## Public Interest and Environmental Organizations User Group (PIEOUG)

## October 11, 2023

## **Draft Minutes**

I. Administration - Meeting commenced at 1:01 PM (EST)

Evelyn Robinson, PJM started the meeting by turning the discussion over to PIEOUG Co-Chair Casey Roberts – Environmental Organization Co-Chair. Ruth Price, Co-Chair Ruth Price – State appointed Consumer Advocate Co-Chair also provided a brief introduction.

- a. Roll Call Quorum
  - i. Consumer Advocate offices
    - 1. Ruth Price, DE OPA
    - 2. Clara Summers, IL CUB
    - 3. Phil Sussler, MD OPC
    - 4. Scott Jones, IN
    - 5. Dan Shields, OCC
  - ii. Public Interest and Environmental Organizations
    - 1. Casey Roberts, Sierra Club
    - 2. Mike Jacobs, Union of Concerned Scientists
    - 3. Claire Wayner, Rocky Mountain Institute
    - 4. Nick Lawton, Earth Justice
    - 5. Zach Greene, WRI,
    - 6. Tom Rutigliano, National Resources Defense Coucil
- b. Review/vote to approve draft minutes from December, 1, 2022 meeting
  - i. Motion made to approve the December 1, 2022 draft minutes made by Ruth Price (second by Clara Summers)
  - ii. The Motion was approved by acclimation vote with no objections and one abstention.

## Title/Theme:

Proactive planning suggestions to avoid costly out-of-market reactions to retirements

- II. Brief update on transmission costs/planning in the region (Poulos)
  - a. A brief presentation with slides was provided.
- III. Planning to avoid costly out-of-market reactions to markets transmission concerns (Phil Sussler, MD Office of People's Counsel, Claire Wayner, RMI)
  - a. Presentations with slides were provided and comments/questions by representatives were offered.

- IV. Planning to address barriers to new entry (Casey Roberts, Sierra Club)
  - a. A presentation with slides was provided and comments/questions by representatives were offered.
- V. Alternatives to costly reliability must run (RMR) agreements (Ric O'Connell, GridLab and Justin Vickers, Sierra Club)
  - a. Justin Vickers provided an introduction. Ric O'Connell provided a presentation with slides. Comments and questions by representatives were offered.
- VI. Future Business/agenda topics/open discussion (Roberts)
  - a. No future business or agenda topics were discussed.

The meeting ended at approximately 3 PM (EST).