



Agenda for MID-GRID 2035 2.0 Quarterly Meeting – In-Person

May 1-2, 2025

One Kansas City Place | 1200 Main St., Kansas City, MO 64105

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Day 1 – Thursday, May 1

- 9:30 am** **Optional Tour – Evergy Training Center**
More information will be provided to those who express interest during registration.
- 1:00 pm CT** **Welcome and Introductions**
- [Jesse Heier](#), Executive Director, Midwestern Governors Association
 - [Benjamin Stafford](#), Senior Policy Manager, Energy Systems, Great Plains Institute (GPI)
- 1:30 pm CT** **Keynote Speaker:**
- 2:15 pm CT** **Panel Discussion: Recruiting New Industrial Customers**
As the grid continues to change, we are in a period of unprecedented load growth. While electrification and load growth are often at the center of the discussion, as more and more manufacturers and industrial customers are returning to the U.S., these large load centers need to also be a key part of how we tackle the scale of the load growth we are experiencing.
- 3:45 pm CT** **Break**
- 4:00 pm CT** **Panel Discussion: Marginal Transmission Issues**
Marginal transmission issues arise from the fact that transmission lines have limited capacity, leading to congestion and potentially higher costs when demand exceeds that capacity. This can manifest as locational marginal pricing differences, congestion charges, and the need for out-of-merit dispatch. This panel will explore opportunities to address these challenge areas in the MGA footprint.
- [Adam McKinnie](#), Chief Utility Economist, Missouri Public Service Commission
- 5:30 pm CT** **Day 1 Wrap-up/ Preview of Day 2**
- 5:45 pm CT** **Reception**

Day 2 – Friday, May 2

8:30 am CT Continental Breakfast

9:00 am CT Day 2 Kick-off

9:15 am CT Panel Discussion: RTO Expedited Resource Adequacy Issues

Regional Transmission Organizations (RTOs) are seeking to address potential shortfalls in capacity on their systems. Three critical concerns for RTOs include (1) forecasted resource adequacy shortfalls, (2) challenges in processes to interconnect new capacity to transmission systems, and (3) immediate and future large increases in energy consumptions in transmission regions. Multiple RTOs are proposing policies such as Expedited Resource Adequacy Studies (ERAS) or other mechanisms to address these challenges. In this panel, RTOs will discuss these challenges and the status of proposals and current practices.

- [Timothy Burdis](#), Director, State Policy Solutions, PJM Interconnection
- [Kari Valley](#), Senior Director, State Policy and Strategy, MISO
- Southwest Power Pool

10:15 am CT Break

10:45 pm CT Panel Discussion: Perspectives on RTO Expedited Resource Adequacy Issues

Interested parties respond to RTO Expedited Resource Adequacy Issues and consider challenges from their perspectives.

- [Brad Pope](#), Director of Legal and Regulatory Affairs, OMS
- [Beth Soholt](#), Executive Director, Clean Grid Alliance

12:15 pm CT Event Wrap-Up