GENERAL SESSION MINUTES
JOINT SESSION – ISO BOARD OF GOVERNORS AND WEIM GOVERNING BODY MEETING
October 26, 2022
Teleconference

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The ISO Board of Governors and the WEIM Governing Body convened the joint general session meeting at approximately 2:30 p.m. and the presence of a quorum was established.

ATTENDANCE

The following members of the ISO Board of Governors were in attendance:

Ash Bhagwat, Chair
Mary Leslie, Vice Chair
Severin Borenstein
Angelina Galiteva
Jan Schori

The following members of the WEIM Governing Body were in attendance:

Robert Kondziolka, Chair
Jennifer Gardner, Vice Chair
Andrew Campbell
Anita Decker
John Prescott

GENERAL SESSION

The following agenda items were discussed in general session:

PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comment was offered at this time.

DECISION ON JOINT GENERAL SESSION MINUTES

WEIM Governing Body Member Prescott moved for approval of the ISO Board of Governors and WEIM Governing Body joint general session minutes for the July 20, 2022, meeting. The motion was seconded by ISO Board of Governor Borenstein and approved 5-0 by the ISO Board of Governors and 5-0 by the WEIM Governing Body.
CEO REPORT

Elliot Mainzer, President and CEO, provided a tribute to Therese Hampton, Chair of the WEIM Governance Review Committee, who passed away unexpectedly on September 30, 2022. After providing his own remarks, Mr. Mainzer turned to Member John Prescott and Governor Angelina Galiteva for comment and a memorial resolution in honor of Ms. Hampton.

Member Prescott first provided remarks recognizing Ms. Hampton's leadership in the energy industry and noting her genuine empathy for others. Governor Galiteva next read the following memorial resolution.

WHEREAS, the ISO Board of Governors and Western Energy Imbalance Market Governing Body lost a valued individual on September 29 with the passing of Therese Hampton; and

WHEREAS, Therese was a dedicated and innovative leader of the WEIM Governance Review Committee from 2019 through 2022 in the service of the ISO Board of Governors and WEIM Governing Body; and

WHEREAS, Therese provided invaluable service to the Western Energy Imbalance Market with her long standing service and leadership to the Regional Issues Forum where she spearheaded numerous impactful initiatives for the region, including the RIF’s 2019 Carbon Workshop and served as the Chair of the Regional Issues Forum from 2018 through 2019; and

WHEREAS, Therese was a gifted leader and active participant in the beneficial transformation of the Western Interconnection power system; and

WHEREAS, Therese provided guidance and support for the implementation and continued improvement of the Western Energy Imbalance Market; and

WHEREAS, Therese was tireless in her outreach to all participants to ensure the development of robust and thoughtful recommendations; and

WHEREAS, Therese was disciplined in managing meetings yet always made time for everyone’s personal perspectives; and

WHEREAS, Therese led with humor, humility, and compassion while ensuring weighty and complex matters were discussed fully and all voices were heard; and
WHEREAS, Therese’s smile, laugh, and positive attitude enriched the lives of all she touched.

BE IT RESOLVED, the ISO Board of Governors and the Western Energy Imbalance Market Governing Body Members hereby express their gratitude and recognition for Therese Hampton’s dedication, service, and significant contributions to the ISO Board of Governors, WEIM Governing Body, and the Western Energy Imbalance Market’s participants and stakeholders.

FURTHER RESOLVED, the ISO Board of Governors and the Western Energy Imbalance Market Governing Body Members hereby express their sincerest condolences to Therese Hampton’s husband Scott Hampton, daughter Lauren Lamb, family, friends, and colleagues.

There was no formal vote taken on the resolution.

Public comment

The following provided comments to honor Ms. Hampton:

- Cathleen Colbert on behalf of Vistra Corp.

WEIM GOVERNANCE REVIEW COMMITTEE UPDATE

Rebecca Wagner, Vice Chair – WEIM Governance Review Committee (GRC), provided comments in honor of Ms. Hampton. Next, she provided an update on behalf of the WEIM Governance Review Committee. Vice Chair Wagner noted that the GRC is on track to publish the next iteration of the EDAM governance proposal and provided an overview of the upcoming stakeholder engagement activities, including outreach efforts that were underway to respond to stakeholder questions and seek additional feedback on the proposal. Vice Chair Wagner concluded her report by expressing her appreciation for the work of the GRC and the ISO on this effort. Brief discussion followed.

DECISION ON WASHINGTON WEIM GREENHOUSE GAS ENHANCEMENTS

Anja Gilbert – Lead Policy Developer, presented the proposal for the Washington WEIM greenhouse gas enhancements initiative. Ms. Gilbert reviewed the proposed market rule changes that will support Washington state’s cap-and-invest program, which include adding greenhouse gas costs into applicable market cost reference levels for Washington state resources and facilitating reporting requirements for WEIM transfers serving Washington state’s load. Next, Ms. Gilbert provided background information about these two topics and concluded her presentation by noting stakeholders largely support the overall proposal.
Discussion ensued and Ms. Gilbert responded to comments from both bodies.

Next, Ryan Kurlinski, Senior Manager of Analysis and Mitigation, provided a summary of comments on behalf of the Department of Market Monitoring on the Washington WEIM greenhouse gas enhancements proposal. Mr. Kurlinski indicated that DMM supports the greenhouse gas adder proposal and noted that while DMM is supportive of the WEIM transfers proposal, they recommend that the ISO continue to work with stakeholders to further enhance the requirements for WEIM transfers serving Washington’s load. Brief discussion followed.

Public comment

The following provided comments on the proposal:

- Glenn Blackmon and Bill Drumheller on behalf of Washington Department of Commerce, Washington Department of Ecology, and Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission

Motion:

WEIM Governing Body Member Decker

Moved, that the ISO Board of Governors and WEIM Governing Body approve the inclusion of greenhouse gas reference levels in bids for entities subject to the Washington state greenhouse gas regulations, and approve the development of reports to support those entities’ reporting obligations as described herein; and

Moved, that the ISO Board of Governors and WEIM Governing Body authorize Management to make all necessary and appropriate filings with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission to implement the change proposed in this memorandum, including any filings that implement the overarching initiative policy but contain discrete revisions to incorporate Commission guidance in any initial ruling on the proposed tariff amendment.

The motion was seconded by Governor Galiteva and approved 10-0.

BRIEFING ON EXTENDED DAY-AHEAD MARKET

Mark Rothleder – Senior Vice President and Chief Operating Officer, provided a briefing on the extended day-ahead market initiative. Mr. Rothleder first provided an overview of the economic, reliability and environmental benefits of EDAM. Mr. Rothleder then discussed the more notable market design components, which include day-ahead resource sufficiency;
transmission availability to EDAM; the day-ahead market structure; confidence in market transfers; greenhouse gas accounting; and settlements. Next, Mr. Rothleder provided more detail about the three main topics of particular interest to stakeholders, which include resource sufficiency evaluation, transmission availability, and greenhouse gas accounting. Mr. Rothleder concluded his briefing with an overview of the upcoming milestones for the EDAM initiative. Discussion ensued and Mr. Rothleder responded to comments received by members of both bodies.

Public comment

There was no public comment offered at this time.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

There were no future agenda items.

ADJOURNED

There being no additional general session matters to discuss, the joint general session was adjourned at approximately 4:00 p.m.