THE ORG REPORT: JANUARY 2018

A monthly summary of organizational group activities.

DECEMBER MEETING SUMMARIES

MARKET WORKING GROUP (MWG): DEC. 11-12
The MWG discussed a design change for jointly owned units (JOUs). The group reviewed four options and approved one: RR 266 (JOU Combined Single Resource Modeling post Settlement Share Allocation). The group approved RR 259 (Settlements Statements Timeline) and RR 265 (Compliance Filing ER17-772 for RR175 Ramp Shortage). Staff facilitated a discussion of possible new market design initiatives for 2018-2019 MWG development and presented two Mountain West Transmission Group (MWTG) educational sessions on congestion hedging and settlements. Other topics discussed are detailed in the MWG minutes posted on SPP.org.

OPERATING RELIABILITY WORKING GROUP (ORWG): DEC. 7
Three action items and three votes were recorded at the ORWG meeting. The group approved the consent agenda, which contained the Nov. 2, 2017, meeting minutes, RR 250 (Market Import Service), RR 246 (Clarifying SPP Congestion Management) and RR 256 (QSR Correction and Clean-up). The ORWG approved RR 253 (DVER Regulation Enhancement) and RR 247 (Contingency Reserves Clearing During CR Events). The group discussed the inverter-based generation integration study scope; RR 254 (VER Forecast Requirements Enhancement); operations one to globalscape; Oct. 21, 2017, other extreme conditions event; RTCA data quality TOP-010 SPP plans for April 1; reliability coordinator/shift engineer coordination with regional transmission organizations for non-market generation; draft operating criteria 2.0 (proposed Operating Reliability Criteria Task Force revisions) and the MWTG update.

RELIABILITY COORDINATION WORKING GROUP (RCWG): DEC. 15
The RCWG is waiting on a response from the primary working group, the Transmission Working Group (TWG), working to address staff comments and has developed a subteam to continuing work on section five before the TWG can take action. The RCWG approved RR 253, RR 254, RR 256, RR 177 and RR 182 during their December call. The RCWG finalized meeting dates for 2018. The RCWG added a task for the Standards Review Subcommittee to review and added comments to the North
American Electric Reliability Corporation (NERC) standards efficiency review project. The deadline for comments submission is Feb. 2.

**SECURITY WORKING GROUP (SECWG): DEC. 19**
The SECWG observed presentations on the implementation and management of IT tools, Nebraska Public Power District’s Tripwire solution and Westar Energy’s Carbon Black solution. The group received an update on NERC GridEX IV lessons learned for Sunflower Electric and SPP. The group discussed the upcoming Critical Infrastructure Protection (CIP)-013 Supply Chain Risk Management standard. The group also received an update from the NERC Critical Infrastructure Protection Committee (CIPC) meeting.

**STRATEGIC PLANNING COMMITTEE (SPC): DEC. 4 & 19**
The SPC met twice in executive session with MWTG participants for SPP to understand the MWTG’s desire for different provisions. They walked through each of the policy areas, explained SPP stakeholder concerns and discussed how to move forward. Both parties separately noted follow-up items and agreed further meetings were not needed.

**TRANSMISSION WORKING GROUP (TWG): DEC. 13 & 20**
The TWG met twice in December. During the Dec. 13 meeting, the TWG reviewed and approved the board-directed re-evaluation of the Kummer Ridge – Roundup 345-kV line, which staff recommended be withdrawn. The TWG was given an opportunity to review the 2017 TPL-001 report for the first time. During the Dec. 20 meeting, the TWG approved the 2017 TPL-001 report, models developed by operations for the Brookline high-voltage need described in the 2018 Integrated Transmission Planning Near-Term scope and a sponsored upgrade study for Central Power. Additionally, the TWG reviewed a presentation from staff comparing the load submitted in the planning models to the load observed in real-time for the same seasons to satisfy requirements of Criteria 5.3.3.

**UPCOMING MEETINGS**

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