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**Minutes of the Retail Market Subcommittee (RMS) Meeting**

**ERCOT Austin – 8000 Metropolis Drive (Building E), Suite 100 – Austin, Texas 78744**

**Tuesday,** **August 5, 2025 – 9:30 a.m.**

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| Attendance |  | |  |
| *RMS Representatives:* |  | |  |
| Arnold, Jonathan | APG&E | | Via Teleconference |
| Bevill, Rob | Texas-New Mexico Power Company (TNMP) | |  |
| Blakey, Eric | Pedernales Electric Cooperative (PEC) | |  |
| Burke, Tom | RWE Clean Energy, LLC | |  |
| Doerrfeld, Mindy | Tenaska Power Services (Tenaska) | | Via Teleconference |
| Gardner, Clint | Lubbock Power & Light (LP&L) | | Via Teleconference |
| Garza, Beth | Office of Public Utility Council (OPUC) | | Alt. Rep. for Nabaraj Pokharel Via Teleconference |
| Ghormley, Angela | Calpine Corporation (Calpine) | | Via Teleconference |
| Keefer, Andrew | Denton Municipal Electric (DME) | | Via Teleconference |
| Khan, Amir | Chariot Energy | | Via Teleconference |
| Kueker, Dan | Mid-South Electric Cooperative Assoc. (Mid-South) | |  |
| Lyles, Doug | Bryan Texas Utilities (BTU) | | Via Teleconference |
| McKeever, Debbie | Oncor Electric Delivery (Oncor) | |  |
| Patrick, Kyle | Reliant Energy Retail Services (Reliant) | |  |
| Perez, John | CPS Energy | |  |
| Schatz, John | Vistra Operations Company (Vistra) | |  |
| Scott, Kathy | CenterPoint Energy (CNP) | |  |
| Snyder, Bill | AEP Service Corporation (AEPSC) | |  |
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| The following proxy was assigned: | | | |
| * Frank Wilson to Connie Hermes | | | |
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| *Guests:* | |  |  |
| Aguilar-Hernandez, Tito CNP | |  |  |
| Apodaca, Amber |  | | Via Teleconference |
| Arnold, Jonathan | APG&E | | Via Teleconference |
| Baiza, Elizabeth | LP&L | | Via Teleconference |
| Beasley, Richard R. | CNP | |  |
| Broach, Eric | Frontier Utilities | | Via Teleconference |
| Bui, John | NRG | |  |
| Butler, William | LP&L | |  |
| Cardenas, Rita |  | | Via Teleconference |
| Chen, Jeff | CNP | |  |
| Contreras, Jackie |  | | Via Teleconference |
| Doehring, Lee | CNP | |  |
| Donovon, Troy | Oncor | |  |
| Earnest, Melinda | AEP | |  |
| Fails, Heather | Oncor | |  |
| Fernandez, Tomas | NRG | |  |
| Fraire, Susana | LP&L | | Via Teleconference |
| Gomez, Laura | LP&L | | Via Teleconference |
| Guerrero, Jazz | LP&L | | Via Teleconference |
| Gutierrez, Toney | AEP Texas | | Via Teleconference |
| Hansen, Matt | Gexa Energy | | Via Teleconference |
| Hermes, Connie | South Texas Electric Cooperative | | Via Teleconference |
| Hodge, Garrett | AEP Texas | | Via Teleconference |
| Jones, Monica |  | | Via Teleconference |
| Kent, Esther | CNP | | Via Teleconference |
| Khanmohamed, Mansoor |  | | Via Teleconference |
| Lee, Jim | CNP | |  |
| Lotter, Eric | GridMonitor | | Via Teleconference |
| MacDonald, Amy |  | | Via Teleconference |
| Macias, Jesse | AEP Texas | |  |
| Mardis, Myranda | LP&L | |  |
| McElroy, Randall |  | | Via Teleconference |
| Meazle, Melenda |  | | Via Teleconference |
| Nunes, Franklin |  | | Via Teleconference |
| O’Flaherty, Andrea |  | | Via Teleconference |
| Ortiz, Krista |  | | Via Teleconference |
| Perez, Yvette | OEUS | | Via Teleconference |
| Pliler, Steven | TXU | |  |
| Rasmussen, Erin | AEP | | Via Teleconference |
| Reedy, Nick | CimView | | Via Teleconference |
| Rico, Guillermo | CPS | | Via Teleconference |
| Rochelle, Jenni | CES | |  |
| Rohrer, Carrie |  | | Via Teleconference |
| Rowley, Chris | Oncor | |  |
| Smith, Carla | Oncor | | Via Teleconference |
| Townsend, Paul |  | | Via Teleconference |
| Valdez, Viviana | LP&L | | Via Teleconference |
| Wade, Jim |  | | Via Teleconference |
| Wall, Kim |  | | Via Teleconference |
| Wiegand, Sheri | TXU | |  |
| Wilson, Stephen | TXU | |  |
| Winegeart, Micheal | LP&L | | Via Teleconference |
| Withrow, Kent |  | | Via Teleconference |
| Yockey, Paul |  | | Via Teleconference |
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| *ERCOT Staff:* |  | |  |
| Callender, Wayne |  | | Via Teleconference |
| Gonzales, Nathan |  | |  |
| Hanna, Michael |  | |  |
| Johnson, Blane |  | |  |
| Meiners, Catherine |  | | Via Teleconference |
| Michelsen, Dave |  | |  |
| Phillips, Cory |  | | Via Teleconference |
| Thurman, Kathryn |  | | Via Teleconference |
| Troublefield, Jordan |  | |  |

*Unless otherwise indicated, all Market Segments were present for a vote.*

Debbie McKeever called the August 5, 2025 RMS meeting to order at 9:30 a.m.

Antitrust Admonition

Ms. McKeever directed attention to the ERCOT Antitrust Admonition, which was displayed.

Agenda Review

Ms. McKeever reviewed the agenda.

Approval of RMS Meeting Minutes (see Key Documents)[[1]](#footnote-2)

*June 12, 2025*

Ms. McKeever reviewed the June 12, 2025 RMS Meeting Minutes and noted that this item could be considered for inclusion in the [Combined Ballot](#Combined_Ballot).

Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) Update

Ms. McKeever gave notice of the August 12, 2025 Biennial TAC Stakeholder Body Structural and Procedural Review and invited Stakeholders to attend.

ERCOT Updates (see Key Documents)

*Flight Update*

Dave Michelsen previewed and presented details on Test Flight 0625.

*Retail Projects Update*

Mr. Michelsen provided a verbal update of the Retail Projects. He noted that there is a backlog of retail projects that will be implemented post-implementation of Real-Time Co-Optimization (RTC) in December 2025 and Mr. Michelsen explained that most of the projects in the backlog pertain to system health type upgrade projects. Mr. Michelsen also noted that he would provide impact updates at Texas Standard Electronic Transaction (SET) meetings, and that technical impacts would be addressed by the Technology Working Group (TWG). Mr. Michelsen responded to Market Participant questions regarding the timeline for outstanding retail projects by emphasizing that the transition would be gradual and the retail impact would be spread across 2026, 2027 and beyond.

*Information Technology (IT) Report*

Mick Hanna provided a summary of the IT Report. Mr. Hanna noted that there were no major outages in June and July 2025, reported that MarkeTrak performance was nominal, and noted that the economical efficiency license threshold has been updated to address rejected attempts. Mr. Hanna also addressed Market Participant concerns regarding ServiceNow ticket submission difficulties by stating that he would investigate the issue, along with the Texas Data Transport and MarkeTrak Systems (TDTMS) Working Group.

Revision Requests Tabled at RMS (see Key Documents)

*Retail Market Guide Revision Request (RMGRR) 182, Related to NPRR1264, Creation of a New Energy Attribute Certificate Program*

Ms. McKeever explained that, because Protocol Revision Subcommittee (PRS) has yet to resolve Nodal Protocol Revision Request (NPRR) 1264’s language discussion, RMGRR182 will remain tabled at RMS.

NPRR1264, Creation of a New Energy Attribute Certificate Program (see Key Documents)

RMS took no action on NPRR1264.

Texas SET Working Group (see Key Documents)

*2026 Flight Schedule*

Stephen Wilson reviewed Texas SET activities and reported that the group made minor adjustments around holidays to the Flight Schedule. There was an extended discussion among Market Participants of the timeline for flights and the best practices for scheduling flights around holidays. Ms. McKeever noted that holidays should be avoided on the Flight Schedule and suggested that the Texas SET Working Group continue to investigate the issue.

Texas SET Change Control Request for Approval and Non-Emergency for Future Texas SET Release

*TXSETCC 2025-854: Add a new indictor for Move Ins due to Safety Net Transactions*

Kathryn Thurman stated that Texas SET recommends approval of TXSETCC 2025-854 as non-emergency. Ms. McKeever noted that this item could be considered for inclusion in the [Combined Ballot](#Combined_Ballot).

Combined Ballot

**Kyle Patrick moved to approve the Combined Ballot as follows:**

* **To approve June 12, 2025 RMS Meeting Minutes as presented**
* **To approve Texas SET Change Control 2025-854 as presented as non-emergency and for future Texas SET release**

**Tom Burke seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.** *(Please see ballot posted with Key Documents)*

Profiling Working Group (PWG) (see Key Documents)

Steven Pliler reviewed PWG activities.

Retail Market Training Task Force (RMTTF) (see Key Documents)

Melinda Earnest reviewed RMTTF activities and announced the Webex MarkeTrak Training on September 24, 2025.

TDTMS Working Group (see Key Documents)

Monica Jones reviewed TDTMS Working Group activities.

Other Business (see Key Documents)

*2026 Block Calendar*

Participants reviewed the proposed 2026 RMS meeting schedule, discussed potential alternate meeting dates, and agreed to hold 2026 RMS meetings on the second Tuesday of each month.

*Biennial TAC/TAC Subcommittee Structural and Procedural Review*

Ms. McKeever informed participants that the PWG may be combined with the Texas SET Working Group or the TDTMS Working Group.

*Transmission and/or Distribution Service Provider (TDSP) Advanced Metering System (AMS) Data Practices Matrix*

Ms. McKeever noted that this item would be discussed at the September 9, 2025 RMS meeting.

*Federal Trade Commission (FTC) Negative Option Rule aka Click to Cancel*

John Schatz noted that in July of 2025, a court overturned the rule due to lack of process since stakeholders didn’t have the ability to comment. He explained that although there is no action at this time, the FTC could appeal the decision, restart the process or let it die.

*Lubbock Power & Light (LP&L) Smart Meter Texas (SMT) Update*

Michael Winegeart reported that a Market Notice regarding planned market system maintenance had been sent to the RMS Listserv a few weeks ago and that user testing began the week of August 4, 2025. Mr. Winegeart announced SMT would start the week after. He noted the SMT upgrade period would begin on August 25, 2025, and that LP&L would be completely live in the SMT environment in late September.

*File Transfer Protocol Secure (FTPS) and Application Programming Interface (API) Security Upgrade Project*

Andrea O’Flaherty reviewed the project timeline and noted that the project is currently on track. She also noted that four Q&As occurred with the market and two more were planned in August. Ms. O’Flaherty reported that the project would go live with new protocols on August 23, 2025, and a three-week period would follow running both protocols in parallel to allow users time to switch over.

*Transmission and Distribution Utilities (TDUs) Market Notices*

Mr. Patrick expressed the desire for Market Notices to include more detailed information, especially those related to safety net and reconnection issues.

*AEP Texas 2025 Competitive Retailer (CR) Workshop*

Bill Snyder announced that the AEP Texas 2025 CR Workshop will take place on October 29 and 30, 2025.

*Texas-New Mexico Power (TNMP) 2025 CR Workshop*

Rob Bevill announced that the TNMP 2025 CR Workshop will take place on September 30 and October 1, 2025.

*Kw/kVA Values on 867 Transactions for Electric Service Identifier (ESI IDs) with NODEM Load Profile*

Heather Fails reported that Oncor would be provided values on 867 transactions, even if a customer is not being billed for such transactions. She noted that a Market Notice on the item would be forthcoming.

Adjournment

Ms. McKeever adjourned the August 5, 2025 RMS meeting at 11:46 a.m.

1. Key Documents referenced in these minutes may be accessed on the ERCOT website at: <https://www.ercot.com/calendar/08052025-RMS-Meeting> [↑](#footnote-ref-2)