Memorandum of Understanding
Between the
Western Interstate Energy Board
and the
Western Power Pool

This Memorandum of Understanding (“MOU”) is entered into as of July 15, 2022, by and between the Western Interstate Energy Board (“WIEB”) and the Western Power Pool (“WPP”), also referred to hereinafter as “Parties.”

The purpose of this MOU is to set forth the understanding between the Parties for how the WPP will support WIEB in order for WIEB to receive funding to provide the technical expertise, staff resources, and office space necessary to support the ongoing efforts of the WPP Western Resource Adequacy Program Committee of State Representatives (“WRAP-COSR”).

Preamble

A. WHEREAS, WIEB works with regulators and policymakers from the western U.S. states and Canadian provinces to enhance the economy of the West and contribute to the well-being of the Region’s people by providing the tools and framework necessary to support cooperative state and provincial efforts in the energy field; and

B. WHEREAS, the WPP operates the WRAP, including organizing and collaborating with the Resource Adequacy Participants Committee (“RAPC”), which includes state-regulated WRAP participants (“SRWP”) subject to the compliance requirements of WRAP; and

C. WHEREAS, the Parties to this MOU recognize that Resource Adequacy in the West is an issue of great importance to state utility regulators, state policymakers, and state-funded consumer advocates and an issue that will significantly impact the economy of the West and the well-being of the Region’s people; and

D. WHEREAS, the Parties recognize that effective engagement of western electric utility regulators and policymakers will help to ensure the WRAP’s long-term stability in light of diverse and rapidly evolving state policy choices regarding resources and markets; and

E. WHEREAS, the Parties to this MOU desire to enter an understanding by which the WPP
will support WIEB in order for WIEB to receive funding to provide the technical expertise, staff resources, and office space necessary to support the ongoing efforts of the WRAP-COSR, with such funding to begin no later than January 1, 2024.

Provisions

1. **Purpose:** The WPP will work with the SRWP to reach an acceptable funding arrangement whereby the SRWP will provide funding to WIEB so that WIEB can provide the technical expertise, staff resources, and office space necessary to support the ongoing efforts of the WRAP-COSR.

2. **Milestones:** The Parties agree to the following milestones and actions:
   
   a. By end of year 2022, WPP will convene and collaborate with the SRWP to discuss potential terms and conditions for funding provided to WIEB;
   
   b. By end of Q2 2023, the WPP will endeavor to complete a draft term sheet with the SRWPs; and
   
   c. By end of 2023, WIEB and the WPP will work together to identify and complete whatever agreements are necessary to effectuate the funding and service provisions identified in this MOU.

3. **Agreement:** The Parties agree to meet at least monthly to provide status updates and to coordinate on the milestones and objectives of this MOU.

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