

Transmission Planning: Preparing the Grid to do Everything!

(Resiliency & Reliability, Generation Fleet Transition, Job Creation & Economic Development, Decarbonization & Renewables)

A Northwestern Electricity Dialogue Webinar

Northwestern Pritzker School of Law Tuesday, February 2, 2021 8:45 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. CDT 9:45 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. EDT Times listed below are CDT.

8:45-9:00 a.m. **Opening Remarks**

Michael Carrigan, Commissioner, Illinois Commerce Commission

9:00-9:30 Keynote Address —MISO's Long-Range Transmission Planning Effort

Introduction: Julie Fedorchak, Commissioner, North Dakota Public Service Commission; OMS President

Jennifer Curran, Vice President, System Planning and Chief Compliance Officer, Midcontinent Independent System Operator (MISO)

9:30-10:45 Session One – Transmission Planning Perspectives: What is Needed and How Get It from Those Who Build, Operate and Depend on the Grid?

We expect a lot from our transmission grid. The grid must be reliable and robust; flexible and adaptable; accessible and safe; and deliver economic efficiency in the form of lower energy costs for consumers. Fortunately, by and large the grid serving the midcontinent has met these needs. But achieving this performance does not happen by accident...it takes planning and "seeing into the future", as well as coordination across a diverse footprint This panel of transmission operators and those dependent on the grid will explore what it takes for the transmission grid to meet today's and tomorrow's needs. Example questions: What are the needs (and why)? What is being done to meet them? How to deal with the uncertainties and unknowns of the future? How to meet or

balance the diverse and competing interests? How to move ideas from the planning process to energize lines?

Moderator: Aubrey Johnson, Executive Director, System Planning & Competitive Transmission, Midcontinent Independent System Operator (MISO)

Priti Patel, Vice President & Chief Transmission Officer, Great River Energy

Dan Kline, Director, Transmission Planning, Entergy Services, LLC

Brian Rybarik, Principal Program Manager, Cloud Operations + Innovation, Energy & Sustainability, Microsoft

Matt Pawlowski, Executive Director of Business Management and Regulatory Affairs, NextEra

10:45-12:00 p.m. Session Two — Transmission Planning Perspectives: Thoughts on the Policy Drivers & Regulatory Processes from State Commissioners

State utility regulatory commissioners have a dual role in the long-term transmission planning process. One role is as valuable contributors to the planning process, assisting in setting vision and goals. The other role is as managers of the regulatory review process and ultimately final decision makers. This panel builds on the previous panel by offering the insights and perspectives of state regulators on the transmission planning. Example questions: what are the expectations? What are the current and future needs of the transmission grid in the MISO footprint? How best to deal with the uncertainties of the rapidly changing electricity landscape and unknowns of the future? How to meet or balance the competing interests?

Moderator: Tony Clark, Senior Advisor, Wilkinson Barker, Knauer, LLP

Shelly Botkin, Commissioner, Public Utility Commission of Texas
Sarah Freeman, Commissioner, Indiana Utility Regulatory Commission
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12:00 p.m. Adjourn

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