

# OPEN MEETING MINUTES

**Thursday, May 8, 2025, 9:30 A.M.**  
**Commissioners' Hearing Room**  
**7th Floor, William B. Travis Building**

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Chairman Gleeson called the meeting to order.

A quorum was established with all commissioners in attendance.

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## **Items Not Taken Up**

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Item Nos. 2, 4-6, 11-12, 14-17, and 20-23 were not discussed.

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## **Consented Items**

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Item Nos. 9 and 19 were consented.

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*The remaining items are listed in the order addressed by the Commission.*

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## **Public Comment**

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1. Public comment for matters that are under the Commission's jurisdiction, but not specifically posted on this agenda.

**Action: No one signed up to speak.**

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**Rules, Projects, and Miscellaneous Items - Water**

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3. Update from the Division of Utility Outreach regarding upcoming outreach activities

**Action:** Commission Staff provided an update regarding ongoing outreach activities to help earlier identify and intervene with small, distressed water utilities. Commission Staff is taking more active steps to address and prioritize outreach to water systems, specifically Class D Utilities with under 500 connections, through newsletters, trainings, and workshops.

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**Rules, Projects, and Miscellaneous Items - Electric**

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7. Project No. 57374 – Exemption Process for ERCOT Technical Standards. (Discussion and possible action) Allison Fink

**Action:** Commission Staff presented its memo on key policy issues in proposed new rule § 25.517, which would allow ERCOT to promulgate reliability-related technical requirements and list general criteria by which ERCOT must decide whether to grant an exemption from those requirements. ERCOT stakeholders could appeal ERCOT's decision to the Commission under this proposed rule. The Commissioners agreed with Commission Staff's recommendations.

8. Project No. 53385 – Project to Submit Emergency Operations Plans and Related Documents under 16 TAC § 25.53. (Discussion and possible action) John Lajzer

**Action:** Commission Staff provided an update on initiatives to improve emergency operations plan reporting and compliance in response to the Commissioners' September 2024 directive to investigate reporting compliance standards identified in Guidehouse's 2024 Weather Emergency Preparedness Report. Of the 300 referred electric entities, approximately 250 did not initially submit a plan or required update. To date, 73 entities have corrected all outstanding problems, 30 entities are no longer in operation, and Commission Staff will pursue formal enforcement against the remaining entities.

10. Project No. 57925 – Compliance Reporting Portal Updates. (Discussion and possible action) Rama Singh Rastogi and Rizwaan Lakhani

**Action:** Based on the findings of the transmission and distribution service providers' compliance reports review, Commission Staff proposed a new Compliance Reporting Portal for providers to file compliance reports and changes to rules to optimize reporting requirements. These actions aim to streamline filing processes, enhance data accessibility, reduce redundant reporting, and lower compliance burdens.

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**Commission Staff will host a webinar on Friday, May 9, 2025, from 1:00-3:00 p.m. to demonstrate the functionalities of the new portal.**

13. Project No. 41210 - Information Related to the Southwest Power Pool Regional State Committee. (Discussion and possible action)

**Action: Commissioner Jackson provided an update on SPP's regional committee meeting.**

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**General**

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18. Project No. 57606 – CY 2025 Rulemaking Calendar. (Discussion and possible action)  
David Smeltzer

**Action: Commission Staff filed an updated rulemaking calendar, and Commissioners and Commission Staff discussed providing regular public updates following the legislative session.**