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Item 7: TAC Report

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Board of Directors Meeting

December 8-9, 2025

- **Purpose**
Summary of Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) Activities for October and November 2025

Key Takeaways

- TAC recommended approval of 15 Revision Requests
 - **NPRR1298, Timing Requirements for Comments to Subcommittee Reports (1 opposing vote)**
- TAC endorsed BHE Power Resources Application for Permanent Site-Specific Exemption from Compliance
- TAC endorsed three RPG Projects:
 - **AEP Texas, CPS Energy, Oncor and CNP Texas 765-kV-STEP Eastern Backbone Project (2 opposing votes)**

Revision Requests Recommended for Approval by TAC - Unopposed

- NPRR1263, Clarify Testing Requirements for CCVTs
- NPRR1274, RPG Estimated Capital Cost Thresholds of Proposed Transmission Projects
- NPRR1280, Establish Process for Permanent Bypass of Series Capacitor
- NPRR1285, Improve Self-Commitment within RUC Opt Out Window
- NPRR1287, Revisions to Outage Coordination
- NPRR1293, Clarifications to the Modeling Timelines
- NPRR1294, Move OBD to Section 22 – Demand Response Data Definitions and Technical Specifications
- NPRR1299, Clarifications to Emergency Response Service (ERS)
- NPRR1300, Protected Information and ECEI to OPUC
- NPRR1303, Modernize Submission of Declarations of Natural Gas Pipeline Coordination
- NOGRR279, Deadline Extensions for Recording Equipment Installation
- NOGRR280, Consolidate Redundant Communications Requirements
- PGRR131, Requirements for Interconnection Cost Reporting for Transmission-Connected Generators - URGENT
- SCR831, Short Circuit Model Integration



Revision Requests Recommended for Approval by TAC – With Opposing Votes

NPRR1298, Timing Requirements for Comments to Subcommittee Reports

Sponsor: Vistra

Revision Description: This NPRR extends discretion to review comments to the PRS Report that are posted less than six days in advance of the "next regularly scheduled" PRS meeting. Paragraph (2) of Section 21.4.4, Protocol Revision Subcommittee Review and Action, allows PRS the discretion to consider comments on a new NPRR if they are posted after the 14-day comment period.

Impact Analysis: No impact

Proposed Effective Date: The first of the month following Public Utility Commission of Texas (PUCT) approval

TAC Report/Decision: On 11/19/25, TAC voted to recommend approval of NPRR1298 as recommended by PRS in the 11/12/25 PRS Report. There was one opposing vote from the Investor Owned Utility (IOU) (AEPSC) Market Segment, and six abstentions from the Consumer (2) (CMC Steel, Air Liquide), Independent Generator (2) (Jupiter Power, Calpine), and IOU (2) (TNMP, CNP) Market Segments.

Explanation of Opposing TAC Votes: AEPSC – Explanation requested but not provided.

ERCOT Opinion: ERCOT supports approval of NPRR1298.

ERCOT Market Impact Statement: ERCOT Staff has reviewed NPRR1298 and believes that it reiterates the existing discretion of PRS to consider comments filed to a PRS Report less than 6 days prior to a PRS meeting, similar to the existing discretion of PRS to consider comments posted after the 14-day comment period.

Independent Market Monitor (IMM) Opinion: IMM has no opinion on NPRR1298.



October/November TAC Highlights

Major Transmission Elements (MTE) List. On 10/22/25, TAC voted unanimously to approve the MTE List as presented.

TAC Procedures. On 10/22/25, TAC voted unanimously to approve the TAC Procedures as revised by TAC.

Regional Planning Group Projects. On 11/19/25, TAC voted to endorse the following RPG projects:

- Oncor and AEPSC Drill Hole to Sand Lake to Solstice 765-kV Line Project (unanimous)
- Oncor Connell 345/138-kV Switch and Connell to Rockhound 345-kV Double-Circuit Line Project – Option 1 (unanimous)
- AEP Texas, CPS Energy, Oncor and CNP Texas 765-kV-STEP Eastern Backbone Project (2 opposing votes (Cooperative – STEC, Brazos); 2 abstentions (Cooperative – GSEC; Generator – Calpine))

BHE Power Resources Application for Permanent Site-Specific Exemption from Compliance with ERCOT Nodal Metering Protocols, Section 10.3.2.3(5-6). On 11/19/25, TAC voted unanimously to recommend approval of the BHE Power Resources Application for Permanent Site-Specific Exemption from Compliance with ERCOT Nodal Metering Protocols, Section 10.3.2.3(5-6)

