

**OPERATING COMMITTEE MEETING**  
**May 19, 2022**  
**9:30 AM**

The ARPA Operating Committee met at 9:30 AM on May 19, 2022 at the City of Las Animas Council Chambers. Committee members in attendance included Ron Clodfelter (Las Animas), Houssin Hourieh (Lamar), Heath Piper (Springfield). Also, in attendance was Lynn Wright, (Las Animas), Chris Arguello, (La Junta), and ARPA staff members Rick Rigel, Aarin Ritter and Arvenia Morris.

**Call to order:** Chairman Clodfelter called the meeting to order at 9:47 AM.

**Approval of Agenda:**

The agenda was approved as received.

**Approval of Minutes: a. February 8, 2022.** The minutes of the meeting held on February 8, 2022 were approved as presented.

**Renewable Distributed Generation Policy: a. Consider Modifications to DG Policy.** Per past discussion with the Operating Committee, Rick presented proposed language changes to the DG Policy. The Committee discussed annual vs. monthly meter reading and the use of estimates for monthly output and invoicing. The Committee wanted to leave the option for annual reporting available at this time. The changes will be presented to the ARPA Board for approval at its May meeting.

**Power Supply Discussion: a. Update on Renewable Projects.** Due to inactivity of renewable projects, possibly due to supply issues, there was no update. **i. Review of Renewable Project Development Checklist.** The Committee members received a checklist to use as a basis for collecting information for proposed renewable development facilities (Step 1). They also received a detailed checklist for equipment information needed from a solar developer before interconnecting a solar facility (Step 2). Staff requested they review both checklists and provide comments, if any. **ii Review of New Load Development Checklist.** There was no specific check list provided; however, the same information would be needed for any new load development.

**Discussion on Rate Studies.** John Krajewski from JK Energy Consulting was unable to attend the meeting. Staff will set up a zoom call with John and the Committee for the discussion on rate studies.

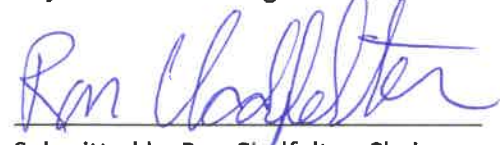
**Miscellaneous: a. Integrated Resource Plan (IRP).** The Committee received the 'Final' IRP that will be presented to the Board for approval at the May meeting. A written summary of the demand side management programs that were analyzed and assessed for economic feasibility was provided. **b. Discussion on Supply Chain Issues.** The Committee members shared what they have encountered regarding material shortages and delays. Houssin Hourieh suggested the ARPA members review the APPA program for sharing inventory. **c. Poletop and Bucket Truck Rescue Safety Training – June 21.** Following discussion, it was decided to hold the bucket truck (only) rescue training on Tuesday, June 21 at the City of La Junta Municipal Utilities, as planned. A second day, Wednesday, June 22, was added for the pole top and bucket truck rescue training for line personnel who may be required to climb poles. The training on both days will begin at 9:00 AM.

**Review Bids for Equipment Testing 2022-2024.** Two bids were received for equipment testing for a 3-year period, 2022-2024. The Committee selected the current testing company, Consolidated Fleet Services to perform the equipment testing for the next 3 years.

**Member Utility Reports. a. Summer Loads/Resources.** Some Regional Transmission Operators are reporting the potential for capacity shortfalls for the coming summer. Nothing has been mentioned for Colorado specifically; however, there may be a potential for voltage issues, etc., which may need support from local generation. **b. Sales and Operations.** The Committee was provided the April and year-to-date energy sales report from the Operating Report.

**Next Meeting Date:** The next meeting will be in August. Staff will email a Doodle Poll to determine a date.

**Adjourn:** The meeting concluded at 11:15 AM.



Submitted by Ron Clodfelter, Chairman