RAILBELT TRANSMISSION ORGANIZATION (RTO) GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE <u>MEETING MINUTES</u> September 10, 2025

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Million, GVEA, called the Railbelt Transmission Organization Governance Committee meeting to order at 8:00 a.m. A quorum was established.

2. ROLL CALL (for Committee members)

Curtis Thayer (Alaska Energy Authority [AEA]); Arthur Miller (Chugach Electric Association [CEA] (arrived late)); Brian Hickey (City of Seward); Travis Million (Golden Valley Electric Association [GVEA]); Brad Janorschke (Homer Electric Association [HEA]); Tony Izzo (Matanuska Electric Association [MEA]); Ed Jenkin (Railbelt Reliability Counsel [RRC]).

3. PUBLIC ROLL CALL (for all others present)

Karen Bell (AEA), Leeanne Smoke (AEA); Jennifer Bertolini (AEA); Andrew Jensen (Governor's Office); Tony Zellers (MEA); Bill Price (AEA); Sarah Lambe (HEA); Jessica Spuhler (HEA); Tina Grovier (Stoel Rives, RTO); Daniel Heckman (GVEA); Kody George (City of Seward); Carl Monroe (Munro Advisors, LLC); Matt Clarkson (CEA) (arrived late)).

4. AGENDA APPROVAL

MOTION: A motion was made by Mr. Thayer to approve the agenda. Motion seconded by Mr. Hickey.

A roll call was taken, and the motion to approve the agenda passed unanimously.

5. PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments.

6. APPROVAL OF THE MEETING MINUTES – August 29, 2025

MOTION: A motion was made by Mr. Thayer to approve the Meeting Minutes of August 29, 2025. Motion seconded by Mr. Hickey.

A roll call was taken, and the motion to approve the Minutes of August 29, 2025 passed unanimously.

7. **OLD BUSINESS**

Open Access Transmission Tariff, RCA Matter #TA1-8001

Tina Grovier, Stoel Rives, stated since the last RTO Governance meeting, the RCA issued its order governing confidential discovery, and the Intertie Management Committee (IMC) filed a late petition to intervene in the docket. That petition was filed before the RCA had ruled on the other petitions for intervention and the RCA has not yet ruled on any petitions to intervene. She explained that before the RCA approved the remainder of the proposed procedural schedule on Monday, both RAPA and the RTO filed responses to the IMC's petition.

Ms. Grovier said the Commission has now adopted the procedural schedule that was proposed by the parties and the potential interveners. She noted that RTO's witnesses have been drafting prefiled testimony and the RTO has been working on responses to the initial round of comments from RAPA, the RRC, Alaska Wind Holdings and AKPIRG.

Ms. Grovier stated she has matters related to these topics and the next steps in the Docket U-25-028 to discuss with the Governance Committee in executive session, the immediate knowledge of which could have an adverse effect on the legal or financial positions of the RTO and/or the Committee members.

MOTION: A motion was made by Mr. Hickey to enter into Executive Session to discuss matters, the immediate knowledge of which could have an adverse effect related to RTO finances and legal strategy. This is consistent with our Bylaws, which allow the Board to consider confidential matters in executive session, and in this case, the RTO believes that these are subjects that would have an adverse effect on the finances of the RTO and are being discussed with an attorney, the immediate knowledge of which could have an adverse effect on the financial or legal position of the Committee or are protected by law due to rules protecting personal privacy and certain business information. Motion seconded by Mr. Izzo.

A roll call was taken, and the motion to enter into Executive Session passed unanimously.

EXECUTIVE SESSION - 8:10 am. (Bylaws Section 5.12.3) To discuss matters, the 8. immediate knowledge of which could have an adverse effect on the finances or legal position of the RTO, the Committee or Authority, or that are confidential under state, federal, or local law.

The RTO Governance Committee reconvened its regular meeting at 9:13 a.m. Chair Million advised that the RTO did not take any formal action on the matters discussed while in executive session, except as authorized by Bylaws Section 5.12.2, to give direction to an attorney or negotiator regarding the handling of a specific legal matter or pending negotiation.

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9. NEW BUSINESS

A. RTO Prefiled Testimony

MOTION: A motion was made by Mr. Miller that the RTO approve Chair Million to work with Tina Grovier, the legal team, and the witnesses to finalize and file (1) the RTO's prefiled direct testimony, including any exhibits, and (2) the RTO's responses to comments on September 12, 2025, with the understanding that no material changes will be made without bringing the matter back to the Committee. Motion seconded by Mr. Thayer.

A roll call was taken, and the motion for Chair to work with Tina Grovier, legal team and witnesses to finalize direct testimony and RTO responses to comments passed unanimously.

B. Creation of Subcommittees – not discussed.

10. MEMBERS COMMENTS

There were no member comments.

11. NEXT MEETING DATE – September 19, 2025.

Chair Million indicated that the next meeting is September 19, 2025.

12. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business for the committee, the meeting adjourned at 9:16 a.m.

Travis Million, Chair

Curtis W. Thayer, Secretary