

# **PJM Members Committee Resolution Related to PJM Transmission Owners Section 205 Consultation with PJM Members Committee Under Section 9.1 of PJM OATT**

WHEREAS, the PJM Transmission Owners provided email notification to the PJM Members Committee on August 12, 2019 of a “Notice of Transmission Owners’ Intent to File a New Attachment M-4 to the PJM Tariff Solely Applicable to the Planning of CIP-014 Mitigation Project” (“M-4 Proposal”).

WHEREAS, the PJM Transmission Owner M-4 Proposal suggests that the transmission planning project category of Supplemental Projects include the planning of projects critical to the nation’s national security.

WHEREAS, under Section 9.1 of the PJM OATT, beginning no less than 30 days prior to any PJM Transmission Owner Section 205 filing, the PJM Transmission Owners shall consult with both PJM and the PJM Members Committee related to the substance of the filing.

WHEREAS, under Section 9.2 of the PJM OATT, PJM must also separately consult with the PJM Members Committee if they intend to join the PJM Transmission Owner 205 filing. To date, PJM has not invoked any such consultation with the PJM Members Committee related to the M-4 Proposal, only the PJM Transmission Owners.

WHEREAS, Schedule 6 of the Operating Agreement exclusively addresses the mechanism for incorporation of Supplemental Projects into the Regional Transmission Expansion Plan. The M-4 Proposal has not addressed the conflicting requirements of the Operating Agreement or the Attachment M-3 process, nor addressed the impacts to operating or developing generation assets. WHEREAS, the Organization of PJM States Board has supported in their unanimous communication with the PJM Board that PJM, not Transmission Owners, should be the predominant planner of such critical facilities;

WHEREAS, when transmission is predominately planned by PJM, such regional transmission planning is governed by the PJM Operating Agreement, not the PJM OATT; and,

WHEREAS, on December 12, 2019 the PJM Planning Committee endorsed the Critical Infrastructure Stakeholder Oversight issue charge “to consider whether the development of ... [Operating Agreement] language is needed to address both the CMPs referenced in the August 12, 2019 notice and future CIP-014 listed and other security impacted facilities” with an expected work duration of six months Such work could result in a complementary or competing Section 205 filing at FERC, if the Members Committee ultimately approves.

**BE IT RESOLVED, THAT THE PJM MEMBERS COMMITTEE CONSULTATION WITH THE PJM TRANSMISSION OWNERS RELATING TO ITS M-4 PROPOSAL CONCLUDES THAT:**

- **THE M-4 PROPOSAL IS NOT ENDORSED BY THE MEMBERS COMMITTEE**
  - **AS A MATTER OF POLICY, PJM, AS THE REGIONAL TRANSMISSION PLANNER, SHOULD BE THE PREDOMINANT PLANNER OF SUCH CRITICAL**

**FACILITIES RELATED TO OUR NATION'S SECURITY. THIS POLICY SHOULD BE IMPLEMENTED THROUGH THE PJM OPERATING AGREEMENT.**

- **AS A MATTER OF POLICY, SUPPLEMENTAL PROJECTS IS NOT AN APPROPRIATE VEHICLE FOR ADDRESSING CRITICAL PROJECTS THAT IMPACT REGIONAL RELIABILITY.**
- **INCONSISTENCIES BETWEEN THE PJM OPERATING AGREEMENT AND APPROPRIATE POLICY SHOULD BE ADDRESSED BY THE PJM MEMBERS COMMITTEE PRIOR TO ANY SECTION 205 M-4 PROPOSAL FILING AT FERC; AND,**
- **AS REFLECTED BY THE FACT THAT THERE IS AN ONGOING STAKEHOLDER PROCESS RELATED TO THE SAME TOPIC, THE MEMBERS COMMITTEE DOES NOT CONCEDE THAT THE PJM TRANSMISSION OWNERS HAVE EXCLUSIVE SECTION 205 RIGHTS WITH RESPECT TO THE ISSUES RAISED BY THE M-4 PROPOSAL.**