

U.S. Department of Energy Electricity Advisory Committee Meeting Hosted Virtually Via WebEx August 26, 2020

Meeting Summary

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Welcome, Intro, and Roll Call:

Wanda Reder spoke about the reason for this meeting and went over the agenda and procedures for the meeting.

Discussion and Vote on the Energy Storage Grand Challenge Recommendations:

Wanda Reder specifically acknowledged the Energy Storage Subcommittee for coming together to get this response done quickly. Lola Infante, Chair of the Energy Storage Subcommittee, gave the background of the EAC's involvement with the Energy Storage Grand Challenge (ESGC). She noted how the RFI response is tied into the congressionally required Energy Storage Plan released every five years. Ms. Infante then reviewed some highlights of the RFI which include:

- 1. The Committee commends DOE for taking steps regarding a coordinated energy storage plan.
- 2. The Committee recommends increased coordination both within DOE and industry.
- 3. The document draws attention to the needs of having a roadmap that responds to the real needs of industry and its customers. This roadmap should be well integrated, flexible, and robust enough to anticipate future challenges.
- 4. The Committee believes there is a need to recognize storage as a grid asset.
- 5. The Committee believes it is imperative to take a holistic approach.

Ms. Infante then briefly reviewed each section of the recommendations document.

Chris Lawrence began the discussion portion by letting the members know there was a change in the market participation paragraph. This change is reflected in the current draft. Tom Bialek spoke about one of his comments on page six of the document that address reliability and resilience. The new language clarifies the process of refurbishing a fossil plant to a synchronous condenser opposed to the original language that was opposite this. Mr. Bialek then clarified the difference between these processes. Paul Stockton asked if a section about batteries at scale to be used for blackstart generation could be added and Jay Morrison clarified page seven already had details about this.

Lola Infante then motioned to move the vote forth and Mike Heyeck seconded this motion. The vote passed unanimously. Chris Lawrence said the next step is to move these recommendations to Assistant Secretary Bruce Walker.

Public Comments:

No public comments were received.

Wrap-Up:

Wanda said she appreciated everyone's participation. Ms. Reder concluded by reminding committee members to register for the virtual October meeting.

Respectfully Submitted and Certified as Accurate,

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