

# Operations Training Working Group (OTWG)

July 12th, 2018

ERCOT 800 Airport Drive, Taylor, Building TCC 1, Room 253/WebEx

0900-1030

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* Approval of Meeting Notes – June 2018

**UPCOMING/CURRENT EVENTS**

* None

**RECENT EVENTS,OPERATIONS NOTICES, NOGRRs and NPRRs**

* NOGRR 179 - Admin changes to Load Shed Table (NOG Sect 4.5.3.4)
* W-A062918-01 Ops Notice - Change to the methodology for utilizing Fuel Index Prices (FIPs) for days in which the last day of the month is on a non-trading day

**ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION**

* ERCOT Exam (Josh Aldridge)
  + Consensus on one certification
  + Combine ERCOT fundamentals manual sections 2, 13 and 15; Nodal Operating Guide sections 2, 3, 4, 6, 7 and 11; Nodal Protocols section 2
  + NOGRR required to address NOG Section 1.5.6
  + LO’s presented for recommendation with a return date of 5/25
  + Currently have 335 new questions, and writing more
  + Goal is to complete questions by August and have the test fully ready by the end of September
* Coordinated training events (Josh Aldridge)
  + Slots will be made available to attend cycle training in-person initially
  + Potentiall for distance training will be explored in the future
  + Logistics and costs to participate are being considered
  + Currently investigating the costs associated with opening seats in the Initial Operator Training program to Market Participants
* Black Start Training Evaluation Task Force (Josh Aldridge/Evan Pierce)
  + Task Force scope has been developed and was briefed as part of the meeting
  + Chair (Nathaniel Perio) and Co-Chair (Manuel Sanchez)
    - Official cope and task letter sent out 6/18/2018
    - Chair will solicite participation in the group and present deadlines to members
* ERCOT Initial Operator Training Program (Josh Aldridge)
  + Piloting will begin with internal participants in mid-2018 (on track for July – August)
  + CBT module contract has been signed – 10 modules
  + Participants will be prepared for ERCOT and NERC certification exams
  + Currently investigating costs associated with offering up to six seats to market participants
* 2019 Cycle Training Calendar Discussion (Erik Johnson)
  + Available dates – Cycles 1 – 5
  + OTS to occur in cycle 5 (August 26 – October 3)
  + Pilot the week before July 4th
  + Dates for Blackstart and OTS
* Theme and Topic Selection for 2019 OTS (Josh Aldridge)
  + Initial suggestions for a theme:
    - Review of Summer Operations and Future Outlook
    - Line and Transformer protection schemes
    - Relay training
    - On-site severe weather drills
  + Ideas on external presenters
* New Business
* Adjourn
* Next Meeting Dates (Information will be updated by the meeting)

August 9 (9 am) TCC 1, Rm 253 / WebEx

September 13 (9 am) TCC 1, Rm 253 / Web Ex

October 11 (9 am) TCC 1, Rm 253 / WebEx

November 8 (9 am) TCC 1, Rm 252 / WebEx

December 13 (9 am) TCC 1, Rm 253 / WebEx

**2019 TRAINING EVENTS**

* 2019 Black Start and Restoration Training
  + Pilot: February 25th (Generation and Transmission Dynamics) and February 26th – 28th (Black Start and Restoration Training)
  + Week 1: March 18th (Generation and Transmission Dynamics) and March 19th – 21st (Black Start and Restoration Training)
  + Week 2: March 25th (Generation and Transmission Dynamics) and March 26th – 28th (Black Start and Restoration Training)
  + Week 3: April 1st (Generation and Transmission Dynamics) and April 2nd – 4th (Black Start and Restoration Training)
  + Week 4: April 8th (Generation and Transmission Dynamics) and April 9th – 11th (Black Start and Restoration Training)
  + Week 5: April 15th (Generation and Transmission Dynamics) and April 16th – 18th (Black Start and Restoration Training)
  + Week 6: April 22nd (Generation and Transmission Dynamics) and April 23rd – 25th (Black Start and Restoration Training)
  + Inclement Weather Week: April 29th (Generation and Transmission Dynamics) and April 30th – May 2nd (Black Start and Restoration Training)
* 2019 Operator Training Seminar
  + Pilot: August 13th – 15th
  + Week 1: October 15th – 17th
  + Week 2: October 22nd – 24th
  + Week 3: October 29th – 31st
  + Week 4: November 5th – 7th
  + Week 5: November 12th – 14th
  + Week 6: November 19th – 21st

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| |  |  | | --- | --- | | **OTWG Meeting** | | | Thursday, July 12, 2018 | | 9:00 am  |  Central Daylight Time (Chicago, GMT-05:00)  |  3 hrs |  |  | | --- | | Meeting number (access code): 628 598 837 |  |  | | --- | | Meeting password: otwg07 | |  | |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | [Add to Calendar](https://urldefense.proofpoint.com/v2/url?u=https-3A__ercot.webex.com_ercot_j.php-3FMTID-3Dm9900b00660ca8e136381fd1525b62f06&d=DwMGaQ&c=trp9rTvIdyEWh1VWB5x8_2JiPaB5oGZOtWPDws2_VoY&r=T0m5Jg90hX6QBKd0dyCgfRQSppFZ4x_43N_zqr-h2HU&m=y97fa76IayHy1-V4VHu2YMBn6kj76iDNbC0tBrgYujg&s=iT5OXKReFNl2ziWZIYG6aXTL2a7hl-RmttOcUdbJkek&e=) | | |  | | --- | | When it's time, [start your meeting](https://urldefense.proofpoint.com/v2/url?u=https-3A__ercot.webex.com_ercot_j.php-3FMTID-3Dm2f26fc8bdc0708564c084bf3a1244cf8&d=DwMGaQ&c=trp9rTvIdyEWh1VWB5x8_2JiPaB5oGZOtWPDws2_VoY&r=T0m5Jg90hX6QBKd0dyCgfRQSppFZ4x_43N_zqr-h2HU&m=y97fa76IayHy1-V4VHu2YMBn6kj76iDNbC0tBrgYujg&s=3xP5u9ckNcvf49SAa2EDbI0MPC5f3A0ik1AelUuh0y0&e=). | |  |  | | --- | | **Join by phone** | | **1-877-668-4493** Call-in toll-free number (US/Canada) | | **1-650-479-3208** Call-in toll number (US/Canada) | | [Toll-free calling restrictions](https://urldefense.proofpoint.com/v2/url?u=https-3A__www.webex.com_pdf_tollfree-5Frestrictions.pdf&d=DwMGaQ&c=trp9rTvIdyEWh1VWB5x8_2JiPaB5oGZOtWPDws2_VoY&r=T0m5Jg90hX6QBKd0dyCgfRQSppFZ4x_43N_zqr-h2HU&m=y97fa76IayHy1-V4VHu2YMBn6kj76iDNbC0tBrgYujg&s=F4mm9AbKSIybEUPPIQ4WM7OiZPf7KekQqwmFFu7hXvs&e=) |  |  | | --- | |  | |