

SOUTHWEST POWER POOL
MARKETS+ GREENHOUSE GAS (GHG) TASK FORCE
March 5, 2025 | 8 a.m. – 1 p.m. PT | 9 a.m. – 2 p.m. MT | 10 a.m. – 3 p.m. CT
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SUMMARY OF MOTIONS AND ACTION ITEMS

APPROVAL ITEMS

1. Alisa Kasewater moved to approve the February 10, 2025 minutes. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Ann Rendahl and passed unanimously by voice vote.
2. Vice Chair Clare Breidenich moved to approve the GHG Market Design Protocol Language as presented and revised during the March 5, 2025 MGHTGF meeting, and recommended approval by the Markets+ Design Working Group. The motion was seconded by Alisa Kasewater and passed on a roll call vote.

NEW ACTION ITEMS

- SPP staff to draft more readable text in Section 5.1.6.2.
- SPP staff to review the load obligation language in Section 5.2.1.
- SPP staff to review commitment parameters for specified source resources.
- SPP staff to review Section 5.1.10.
- SPP staff to revisit the constraint algorithm in Section 5.2.
- SPP staff to draft extreme resource changes examples and how they work with the merit order process in the real-time balancing market.
- SPP staff to monitor the resource operator threshold and the merit order threshold.
- SPP staff to post new materials created, presented or revised during the March 5 meeting.

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MINUTES

AGENDA ITEM 1 – CALL TO ORDER AND ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS

MGHGTF Chair Mary Wienecke called the meeting to order at 10:02 a.m. CT. Assistant Staff Secretary Gina Gargano-Amari read the antitrust and recording notices. Chair Wienecke conducted a roll call of members (Attachment C: Attendance). Alisa Kasewater moved to approve the February 10, 2025 minutes. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Ann Rendahl and passed unanimously by voice vote.

AGENDA ITEM 2 – GHG MARKET DESIGN PROTOCOL LANGUAGE REVIEW

Ms. Gentry Crowson presented the following revised protocol sections:

- Glossary
- Section 4.2.2.1(8) (Resource Offer Parameters)
 - SPP staff added clarifying language in accordance with comments for clarification.
- Section 4.2.2.2.3 (Surplus Threshold Status)
- Section 5.1.9(7) (Specified Resource Offer Requirements)
 - SPP staff will add sub-bullets and clarifying language regarding energy type attribution language to Section 5.1.9(7) in future versions. SPP staff agreed to address readability issues in the protocols.
- Section 5.1. (Resource Types Supplying Load in GHG Pricing Zones)
- Sections 5.1.2(1) and (2) (Specified Source Resource – Type 1A Energy)
- Sections 5.1.3(1), (2) and (4) (Specified Source Resource – Type 1B Energy)
 - SPP staff modified sub-bullet (2) to indicate that the market clearing house clearing engine will determine the most economic energy dispatch and attribution to GHG pricing.

- Section 5.1.4(2) and (5) (Specified Source Resource – Type 2 Energy)
- Section 5.1.5 (Specified Source Resource – Simultaneous Type 1B/Type 2 Energy)
- Section 5.1.6(3)(a) (Specified Source Resource Modeling)
- Sections 5.1.6.2(2) and (3) (Type 1B/Type 2 Energy)
- Sections 5.1.9(3), (4), (5), (6), (7), (8), and (8)(a) (Specified Source Resource Offer Requirements)

SPP staff revised the language in sub-bullet (5) to clarify the Minimum Economic Capacity Operating Limit value for Type 2 energy.

SPP staff modified sub-bullet (8)(a) to clarify the surplus threshold status language.

- Section 5.1.10

Meeting participants and SPP agreed that discussion of this section would be tabled for a future meeting.

- Section 5.2 (Market Clearing)

SPP staff agreed to revisit the constraint algorithm in Section 5.2.

- Section 5.2.1(1) and (3) (Merit Order Process for Specified Source Resources Offering Type 2 Energy)

First, SPP staff agreed to research the development of extreme resource changes, and the impact the merit order process in sub-bullet (1). Second, SPP staff will add clarifying language to sub-bullet (3) regarding load obligation and whether these terms only apply to load responsible entities. Third, SPP staff will monitor the resource operator surplus threshold and the merit order threshold and coordinate as needed with the Washington State Department of Ecology on this topic. Lastly, SPP staff to review how the Washington State rules are defined regarding imports and exports and how restraints would need to be modified to match the policy.

- Section 5.3 (Calculation of Marginal GHG Price)
- Section 9.3.1 (Identification of Resource Assets Subject to GHG Pricing Programs)
- Section 9.3.1.2.1 (Type 1A Energy Qualifications for Specified Source Resources)
- Section 9.3.1.2.3 (Type 2 Energy Qualifications for Specified Source Resources)

AGENDA ITEM 3 – GHG MARKET DESIGN PROTOCOL LANGUAGE VOTE

Chair Wiencke conducted a roll call of members to reassess the existence of a quorum and confirm correct proxy identification.

Vice Chair Breidenich moved to approve the GHG market design protocol language as presented and revised during the March 5, 2025 MGHTGF meeting, and recommend approval by the Markets+ Design Working Group. The motion was seconded by Alisa Kasewater. The vote was conducted by a roll call and passed with 100% approval (see Attachment C: Roll Call Vote):

- 16 in favor (4 IND, 4 IOU, 5 PUB, 3 State)
- 0 opposed
- 0 abstentions

AGENDA ITEM 4 – WORK PLAN REVIEW/ACTION ITEMS

The following action items were captured during the meeting:

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AGENDA ITEM 5 – ADJOURNMENT

Chair Wienecke adjourned the MGHTGF at 3:01 p.m. CT.

Attachments: Agenda, Attendance and Roll Call Vote

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AGENDA

1. **Call to Order and Administrative Items**
 - a. Statements: Notice of Recording & Anti-trust Statement.....Kim O’Guinn
 - b. Roll call.....Mary Wiencke
 - c. Meeting Minutes ([Approval Item](#)).....Mary Wiencke
2. **GHG Market Design Protocol Language Review**Mary Wiencke
3. **GHG Market Design Protocol Language Vote ([Approval Item](#))**.....Mary Wiencke
4. **Work Plan Review/Action Items**.....Kim O’Guinn
5. **Adjournment**..... Mary Wiencke

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MGHGTF ATTENDANCE LIST, MARCH 5, 2025

Details from SPP.org registration and WebEx records. Symbols: * denotes Member and † denotes proxy.

#	Name	Organization
1	Mary Wiencke* (Chair)	PGP
2	Clare Breidenich* (Vice Chair)	WPTF
3	Alexander Tai*	TEP
4	Alisa Kaseweter*	BPA
5	Ann Rendahl*	WA UTC
6	George McGuirk*	Xcel Energy
7	Ian Hunter*	Snohomish PUD
8	Jeff Spires*	Powerex
9	Jessica Zahnow*	PSE
10	John Hammond*	ID PUC
11	Kyle Frankiewich*	City of Tacoma
12	Michael Robinson*	WY PSC
13	Omayya Ahmad*	APS
14	Sydney Welter*	WRA
15	Kim O'Guinn* (Staff Secretary)	SPP
16	Gina Gargano-Amari* (Secretary Assistant)	SPP
17	Aaron Cahen	WA UTC
18	Agnes Lut	SRP
19	Alex Rozen* (proxy for Eric Blank)	CO PUC
20	Andrea Doucette	SPP MMU
21	Andrew Valainis	Regulatory Assistance Project
22	Anne Capper	GDS Associates
23	Brandon Gimper	PSE
24	Brian Gaarde	SRP
25	Brian Rounds	AESL Consulting
26	Call-in User_1	
27	Call-in User_2	
28	Call-in User_3	
29	Camille Sultana	WA ECY
30	Carrie Dixon	SPP
31	Christine Monahan	SRP
32	David Boyd	AESL Consulting
33	Gentry Crowson	SPP
34	Henry Campbell	SRP
35		
36	Ian Wren	SPP MMU
37	Ivan Galiendo	El Paso Electric
38	Jim Krajecki	CES Ltd
39	Jordan Foster	SPP
40	Kara Kolkman	WY PSC
41	Kelli Schermerhorn	SPP
42	Libby Kirby	BPA
43	Luke Incorvaia	SPP
44	Marc Printy	IID
45	Margo Thompson	BEPC
46	Matt Powell	SPP

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47	Morgan Sach	Avista
48	Patrick Brown	Vedeni
49	Rachel Kane	SPP
50	Ron Moulton	WAPA
51	Sara Eaton	BPA
52	Sarah Ruen+ (proxy for Lisa Tiffin*)	Tri-State
53	Serhat Guney	SPP
54	Steve Greenleaf	Brookfield Renewable
55	Tom Michelotti	NWE
56	Vincent Ching	PSE
57	Walt Shumate	SBC Global
58	Wayne Camp	Utilicast

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MGHGTF Roster Member	Org	Sector	Vote
Mary Wiencke	PGP	IND	YES
Clare Breidenich	WPTF	IND	YES
Laura Trolese	TEA	IND	
Lauren McCloy	NWEC	IND	
Richard Seide	Grid Strategies	IND	YES
Sydney Welter	WRA	IND	YES
Alex Tai	TEP	IOU	YES
Jessica Zahnow	PSE	IOU	YES
George McGuirk	Xcel	IOU	YES
Omayya Ahmad	APS	IOU	YES
Vacant		IOU	
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Alisa Kaseweter	BPA	PUB	YES
Ian Hunter	Snohomish	PUB	YES
Jeff Spires	Powerex	PUB	YES
Kyle Frankiewich	Tacoma	PUB	YES
Lisa Tiffin (Proxy: Sarah Ruen)	Tri-State	PUB	YES
Janet Jaspers	Chelan	PUB	
Ann Rendahl	WA UTC	State	YES
Gabriel Aguilera	NM PRC	State	
John Hammond	ID PUC	State	YES
Eric Blank (Proxy: Alex Rozen)	CO PUC	State	YES
Mike Robinson	WY PSC	State	
Vacant		State	

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