

# SPP-RSC/OMS Seams Coordination Effort

## Goals and Guiding Principles

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### **GOALS**

Identify potential improvements in the following areas and work with SPP and MISO on implementation:

- Increase benefits to ratepayers in both markets by improving market-based transactions and operations across the seam.
- Ensure equal consideration of beneficial regional and inter-regional projects in transmission planning, including evaluation of projects identified in the Coordinated System Plans.
- Support the timely interconnection of new resources that includes consideration of the dynamics of the interconnection queue in both RTOs.
- Improve inter-RTO relations through state-led cooperation.

### **GUIDING PRINCIPLES**

- No one is right or wrong where viewpoints don't align. We strive to understand the drivers behind our differences. It's not personal.
- Working from a common set of facts is critical. Be willing to challenge others thoughtfully and professionally so that all points of view are understood.
- The best outcome for customers is the best outcome. Customers in all portions of an RTO footprint should benefit from RTO membership.
- Internal viewpoints from states on both sides of the seam are crucial as it represents balancing of customer interests.
- Everyone is open to change if better solutions are identified, even if they aren't perfect.
- Alleviating transmission constraints can provide benefits under the right circumstances. There can be significant benefits from alleviating transmission constraints.
- Commissioners are the primary participants in these efforts with support from staff.