

# <u>DRAFT MEETING MINUTES OF THE H.R. & GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE OF</u> ELECTRIC RELIABILITY COUNCIL OF TEXAS, INC.

7620 Metro Center Drive, Room 168 Austin, Texas 78704 April 20, 2010

## **Committee Members Present**

Andrew Dalton (Chair)

Bob Helton

A.D. Patton

Jan Newton

Sheri Givens

Jean Ryall

#### **ERCOT Staff**

Dale Goodman – Director, Market Services Susan Westbrook – Senior Corporate Counsel Bruno Ierullo – Director, Human Resources Trip Doggett – Interim CEO and President Theresa Gage – Government Relations Manager

### Call to Order

Mr. Dalton called the meeting to order at 8:40 a.m. and immediately adjourned to Executive Session. The open meeting was reconvened at 9:43 a.m.

#### **Minutes**

Ms. Newton moved for approval of the March 23, 2010 open session minutes. Mr. Helton seconded the motion. The minutes were approved by unanimous voice vote.

#### **External Relations Update**

Ms. Gage reported that the Sunset staff report of its review of ERCOT operations would be released on April 22, and that she would send copies to the Board members. She noted the Sunset Advisory Commission's public hearing on this report was scheduled for May 25 and 26, and its recommendations would be released to the Texas Legislature on July 6, 2010. Ms. Newton noted that the Sunset review was a new experience for ERCOT and suggested the formation of an ad hoc Board committee to help craft a response to the Sunset Advisory Commission's recommendations regarding governance issues. Ms. Gage agreed that Board input would be helpful, and Ms. Newton agreed to propose this committee to the Board and to identify potential members.

Ms. Gage also noted that Mr. Doggett and Dan Woodfin, Director of System Planning, were scheduled to testify on April 29 at a joint hearing of the House Committee on State Affairs and the House Committee on Energy Resources regarding Interim Charge 4. Mr. Doggett indicated that he and Mr. Woodfin will present data regarding the current capacity, diversity, and challenges facing the ERCOT system.

#### **Report on Responses to Market Participant Survey**

Mr. Goodman reported that ERCOT staff has completed the action items responding to the 2008 Market Participant Survey. Mr. Goodman reminded the Committee that SCR 755, the system

change request that will provide the major improvements related to the action item on the web site, will again be reconsidered after the Nodal system has been stabilized. Dr. Patton noted that the web site provides a good way to track PRRs and NPRRs, but that non-affiliated Board members have no mechanism for following activities that have not been formalized into PRRs or NPRRs. Mr. Doggett noted that most of this data is contained in the minutes of the Technical Advisory Committee meetings, and agreed to see if there is a means to provide tracking using the minutes.

### **Other Business**

None reported.

The meeting adjourned at 9:56 a.m.

Susan M. Westbrook Senior Corporate Counsel