



Date: November 10, 2008
To: ERCOT Board of Directors
From: Mark Dreyfus, Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) Chair
Subject: Protocol Revision Requests (PRRs)

Issue for the ERCOT Board of Directors

ERCOT Board of Directors (ERCOT Board) Meeting Date: November 17, 2008

Agenda Item No.: 11a

Issue:

Consideration of the following PRRs:

- PRR769, EECF Media Appeal Change, and
- PRR777, WGR QSE Metric Correction.

Background/History:

Unless otherwise noted: (i) all Market Segments were present for each vote and (ii) ERCOT Credit Staff and the Credit Work Group (Credit WG) have reviewed the revision requests and do not believe it requires changes to credit monitoring activity or the calculation of liability.

- ***PRR769 – EECF Media Appeal Change [Operations Working Group (OWG)]. Proposed effective date: December 1, 2008. No budgetary impact; no additional FTEs needed; no system changes required; existing business processes can accommodate this PRR; no impact to grid operations.*** This PRR removes the required energy conservation media appeal from Emergency Electric Curtailment Plan (EECP) Step 2 and adds it to Step 3. This PRR also allows ERCOT management to issue a media appeal for energy conservation at management's discretion, without requiring the ERCOT Chief Executive Officer's authorization. PRR769 was posted on July 22, 2008. On August 21, 2008, the Protocol Revision Subcommittee (PRS) unanimously voted to recommend approval of PRR769 as submitted. On September 24, 2008, PRS voted to endorse and forward the PRS Recommendation Report and Impact Analysis to TAC for approval. There was one (1) abstention from the Independent Power Marketer (IPM) Market Segment. On October 2, 2008, TAC unanimously voted to recommend approval of PRR769 as recommended by TAC. On October 21, 2008, the ERCOT Board remanded PRR769 to TAC. On November 6, 2008, TAC unanimously voted to recommend approval of PR769 as amended by ERCOT Comments.
- ***PRR777 – WGR QSE Metric Correction – URGENT [J. Aron]. Proposed effective date: December 1, 2008. No budgetary impact; no additional FTEs needed; no system changes required; existing business processes can accommodate this PRR; no impact to grid operations.*** This PRR exempts Wind-powered Generation Resource (WGR) Qualified Scheduling Entities (QSEs) from the Resource Plan metric that compares Day Ahead and



Adjustment Period Schedules to Resource Plans. PRR777 was posted on September 28, 2008. On October 23, 2008, PRS unanimously voted to grant PRR777 Urgent status. PRS also unanimously voted to recommend approval of PRR777 as amended by QSE Manager Working Group (QMWG) comments. On November 6, 2008, TAC unanimously voted to recommend approval of PRR777 as recommended by PRS. *Credit review pending.*

The TAC Recommendation Reports and Impact Analyses for these PRRs are included in the ERCOT Board meeting materials. In addition, these PRRs and supporting materials are posted on the ERCOT website at the following link: <http://www.ercot.com/mktrules/protocols/prr.html>.

Key Factors Influencing Issue:

The PRS met, discussed the issues and submitted a recommendation report to TAC regarding PRR769 and PRR777. TAC considered the issues and voted to take action on PRR769 and PRR777 as described above.

Alternatives:

1. Approve the TAC recommendation on PRR769 and/or PRR777;
2. Reject the TAC recommendation; or
3. Remand PRR769 and/or PRR777 to TAC with instructions.

Conclusion/Recommendation:

As more specifically described above, TAC recommends that the ERCOT Board approve PRR769 and PRR777.



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

WHEREAS, the Electric Reliability Council of Texas, Inc. (ERCOT) Board of Directors (Board) deems it desirable and in ERCOT's best interest to approve PRR769, EECF Media Appeal Change and PRR777, WGR QSE Metric Correction.

THEREFORE be it RESOLVED, that the Board hereby approves PRR769 and PRR777.

CORPORATE SECRETARY'S CERTIFICATE

I, Michael G. Grable, Corporate Secretary of Electric Reliability Council of Texas, Inc., a Texas non-profit corporation, do hereby certify that, at its November 17, 2008 meeting, the ERCOT Board of Directors passed a motion approving the above Resolution by a vote of _____.

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

Michael G. Grable
Corporate Secretary