

**ROSTER OF LAUNCH COMMITTEE MEMBERS, ALTERNATES, NON-VOTING  
MEMBERS AND WORKING GROUPS**

**September 2024**

**Co-chairs: Kathleen Staks (Western Freedom) and Pamela Sporborg (Portland General)**

**ASSOCIATION MEMBERS (executing the Memorandum of Understanding):**

**CA Investor-Owned Utility Transmission Owners:**

Scott Ranzal, Pacific Gas and Electric  
Jeff Nelson, Southern California Edison  
Alternate(s): None

**EIM Entities:**

Omayya Ahmad, Arizona Public Service  
David Rubin, NV Energy  
Kerstin Rock, PacifiCorp  
Pam Sporborg, Portland General Electric  
Alternate(s): Robert Eckenrod, PacifiCorp

**Public Power and Coops:**

Josh Walter, Seattle City Light  
Connor Reiten, PNGC Power  
Jim Shetler, Balancing Authority of Northern California  
Randy Howard, Northern California Power Agency  
Alternate(s): Jon Olson, SMUD

**Independent Power Producers and their Trade Associations:**

Scott Miller, Western Power Trading Forum  
Jan Smutny-Jones, Independent Energy Producers Association  
Lisa Tormoen Hickey, Interwest Energy Alliance  
Alternate(s): Ben Fitch-Fleischmann, Interwest Energy Alliance  
Spencer Gray, NIPPC

**Large Commercial & Industrial Customers and their Trade Associations:**

Kathleen Staks, Western Freedom  
Alternate(s): Heidi Ratz, Clean Energy Buyers Association

**Technology Providers and their Trade Associations:**

Brian Turner, Advanced Energy United  
Alternate(s): None

**Non-utility Load Serving Entities and their Trade Associations:**

Evelyn Kahl, California Community Choice Association  
Alternate(s): Beth Vaughan, California Community Choice Association

Labor:

Marc Joseph, Coalition of California Utility Employees and the State Association of Electrical Workers

Alternate(s): None

Public Interest Organizations:

Michael Colvin, Environmental Defense Fund

Alaine Ginocchio, representing Western Resource Advocates

Ben Otto, NW Energy Coalition

Alternate(s): Mark Specht, Union of Concerned Scientists

**NON-VOTING MEMBERS (not executing the Memorandum of Understanding):**

States/Provinces:

Commissioner Milt Doumit, Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission

Commissioner Kevin Thompson, Arizona Corporation Commission

President Alice Reynolds, California Public Utilities Commission

Alternate(s):

Commissioner Letha Tawney, Oregon Public Utilities Commission

Vice Chair Siva Gunda, California Energy Commission

Commissioner Pat O'Connell, New Mexico Public Regulatory Commission

Residential and Small Commercial Customers:

Michele Beck, Utah Office of Consumer Services

Linda Serizawa, California Public Advocates Office

Alternate(s): None

Other Launch Committee Members (not executing the Memorandum of Understanding):

Power Marketing Administrations:

Chrystal Dean, Western Area Power Administration

Alternate(s): Tina Ko, Western Area Power Administration

## **WORKING GROUP ROSTER**

All Working Groups report up to the Launch Committee and all work product and recommendations from the Working Groups are subject to approval by the Launch Committee. Working Group meetings are open to all members of the Launch Committee, in addition to support staff.

### **Priority Administration Working Group**

Jim Shetler, Balancing Authority of Northern California (Co-Chairs)  
Lisa Tormoen Hickey, Interwest Energy Alliance (Co-Chairs)  
Michael Colvin, Environmental Defense Fund  
Hannah Ford-Stille, California Public Utilities Commission (supporting Alice Reynolds)  
Alaine Ginocchio, Consultant to Western Resource Advocates  
Spencer Gray, Northwest & Intermountain Power Producers Coalition  
Siva Gunda, California Energy Commission  
Scott Miller, Western Power Trading Forum  
Carl Linvill, Regulatory Assistance Project (supporting the State Commissioners)  
Jeff Nelson, Southern California Edison  
Ben Otto, NW Energy Coalition  
Jane Park, California Energy Commission (supporting Siva Gunda)  
Scott Ranzal, Pacific Gas & Electric  
Heidi Ratz, Clean Energy Buyers Association  
Alice Reynolds, California Public Utilities Commission  
Kerstin Rock, PacifiCorp  
Pam Sporborg, Portland General Electric  
Kathleen Staks, Western Freedom  
Brian Turner, Advanced Energy United

### **Communications and Outreach Working Group**

Ben Otto, NW Energy Coalition (Co-Chairs)  
Scott Ranzal, Pacific Gas & Electric (Co-Chairs)  
Siva Gunda, California Energy Commission  
Evelyn Kahl, California Community Choice Association  
Scott Miller, Western Power Trading Forum  
Alice Reynolds, California Public Utilities Commission  
Mark Specht, Union of Concerned Scientists  
Pam Sporborg, Portland General Electric  
Kathleen Staks, Western Freedom  
Beth Vaughan, California Community Choice Association  
Josh Walter, Seattle City Light

**Priority Functions and Scope Working Group**

Spencer Gray, Northwest & Intermountain Power Producers Coalition (Co-Chairs)

Evelyn Kahl, California Community Choice Association (Co-Chairs)

Michele Beck, Utah Office of Consumer Services

Tony Braun, Braun Blaising & Wynne, P.C. (Supporting BANC)

Michael Colvin, Environmental Defense Fund

Milt Doumit, Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission

Alaine Ginocchio, Consultant to Western Resource Advocates

Randy Howard, Northern California Power Agency

Marc Joseph, International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers - California

Carl Linvill, Regulatory Assistance Project (supporting the State Commissioners)

Scott Miller, Western Power Trading Forum

Jon Olson, Sacramento Municipal Utility District

Ben Otto, NW Energy Coalition

Scott Ranzal, Pacific Gas & Electric

Alice Reynolds, California Public Utilities Commission

Kerstin Rock, PacifiCorp

David Rubin, NV Energy

Jim Shetler, Balancing Authority of Northern California

Mark Specht, Union of Concerned Scientists

Kathleen Staks, Western Freedom

Letha Tawney, Oregon Public Utility Commission

Lisa Tormoen Hickey, Interwest Energy Alliance

Brian Turner, Advanced Energy United

Beth Vaughan, California Community Choice Association