

# GENERAL SESSION MINUTES ISO BOARD OF GOVERNORS MEETING July 23, 2025 Web conference

# July 23, 2025

The ISO Board of Governors convened the general session meeting at approximately 12:30 p.m. and the presence of a quorum was established.

# **ATTENDANCE**

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

Severin Borenstein, Chair Joseph Eto, Vice Chair Angelina Galiteva Mary Leslie Jan Schori

# **GENERAL SESSION**

The following agenda items were discussed in general session:

# PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comment was offered at this time.

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

Governor Galiteva moved for approval of the ISO Board of Governors general session minutes for the May 22, 2025, meeting. The motion was seconded by Governor Leslie and approved 5-0.

# PRIMARY AUTHORITY UPDATE

Roger Collanton – Vice President, General Counsel, Chief Compliance Officer, and Corporate Secretary, provided an overview of the primary authority process as part of the West-Wide Governance Pathways Step 1 governances changes. Mr. Collanton noted that under the new governance structure, the Governing Body has primary authority over western energy imbalance market (WEIM) and extended day-ahead market (EDAM) tariff rule changes which, if approved, would then go on the Board's consent agenda. Mr. Collanton provided an overview of the three-day meeting process followed by an overview of the dispute resolution and dual filing option. Mr. Collanton concluded by noting that the governance change has no impact on the ISO's existing stakeholder engagement process. Discussion ensued.

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# **CEO REPORT**

Elliot Mainzer – President and CEO, provided highlights from his CEO report, which included updates on the following: Summer grid performance; EDAM and activation of primary decision making authority for the Western Energy Markets Governing Body as part of the West-wide Governance Pathways Initiative Step 1; update on the congestion revenue allocation initiative; the WEIM assistance energy transfer proposal; and the launch of a new artificial intelligence pilot program in ISO Operations. Brief discussion ensued.

### **WEM GOVERNING BODY CHAIR UPDATE**

Rebecca Wagner – WEM Governing Body Chair, first welcomed Debra Smith as the new member of the Governing Body and then provided a recap of the July 22 Governing Body general session meeting, which included the following: Briefings from Turlock Irrigation District on their decision to join the EDAM and from Imperial Irrigation District on their decision to join the WEIM and EDAM; spotlight briefing on the gas resource management initiative; update on the new primary authority construct; and primary authority decision on the WEIM assistance energy transfer proposal.

# DECISION ON CONSENT AGENDA – WESTERN ENERGY IMBALANCE MARKET ASSISTANCE ENERGY TRANSFER PROPOSAL

Mr. Collanton explained the consent agenda process and then acknowledged receipt of a public comment letter from Avangrid addressed to the Board and Governing Body. Discussion ensued.

# **Public Comment**

The following provided comments:

Susan Schneider on behalf of Phoenix Consulting

# Motion

# **Governor Schori:**

Moved, that the ISO Board of Governors approves the July 23, 2025, consent agenda, as described in the memorandum dated July 16, 2025.

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

# BRIEFING ON STATUS OF INTERCONNECTION PROCESS ENHANCEMENTS AND THE INTERCONNECTION QUEUE

Daneille Mills – Principal, Infrastructure Policy Development and Bob Emmert – Senior Manager, Interconnection Resources, provided a briefing on interconnection process

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enhancements (IPE) and the interconnection queue.

Mr. Emmert provided an update on the status of the interconnection queue noting that the high volume of requests in clusters 14 and 15 resulted in the need for transformational changes to the ISO's interconnection process. He reviewed the status of the IPE track 2 and 3 reforms and compliance with FERC Order No. 2023. Mr. Emmert noted that the IPE reforms have reduced projects in cluster 15 to a more manageable level and concluded by noting that the current capacity in the queue is sufficient to meet resource needs well into the future. Next, Ms. Mills provided an overview of the interconnection process enhancements 5.0 initiative set to launch in August 2025 and reviewed the initiative schedule. Discussion ensued.

# Public comment

The following provided comments:

Susan Schneider on behalf of Phoenix Consulting

#### INFORMATIONAL REPORTS

There were no comments on the informational reports.

# **FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

There were no future agenda items.

# **ADJOURNED**

There being no additional general session matters to discuss the general session was adjourned at approximately 1:30 p.m.

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