Minutes

Operating Committee Special Session: 2026 Black Start Reliability Backstop RFP
Webex
October 22, 2026
1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. EPT

Administration (1:00 – 1:15)

1. Lauren Strella Wahba, PJM, provided announcements; review the Antitrust, Code of Conduct, Public Meetings/Media Participation, and the WebEx Participant Identification Requirement.

Discussion Topics (1:15 – 3:00)

2. Ray Lee and Madalin How, PJM, provided education on the 2026 Black Start Reliability Backstop RFP followed by a Q&A session.

OC Subcommittee/Task Force Informational Section

System Operations Subcommittee (SOS): SOS Website
Distributed Resources Subcommittee (DISRS): DISRS Website

Future Meeting Dates and Materials			Materials Due to Secretary	Materials Published
Date	Time	Location	*5:00 p.m. EPT deadline**	
November 5, 2026	9 a.m.	PJM Conference & Training Center and Webex	October 26, 2026	October 29, 2026
December 3, 2026	9 a.m.	PJM Conference & Training Center and Webex	November 23, 2026	November 26, 2026

*Materials received after 12:00 p.m. EPT are not guaranteed timely posting by 5:00 p.m. EPT on the same day.

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Meeting Attendance

Facilitator/Secretary

Last Name	First Name	Company Name	Sector
Bernabeu	Emanuel	PJM Interconnection	None
Strella Wahba	Lauren	PJM Interconnection	None

Webex Attendees

Last Name	First Name	Company Name	Sector
Atzinger	Shawn	PJM Interconnection	None
Bautista	Alejandro	Exelon Business Services Company, LLC	Transmission Owner
Bechta	Andrew	PJM Interconnection	None
Braerman	Kenneth	Atlantic City Electric Company	Electric Distributor
Braerman	Kenneth	Baltimore Gas and Electric Company	Transmission Owner
Braerman	Kenneth	Commonwealth Edison Company	Transmission Owner
Braerman	Kenneth	Delmarva Power & Light Company	Electric Distributor
Braerman	Kenneth	Exelon Business Services Company, LLC	Transmission Owner
Braerman	Kenneth	PECO Energy Company	Transmission Owner
Braerman	Kenneth	Potomac Electric Power Company	Electric Distributor
Brown	Jheysyn	Baltimore Gas and Electric Company	Transmission Owner
Bryson	Michael	PJM Interconnection	None
Callen	Zachary	Illinios Commerce Commission	None
Christopher	Mahila	Public Utilities Commission of Ohio	None
Cicale	Nicholas	Davis Wright Tremaine LLP	None
Conroy	David	RLC Engineering	None
Cox	Jason	EQ Energy Advisors, LLC	None
Currier ES	Jeff	Virginia Electric & Power Company	Transmission Owner
Dantonio	Phil	PJM Interconnection	None
Davis	Edward	PSEG Nuclear LLC	Generation Owner
Davis	Elizabeth	PJM Interconnection	None
Detweiler	Katie	Federal Energy Regulatory Commission	None
Downs	Jere	PJM Interconnection	None
Duane	Ava	Geronimo Power Marketing, LLC	Other Supplier
Fitzpatrick	Brian	PJM Interconnection	None
Forcum	David	Duke Energy Kentucky, Inc.	Transmission Owner
Forcum	David	Duke Energy Ohio, Inc.	Transmission Owner
Fox	David	Agilitas Energy, Inc	None
Frogg	Darrell	PJM Interconnection	None
Gambrell	Kiev	PJM Interconnection	None
Gatti	Anthony	PJM Interconnection	None
Gedemer	Christopher	Alpaca Energy LLC	Generation Owner

Gedemer	Christopher	Beaver Dam Energy LLC	Generation Owner
Gedemer	Christopher	Milan Energy LLC	Generation Owner
Gedemer	Christopher	Oxbow Creek Energy LLC	Generation Owner
Gedemer	Christopher	Roundtop Energy LLC	Generation Owner
Gedemer	Christopher	Tenaska Pennsylvania Partners, LLC	Generation Owner
Gedemer	Christopher	Tenaska Virginia Partners, L.P.	Generation Owner
Gedemer	Christopher	Wolf Run Energy LLC	Generation Owner
Ghosh	Abhishek	Calpine Bethlehem, LLC	Generation Owner
Ghosh	Abhishek	Calpine Energy Services, L.P.	Generation Owner
Ghosh	Abhishek	Calpine Energy Solutions, LLC	Other Supplier
Ghosh	Abhishek	Calpine Mid Atlantic Marketing, LLC	Generation Owner
Ghosh	Abhishek	Calvert Cliffs Nuclear Power Plant, LLC	Generation Owner
Ghosh	Abhishek	Champion Energy Marketing LLC	Other Supplier
Ghosh	Abhishek	Champion Energy Services, LLC	Other Supplier
Ghosh	Abhishek	Champion Energy, LLC	Other Supplier
Ghosh	Abhishek	Constellation Energy Generation, LLC	Generation Owner
Ghosh	Abhishek	Constellation NewEnergy, Inc.	Other Supplier
Ghosh	Abhishek	Handsome Lake Energy, LLC	Generation Owner
Ghosh	Abhishek	North American Power and Gas, LLC	Other Supplier
Ginsberg	Ilana	Maryland Energy Administration	None
Glazer	Craig	PJM Interconnection	None
Gordon	Jonathan	Advanced Energy Ecomomy	None
Greenbaum	Daniel	Exelon Business Services Company, LLC	Transmission Owner
Greene	John	Microsoft	None
Groncki	Kristy	NextEra Energy Marketing, LLC	Other Supplier
Guerry	Katie	GT Power Group, LLC	None
Hasham-Lawrence	Aine	PJM Interconnection	None
Hauske	David	PJM Interconnection	None
How	Madalin	PJM Interconnection	None
Hurd	Shawn	Allegheny Energy Supply Company, L.L.C.	Generation Owner
Hurd	Shawn	American Transmission Systems, Inc.	Transmission Owner
Hurd	Shawn	Cleveland Electric Illuminating Company	Electric Distributor
Hurd	Shawn	FirstEnergy Pennsylvania Electric Company	Electric Distributor
Hurd	Shawn	Jersey Central Power & Light Company	Transmission Owner
Hurd	Shawn	Keystone Appalachian Transmission Company	Transmission Owner
Hurd	Shawn	Mid-Atlantic Interstate Transmission, LLC	Transmission Owner
Hurd	Shawn	Monongahela Power Company	Transmission Owner
Hurd	Shawn	Ohio Edison Company	Electric Distributor
Hurd	Shawn	The Potomac Edison Company	Transmission Owner
Hurd	Shawn	Toledo Edison Company	Electric Distributor

Hurd	Shawn	Trans-Allegheny Interstate Line Company	Transmission Owner
Hyzinski	Tom	GT Power Group, LLC	None
Johnson	Carl	AMP Transmission, LLC	Transmission Owner
Johnson	Carl	Allegheny Electric Cooperative, Inc.	Electric Distributor
Johnson	Carl	American Municipal Power, Inc.	Electric Distributor
Johnson	Carl	Blue Ridge Power Agency, Inc.	Electric Distributor
Johnson	Carl	Borough of Mont Alto, Pennsylvania	Electric Distributor
Johnson	Carl	Buckeye Power, Inc.	Electric Distributor
Johnson	Carl	Central Virginia Electric Cooperative	Electric Distributor
Johnson	Carl	City of Dover, Delaware	Electric Distributor
Johnson	Carl	Consolidated Edison Company of New York, Inc.	Other Supplier
Johnson	Carl	Customized Energy Solutions, Ltd.	None
Johnson	Carl	Delaware Municipal Electric Corporation, Inc.	Electric Distributor
Johnson	Carl	Easton Utilities Commission	Electric Distributor
Johnson	Carl	Energy Cooperative Association of Pennsylvania (The)	Other Supplier
Johnson	Carl	Galt Power, Inc.	Other Supplier
Johnson	Carl	Hagerstown Light Department	Electric Distributor
Johnson	Carl	Hoosier Energy REC, Inc.	End-Use Customer
Johnson	Carl	Illinois Municipal Electric Agency	Electric Distributor
Johnson	Carl	Indiana Municipal Power Agency	Electric Distributor
Johnson	Carl	Michigan Public Power Agency	Electric Distributor
Johnson	Carl	New York State Electric & Gas Corporation	Other Supplier
Johnson	Carl	North Carolina Electric Membership Corporation	Electric Distributor
Johnson	Carl	North Carolina Municipal Power Agency Number 1	Other Supplier
Johnson	Carl	Northeastern REMC	Electric Distributor
Johnson	Carl	Northern Illinois Municipal Power Agency	Electric Distributor
Johnson	Carl	Northern Virginia Electric Cooperative (NOVEC)	Electric Distributor
Johnson	Carl	Old Dominion Electric Cooperative	Electric Distributor
Johnson	Carl	TEC Trading, Inc.	Other Supplier
Johnson	Carl	Town of Thurmont	Electric Distributor
Johnson	Carl	Town of Williamsport (The)	Electric Distributor
Johnson	Carl	Union Electric Company d/b/a Ameren Missouri	Other Supplier
Johnson	Carl	WPPI Energy	Other Supplier
Kelly	Michael	PJM Interconnection	None
Kimmel	David	PJM Interconnection	None
Kirk	Steve	Parkway Generation Operating LLC	Generation Owner
Klingensmith	Laurel	Allegheny Energy Supply Company, L.L.C.	Generation Owner
Klingensmith	Laurel	American Transmission Systems, Inc.	Transmission Owner
Klingensmith	Laurel	Cleveland Electric Illuminating Company	Electric Distributor
Klingensmith	Laurel	FirstEnergy Pennsylvania Electric Company	Electric Distributor

Klingensmith	Laurel	Jersey Central Power & Light Company	Transmission Owner
Klingensmith	Laurel	Keystone Appalachian Transmission Company	Transmission Owner
Klingensmith	Laurel	Mid-Atlantic Interstate Transmission, LLC	Transmission Owner
Klingensmith	Laurel	Monongahela Power Company	Transmission Owner
Klingensmith	Laurel	Ohio Edison Company	Electric Distributor
Klingensmith	Laurel	The Potomac Edison Company	Transmission Owner
Klingensmith	Laurel	Toledo Edison Company	Electric Distributor
Klingensmith	Laurel	Trans-Allegheny Interstate Line Company	Transmission Owner
Kosmoski	Justine	Exelon Business Services Company, LLC	Transmission Owner
Kotta	Sriya	PJM Interconnection	None
Kromer	Kyle	PPL Electric Utilities Corporation d/b/a PPL Utilities	Transmission Owner
Lacek	Mollie	PJM Interconnection	None
Lafayette	Robin	Louisville Gas and Electric Company/Kentucky Utilities Company	Transmission Owner
Lafayette	Robin	PPL Electric Utilities Corporation d/b/a PPL Utilities	Transmission Owner
Lai	Erin	PJM Interconnection	None
Lalani	Imran	Calpine Bethlehem, LLC	Generation Owner
Lalani	Imran	Calpine Energy Services, L.P.	Generation Owner
Lalani	Imran	Calpine Energy Solutions, LLC	Other Supplier
Lalani	Imran	Calpine Mid Atlantic Marketing, LLC	Generation Owner
Lalani	Imran	Calvert Cliffs Nuclear Power Plant, LLC	Generation Owner
Lalani	Imran	Champion Energy Marketing LLC	Other Supplier
Lalani	Imran	Champion Energy Services, LLC	Other Supplier
Lalani	Imran	Champion Energy, LLC	Other Supplier
Lalani	Imran	Constellation Energy Generation, LLC	Generation Owner
Lalani	Imran	Constellation NewEnergy, Inc.	Other Supplier
Lalani	Imran	Handsome Lake Energy, LLC	Generation Owner
Lalani	Imran	North American Power and Gas, LLC	Other Supplier
Lauer	Christopher	UGI Utilities, Inc.	Transmission Owner
Loughren	Brandon	Dominion Energy	None
Malz	Amanda	PJM Interconnection	None
Mathew	Lagy	PJM Interconnection	None
Mihaly	Imola	Cogentrix Energy Power Management, LLC	None
Mihaly	Imola	Essential Power OPP, LLC	Generation Owner
Mihaly	Imola	Essential Power Rock Springs, LLC	Generation Owner
Mihaly	Imola	Hamilton Liberty LLC	Generation Owner
Mihaly	Imola	Hamilton Patriot LLC	Generation Owner
Mihaly	Imola	Nautilus Power, LLC	Generation Owner
Mok	Alan	Duke Energy Kentucky, Inc.	Transmission Owner
Newton	Jacob	Old Dominion Electric Cooperative	Electric Distributor
Norton	Chris	American Municipal Power, Inc.	Electric Distributor

Papadimitriu	Katie	LRE Energy Services, LLC	Other Supplier
Pauvlinch	Kayla	Monongahela Power Company	Transmission Owner
Pham	Bao	Lincoln Generating Facility, LLC	Generation Owner
Pilong	Christopher	PJM Interconnection	None
Pilong	Melissa	PJM Interconnection	None
Poling	Luke	Dominion Energy Generation Marketing, Inc.	Generation Owner
Poling	Luke	Dominion Energy South Carolina, Inc.	Other Supplier
Poling	Luke	Eastern Shore Solar LLC	Generation Owner
Poling	Luke	Greensville County Solar Project, LLC	Generation Owner
Poling	Luke	Hardin Solar Energy LLC	None
Poling	Luke	Southampton Solar LLC	Generation Owner
Poling	Luke	Summit Farms Solar, LLC	Generation Owner
Poling	Luke	TWE Myrtle Solar Project, LLC	Generation Owner
Poling	Luke	Virginia Electric & Power Company	Transmission Owner
Poling	Luke	Virginia Solar 2017 Projects LLC	Generation Owner
Poling	Luke	Wilkinson Solar LLC	Generation Owner
Ramsay	Eli	PJM Interconnection	None
Rhody	Ryan	PPL Electric Utilities Corporation d/b/a PPL Utilities	Transmission Owner
Sasser	Jonathan	Customized Energy Solutions, Ltd.	None
Schwarz	Tristan	PJM Interconnection	None
Searfoorce	Daniel	Pa PUC	None
Selick	Sam	Customized Energy Solutions, Ltd.	None
Shaffer	Chris	AEP Appalachian Transmission Company, Inc.	Transmission Owner
Shaffer	Chris	AEP Energy Partners, Inc.	Transmission Owner
Shaffer	Chris	AEP Energy, Inc.	Transmission Owner
Shaffer	Chris	AEP Indiana Michigan Transmission Company, Inc.	Transmission Owner
Shaffer	Chris	AEP Kentucky Transmission Company, Inc.	Transmission Owner
Shaffer	Chris	AEP Ohio Transmission Company, Inc.	Transmission Owner
Shaffer	Chris	AEP Retail Energy Partners, LLC	Transmission Owner
Shaffer	Chris	AEP West Virginia Transmission Company, Inc.	Transmission Owner
Shaffer	Chris	Appalachian Power Company	Transmission Owner
Shaffer	Chris	Indiana Michigan Power Company	Transmission Owner
Shaffer	Chris	Kentucky Power Company	Transmission Owner
Shaffer	Chris	Kingsport Power Company	Transmission Owner
Shaffer	Chris	Ohio Power Company	Transmission Owner
Shaffer	Chris	Ohio Valley Electric Corporation	Transmission Owner
Shaffer	Chris	Transource Energy, LLC	Transmission Owner
Shaffer	Chris	Transource Maryland, LLC	Transmission Owner
Shaffer	Chris	Transource Pennsylvania, LLC	Transmission Owner
Shaffer	Chris	Transource West Virginia, LLC	Transmission Owner

Shaffer	Chris	Wheeling Power Company	Transmission Owner
Smater	Sebastian	Strom Power, LLC	Other Supplier
Solanki	Pratisha	New Project Media	None
Stern	Alexander	Atlantic City Electric Company	Electric Distributor
Stern	Alexander	Baltimore Gas and Electric Company	Transmission Owner
Stern	Alexander	Commonwealth Edison Company	Transmission Owner
Stern	Alexander	Delmarva Power & Light Company	Electric Distributor
Stern	Alexander	Exelon Business Services Company, LLC	Transmission Owner
Stern	Alexander	PECO Energy Company	Transmission Owner
Stern	Alexander	Potomac Electric Power Company	Electric Distributor
Sturgeon	John	Duke Energy Business Services LLC	Transmission Owner
Sturgeon	John	Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC	Other Supplier
Sturgeon	John	Duke Energy Florida, LLC	Other Supplier
Sturgeon	John	Duke Energy Kentucky, Inc.	Transmission Owner
Sturgeon	John	Duke Energy Ohio, Inc.	Transmission Owner
Sturgeon	John	Duke Energy Progress, LLC	Other Supplier
Suh	Jung	Calpine Bethlehem, LLC	Generation Owner
Suh	Jung	Calpine Energy Services, L.P.	Generation Owner
Suh	Jung	Calpine Energy Solutions, LLC	Other Supplier
Suh	Jung	Calpine Mid Atlantic Marketing, LLC	Generation Owner
Suh	Jung	Champion Energy Marketing LLC	Other Supplier
Suh	Jung	Champion Energy Services, LLC	Other Supplier
Suh	Jung	Champion Energy, LLC	Other Supplier
Suh	Jung	North American Power and Gas, LLC	Other Supplier
Sullivan	Kathleen	Virginia Electric & Power Company	Transmission Owner
Toth	Kaitlyn	PJM Interconnection	None
Trease	Rhett	Duke Energy Kentucky, Inc.	Transmission Owner
Van Zant	John	Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission	None
Vavrek	Richard	American Transmission Systems, Inc.	Transmission Owner
Weidrick	Keith	American Transmission Systems, Inc.	Transmission Owner
Whitehead	Jeffrey	Alpha Generation, LLC	Other Supplier
Whitehead	Jeffrey	Chief Conemaugh Power II, LLC	Generation Owner
Whitehead	Jeffrey	Chief Keystone Power II, LLC	Generation Owner
Whitehead	Jeffrey	Clean Energy Future - Lordstown, LLC	Generation Owner
Whitehead	Jeffrey	Darby Power, LLC	Generation Owner
Whitehead	Jeffrey	Essential Power OPP, LLC	Generation Owner
Whitehead	Jeffrey	Essential Power Rock Springs, LLC	Generation Owner
Whitehead	Jeffrey	Gavin Power, LLC	Generation Owner
Whitehead	Jeffrey	GT Power Group	None
Whitehead	Jeffrey	Hamilton Liberty LLC	Generation Owner

Whitehead	Jeffrey	Hamilton Patriot LLC	Generation Owner
Whitehead	Jeffrey	Lawrenceburg Power, LLC	Generation Owner
Whitehead	Jeffrey	Nautilus Power, LLC	Generation Owner
Whitehead	Jeffrey	Parkway Generation Operating LLC	Generation Owner
Whitehead	Jeffrey	Talen CG Holdings, LLC	Other Supplier
Whitehead	Jeffrey	Walleye Power, LLC	Generation Owner
Whitehead	Jeffrey	West Deptford Energy, LLC	Generation Owner
Whitehead	Jeffrey	Wheelabrator Baltimore, L.P.	Generation Owner
Whitehead	Jeffrey	Wheelabrator Falls Inc.	Generation Owner
Whitehead	Jeffrey	Wheelabrator Gloucester Company, L.P.	Generation Owner
Whitehead	Jeffrey	Wheelabrator Portsmouth, Inc.	Generation Owner
Wilke	Dan	PPL Electric Utilities Corporation d/b/a PPL Utilities	Transmission Owner
Wilmoth ES	Emily	Virginia Electric & Power Company	Transmission Owner
Wilson	Joshua	Dayton Power & Light Company (The)	Transmission Owner
Wolff	John	PJM Interconnection	None