

**Southwest Power Pool
WESTERN RELIABILITY EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
Wednesday, October 11, 2023
8am to 11am MDT (9am to 12pm CDT)
Black Hills Energy, Rapid City, SD
• M I N U T E S •**

1. Call to Order

Chair Denton McGregor called the meeting to order at 8:01 am MDT (9:01 am CDT) on Wednesday, October 11, 2023.

2. Attendance and Quorum Determination

Derek Hawkins (SPP) and Hamilton Bitely (SPP) took attendance and determined a quorum was present.

3. Review and approval of WREC meeting agenda

Chairman McGregor reviewed the meeting agenda with the committee. Michael Houglum (TSGT) motioned to approve the agenda as presented, seconded by Linda Jacobson-Quinn (Farmington); with no further discussion or opposition, the agenda was approved.

4. Approval of WREC Minutes from the July 12, 2023 Open Meeting

Michael Houglum (TSGT) motioned to approve the previous meeting minutes as presented, seconded by Linda Jacobson-Quinn (Farmington); with no further discussion or opposition, the minutes were approved.

5. Review of Past Action Items

- a. **Previous Action Item:** Carry over agenda items: **On Today's Agenda**
 - i. Expanded Western Focused Training Proposal Review - Leslie Sink (SPP)
 - ii. West Wide Congestion Management - CJ Brown (SPP)
- b. **Previous Action Item:** Per Chairman McGregor's request, SPP (CJ Brown/Hamilton Bitely) to provide break-down of cost per entity of training options to WREC Representatives. That data to be included in the October meeting financials discussion.

On Today's Agenda

- c. **Previous Action Item:** Per Chairman McGregor's request, SPP (Hawkins) to provide before after examples after going to flow based methodology for educational purposes, 3-4 slides. To be discussed at the in-person October meeting. **On Today's Agenda**
- d. **Previous Action Item:** Hamilton Bitely (SPP) to distribute WREC Charter draft via email for review ahead of the meeting vote in October. **On Today's Agenda**
- e. **Previous Action Item:** Hamilton Bitely (SPP) to set tentative 2024 meeting dates for review at the October meeting. **On Today's Agenda**

6. WRWG October 10, 2023 Meeting Update

Alex Watkins (SPP) updated the group on yesterday's WRWG meeting. Topics included,

- Order 881 - will be a standing agenda item until Go-Live
- MITF Task Force
- RC Metrics
- WRWG Charter Review

7. WRWG Charter Review/Approval (VOTING ITEM)

The WRWG did not believe any changes were required to the charter. Michael Houglum (TSGT) motioned to reaffirm the current WRWG Charter, seconded by Linda Jacobson-Quinn (Farmington); with no further discussion or opposition, the charter was approved.

8. WREC Charter Review/Approval (VOTING ITEM)

During review by the committee, discussion focused on what, if any, changes would be needed to the charter should membership grow significantly. It was determined that no changes would be needed to the WREC Charter. All SPP West RC customers, regardless of number, would want a vote on the WREC since it approves the budget. However, changes related to maximum number of voting members would apply to the WRWG. Membership will likely not change significantly until 2025. Therefore, no changes will be needed until next year's review. Michael Houglum (TSGT) motioned to approve with no changes, seconded by Linda Jacobson-Quinn (Farmington); with no further discussion or opposition, the charter was approved.

9. West Wide Congestion Management

Derek Hawkins (SPP) presented on the players, purpose of and history of the IDC in the Eastern Interconnect.

Alex Watkins (SPP) discussed a potential roadmap for addressing congestion challenges in the west, including a NAESB standard. The ECC Task Force expects to finalize the White Paper at its next meeting, November 14. CJ Brown (SPP) shared that many entities in the west are on board with the proposed roadmap.

10. West RTO Update

Jerry Wild (SPP) updated the committee on SPP's RTO Western Expansion activities and anticipated timelines. Signed commitments have been received from all 9 members. Go-Live is planned for April 1, 2026.

11. Western Resource Adequacy Program (WRAP) Update

Charles Cates (SPP) updated the WREC on Western Power Pool (WPP) WRAP activities. Go-Live is planned for November 2023.

12. Western Markets Update (WEIS/Markets+)

Brad Johnston (SPP) shared the WEIS market going well. Markets+ has a lot of ongoing activity. Working groups are meeting weekly. The next in-person tariff language drafting meeting will be held at Salt River Project. A Markets+ tariff filing is hoped to be submitted to FERC by late 2023 or Q1 2024. Go-Live for Markets+ is projected to be October 1, 2025.

13. General Q&A/Open Forum

N/A

14. Summary of Action Items

N/A

15. Future Meetings

Tri-State will tentatively host either the April or October in-person meeting. 2024 meeting dates are as follows:

<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Host</u>
January 10, 2024	8am-10am MST	WebEx
April 9-10, 2024 WRWG Day 1 WREC Day 2	Noon-Noon MDT	In-Person @ SPP or TBD
July 10, 2024	8am-10am MDT	WebEx
October 8-9, 2024 WRWG Day 1 WREC Day 2	Noon-Noon MDT	In-Person @ SPP or TBD

16. Adjournment

Chair Denton McGregor called for a motion to adjourn the open WREC meeting and move to executive session at 10:10 am MDT (11:10am CDT). Michael Houglum (TSGT) motioned to adjourn, seconded by Vice Chair Aust (WAPA); with no further discussion or opposition, the open meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Hamilton Bitely, WREC Staff Secretary Assistant

Attendance:

Denton McGregor (BHE, WREC Chair)
Jonathan Aust (WAPA, WREC Vice Chair)
Brett Gruesner (PSCO)
Calvin Dacus (TEP) - Proxy for Sam Rugel
Linda Jacobson-Quinn (Farmington) – Proxy for Hank Adair
Luz Maria Ramos (EPE) – Proxy for Abel Bustillos
Michael Houglum (Tri-State)
Robert Bray (AEPSCO) - Proxy for Shane Sanders
Warren Rust (CSU)
Wade Kiess (PRPA)
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Alex Baird (CSU)
Carly Page
Scott Perhus (BHE)
Brandon Scott (CSU)
Robert Romero (Tri-State)
Mike Shultz (CSU)
Ben Hammer (WAPA-UGP)
Brian Graybeal (WACM)
John Roemen (WAPA)
Kyle Clanney (WAPA)
Sean Erickson (WAPA)
Matthew Alvarado (Iowa Utilities Board)
Steve Ashbaker (WECC)
Dennis Reed
Farrokh Rahimi (OATI)

SPP Staff

CJ Brown (SPP, WREC Staff Secretary)
Hamilton Bitely (SPP, WREC Staff Secretary Assistant)
Derek Hawkins (SPP)
Alex Watkins (SPP)
Brad Johnston (SPP)

Charles Cates (SPP)

Charles Hendrix (SPP)

DJ Smith (SPP)

Jerry Wild (SPP)

Jordan Rhoads (SPP)

Leslie Sink (SPP)

Neil Robertson (SPP)

David Daniels (SPP)

Ryan Barnett (SPP)

Russell Quattlebaum (SPP)

Scott Wiedower (SPP)

William Holden (SPP)

Will Tootle (SPP)