

EIPC Stakeholder Steering Committee (SSC) Straw Proposal Webinar Comments

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Terry	Lane	LS Power	I am concerned that independent transmission developers are not represented. They are not the same as traditional TOs and will have a different view of the world. In our case, we could seek a seat as an IPP but that should not be necessary.
Revis	James	Electric Power Research Institute	Comment for future discussion: Option B is likely better due to increased diversity in transmission, generation, TDUs, public power, and Coop organizations.
Terry	Lane	LS Power	Independent transmission developers are not necessarily merchant developers. some of us do not mind being treated as TOs and want rate based treatment.
Jake	Langthorn	Oklahoma Gas & Electric	Consensus is often the path to the least desirable conclusion. Parties WILL not cooperate simply because it is the desire of the leadership to reach consensus.
Hans	Mertens	VT DPS	Guiding Principles, suggest including reference to FERC Order 719 findings
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Hans	Mertens	VT DPS	Craig Glazer's comment was appropriate. TO's may need to educate some stakeholders on technical matters, however other stakeholders will educate TO on issues that they have not considered. The education is two/multi-way...
Ginny	Kreitler	Audubon Society	First, 'thank you.' The webinar yesterday was helpful, the planned transparency of process looks promising, and it was heartening to see that input from the NGO and PIO community is already being reflected in your evolving proposals. Those of us who were on the call yesterday saw much of promise in this first stakeholder outreach event. Second, a first suggestion for a change in your plans. I think it would be helpful to relax the constraint on Caucus member selection for the NGOs. The requirement that all who serve on the Caucus be ready to serve on the SSC if elected, and the understandable requirement that those who serve on the SSC have their organizational green light and the resources to commit - in combination these are a tough requirement for the NGOs right now. Few organizations have yet lined up the resources to make this commitment and yet there are a number of us who have been giving this subject serious attention for months now and can provide useful input for the caucus process. I think you will hear this same comment echoed by others from our stakeholder group and I urge you to consider a more relaxed standard for our caucus members.

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David	Trego	Fayetteville PWC	I think having a group larger than 30 will be difficult to manage. I think part of the members' responsibilities however, should include keeping interested parties within their stakeholder group informed and take their concerns to the SSC.
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Beth	Emery	Tuggey Rosenthal	There is a distinction between a TDU cooperative and a TO cooperative. But coops (and public power) are really different from IOUs. How about splitting between TDU and TO public power?
Paul	McCurley	NRECA	While public power, coops, and TDUs are typically viewed as being similar, "power authorities" such as BPA, TVA and WAPA are completely different animals. Why are those entities grouped together?

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Eric	Bryant	Maine Public Advocate	While I would like to see a greater percentage of End Users (load always pays), I think the sector balance of each of the straw proposals is appropriate.
Tamara	Linde	PSEG	But, there is not one transmission owner per region that understands the transmission systems across that region. In regional process all transmission owners are involved as it impacts their transmission assets.
Mayer	Sasson	Con Edison	Shouldn't there be a TO representative from each of the ISO/RTOs and systems represented?