



Date: April 8, 2008
To: Board of Directors
From: Mark Dreyfus, TAC Chair
Subject: Managing Protocol Content During Texas Nodal Market Implementation

Issue for the ERCOT Board of Directors

ERCOT Board of Director Meeting Date: April 15, 2008

Agenda Item No.: 10a

Issue:

Whether to approve the Technical Advisory Committee's plan for managing Protocol content during Texas Nodal Market Implementation (Plan).

Background/History:

As the Texas Nodal Market design is finalized and tested, a clear description of the market rules applicable to Market Participants and ERCOT is needed. The proposed Plan is intended to guide Market Participants and ERCOT in managing Nodal Protocol content and proposed revisions during Texas Nodal Market Implementation.

In response to stakeholder discussions regarding scope challenges to nodal delivery and how to assure full Protocol delivery, the Plan was created as a process document to ensure transparency and certainty on what functionality will be available for Texas Nodal Market Implementation. The Plan was patterned after the current Transition Plan Task Force (TPTF) and Protocol Revision Subcommittee (PRS) governance structure. Both the TPTF and PRS reviewed the Plan prior to TAC approval. Attachment A contains the Plan as recommended by TAC for managing Protocol content during Texas Nodal Market Implementation.

Key Factors Influencing Issue:

On April 4, 2008, TAC unanimously voted to adopt the Plan. All Market Segments attended the vote.

Alternatives:

1. Approve the TAC recommendation for managing Protocol content during Texas Nodal Market Implementation;
2. Reject the TAC recommendation; or
3. Remand to TAC with instructions.

Conclusion/Recommendation:

TAC recommends that the Board approve the method described above as the process to manage nodal Protocol content and proposed revisions during Texas Nodal Market Implementation.



ELECTRIC RELIABILITY COUNCIL OF TEXAS, INC.
BOARD OF DIRECTORS RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) has unanimously recommended that the Board approve the Plan for Managing Protocol Content During Texas Nodal Market Implementation (Plan), appended hereto as Attachment A; and

WHEREAS, the Board deems it desirable and in the best interest of ERCOT to approve the Plan;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board hereby approves the Plan.

CORPORATE SECRETARY'S CERTIFICATE

I, Michael G. Grable, Corporate Secretary of Electric Reliability Council of Texas, Inc., a Texas nonprofit corporation (ERCOT), do hereby certify that, at its April 15, 2008 meeting, the ERCOT Board of Directors passed a motion approving the above Resolution by a vote of

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this ____ day of _____, 2008.

Michael G. Grable
Corporate Secretary