SEPTEMBER MEETING SUMMARIES

BUSINESS PRACTICES WORKING GROUP (BPWG): SEPT. 20
The BPWG met to discuss updates on the market import service revision request, RR 0234 (Redirect Billing). The group also discussed the handling of transmission service at the seams under abnormal operating conditions. This discussion was a precursor to development of a formal revision request or tariff revision.

MARKET WORKING GROUP (MWG): SEPT. 8 & 19-20
The MWG met Sept. 8 to discuss RR 243 (Mitigated Energy Offer for Regulation Deployment Adjustment Settlements) and RR 242 (Regulation Deployment Priority Change) to address a gaming opportunity associated with the regulation deployment adjustment charge type; both RRs were expedited and approved, and will be presented to the MOPC during their October meeting.

The MWG met Sept. 19-20 to review progress on action items related to improving the auction revenue rights/transmission service request process and planned next steps. SPP staff presented the initial draft Mitigated Start-Up and No-Load Offer Maintenance Cost revision request, noting the final will be provided for action during the October MWG meeting. SPP staff also discussed a number of design issues related to joint operating units, including a potential gaming opportunity. The group approved RR 240 (Conversion of SPP OC Section 7 to SPP RSG OP and OCRTF). Other topics discussed are detailed in the MWG minutes posted on SPP.org.

OPERATING RELIABILITY WORKING GROUP (ORWG): SEPT. 7
The ORWG discussed two action items and four votes were recorded. The ORWG requested the creation of a small team that will investigate the CIP-012 real-time monitoring concerns, and requested staff to work with GIS to address the cost allocation within RR 162 prior to filling RR 162. The ORWG approved August meeting minutes, expedited RR 240 Operating Criteria 7, RR 240 Operating Criteria 7 and VRL analysis. The ORWG discussed the chairman and vice chairman expiring terms and the process for nominations. The ORWG also discussed the FAC-008 standard and explained that SPP would be requesting information from TOs and TOPs regarding facility ratings.
OCRTF
The Operating Criteria Review Task Force (OCRTF) recommended the continued existence of the operating criteria and is expecting two additional RRs to be submitted by the group.

RELIABILITY COMPLIANCE WORKING GROUP (RCWG): SEPT. 22
The RCWG group took formal action on RR 162 and rejected the RR. Staff is waiting on the formal reason for rejection. The RCWG is continuing to follow the work on RR 237, which addresses additional clarification to the SOL methodology and is waiting for comments to come back on RR 237 (cleanup section 5 of the planning criteria). The SPP staff and member company comments were discussed at the Transmission Working Group (TWG) meeting and action items were taken. Subgroups at the TWG will consider comments and come back at the next meeting to discuss those comments. The TWG tabled the RR until the subgroups' review of the comments is completed. This RR will not go to the Regional Tariff Working Group or Supply Adequacy Working Group until TWG has taken action.

The RCWG worked with operations staff and submitted feedback to the reliability coordinator's RDS document. The RCWG chairman redlined the current charter, to be reviewed at the October face-to-face meeting.

The RCWG held a nomination period to solicit nominations for its chairman position. During the nomination period there were no nominations submitted. To default to the current leadership, there will need to be a waiver requested from the Corporate Governance Committee process as well as a revision made to the RCWG charter to remove the term limit language. The RCWG welcomed a new voting member to the group in September. Michael Bailey has replaced Yee Chou as the AEP voting seat at the RCWG.

The RCWG/System Protection and Control Working Group misoperations met to work on an agenda for the summit Oct. 19. The subgroup plans to meet again to finalize the agenda and communicate the materials for the summit.

TRANSMISSION WORKING GROUP (TWG): SEPT. 12 & 20
The TWG met twice during the month of September. The Sept. 12 meeting was an ad hoc meeting where the TWG discussed a model concern on a subset of models used in the 2018 Integrated Transmission Planning Near-Term study. After discussion of the issue and options to move forward, the TWG determined the best course of action was to move forward with no changes.

During the regularly scheduled Sept. 20 meeting, the TWG discussed additional model issues brought to staff Sept. 12. During the meeting, the TWG discussed the issues and determined the proper course of action was to rebuild all of the 2018 ITPNT models and extend the study deadline from April 2018 to July 2018. The TWG also discussed RR 237, which calls for removal of Section 5 of the SPP planning criteria, and an introduction to a staff-proposed generator retirement analysis process.
UPCOMING MEETINGS

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