

RAILBELT TRANSMISSION ORGANIZATION (RTO)
GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE
MEETING MINUTES
October 8, 2025

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Million, GVEA, called the Railbelt Transmission Organization Governance Committee meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. A quorum was established.

2. ROLL CALL (for Committee members)

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

3. PUBLIC ROLL CALL (for all others present)

Karen Bell (AEA), Jennifer Bertolini (AEA); Andrew Jensen (Governor's Office); Jessica Spuhler (HEA); Tina Grovier (Stoel Rives, RTO); Daniel Heckman (GVEA); Carl Monroe (Munro Advisors, LLC); Mark Billingsley (AEA); David Pease (MEA); Matt Clarkson (CEA); Joel Groves; Kody George (City of Seward).

4. AGENDA APPROVAL

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

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 – September 19, 2025

MOTION: A motion was made by Mr. Hickey to approve the Meeting Minutes of September 19, 2025. Motion seconded by Mr. Thayer.

A roll call was taken, and the motion to approve the Minutes of October 8, 2025, passed unanimously.

7. OLD BUSINESS

A. Open Access Transmission Tariff, RCA Matter #TA1-8001

Tina Grovier, Stoel Rives, stated on September 29, 2025, the second comment period related to TA1-8001 closed. The RTO received four comments in total, two from individuals, one from the Alaska Center, and one from AKPIRG. Responses are due this Friday, October 10, 2025. She said the RAPA has issued numerous discovery requests during this discovery period on the RTO's pre-filed direct testimony, and the RTO continues to respond to those. She said discovery closes on October 10, 2025.

Ms. Grovier explained on October 3, 2025, that the RCA issued an order requiring the RTO to file certain information by October 20, 2025. Therefore there are matters related to these topics, discovery, NDAs, an expert witness contract, subcommittees, and next steps in Docket U-25-028, including tasks related to the RCA's issuing questions, to discuss with the Committee in executive session, the immediate knowledge of which could have an adverse effect on the legal and financial position 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. Miller.

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

8. EXECUTIVE SESSION – 9:08 am. (Bylaws Section 5.12.3) To discuss matters, the 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 10:07 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.

9. NEW BUSINESS

A. Second Comment Period for RCA Matter U-28-028

MOTION: A motion was made by Mr. Zellers that the RTO approve Chair Million to work with Tina Grovier, the legal team, and any relevant witnesses to finalize and file the RTO's responses to the second round of comments on October 10, 2025, with the understanding that no material changes will be made without bringing the response back to the committee. Motion seconded by Mr. Miller.

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

10. MEMBERS COMMENTS

Mr. Hickey appreciated all the hard work.

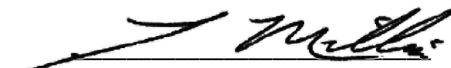
There were no other comments.

11. NEXT MEETING DATE – To be determined.

Chair Million indicated that the next meeting will be toward the end of next week, and exact date and time will be finalized shortly.

12. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business for the committee, the meeting adjourned at 10:00 a.m.


Travis Million, Chair
Curtis W. Thayer, Secretary