



Unapproved Minutes
Power Supply Committee Meeting
Municipal Energy Agency of Nebraska
Younes Conference Center South, 416 W Talmadge Rd, Kearney, NE, 68845
November 19, 2025 – 1:00 p.m. (CT)

The Municipal Energy Agency of Nebraska (MEAN) Power Supply Committee met on Wednesday, November 19, 2025 at the Younes Conference Center South, located at 416 W Talmadge Road in Kearney, Nebraska, the designated meeting site. Notice of the meeting was given to committee members by e-mail, and the public was advised by publication both print and online in the Lincoln Journal-Star newspaper and website on November 1, 2025. The notice and agenda were posted upon issuance at the NMPP Energy office, 8377 Glynoaks Drive, Lincoln, Nebraska, and kept continually current and available for public inspection. Meeting information and the current version of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act were made available on NMPP Energy's Public Meeting Information website.

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Tom Goulette called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m. (CT). Pursuant to Section 84-1412 (8) of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act, a current copy of the Open Meetings Act was posted in the meeting room and made available to the public.

ROLL CALL

A quorum was declared with eight of ten committee members and ex-officio Tom Ourada in attendance.

1. Pat Davison – Imperial, NE
2. Will Dowis – Gunnison, CO
3. Tom Goulette – West Point, NE
4. Bill Hinton – Kimball, NE
5. Duane Hoffman – Oxford, NE
6. Matt Langhorst – Glenwood Springs, CO
7. Chris Rodman – Wall Lake, IA
8. Randy Woldt – Wisner, NE

Absent: James DePue – Wray, CO and Adam Suppes – Delta, CO

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

The Public Comment Period was announced, and a review of the rules applicable to the public participation process at MEAN public meetings was provided. There were no public comments.

CONSENT AGENDA

Minutes

The minutes of the November 13, 2025 meeting were previously distributed and included as Attachment A in the meeting packet. There were no changes to the minutes.

Next Meeting

The next meeting of the MEAN Power Supply Committee will be held on Wednesday, January 21, 2026, at the Younes Conference Center South, located at 416 W Talmadge Rd. in Kearney, Nebraska. In the event of inclement weather, the meeting may be held virtually.

Consent Resolution

Motion: Chris Rodman moved to approve the following consent resolution. Will Dowis seconded the motion, which carried unanimously on a roll call vote.

MEAN POWER SUPPLY COMMITTEE CONSENT RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, certain business of the Power Supply Committee of the Municipal Energy Agency of Nebraska (MEAN) transpires on a regular and routine basis or is not of a controversial nature; and,

WHEREAS, roll-call votes on each individual issue greatly extended the meeting time.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MEAN Power Supply Committee that in the interest of economizing time, yet complying with the Open Meetings Act of the State of Nebraska, which requires roll-call voting, the following issues are hereby consolidated in this Consent Resolution:

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY the MEAN Power Supply Committee that the minutes of the November 13, 2025 meeting are hereby approved.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY the MEAN Power Supply Committee that the next meeting will be held on Thursday, January 21, 2026 at the Younes Conference Center South, 416 W Talmadge Rd. Kearney, Nebraska. In the case of inclement weather, the meeting may be held virtually.

INTEGRATED RESOURCE PLANNING

Presenter: Nathan Horrell, Manager of Resources, Planning and Transmission

An overview of the Integrated Resource Plan (IRP) process, next steps, and timeline was presented. Phase I will begin the first quarter of 2026 and will include a survey sent to participating communities to gather input for developing the decision framework and defining directional relationships. A public scenario selection and criteria workshop will be held to gather input and comments to inform scenario modeling. Public participation is encouraged.

ASSET MANAGEMENT POLICIES AND PROCEDURES MODIFICATIONS*

Presenter: Aidan Beckman, Staff Attorney

The proposed modifications primarily address Registered Dual-Fuel Unit Requirements to ensure clarity in processes and procedures and include processes for changing fuel type or mixture to ensure sufficient time is allowed to update unit offers in the market. In emergencies, participants may use any fuel type but must promptly notify MEAN if it differs from the last approved type. For testing, the most recently consented fuel type must be used. Participants are also required to

submit fuel invoices to MEAN as soon as practicable and will be responsible for any charges or penalties resulting from the use of unapproved fuel types.

Several modifications to operational policies and procedures were reviewed and included clarifications to roles and responsibilities, adjustments to compensation for generation during energy emergencies, updates to testing requirements and notice provisions, and other housekeeping and formatting improvements intended to enhance clarity and compliance.

Motion: Pat Davison moved to approve the following resolution as presented. Duane Hoffman seconded the motion, which carried unanimously on a roll call vote.

MEAN POWER SUPPLY COMMITTEE RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED BY the MEAN Power Supply Committee that the Committee recommends the Board of Directors approve the modifications to the Asset Management Policies and Procedures and the attached Unit Generating Procedure as presented.

RENEWABLE DISTRIBUTED GENERATION POLICY MODIFICATIONS*

Presenter: Aidan Beckman, Staff Attorney

Proposed modifications to the Renewable Distributed Generation Policy focus on Final Engineering Design Requirements. Participants must submit an as-built final engineering design to qualify for offsets on their MEAN power supply bill. The design must confirm that installed generation does not exceed the 5% cap when combined with other approved Total Requirements Participant (TRP) resources and include key facility characteristics such as nameplate, output, facility type, fuel type, and a one-line diagram. These requirements ensure that any changes during construction are captured and that facilities meet Board-approved criteria as built. Participants seeking to modify a TRP resource to increase output beyond the approved amount must reapply for Board approval.

Additional changes include expanding permissible locations for renewable generation to any renewable source on a TRP's distribution system, allowing generation outside the wholesale meter.

POTENTIAL RESOURCE ADDITIONS

Solar Power Purchase Agreement for a Resource to be Located Near Sidney, Nebraska*

Presenter: Nathan Horrell, Manager of Resources, Planning and Transmission

The board previously approved a Power Purchase Agreement (PPA) for output from a 40 MW solar resource near Sidney, Nebraska. Phase 2 of the project will add an additional 20 MW output from the facility, connecting to the West. The purchase from Phase 2 may be addressed as part of the same agreement as Phase 1 or pursuant to a standalone power purchase agreement.

Chairperson Goulette sought a motion and second to convene into closed session to protect the public interest and discuss competitive and proprietary information related to potential resource additions. NMPP staff, Board Representatives and Board Alternate Representatives were allowed to participate in the closed session.

Motion: Randy Woldt moved to convene into closed session to protect the public interest and discuss competitive and proprietary information related to potential resource additions. Matt Langhorst seconded the motion, which carried unanimously on a roll call vote.

Chairperson Goulette re-stated that the purpose of convening into closed session was to discuss competitive and proprietary information related to potential resource additions, and those not authorized to participate were asked to leave the room.

At 1:21 p.m. (CT), the MEAN Power Supply Committee convened into closed session.

At 1:31 p.m. (CT), the MEAN Power Supply Committee reconvened into open session.

No action was taken in closed session.

Motion: Chris Rodman moved to approve the following resolution as presented. Pat Davison seconded the motion, which carried unanimously on a roll call vote.

MEAN POWER SUPPLY COMMITTEE RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Municipal Energy Agency of Nebraska (“MEAN”) Board of Directors at its November 17, 2022 meeting, approved to negotiate and execute an agreement for MEAN to purchase approximately 40 MW of capacity and energy from the NextEra solar resource located near Sidney, NE to be owned and operated by NextEra, subject to final legal and management review and subsequently approved, at the meeting on January 19, 2023, the agreement counterparty to be any other counterparty selected by MEAN management (this agreement is referred to herein as the “Original Proposed Agreement”, and the solar resource is referred to herein as the “Original Proposed Resource”); and

WHEREAS, rights to the Original Proposed Resource have been, or are anticipated to be, sold to Sandhills Energy, LLC for continued development of the Original Proposed Resource; and

WHEREAS, Sandhills Energy, LLC has proposed to construct a second phase of the facility consisting of approximately 20 MW of capacity intended to be directly interconnected to the Western Interconnection (“Additional Capacity”), which would be located on or near the same site as the Original Proposed Resource and would be in addition to the 40 MW of capacity and energy previously approved by MEAN as the Original Proposed Resource; and

WHEREAS, Sandhills Energy, LLC has proposed selling the Additional Capacity and associated energy to MEAN as an addition to the Original Proposed Agreement, or pursuant to a separate, standalone power purchase agreement between MEAN and Sandhills Energy, LLC; and

WHEREAS, MEAN desires to purchase such renewable energy and associated capacity from Sandhills Energy, LLC to meet MEAN’s 2050 Vision for carbon neutrality; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 3.01(c) of the Service Schedule M, Total Power Requirements Power Purchase Agreement, upon approval of the agreement or agreements for such purchase of capacity and energy, notice would be provided that MEAN intends to commit to an additional Project or Projects.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY the MEAN Power Supply Committee that in lieu of the authorization granted at the MEAN Board of Directors meetings of November 17, 2022 and January 19, 2023, regarding the Original Proposed Agreement, the Committee recommends the Board authorize the Executive Director to negotiate and execute agreement(s) for MEAN to purchase approximately 40 MW of capacity and energy from the solar facility to be located near Sidney, Nebraska, to be owned and operated by Sandhills Energy, LLC or other counterparty to be selected by MEAN management, and for MEAN to purchase an additional approximately 20 MW of capacity and energy from the second phase of such facility pursuant to the same agreement or as a separate agreement, subject to final legal and management review.

RESOURCE PORTFOLIO DEVELOPMENT AND UPDATES

Nathan Horrell, Manager of Resources, Planning and Transmission

Leased Capacity Discussion

MEAN's growing need for capacity resources and the role of Behind the Meter Generation (BTMG) in meeting this demand was discussed and included rising costs in the capacity market and for new resource builds. The discussion included the importance of developing BTMG solutions without causing significant cost escalation. Several concepts were discussed; however, no formal proposals have been drafted at this time.

Resource Adequacy Discussion

Resource adequacy considerations related to the Southwest Power Pool (SPP) Regional Transmission Organization (RTO) expansion to the West were presented and included timing for the first compliance season, and the role of the Regional State Committee (RSC) in establishing Planning Reserve Margin (PRM) values after the operational start date in April 2026. Additional topics included accreditation requirements for Western Area Power Administration (WAPA) units, the lack of PRM consideration in WAPA firm capacity allocations, and implications for MEAN's resource mix, where WAPA allocations and displacement account for approximately two-thirds of capacity in both summer and winter seasons.

Black Hills Energy

The two previously discussed project opportunities with Black Hills Energy, a 20 MW Solar PPA, and a reciprocal engine – Lange 3 are no longer available.

Western Area Power Administration (WAPA) Updates

Updates were presented on WAPA Upper Great Plains (UGP), Loveland Area Project (LAP), and Colorado River Storage Project (CRSP) Firm Electric Service (FES) second step rate adjustments and transmission service rate adjustments.

Solar Projects

Updated project start dates and Commercial Operation Dates (COD) were presented for Sandhills Community Solar projects and MEAN Contracted Solar projects.

Modifications to Operational Policies & Guidelines

Presenter: Sarah Jones, Director of Corporate Services

A summary of proposed updates to MEAN's operational policies and guidelines was presented and included revisions to resource planning, procurement, transmission, and system coordination. The updates are intended to provide clarity and align practices with evolving industry standards.

A redlined draft of the proposed updates was previously distributed and included as Attachment E of the meeting packet. Additional updates are under consideration, and a final draft will be presented at the next meeting in January.

OPERATIONS UPDATE

Presenter: Jeff Lindsay, Electric Operations Manager

A summary of MEAN Load Locational Marginal Prices (LMPs) for October 2024 versus October 2025, look ahead pricing and historical peak pricing for December, and WECC: Mid_C, and Palo Verde forward curves, and the Regional Transmission Organization Expansion (RTOE) timeline were presented.

Joe Hobelman, Operations & Generation Specialist, presented an update on BTMG unit capability testing results, and announced a Generation Workshop is scheduled for Wednesday, December 10, 2025 in Kearney, Nebraska.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 2:37 p.m.

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