

## DRAFT OPEN SESSION MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL NODAL PROGRAM COMMITTEE MEETING OF ELECTRIC RELIABILITY COUNCIL OF TEXAS, INC.

7620 Metro Center Drive, Austin, Texas 78744, Room 206 October 19, 2009 at 9:30 a.m.

Pursuant to notice duly given, the meeting of the Special Nodal Program Committee (the Committee) of Electric Reliability Council of Texas Inc. (ERCOT) convened on the abovereferenced date.

#### Meeting Attendance:

#### Committee Members in Attendance:

Affiliation Segment Director

Unaffiliated Armentrout, Mark Espinosa, Miguel Unaffiliated

Fehrenbach, Nick **Commercial Consumers** City of Dallas International Power Helton, Bob **Independent Generators** 

America Services

Patton, A.D. Unaffiliated

**Independent Power Marketers** Ryall, Jean Constellation Energy

Brown, Deryl **Hudson Energy Services** Independent Retail Electric Providers

#### Other Board Members in Attendance:

Director Affiliation Segment

Barker, Laurie Office of Public Utility Residential Consumers

Counsel

Gent, Michehl Unaffiliated Newton, Jan Unaffiliated

Smitherman, Barry T. Public Utility Commission Chairman

Commission of Texas

#### Staff and Guests:

Bruce, Mark	MJB Energy Consulting
Cleary, Mike	ERCOT
Day, Betty	ERCOT
Gates, Vikki	ERCOT
Grable, Mike	ERCOT
Forfia, David	ERCOT
Goff, Eric	Reliant
Headrick, Bridget	PUCT
Iacobucci, Jason	ERCOT
Kleckner, Tom	ERCOT
Morgan, Richard	ERCOT

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Nixon, Murray	ERCOT
Ogelman, Kenan	CPS Energy
Petterson, Michael	ERCOT
Richard, Naomi	LCRA
Rossero, Nicole	ERCOT
Seibert, Dave	ERCOT
Steadman, Laura	ERCOT
Walsh, Meg	ERCOT
Wullenjohn, Bill	ERCOT

#### Call Open Session to Order and Announce Proxies (Agenda Item 1)

Bob Helton, Chairman, called the meeting to order at approximately 9:35 a.m. and immediately adjourned into Executive Session.

The meeting was reconvened at approximately 10:07 a.m.

#### **Vote on Matters from Executive Sessions (Agenda Item 7)**

Mark Armentrout moved to recommend for approval the Executive Session Contract Matter resolution in the Board materials noted as Agenda Item 21b. Miguel Espinosa seconded the motion. The motion passed by unanimous voice vote with no abstentions.

### Approval of September 14, 2009 Minutes (Agenda Item 8)

Mr. Espinosa moved to approve the September 14, 2009 Open Session minutes with the clarification that Mike Cleary be included on the attendance. Mr. Armentrout seconded the motion. The motion passed by unanimous voice vote with no abstentions.

#### Nodal Program Update (Agenda Item 9)

Jason Iacobucci, Nodal Program Manager, provided the Committee with the Nodal Program Update including the project's past and future performance milestones. Mr. Iacobucci also provided the Committee with a brief summary of the key components that remain to be completed between now and the Nodal go-live date.

Vikki Gates, ERCOT and Market Participant Readiness Project Manager, provided the Market Readiness Update. Ms. Gates specifically discussed the progress regarding Market Participant site visits including visits to LCRA and Calpine.

Betty Day, Director of Markets, provided the Protocol Traceability Update.

Mike Petterson, ERCOT Controller, provided the Nodal Program Financial Review. Mr. Petterson discussed the increase to the contingency fund based upon the Program's on-schedule and under-budget progress.



# Other Business (Agenda Item 10)

No other business was discussed.

# Adjournment (Agenda Item 11)

Chairman Helton adjourned the meeting at approximately 12:12 p.m.

Materials and presentations from the meeting are available on ERCOT's website at <a href="http://www.ercot.com/committees/board/hrgovernance/">http://www.ercot.com/committees/board/hrgovernance/</a>.

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Matt Morais Committee Secretary