gas and electric coordination.**

Accomplishments.

Sponsored changes to the market protocols and tariff, including:

- Revision and clarification of communications procedures (for example, by proposing changes to market protocols and SPP's emergency operating plan) between SPP and market participants.
- Clarification how resources committed in the multi-day reliability assessment timeframe are made whole to help ensure recovery of incurred fuel costs (complete)
- Proposing changes to the day ahead timelines to help better align the electric day with the newly-changed gas nomination timelines (complete)
- Posting of forecast commitment results from existing SPP multi-day reliability studies (in progress)

Future work.

- Existing SPP working groups will assume responsibilities for business practice, protocol and tariff changed related to future gas-electric coordination issues, including:
 - Operating reliability issues: Operations Reliability Working Group
 - Fuel adequacy for accredited capacity: Supply Adequacy Working Group
 - Further progress on gas-electric timeline alignment: Market Working Group

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Accomplishments.

- Provided feedback to FERC and on possible gas scheduling changes via various FERC technical conferences, requests for information, investigations, and comments on a notice of proposed rulemaking
- Advised SPP staff on exchanging gas-electric harmonization information via the ISO/RTO Council
- Advised SPP staff on member desires for gas standards changes for SPP staff in coordination with NAESB and gas-electric industry forums.

- Developed approach for complying with RTO requirements related to FERC Order 206, which mandated changes to gas nomination and schedule timeframes
- Reviewed first annual compliance filing related to FERC's order that SPP describe the steps it is taking to further align its market with the gas day.
- Monitored NAESBs annual plans for the Wholesale Gas Quadrant's annual plans from 2014 forward and provided feedback on issues and priorities

Future work.

- Worked with MWG to transition the responsibility for further progress and updates to FERC related to gas/electric timeline alignment (the next informational filing to FERC is expected in December 2017)

- 3. Develop and implement specific plans for the improvement of the coordination between the gas and electric utilities in the SPP region. This could include coordinating meetings with SPP members and Staff and representatives from the gas industry, providing specific changes needed to information systems, communication systems, operation systems which would be coordinated through the relevant working groups, task forces, members, and staff.**

Accomplishments.

- Provided feedback to Staff on establishing communication protocols with major gas pipelines
- Provided input to SPP's strategic planning efforts

Future work.

- Staff will continue to participate in industry forums and regular meetings with the interstate pipelines in the SPP footprint, and will continue to improve communications and situational awareness with respect to gas pipelines.

- 4. Provide SPP Staff with the needed perspectives of the members, who are the actual fuel users, as Staff may be called upon to participate in industry and regulatory proceedings, conferences and etc. These include but are not limited to the NAESB, the NERC, and the FERC.**

Accomplishments.

- Received reports from staff and provided feedback to various gas-related industry initiatives.
- Provided input to SPP's strategic planning efforts

Future work.

- Staff will continue to participate in industry forums and regular meetings with the interstate pipelines in the SPP footprint, and will continue to improve communications and situational awareness with respect to gas pipelines.

5. Report periodically to the Markets and Operations Policy Committee (MOPC) and other committees as needed

Commitment to get something done by a pre-determined time, e.g., the July Board Meeting.