

# Overview of the Organization of PJM States (OPSI)

Commissioner Lula Ford Illinois Commerce Commission Monday, June 8, 2009

### Incorporation of OPSI

• OPSI was incorporated on May 13, 2005 in the State of Delaware as a non-profit corporation by the regulatory agencies of the District of Columbia and the 13 states that are within PJM Interconnection, LLC's (PJM) footprint.

# Regulatory Agencies within PJM's Footprint

14 members are grouped by regions:

#### West

- Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, Ohio, West Virginia
  Mid-Atlantic
- Delaware, District of Columbia, Maryland, New Jersey, Pennsylvania

#### South

· Kentucky, North Carolina, Tennessee, Virginia

#### Purpose

- OPSI was established to act as a liaison group to PJM, its Board of Managers, and its Market Monitor.
- As a liaison, OPSI strives to further the public interest by collectively working with PJM to ensure that ratepayers within PJM's footprint are provided safe, adequate, and reliable electric service at just and reasonable rates.

#### Recent Issues Addressed by OPSI

- Demand Response Reform
- Market Design
- The Development of Electricity Infrastructure for Long-Term Resource Adequacy
- Market Monitoring Policies
- Transmission and Cost Allocation Issues

#### Relationship Between OPSI and PJM

- The relationship between OPSI and PJM is vital to achieving the issues important to OPSI members.
- The relationship between OPSI and PJM is governed by a Memorandum Of Understanding signed by both parties on June 1, 2005.

#### **Current Board of Directors of OPSI**

- Hon. Douglas Nazarian (Chairman, Maryland PSC) President
- Hon. Steven A. Transeth (Commissioner, Michigan PSC) Vice President
- Hon. Paul Centolella (Commissioner, PUC of Ohio) Secretary
- Hon. Dallas Winslow (Commissioner, Delaware PSC) Treasurer
- Hon. Lula M. Ford (Commissioner, Illinois CC) Immediate Past President
- Hon. Richard Morgan (Commissioner, District of Columbia PSC)
- Hon. Gregory D. Server (Commissioner, Indiana URC)
- Hon. David Armstrong (Chairman, Kentucky PSC)
- Hon. Frederick F. Butler (Commissioner, New Jersey BPU)
- Hon. Edward S. Finley, Jr. (Chairman, North Carolina UC)
- Hon. Tyrone Christy (Vice Chairman, Pennsylvania PUC)
- Hon. Mary W. Freeman (Commissioner, Tennessee RA)
- Hon. Mark C. Christie (Commissioner, Virginia SCC)
- Hon. Jon W. McKinney (Commissioner, PSC of West Virginia)

#### Current Board of Managers of PJM

- Howard Schneider (Chair, Governance Committee; Member, Regulatory Committee) – Chair, PJM Board
- Lynn W. Eury (Member, Regulatory Committee) Vice Chair, PJM Board
- W. Terry Boston President and CEO, PJM
- Ake Almgren, Ph.D. (Chair, Reliability Committee)
- John T. Coughlin, J.D. (Chair, Regulatory Committee; Member, Competitive Markets Committee)
- John McNeely Foster (Chair, Audit Committee; Member, Finance and Competitive Markets Committees)
- Jean D. Kinsey, Ph.D (Chair, Competitive Markets Committee; Member, Audit Committee)
- Richard T. Lahey, Jr., Ph.D. (Member, Human Resources, Reliability, Finance Committees)
- William R. Mayben (Member, Audit and Reliability Committees)

 Susan J. Riley (Chair, Human Resources Committee; Member, Competitive Markets and Governance Committees)

## Regular Meetings

- OPSI PJM
  - Annual Meetings between OPSI and PJM Boards
  - Monthly conference calls between OPSI and PJM Staff
  - Monthly conference calls between OPSI and PJM's Market Monitor

#### OPSI

- Annual Strategic Meeting for OPSI members
- Monthly conference calls for OPSI working groups
- Monthly conference calls for OPSI's Board
- Periodic calls between OPSI and FERC Staff

# Special Thanks

- OPSI's efforts are greatly enhanced by the hard work done by the:
  - Illinois Commerce Commission's Federal Energy Policy Group
  - OPSI's Executive Director, Raj Barua