# CHUGACH ELECTRIC ASSOCIATION, INC. Anchorage, Alaska

September 6, 2023 Wednesday 4:00 p.m.

# **OPERATIONS COMMITTEE MEETING**

Recording Secretary: Ky'yanna Hamilton

#### I. **CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Wiggin called the Operations Committee meeting to order at 4:04 p.m. in the boardroom of Chugach Electric Association, Inc., 5601 Electron Drive, Anchorage, Alaska.

## A. Roll Call

Committee Members Present:

Mark Wiggin, Chair

Jim Nordlund, Vice Chair (arrived at 4:26 p.m.)

Bettina Chastain, Director

Sisi Cooper, Director

Sam Cason, Director

**Board Members Present:** 

Susanne Fleek-Green, Director (Via Telephonic)

Rachel Morse, Director

# Guests and Staff Attendance

Present:

Arthur Miller	Todd McCarty	Mike Brodie
Matthew Clarkson	Sean Skaling	Steve Gerlek
Andrew Laughlin	Trish Baker	Samantha Owen,
Allan Rudeck	Chantall Walsh, PRA	McMillion
Russ Thornton	Brad Meiklejohn	David Martinez
Julie Hasquet	David Caye	Marty Schwarz, NREL
Emily Muller	Aurora Roth, Member	Matt Findley, PRA
Bart Armfield	Mark Henspeter	Matt Perkins

Via Teleconference:

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Donovan Russoniello	Mitchell Roth, Member	Jim Henderson, Member
Brian Kassof	Dehmer Wells, Member	Sarah Nabirye
Chris Rose, Member	George Donart	Rachel Christensen
Greg Stiegel, REAP	Heather Slocum	Shaina Kilcoyne, Member
Nat Herz, Member		Ashton Doyle

## II. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Director Cason moved, and Director Cooper seconded the motion to approve the agenda. The motion passed unanimously.

### III. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Director Cooper moved, and Director Cason seconded the motion to approve the July 12, 2023, Operations Committee Meeting minutes. The motion passed unanimously.

## IV. PERSONS TO BE HEARD

A. Member Comments

Chugach Members, Mitchell Roth, George Donart and Jim Henderson addressed the Board with comments on Energy Reliability and affordability, outages, and the Eklutna Restoration Project.

## V. NEW BUSINESS

A. NREL Wind Integration Modeling (Schwarz)

Marty Schwarz, Chief Modeler with National Renewable Energy Laboratory (NREL) gave a detailed presentation on the Wind Integration Modeling system and answered questions from the Committee.

B. Eklutna Project (Owen, Brodie)

Mike Brodie, Manager of Maintenance and Operations and Samantha Owen, McMillion gave an update on the Eklutna River Project and responded to questions from the Committee.

- C. B&V Gas Supply Update (Rudeck/Gerlek/Thompson/Armfield)
  Al Rudeck, Chief Strategic officer gave an update on the Gas Supply Update and responded to questions from the Committee.
- D. Gas Storage (PRA/Armfield) Chantall Walsh, PRA and Bart Armfield, Consult presented and discussed gas storage and answered questions from the Committee.

## VI. EXECUTIVE SESSION

- A. Eklutna Project (Owen/Glass/Brodie)
- B. B&V Gas Supply Update (Rudeck/Gerlek/Thompson/Armfield)
- C. Gas Storage (Findley)

At 6:33 p.m., Director Nordlund moved and Director Cooper seconded the motion that pursuant to Alaska Statute 10.25.175(c)(1) and (3), the Board of Directors go into executive session to discuss and receive reports regarding matters the immediate knowledge of which would clearly have an adverse effect on the finances of the cooperative; and 2) discuss with its attorneys matters the immediate knowledge of which could have an adverse effect on the legal position of the cooperative. The motion passed unanimously.

The meeting reconvened in open session at 8:55 p.m.

# VII. DIRECTOR COMMENTS

Comments were made at this time.

# VIII. ADJOURNMENT

At 9:03 p.m., Director Cason moved, and Director Nordlund seconded the motion to adjourn. The motion passed unanimously.