

LA PLATA ELECTRIC ASSOCIATION, INC.
Power Supply Committee Minutes of Meeting
Thursday, December 6, 2018
Durango, Colorado

I. CALL TO ORDER

The Power Supply Committee of the La Plata Electric Association Board of Directors was held Thursday, December 6, 2018 at the headquarters building in Durango, Colorado. Committee Chairman Bassett called the meeting to order at 10:02 a.m. The following Committee members were in attendance:

COMMITTEE MEMBERS:

Britt Bassett, Director, Committee Chairman
Kohler McInnis, Director
Tim Wheeler, Director
Mike Dreyspring, CEO
Dan Harms, Manager of Rates, Technology, and Energy Policy via conference line

LPEA STAFF:

C. E. Charistopoulos, Executive Assistant
Shay Denning, General Counsel

EXCUSED ABSENCE: Jack Turner, Director, CREA Liaison attended via conference call.

GUESTS: The following guests were in attendance: Katie Pellicore, Dan Hunt.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Committee Chairman Bassett addressed the December 6, 2018 Power Supply Committee (PSC) meeting agenda.

Motion: Committee Member Harms moved to approve the December 6, 2018 PSC meeting agenda. Motion seconded and carried without dissent.

APPROVAL OF NOVEMBER 15, 2018 PSC MEETING MINUTES AND NOVEMBER 19, 2018 SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES

Committee Chairman Bassett addressed the November 15, 2018 PSC meeting minutes and the November 19, 2018 Special Meeting minutes.

Motion: CEO Dreyspring moved to approve the November 15, 2018 PSC meeting minutes and the November 19, 2018 Special Meeting minutes. Motion seconded and carried without dissent.

DISCUSSION WITH ED REYES

Mr. Reyes of Enchanted Energy and Mr. Padilla of Rio Energy were present at this meeting as they were in the area on other business. Chairman Bassett advised that the discussion with Reyes and Padilla would take place in open session until or unless an executive session discussion was warranted. Reyes and Padilla advised the Committee on the process for evaluating the LPEA-Tri-State Wholesale Electric Supply Contract (WESC) and made requests for data and information to begin their analysis. The Committee will meet with Reyes and Padilla at the December 20 PSC meeting for a work session to look at data and valuation modelling.

CONFERENCE CALL WITH CAITLIN LIOTIRIS

The Committee took a conference call with Caitlin Liotiris of Energy Strategies to discuss methods for determining alternative power supply options. Chairman Bassett advised that the discussion with Liotiris would take place in open session until or unless an executive session discussion was warranted. Liotiris discussed the preliminary data received and further data collection necessary to complete the assessment. Power price forecasting computer models were discussed ranging from simplified to sophisticated and which would provide the best results for Committee needs. The Committee is aware of cost constraints so will consider the modelling options and provide direction for Liotiris prior to the holiday break. The Committee suggested additional conference calls at the January 3 and 17 PSC meetings.

Motion: CEO Dreyspring moved to enter into executive session to discuss power price forecasting models, the PSC budget, and tentative and prospective DG projects in LPEA's service territory. Motion seconded and carried without dissent.

The Committee remained in executive session from 12:03 p.m. to 12:44 p.m.

COMMITTEE DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION

COMMUNICATION STRATEGY FOR LPEA BOARD – Committee members discussed presenting greater detail and more robust reporting to the LPEA Board of Directors during the Board meetings.

POSSIBLE SITE VISITS OR OTHER MEETINGS FOR COMMITTEE – Committee members discussed potential teleconferences and site visits with key interests and will follow up on the arrangements.

FUTURE MEETINGS – Committee Chairman Bassett confirmed upcoming PSC meetings will take place on December 20th from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m., January 3rd, and 20th from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

ATTORNEY UPDATE

Attorney Denning advised that she is reviewing and finalizing the contracts with Enchanted-Rio, and Energy Strategies, and will report on the Tri-State letter of indemnification in executive session. Chairman Bassett requested an agenda item to review of the PSC Budget at every meeting.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion: Committee member Wheeler moved to enter into executive session to discuss the Tri-State letter of indemnification. Motions seconded and carried without dissent.

The PSC remained in executive session from 1:02 to 1:33 p.m.

There being no further business, the Power Supply Committee of the La Plata Electric Association, Board of Directors meeting adjourned at 1:33 p.m.

Recorded by C.E. Charistopoulos, and approved by:

Britt Bassett, Committee Chairman