



EIM Body of State Regulators Monthly Update

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Agenda

- EIM GRC Draft Straw Proposal
- BOSR Funding
- Public Power Liaisons to the BOSR
- Other Issues
- Next Steps
- Announcements



EIM GRC Draft Straw Proposal

Purpose of Governance Review: Adjust EIM governance as necessary to account for significant growth of EIM and to facilitate possible further expansion through EDAM

- GRC issued scoping paper soliciting proposals for key issues; BOSR and others submitted comments (February 2020).
- Based on comments, GRC developed recommendations for potential improvements to governance structure: Draft Straw Proposal (July 31)
- GRC will use comments to Straw Proposal to refine recommendations.
- Expect at least two rounds of refinements before submitting recommendations to the EIM Governing Body and CAISO Board (Q1 2021).



BOSR Comments

- GRC requests comments by Friday, August 28
- Staff sent BOSR Preliminary Draft Comments on August 13
- Today discuss key issues
- Work through remaining issues via email and comments to the BOSR's draft comment document



BOSR Funding GRC Proposal

- The GRC supports an appropriate mechanism through which the BOSR could obtain the funding necessary for enhanced participation.
- An appropriate funding source would be the state commission jurisdictional utilities that participate in EIM or EDAM (equity issue).
- Asks stakeholders for proposals on specific mechanisms.
- Encourages ongoing efforts by utilities subject to the jurisdiction of their state commissions engaging directly with the BOSR to explore alternative sources of funding.



BOSR Funding

BOSR Comments

#1 Funding Mechanism

- The BOSR funding should be allocated among all state jurisdictional utilities participating in the EIM, this includes California IOUs.
- The allocation between these participants should be equitable and rational.
 - Allocate the funding equally among all participating IOUs. Each IOU's allocation would be equal to: the total annual budget / number of EIM IOUs.
(Favored by some of the EEs.)
 - Allocate the funding proportional to load or some other factor.
 - Other



BOSR Funding

BOSR Comments

#1 Funding Mechanism

- Options for collecting the funding
 - A component of the grid management charge (GMC) charged to specific entities
 - An agreement outside of the CAISO tariff directly with IOUs
 - Other proposals



BOSR Funding

BOSR Comments

#2 Funding level

- Sustained funding at a consistent level
- WIEB providing staff support
 - under \$500,000
 - based on 2 FTEs
- Budget growth will be limited 3% per year
 - may be revisited if EDAM is implemented



BOSR Funding

BOSR Comments

#3 Organizational structure and staffing choice

- Solely the BOSR's decision.
- The BOSR considered multiple options: WIEB, PUC staffing, CAISO staffing, forming new entity.
- Guiding principles
 - competence
 - cost effectiveness
 - preservation of independence
 - Minimum requirement: legally enabled to accept and contract for funds
- BOSR welcomes comments through GRC stakeholder process



Public Power Liaisons to BOSR

GRC Recommendation

- Ask BOSR* to establish a limited number of liaison positions for public marketing administrations (PMAs) and publicly owned utilities (POUs) who participate in the EIM.
- Liaisons would:
 - Participate in BOSR meetings and provide the BOSR membership with a PMA/consumer-owned utility perspective.
 - Not vote on any positions that may be taken by the BOSR

*The BOSR would need to amend the BOSR Charter to implement this proposal.



Public Power Liaisons to BOSR

BOSR Comments

#1 There will be up to *two* liaisons to the BOSR representing the Public Power sector. Public Power used here means public marketing administrations and publicly owned utilities.

- Each liaison will be *from* an entity participating in the Western EIM.
- One liaison shall be from a public marketing administration.
- One liaison shall be from a publicly owned utility.

Discussion

- Number of liaisons
- “From an EE” is not inclusive of someone who represents an association.
- Specify liaison’s level at organization or who in organization appoints the liaison



Public Power Liaisons to BOSR

BOSR Comments

#2 The liaison is a non-voting position.

- The liaisons will participate in BOSR meetings and provide the BOSR membership with public power perspective.
- The liaisons will not vote on any positions that may be taken by the BOSR or represent the BOSR on other bodies.

Discussion: Will liaisons take part in executive sessions?

#3 Each liaison will be selected through an open, fair, inclusive, and transparent process



Other Issues

BOSR Recommendation	GRC Proposal
Shared authority between CAISO Board & EIM Governing Body and over a larger set of market rules	Yes; both bodies will jointly approve all real-time market design issues
Increased authority if EDAM is implemented	Yes; same as above over all day-ahead market design issues (except those specific to CA such as transmission planning)
Less complex process	Yes; no longer designate proposed market changes into categories or use different paths for approval
Voting status to PIO/CA representative on Nominating Committee	Yes.
Support stakeholder advisory committee	Yes; remove limitations on RIF
Technical support for Governing Body	Yes; if EDAM goes forward Governing Body may contract with outside expert



Next Steps

- Comments due Friday, August 28, 2020
- Next GRC Meeting Tuesday, Sept. 15
- Make changes to draft based on today's meeting
- Send revised comment document to BOSR for review Aug. 19
- Work through comments via email Aug. 19-27
- Final version submitted to GRC Aug. 28



Upcoming BOSR Meetings

BOSR Monthly Update Teleconference

Second Friday of Every Month at 10:00 AM MT / 9:00 AM PT

Next Meeting: September 11, 2020 at 10:00 AM MT / 9:00 AM PT

Fall 2020 EIM-BOSR Meeting

October 26, 2020, 9:30 AM MT / 8:30- AM PT

Webinar only



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