

**California Transmission Planning Group Executive Committee Meeting
Meeting Minutes
July 7, 2011 – Sacramento - 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.**

Executive Committee – Representatives			
		Present	Absent
CAISO	Keith Casey	X	
IID	Steve Keene	X	
LADWP	Aram Benyamin		X
PG&E	Mark Johnson		X
SCE	David Mead	X	
SCPPA	Bill Carnahan		X
SDG&E	Jim Avery	X	
SMUD	Jim Shetler	X	
TANC	Allen Short		X
TID	Casey Hashimoto		X
Western	Tom Boyko	X	

Executive Committee - Alternates			
		Present	Absent
CAISO	Neil Millar	X	
IID	David Kolk		X
LADWP	John Dennis	X	
PG&E	Steve Metague		X
SCE	Bob Woods	X	
SCPPA	Gary Nolf		X
SDG&E	Will Speer		X
SMUD	Vicken Kasarjian		X
TANC	Jim Beck		X
TID	Larry Gilbertson	X	
Western	Pete Garris	X	

Invited Guests			
		Present	Absent
LADWP	Mohammed Beshir		X
SDG&E	Jim Walsh	X	
SCE	Tom Flynn	X	
SMUD	Mike Deis	X	
PG&E	Ben Brownlee	X	
PG&E	Bangalore Vijayraghavan	X	
TANC	Bryan Greiss	X	
LADWP	Tim Wu	X	
SDG&E	Jan Strack	X	
SCE	Gary Chinn	X	
SMUD	Craig Cammeron	X	
PG&E	Ben Morris	X	

Public Session	
Name	Company
Jennifer Chamberlain	LS Power
Reza Masri	Quanta Tech
Dave Smith	Trans West
Dawn Greco	ICF
Ashim Bhatia	DWR
Chris Brungardt	ICF
Angela Tanghetti	CEC
Barry Flynn	BAMT

SUMMARY OF ACTION ITEMS

1. The draft meeting minutes from the May 5, 2011 CTPG Executive Committee (EC) meeting were adopted subject to a minor edit. The final approved version of the meeting minutes is attached. PG&E was asked to post the May 5, 2011 meeting minutes as soon as they are final.
2. Mike Deis will provide the hyperlink to the revised website package for the Executive Committee's review. Comments are due to Ben Brownlee by end of business July 15, 2011.

3. Mike Deis and Jan Strack will contact David Smith (TransWest Express, LLC) to continue discussing issues that arose during the public comment session.
4. SDG&E will host the next Executive Committee meeting on September 1, 2011 in San Diego.

SUMMARY OF THE MEETING

- All items on the July 7, 2011 CTPG EC Meeting agenda (attached) were discussed.
- Jim Avery asked all participants at the meeting to introduce themselves and welcomed the stakeholders who were in attendance.
- Keith Casey provided a brief update on CAISO Planning activities. He mentioned that Gary DeShazo has a new role in the CAISO and will no longer be the Secretary of the CTPG Technical Steering Committee (TSC). Neil Millar and Catalin Micsa will share the role of Secretary of the TSC for the time being. CAISO plans to use the 2010 CTPG Statewide Plan as an input to its 2011-2012 planning cycle.
- Mike Deis provided a Technical Steering Committee (TSC) update. The key activities for the last two months include: (a) conducted several TSC conference calls and one in-person meeting during May and June, (b) held a CTPG Stakeholder Meeting on May 19, 2011 and posted responses to 13 of 14 stakeholder comments received during and since the meeting, (c) completed 2011 Phase I deliverables and the Phase II Work Plan, (d) developed path flow assumptions, generation re-dispatch methodology and Once-Through-Cooling approach, (e) proposed 2011 study scenarios and assumptions, and (f) conducted a joint meeting with the Southwest Area Transmission (SWAT) Sub-regional Planning Group.
- Jan Strack provided a summary of the Stakeholder comments received and CTPG's responses. He mentioned that the quality of the stakeholder comments continues to improve. He also passed on the CEC Staff's request for the Executive Committee (EC) to provide a call-in number for its EC Meetings.
- Garry Chinn provided an update on the 2011 Study Plan. The Net Short is now set at 45,131 GWH, which was developed using the "CEC IEPR Highest Forecast". The TSC will be studying 9 scenarios, including a West of River Import scenario which was requested by stakeholders. All scenarios will include the CPUC/POU discounted core and the 45.1 TWH Net Short. The Once Through Cooling (OTC) assumptions and re-dispatch methodology were summarized. Garry summarized the responses to the CTPG survey of the transmission planning entities throughout WECC. The results will inform the CTPG Phase II study re-dispatch methodology.

- Ben Morris provided an update on Technical Study Team, which will begin meeting weekly through August. He mentioned that WECC's 2020 Heavy Summer and 2018 Heavy Spring cases were selected as the starting points in developing the 9 scenario cases. The studies will involve running power flow and stability analyses and identifying problems and testing potential solutions. The studies will be performed by TANC, SMUD, TID, SDG&E, PG&E, and SCE.
- Mike Deis provided an update on the 2011 CTPG Work Plan. He mentioned that the Phase I work is complete and the TSC is preparing for a stakeholder meeting on July 22, 2011. The 2011 work is slightly behind schedule—the end date has been pushed to February 2012.
- Ben Brownlee provided an update on the Website Improvements: (a) re-written Home page, (b) re-designed menus and links, (c) a new FAQ webpage, and (d) archived older postings. He mentioned that the link to the “revised website package” will be shared with the Executive Committee members and asked that comments be sent to him by end of business July 15, 2011.
- Craig Cameron provided an updated on WECC / TEPPC. He gave a summary of the CTPG response to the WECC Ten-Year Regional Transmission Plan: (a) reflect the full range of economic benefits for proposed inter-regional transmission projects and (b) for certain scenarios inter-regional transmission projects are uneconomic compared to alternative of using existing grid for new renewables outside of California. He also mentioned that the CTPG has been invited to the WestConnect meeting on August 17, 2011.
- Mike Deis provided an overview of the next steps in the TSC work: (a) complete/post Phase II Study Plan and update as necessary, (b) conduct stakeholder meeting on July 22, 2011, (c) prepare base cases, (d) run and complete power flow and dynamic studies, and (e) begin Phase II Report.

SUMMARY OF PUBLIC COMMENTS

1. Barry Flynn commented that both the ISO and CTPG appear to be studying the same scenario; scenario No. 6, “CPUC PUBLIC Policy”. He also said that the other CTPG scenarios look appropriate, and he is especially glad the CTPG chose to study the “West of River Import” scenario.
2. CEC Staff (Angela Tanghetti) stated the ISO and CTPG are not always aligned in their studies and scenarios. She mentioned scenario No. 6, “CPUC PUBLIC Policy”, as an example, saying that the CTPG scenario and the ISO 2011/2012 planning scenario have the same name but are not entirely consistent.
3. David Smith (TransWest Express LLC) had many comments. He elected to speak with Mike Deis and Jan Strack “off-line” to discuss his comments and get clarifications of a few items.

CTPG EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Executive Committee adjourned the Public session and continued the meeting in Executive session. The Executive session matters are limited to discussing matters in litigation, receiving advice of counsel, and discussing personnel issues.



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