

OMS Executive Director Report

February 8, 2008

FERC and DOE Activity

1. On January 11, 2008, the OMS filed reply comments relating to the issues discussed in the technical conference on market power and mitigation in the ASM market in Docket No. ER07-1372. The reply comments supported the ratchet mechanism as a bid boundary.
2. On January 10, 2008, the OMS filed post-technical conference comments on transmission queue issues in FERC Docket No. AD08-2-000.
3. On January 28, 2008, the OMS filed comments on the Midwest ISO's resource adequacy tariff filed on December 28, 2007, in Docket No. ER08-394. The FERC is expected to address these issues at its February 21 meeting.
4. On January 31, 2008, the FERC issued four related pricing orders.
 - It approved the continued use of license plate rates in MISO and denied a proposal by the MSATs to move to 100% postage stamp pricing for new facilities at 345 kV or above. Docket No. ER07-1233 and 07-1261, 122 FERC ¶161,081.
 - It denied rehearing for PJM's rate design (Docket No. EL05-121 et al.)
 - It accepted MISO's cross-border proposal (Docket No. ER05-6.
 - It denied a complaint filed by AEP requesting changes in MISO and PJM rate designs (Docket No. EL07-101).
5. On January 22, the MISO Market Monitor submitted to FERC an informational filing on the Minnesota-Iowa Narrowly Constrained Area in Docket No. ER07-235.

OMS-MISO Activity:

1. The OMS Resource Adequacy Work Group and the MISO Supply Adequacy Work Group began planning for work to complete a Module E compliance element for submission to FERC in June 2008. The SAWG elected Joanne Burrell of FirstEnergy as Chair and Cathy Cole of the Michigan Public Service Commission as vice-chair. Its next meeting is February 29.

2. The Midwest ISO, PJM, Southwest Power Pool, and TVA are developing economic models to be used to for multi-regional planning of the Joint Combined System Plan (JCSP).
3. The MISO held three Subregional Planning Meetings as an early step in building this year's Midwest Transmission Expansion Plan (MTEP-08).
4. The MISO held a stakeholder meeting in Pittsburgh February 1 to begin the process of integrating Duquesne Power into the MISO.
5. The MISO RSG task force met on February 7 and will meet again February 21. It now targets a comprehensive RSG filing at the end of February.
6. A MISO-PJM Joint and Common Market meeting on February 1 reported on projects that better align MISO and PJM energy markets. The next meeting will be June 6.
7. The US General Accountability Office, as a part of its study of RTO benefits, will meet by conference call with OMS commissioners on February 27.
8. The MISO will conduct a stakeholder briefing on its Value Proposition following the Advisory Committee meeting February 20.
9. The MISO will brief stakeholders on February 11 on its Membership Expansion proposal, to be filed as Module F of its tariff.
10. MISO's Interconnection Process Task Force met January 24-25. Future meetings are planned for February 13 and 26 and March 14. This group is considering modifications of the interconnection queue. Its recommendations will be taken to stakeholder groups in late March and April to allow filing at FERC in late April.
11. MWDR1 will hold a general meeting in Chicago March 7.

Public Relations

1. Presentations:
 - Commissioners Davis, Hardy, Lieberman, and Ebert will present a panel discussion at the Energy Bar Association Midwest conference in Chicago March 6.
2. Pending speaking/meeting invitations:
 - None

Upcoming MISO Filings of Regional Interest

3/3/2008	ER05-6-044, <i>et al.</i> EL04-135-046, <i>et al.</i> EL02-111-064, <i>et al.</i> EL03-212-060, <i>et al.</i>	The Midwest ISO and PJM Interconnection to submit their economic cross-border cost allocation proposals in compliance with the Commission's directive.	122 FERC ¶ 61,084 at P 29 (2008)
3/3/2008	ER05-6-044, <i>et al.</i> EL04-135-046, <i>et al.</i> EL02-111-064, <i>et al.</i> EL03-212-060, <i>et al.</i>	The Midwest ISO and PJM Interconnection to submit a compliance filing revising their Joint Operating Agreement concerning allocation of costs between the two RTOs.	122 FERC ¶ 61,084 (2008)
3/3/2008	ER08-____-000	The Midwest ISO will file revisions to the EMT revising the RSG provisions under the EMT based on additional stakeholder discussions following the 2/1/2008 informational filing.	RSG TF MSC AC
3/3/2008	ER08-____-000	The Midwest ISO to file revisions to the EMT to include the Western Area Market Expansion.	MSC AC
3/14/2008	N/A	The Midwest ISO to submit an annual report to the Planning Advisory Committee and the OMS that details the steps taken in the MTEP to develop a portfolio of projects that spread benefits throughout each sub-region.	118 FERC ¶ 61,209 at P 76 (2007)
8/1/2008	ER08-____-000	The Midwest ISO to submit a report to analyze the effectiveness of all the transmission expansion cost allocation methodologies.	118 FERC ¶ 61,209 at P 203 (2007)
8/1/2008	ER05-6-044, <i>et al.</i> EL04-135-046, <i>et al.</i> EL02-111-064, <i>et al.</i> EL03-212-060, <i>et al.</i>	The Midwest ISO and PJM Interconnection to submit their economic cross-border cost allocation proposals in compliance with the Commission's Order on Cross-Border Facilities Cost Allocation.	122 FERC ¶ 61,084 at P 29 (2008)

Other upcoming dates:

- Feb 14 – OMS Board Meeting
- Feb 27 – OMS conference call with US GAO
- Feb 28 – OMS Executive Committee
- March 6 – OMS Board Meeting
- March 7 – MWDRI
- March 28 – OMS commissioners retreat - Columbus
- April 15 – OMS Sector meeting with MISO management
- April 16 – MISO Stakeholder meeting - Indianapolis