

# GENERAL SESSION MINUTES BOARD OF GOVERNORS MEETING May 15 - 16, 2019 ISO Headquarters Folsom, California

# <u>May 15, 2019</u>

The ISO Board of Governors convened the general session meeting at approximately 2:00 p.m. and the presence of a quorum was established.

# ATTENDANCE

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

Dave Olsen, Chair Angelina Galiteva, Vice Chair Ash Bhagwat Severin Borenstein Mary Leslie (via teleconference)

The following members of the executive team were present throughout the meeting: Steve Berberich, Keith Casey, Mark Rothleder, Petar Ristanovic, Eric Schmitt, Roger Collanton, Stacey Crowley, Ryan Seghesio and Jodi Ziemathis

#### **GENERAL SESSION**

The following agenda items were discussed in closed executive session:

# **PUBLIC COMMENT**

There was no general public comment.

#### **DECISION ON GENERAL SESSION MINUTES**

Governor Galiteva moved for approval of the Board of Governors general session minutes for the May 15-16, 2019 meeting. The motion was seconded by Governor Bhagwat and approved 4-0.

#### CEO REPORT

Steve Berberich, President and CEO, provided an overview of the following sections of his CEO report: overall system conditions, energy prices, energy imbalance market, reliability coordinator services, and updated renewable energy production numbers. Mr. Berberich noted appreciation to Kristine Schmidt for her work on the EIM Governing Body and congratulated her on her appointment to the PG&E board. Mr. Berberich concluded his



report by discussing organizational changes as a result of the departure of Tom Doughty. Mr. Berberich and the Board provided comments in appreciation of Mr. Doughty and noted his leadership and engaging personality would be missed.

#### **Tom Doughty Resolution**

#### Governor Olsen:

WHEREAS, Thomas Doughty, Vice President, Customer and State Affairs, retired from the California Independent System Operator Corporation on April 1, 2019, after serving for over fifteen years as an indispensable member of ISO leadership and the ISO Executive Management Team; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Doughty has dedicated more than 30 years of service in the energy industry in customer service, regulatory affairs and policy, including executive leadership positions with the Los Angeles Department of Water and Power, a subsidiary of Xcel Energy, and entrepreneurial energy service and demand response providers; and in the late 1980s, was among a small group of innovators that was the force behind the launch of electric vehicles in the United States; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Doughty in his various roles, has dedicated his career to building strong customer relations, coalitions and collaboration at all levels; and is responsible for the ISO's successful interactions with California regulatory and governmental bodies; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Doughty, amongst his many significant achievements, was the architect of the ISO's stakeholder process, and created, developed and grew the ISO's Stakeholder Symposium; an event which he was the master of communications and ceremony, and which rapidly became one of the largest and most respected electric energy events in the West; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Doughty modeled outstanding leadership by encouraging the ISO and his staff to strive to grow and provide superior customer and public service; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the California ISO Board of Governors hereby expresses its upmost gratitude and sincerest appreciation to Mr. Doughty for his service to the California ISO and the State of California, and wishes him a fulfilling and adventurous retirement, a continuously satisfying golf game, and the best in all of his future endeavors.

The motion was seconded by Governor Borenstein and approved 4-0.

**DECISION ON AUDIT COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP** 



Governor Leslie joined the meeting via teleconference.

Roger Collanton, Vice President, General Counsel and Chief Compliance Officer, requested nominations for a third member of the Audit Committee. Governor Olsen nominated Governor Leslie noting she had expressed interest in becoming a member. Governor Borenstein nominated Governor Olsen to serve as Chair of the Audit Committee.

#### **Governor Galiteva:**

Moved that the ISO Board of Governors elects Mary Leslie to serve as a member of the Audit Committee effective May 15, 2019, which will now consist of Mary Leslie, Dave Olsen and Severin Borenstein; and

Moved that the ISO Board of Governors appoints Dave Olsen to serve as chair of the Audit Committee, effective May 15, 2019.

#### The motion was seconded by Governor Bhagwat and approved 5-0.

## **EIM GOVERNING BODY CHAIR REPORT**

Valerie Fong, Chair of the EIM Governing Body, provided comments in appreciation for Tom Doughty's many years of service. Ms. Fong next provided highlights of the EIM Governing Body's April 24 teleconference meeting which included reappointing John Prescott and herself to three-year terms, as well as the election of John Prescott to serve as representative to the EIM Nominating Committee. Ms. Fong noted appreciation to Kristine Schmidt for her contributions to the EIM Governing Body and stated the Nominating Committee will commence the search process to fill Ms. Schmidt's term, with Mr. Prescott assisting in the process. Ms. Fong informed the Board that the next Regional Issues Forum carbon workshop would be on June 18 at the ISO's Folsom headquarters. She also noted that the Body of State Regulators provided an update on the EIM governance review proposal.

# DECISION ON EXCESS BEHIND THE METER PRODUCTION PROPOSAL

Greg Cook, Executive Director – Market and Infrastructure Policy, provided an overview of Management's excess behind the meter production proposal. Mr. Cook described how the proliferation of rooftop solar has highlighted an inconsistency in reporting load to the ISO and noted the importance of load serving entities having clear rules for reporting load. He reviewed a graph that depicted how excess behind the meter production occurs when rooftop solar production exceeded local load. He described how the proposal addresses the following primary issues: (1) ensure consistent reporting of gross load by clarifying its definition in the tariff, (2) creates a new tariff definition for excess behind the meter production, and (3) specifies how excess behind the meter production must be reported to the ISO and how it is settled. Mr. Cook provided an overview of the stakeholder process noting stakeholders were generally supportive of the proposal. He provided an overview of several stakeholder



concerns (e.g. exempting some publicly owned utilities and metered subsystems, more accurate accounting for losses, and requests for publication of excess behind the meter production values) and how they were being addressed. Mr. Cook concluded his presentation by providing highlights of the benefits of the proposal.

#### Public comment

Catherine Hackney, on behalf of Southern California Edison, provided comments in support of Management's proposal.

#### Motion

## Governor Galiteva:

Moved, that the ISO Board of Governors approves the excess behind the meter production proposal described in the memorandum dated May 8, 2019; and

Moved, that the ISO Board of Governors authorizes Management to make all necessary and appropriate filings with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission to implement the proposal described in the 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 Borenstein and approved 5-0.

#### **BRIEFING ON SUMMER LOADS AND RESOURCES ASSESSMENT RESULTS**

Bob Emmert, Manager – Interconnection Resources, provided an overview of the 2019 Summer Loads and Resources Assessment results and noted it modeled all hours of the summer in 2,000 scenarios. Mr. Emmert described how 2019 summer operational conditions and California hydro conditions were projected to be more favorable than 2018. He stated the 2,000 simulated scenarios showed very low probability of system emergencies. Mr. Emmert reviewed a graph that depicted how nearly all of the low operating reserve margins occurred during low to zero solar generation. He stated an additional low hydro sensitivity case was developed to assess reliability under less favorable conditions. He described how Aliso Canyon's operational limitations and pipeline outages created additional risk to electric reliability. Mr. Emmert concluded by providing an overview of preparation activities and operational actions the ISO will implement if system operating conditions get near or go into the emergency stages.

# **INFORMATIONAL REPORTS**



There were no comments or questions on the following informational reports: business practice manual change management report, Department of Market Monitoring update, market performance report, master stakeholder engagement and release plans, regulatory report, state, regional and federal affairs update, Market Surveillance Committee report, and quarterly financial report.

# ADJOURNED

There being no additional general session matters to discuss, the general session was adjourned at approximately 3:00 p.m.