

# MID-GRID 2035 Phase 2 Kick-Off Meeting

April 23, 2020 (All times are Central Daylight Time)

To launch Phase 2 of the MID-GRID 2035 initiative, state participants will be joined by additional stakeholders to discuss their collective goals and objectives as they relate to the electric grid of the future. States will discuss work completed to date as part of the initiative and invite stakeholders to share their perspectives on long-term needs and identify additional relevant issues for achieving the MID-GRID 2035 Vision.

### 9:30 am Welcome and Introductions

- Jesse Heier, Executive Director, Midwestern Governors Association
- Krista Tanner, Senior Vice President and Chief Business Unit Officer, ITC Holdings Corp.
- Debi Durham, Director, Iowa Economic Development Authority
- Geri Huser, Chair, Iowa Utilities Board

#### 9:45 am State Roundtable Discussion

State leaders provide perspective on state goals, provide insights into the MID-GRID 2035 discussions to date, and highlight the importance of the MID-GRID 2035 initiative.

#### 10:30 am Panel Discussion: Stakeholder Perspectives, Part 1

Stakeholders will provide their perspectives on transmission planning and development needs. The panel will also discuss opportunities for collaboration between states, RTOs, and other stakeholders to develop the MID-GRID 2035 Vision and identify additional relevant policy issues that should be considered in the MID-GRID 2035 process.

- Matt Ellis, Regional Transmission and Policy Program Manager, Great River Energy
- Patrick Hayes, Manager of Transmission Policy, LS Power
- Andy Kellen, Vice President, Power Supply Resources, WPPI
- Dennis Kramer, Director of Transmission Policy and Stakeholder, Ameren Services Company
- Robert Shields, Director of Rates and Regulation, Arkansas Electric Cooperative Corporation *Moderator*: Matt Prorok, Facilitator on Behalf of Midwestern Governors Association

#### 11:45 pm Break for Lunch

#### 1:15 pm Panel Discussion: Stakeholder Perspectives, Part 2

To ensure the MID-GRID process is responsive the participating states' diverse needs, additional stakeholders will provide their perspectives on transmission planning and development needs. Panelists will also identify additional relevant policy issues that should be considered in the MID-GRID process.

- Scott Blankman, Director of Energy and Air Program, Clean Wisconsin
- Daniel Hall, Central Region Director, Electricity and Transmission Policy, AWEA
- Holly Lahd, Energy Program Manager, Target and Board Member, Clean Energy Economy Minnesota
- Jim MacInnes, Chair, Michigan Utility Consumer Participation Board and Chairman & CEO, Crystal Mountain Resort

Moderator: Doug Scott, Facilitator on Behalf of Midwestern Governors Association

- 2:30 pm Breakout Sessions
- 3:30 pm Concluding Remarks / Adjourn

## **Guidelines for Virtual Meeting**

We recognize it can be challenging to generate meaningful dialogue in a virtual setting, compared to in-person meetings. To ensure the discussion is robust and meaningful, we invite participants to follow the best practices below:

- Link your audio (computer or dial-in) and visual (computer) using your participant ID number when appropriate. If you have dialed in before logging in via computer, you can retroactively link your phone and computer by entering "# [you caller ID number] #". This will help the facilitators manage participation in the discussion.
- Use your camera if you are comfortable and willing. This can greatly enhance the virtual meeting experience for all participants
- Respect the commitment that you and others have made to this group by eliminating distractions during the meeting
- Please feel free to speak up when you have something to say. If two people speak at the same time, facilitators will ensure everyone has ample time to speak
- Use the "raise hand" feature if you'd like to say something, but aren't sure when to jump in, so that facilitators can plan to call on you.