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Western EIM Governing Body elects chair and vice chair

FOLSOM, Calif. – The Western Energy Imbalance Market (EIM) Governing Body yesterday elected John Prescott and Anita Decker to serve as its chair and vice chair.

The Western EIM Governing Body oversees the Western EIM real-time energy market, which now has 11 participants and has collectively generated nearly \$920 million in gross benefits since its launch in November 2014. The elections took place at the governing body's June 30 meeting.

An established leader in the utility industry, Prescott will assume the chair duties from Carl Linvill. Linvill was appointed to the Western EIM Governing Body in July 2016.

Prescott has served on the Western EIM Governing Body since 2016. Prior to joining the Western EIM Governing Body, Prescott was president and chief executive officer of Pacific Northwest Generating Cooperative; served as power supply and environmental affairs officer for Seattle City Light; and was vice president of power supply for Idaho Power. He will serve as chair from July 1, 2020 to June 30, 2021.

Decker joined the Western EIM Governing Body in 2019 following her retirement as the executive director of the Northwest Public Power Association. She previously served as chief operating officer for the Bonneville Power Administration, and held several positions during her 27-year career at PacifiCorp. Decker will serve as vice chair from July 1, 2020 to June 30, 2021.

In addition to the gross benefits, the Western EIM has reduced the need for renewable curtailments during periods of oversupply and resulted in lower carbon emissions.

By 2022, the Western EIM will have a total of 21 participants and serve 82 percent of the Western Electricity Coordinating Council's (WECC) total load.

For more information on participants and benefits visit the [Western EIM](#) webpage.

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