

# **GENERAL SESSION MINUTES**

## **ISO BOARD OF GOVERNORS MEETING**

### **November 12, 2024**

### **Web conference**

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The ISO Board of Governors convened the general session meeting at approximately 1:30 p.m. and the presence of a quorum was established.

#### **ATTENDANCE**

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

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

#### **GENERAL SESSION**

The following agenda items were discussed in general session:

#### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

The following individuals provided general public comments in support of Regenerate California

- Heena Singh on behalf of California Environmental Justice Alliance
- Julia Dowell on behalf of Sierra Club
- Aurora Rugerio on behalf of Central Coast Alliance United for A Sustainable Economy
- Roselyn Tovar on behalf of Communities for a Better Environment

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

Governor Leslie moved for approval of the ISO Board of Governors general session minutes for the October 4, 2024, meeting. The motion was seconded by Vice Chair Borenstein and approved 5-0.

#### **CEO REPORT**

Elliot Mainzer - President and CEO, provided highlights from his CEO report which included the following: an update on interconnection process enhancements activities; Stakeholder Symposium highlights; extended day-ahead market implementation update; the WEIM ten year anniversary achievement; inter-scheduling coordinator trades in regional markets tariff filing; and recent renovations to the ISO Folsom headquarters building. Mr. Mainzer concluded by noting the new operations training room dedication in memory of former ISO employee Dave Delparte. Brief discussion ensued.

**WEM GOVERNING BODY CHAIR REPORT**

Robert Kondziolka – Chair of the WEM Governing Body, provided a summary of the November 6, 2024, WEM Governing Body general session meeting, which included the recent leadership changes to the Body of State Regulators; an update from the Regional Issues Forum Chair related to their latest activities; and a presentation by the WEM Governing Body market expert regarding their opinion on the storage bid cost recovery enhancements proposal.

**DECISION ON PARTICIPATING TRANSMISSION OWNER APPLICATION FOR CITIZENS PACIFIC TRANSMISSION LLC**

Riddhi Ray – Lead Contracts Negotiator, Infrastructure Contracts and Management, presented Management's request for approval of the Citizens Pacific Transmission LLC participating transmission owner application starting with an overview of their lease entitlements. Mr. Ray reviewed the discussion and analysis related to Pacific Gas and Electric's responsibilities for the development and construction of the projects followed by noting the responsibilities of Citizens Pacific as the leaseholder. Mr. Ray concluded by requesting Board acceptance of Citizens Pacific's application. Discussion ensued.

Public comment

The following individual provided comments:

- Peter Smith on behalf of Citizens Pacific Transmission LLC

**Motion:****Governor Eto:**

***Moved, that the ISO Board of Governors approve the ISO's acceptance of the application of Citizens Pacific Transmission LLC for Participating Transmission Owner status, conditioned on (1) Citizens Pacific Transmission LLC executing the Transmission Control Agreement and (2) the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's acceptance of a Transmission Owner Tariff, as set forth in the memorandum dated November 5, 2024.***

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

**DECISION ON MODIFICATIONS TO THE 2021-2022 TRANSMISSION PLAN**

Roger Collanton – Vice President, General Counsel and Chief Compliance Officer, noted the public comment letters received from Center for Energy Efficiency and Renewable Technologies, Silicon Valley Power, City of San Jose, and LS Power.

Binaya Shrestha – Manager, Regional Transmission North, presented Management's request to approve the proposed modification to two transmission projects previously approved by the Board of the Governors as part of the 2021-2022 transmission plan, which included the Newark

– NRS HVDC project and Metcalf – San Jose B HVDC project. Mr. Shrestha provided background on the two projects located in the San Jose area followed by an overview of the area’s assessment in the 2024-2025 planning cycle. Mr. Shrestha reviewed the various long term alternatives that were considered to reliably serve load in the area. Mr. Shrestha concluded by requesting Board approval of the proposed modifications to the 2021 -2022 transmission plan and noted that Management will seek a future decision by the Board regarding upgrades in the San Jose area as part of the 2024-2025 transmission planning process. Discussion ensued.

#### Public comment

The following individuals provided comments:

- Erica Garaffo on behalf of the City of San Jose
- Mike Florio on behalf of the Santa Clara Valley Open Space Authority
- Chris Karwick on behalf of Silicon Valley Power

#### **Motion:**

**Chair Schori:**

***Moved, that the ISO Board of Governors approves the modified scope for the Newark – NRS HVDC Project and the Metcalf – San Jose B HVDC Project, as described in the memorandum dated November 5, 2024.***

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

#### **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 2:45 p.m.