Board Policy Committee Meeting and Special SMUD Board of Directors Meeting

Date: Wednesday, June 7, 2023
Time: Scheduled to begin at 6:00 p.m.
Location: SMUD Headquarters Building, Auditorium
6201 S Street, Sacramento, CA
AGENDA
BOARD POLICY COMMITTEE MEETING
AND SPECIAL SMUD BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

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DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. Maria Veloso Koenig  Accept the monitoring report for Strategic Direction SD-4, Reliability.
   Presentation: 10 minutes
   Discussion: 10 minutes

2. Casey Fallon  Discuss proposed revisions to Board-Staff Linkage BL-8, Delegation to the Chief Executive Officer and General Manager with Respect to Procurement.
   Presentation: 15 minutes
   Discussion: 10 minutes

3. Dave Tamayo  Board Monitoring: Board-Staff Linkage BL-6, Evaluating the Chief Executive Officer and General Manager’s Performance; Board-Staff Linkage BL-7, Delegation to the Chief Executive Officer and General Manager; and Board-Staff Linkage BL-8, Delegation to the Chief Executive Officer and General Manager with Respect to Procurement.
   Presentation: 5 minutes
   Discussion: 5 minutes

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

   Presentation: 3 minutes
   Discussion: 2 minutes

5. Public Comment

6. Dave Tamayo  Summary of Committee Direction.
   Discussion: 1 minute

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3. Brandy Bolden
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5. Jennifer Davidson
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**NARRATIVE:**

**Requested Action:** Accept the monitoring report for Strategic Direction SD-4, Reliability.

**Summary:** The purpose of this report is to provide the Board with an update on SD-4, Reliability for the year 2022. The information in the monitoring report can be used by the Board to determine if any policies or metrics need to be changed or further developed.

**Board Policy:** Strategic Direction SD-4, Reliability. The information in the monitoring report will provide a summary of system reliability, availability, and related activities for 2022.

**Benefits:** Allows the Board of Directors and Executive staff a better understanding of the Board Policies and gives them an opportunity to make revisions if necessary.

**Cost/Budgeted:** N/A

**Alternatives:** Provide the Board written report and communications through the CEO & General Manager.

**Affected Parties:** Power Generation, Transmission Planning & Operations

**Coordination:** Power Generation, Transmission Planning & Operations

**Presenter:** Maria Veloso Koenig; Director, Distribution Planning & Operations

**Additional Links:**

**SUBJECT**

SD-4, Reliability Board Monitoring Report

**ITEM NO. (FOR LEGAL USE ONLY)**

ITEMS SUBMITTED AFTER DEADLINE WILL BE POSTPONED UNTIL NEXT MEETING.
TO: Board of Directors                                      DATE: May 24, 2023
FROM: Claire Rogers  CR 512423

SUBJECT: Audit Report No. 28007604
          Board Monitoring Report; SD-04: Reliability

Audit and Quality Services (AQS) received the SD-04 Reliability 2022 Annual Board Monitoring Report and performed the following:

• Selected a sample of statements and assertions in the report for review.
• Interviewed report contributors and verified the methodology used to prepare the statements in our sample.
• Validated the reasonableness of the statements in our sample based on the data or other support provided to us.

During the review, nothing came to AQS’ attention that would suggest the items sampled within the SD Board Monitoring report did not fairly represent the source data available at the time of the review.

CC:
Paul Lau
1) **Background**

Strategic Direction SD-4 Reliability states that:

Meeting customer energy requirements is a core value of SMUD.

Therefore:

a) SMUD will assure all customer energy requirements are met. This will be accomplished through the use of: (i) its generation resources and purchase power portfolio 100 percent of the time; and (ii) its transmission assets to assure an overall availability of at least 99.99 percent.

b) SMUD will achieve distribution system reliability by:

   Limiting the average frequency of outage per customer per year to:

   With major event: 0.99 – 1.33
   Excluding major event: 0.85 – 1.14

   Limiting the average duration of outages per customer per year to:

   With major event: 67.5 – 93.3 minutes
   Excluding major event: 49.7 – 68.7 minutes

   Ensuring that no individual circuits exceed these targets for more than two consecutive years. For circuits that exceed these targets for two consecutive years, a remedial action plan will be issued and completed within eighteen months.

   c) SMUD will maintain the electric system in good repair and make the necessary upgrades to maintain load serving capability and meet regulatory standards.

2) **Executive summary**

Improving reliability is essential to meeting customer energy requirements and drives customer loyalty.

**SMUD was in compliance for both generation and transmission availability.** SMUD met all energy supply requirements 100% of the time through its generation resources and purchased power. At a peak load of 3,292 MW (which occurred on September 6),
42% of the generation was provided by internal resources and 58% was provided by purchased power. The transmission availability was at 100% for the year.

**SMUD was in compliance for both SAIDI and SAIFI (excluding major events).**
Reliability targets including major events were met for SAIFI (1.28) and exceeded for SAIDI (175.8 minutes). The 2022 distribution system reliability performance is summarized in Table 1 below.

Table 1: 2022 Distribution System Reliability Performance

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Major events are defined as events caused by earthquake, fire, or storms of sufficient intensity which result in a state of emergency being declared by the government. Absent the declaration of a state of emergency, any other natural disaster may be excluded only if it affects more than 15% of the system facilities or 10% of the customers, whichever is less.

There are 763 distribution circuits of which 99.1%, or 756 circuits, met the SD-4 reliability criteria. Thirteen projects were issued to improve reliability, of which seven have been completed. The remaining six projects are on schedule to be completed within the eighteen-month requirement. These projects include primarily cable replacement, avian mitigation, TripSaver recloser installations and other work.

3) **Additional supporting information**

**Generation**

**Hydro Generation Facilities**

The availability rate for SMUD’s hydro generation system in 2022 was 90.72% and for the June 1st through September 30th period, hydro generation availability was 99.14%. SMUD’s Upper American River Project (UARP) hydro system generated 984,820 MWh. The budgeted generation was 1,302,861 MWh.

**Gas Pipeline Operations**

SMUD’s gas pipeline had a 100% availability rating in 2022 and provided a constant flow of gas to SMUD’s thermal generation facilities. All necessary maintenance activities
were successfully completed in accordance with our operations and maintenance plans and procedures.

Thermal Generation Facilities

The overall availability rate for SMUD’s thermal generation facilities in 2022 was 67.04% and for the June 1st through September 30th period, thermal plant availability was 58.54%. SMUD’s thermal generation facilities generated a net total of 2,860,926 MWh against the budgeted generation of 5,476,313 MWh.

The lower thermal plant availability was caused by extended outages at Cosumnes Power Plant. It started with an extensive 88 day planned outage to overhaul the steam turbine, one combustion turbine and several balance of plant items. This was followed by an eight-month unplanned outage to rebuild the stator on the steam turbine generator.

Transmission and Distribution

SMUD has approximately 488 miles of transmission lines and 10,734 miles of distribution lines including 69kV. Approximately 40% of the distribution lines are installed overhead and 60% are installed underground. The transmission system is predominately overhead except for 19 miles of underground lines located in the Carmichael and downtown areas.

Staff monitors circuit reliability regularly to assess circuits that could potentially exceed the reliability limits. Outage causes, trends, and reliability impacts are analyzed to identify corrective actions that will bring the reliability of these circuits within the acceptable range.

4) Challenges

SMUD’s distribution system had excellent reliability for most of 2022. On the evening of New Year’s Eve, the first of nine atmospheric river storms hit northern California. This single event created significant damage to the grid, affecting approximately 227,000 customers, a SAIDI contribution of 122.1 minutes, and a SAIFI contribution of 0.35 on December 31st alone. The unexpected storm brought over 60 mph wind gusts, with 48mph sustained winds, coupled with almost two inches of rain. With the already saturated the ground and heavy rains combined with high winds, over 1000\(^1\) trees overs several days were uprooted all over Sacramento region and many trees fell onto SMUD’s overhead lines. These types of tree related outages take longer to resolve

since the trees must be removed from the tangled powerlines prior to the start of rebuilding the lines.

Drivers for Reliability Performance

The main drivers for the distribution system performance excluding major events, along with the mitigation measures for each, are summarized below.

Vehicle Accidents

The leading cause of outages in 2022 was vehicle accidents. Overall, there was a 14% increase in the number of vehicle accidents, with a 3% increase in SAIDI minutes and a 22% decrease in SAIFI, when comparing with 2021. Although there was an increase in the number of vehicle accidents, the significant decrease in SAIFI is attributed to reduced vehicle accidents that impacted our 69kV system. There were three fewer 69kV vehicle accidents in 2022 compared to 2021. Overall vehicle accidents can likely be attributed the return to pre-pandemic vehicle traffic on roadways.

One pole was relocated in 2022 as part of the Vehicle vs Asset program. Staff continues to monitor and analyze vehicle related outages for remediation as part of the Vehicle vs Asset program.

Equipment Failures

Equipment failures are associated with a wide variety of distribution line components, such as fuses, poles, wire hardware, broken connectors, broken jumpers, failed transformers, broken cutouts and more. Outages due to failed equipment continue to be evaluated to locate and address any systemic deficiencies.

Failed equipment was the second leading cause of outages in 2022. When compared to 2021, outages due to equipment failures increased by 2%. Many equipment failures were on the 12kV system. There was a decrease of equipment failures on the 69kV and 21kV systems, which helped reduce SAIDI and SAIFI by 8% and 21%, respectively.

Multiple inspection and maintenance programs are in place to identify and correct deficiencies before they result in failure. We have annual line patrols to detect obvious deficiencies. In addition, we perform detailed line inspections (DLI) every five years. During a DLI, the inspector examines every attachment on the pole and documents deficiencies found. The deficiencies are prioritized and repaired based upon pre-determined schedules.
Underground Cable Failures

In 2022, underground cable failures were the third leading cause of outages. However, outages due to cable failures decreased by 2% compared to 2021. Additionally, SAIDI and SAIFI decreased by 17% each. Improved performance in this area is primarily driven by continued targeted a replacement of cable sections that have the greatest impact on reliability. In 2022, there was a 25% reduction in number of failures in mainline sections as compared to 2021, which has led to significant improvements in the SAIDI and SAIFI indices.

The cable injection program, which extends the life of age cable, resumed in 2022. Last year, we injected a total 80,201 circuit feet of cable and replaced 232,090 circuit feet. Our 2023 work plan calls for injecting 100,000 circuit feet of cable and replacing 240,000 circuit feet.

5) **Recommendation**

It is recommended that the Board accept the Monitoring Report for SD-4, Reliability.
6) Appendices

Appendix 1: Generation Supplementary Information

Hydro Generation Facilities

Major hydro generation maintenance and construction activities include:

- Recoating of the Ice House Gates per requirements from FERC Part 12D inspections
- Ice House and Union Valley Spillway subsurface investigations were completed as required by FERC Part 12D inspections
- Procured a contractor for the FERC Part 12D comprehensive assessment for 6 dams to be completed in 2023
- Investigation conducted on options for Pump Back Hydro Storage at Union Valley to Junction Reservoir
- Underground conduit from Jones Fork Intake to the Ice House Low Level Outlet in preparation for pulling at 4kV power line as part of fire risk mitigation
- Robbs Peak Transformer dissolved gas analysis (DGA) continuous monitoring installation completed
- Robbs Peak Transformer bushing replacement completed
- Loon Lake Transformer bushing replacement completed and oil processed
- Camino unit 1 controls upgrade completed
- Jaybird unit 2 controls pre-work completed

Gas Pipeline Operations

Capital improvements and major maintenance activities include:

- Line 700A Yolo Causeway erosion mitigation
- Winters M&R Station insulating gasket replacement
- Procter & Gamble M&R Station concrete pipe support replacement
- Line 700B 28th Street depth of cover verification
- Pipeline cyclic fatigue engineering study
- Carson M&R station CO2 digester (biofuel) gas piping analysis using guided wave ultrasonics inspection
- Pipeline class location study
- Line 700B inspection dig at Meadowview Road
- Line 700B cathodic protection monitoring station installations at Fruitridge Road and Stockton Boulevard, and Fruitridge Road and 66th Street
- Nineteen as-built drawing update projects
**Thermal Generation Facilities**

Major thermal generation maintenance and construction activities completed include:

**Carson Power Plant:**
- The plant completed a hot section Overhaul on the combustion turbine generator unit 1.

**Procter & Gamble Power Plant:**
- Replaced selective catalytic reduction (SCR) system catalyst

**Campbell Power Plant & McClellan Power Plant:**
- Completed initial Zero Carbon Plan Conditional Availability Study for both Campbell Power Plant & McClellan Power Plant.

**Cosumnes Power Plant:**
- The plant completed an extensive overhaul, which lasted 88 days, including
  - Access Platform Improvements
  - DCS Control-Upgrade MK Vle & DCS Instrumentation
  - CT Rotor LTEs (CT3, CT2 w/Spare)
  - Steam Turbine – row L0 blade replacement
  - Steam Distribution-High Pressure Bypass Replacement
  - Maximum Allowable Working Pressure (MAWP) Increase
  - Unit 3 Hot Reheat Bypass Replacement
  - CT3 and CT2 Major Inspections
  - CT Hardware CA & Repair
  - LS2100/EX2100 Upgrade
  - Heat Recovery Steam Generator (HRSG) flash tanks replacement
  - Boiler Feed Water (BFW) pumps overhaul
- STG Generator Stator Repair
Appendix 2: Graphs

The graphs below provide a five-year comparison of the impacts of outage causes to the average frequency (SAIFI) and duration (SAIDI) of outages. 2023 SAIDI and SAIFI are year-to-date through Apr. 30, 2023.

Graph 1: Multi-Year Comparison
System Average Frequency Index (SAIFI)

Graph 2: Multi-Year Comparison
System Average Duration Index (SAIDI)

Appendix 3: Reliability Comparison

Table 3 below provides a comparison between SMUD’s average distribution system performance compared to that of Pacific Gas and Electric’s (PG&E)’s distribution
system. PG&E defines its distribution system as operating voltages less than 60kV and uses IEEE 1366 standards to define major event days, while SMUD includes the 69kV operating voltage as part of the distribution system and uses an alternate method to determine major event days. The information regarding PG&E’s system average performance was obtained from the 2020 reliability report posted on the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) website. PG&E’s 2021 or 2022 Reliability Reports are not posted on the CPUC website yet.

Table 3: Distribution System Reliability Comparison (excluding major events)

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Notes:
1. Listed SAIFI and SAIDI numbers are based on outages greater than 5 minutes (CPUC criteria).

Appendix 4: Year-to-Date 2023 Reliability Update

Table 4: 2023 Year-to-Date Distribution System Reliability Performance

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The year-end forecast exceeds the SD-4 limits primarily due to the impacts of the series of atmospheric river winter storms that occurred during the first quarter of 2023.
**Board Agenda Item**

**Staffing Summary Sheet**

**Committee Meeting & Date**
Policy – 06/07/23

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Casey Fallon Procurement EA404 6221 05/25/23

**NARRATIVE:**

**Requested Action:** Discuss proposed revisions to Board-Staff Linkage BL-8, Delegation to the Chief Executive Officer and General Manager with Respect to Procurement.

**Summary:** Provide Board members with an overview of staff recommendations to revise Board Staff Linkage BL-8. Recommendations are to raise the procurement limit amount delegated to the CEO & GM due to inflation, add a “Supplier Code of Conduct” and grant SMUD staff the ability to leverage procurement agreements from other publicly solicited contracts.

**Board Policy:**

- (Number & Title) Board-Staff Linkage BL-8, Delegation to the Chief Executive Officer and General Manager with Respect to Procurement

**Benefits:** Updates delegation limits to reflect increased costs due to inflation to enable business efficiency through increased contract award limit delegations while maintaining prudent decision making and risk mitigation through SMUD’s procurement process.

**Cost/Budgeted:** No costs are associated with this action.

**Alternatives:** Make no revisions to BL-8 or make different revisions.

**Affected Parties:** All SMUD Departments and Contractors

**Coordination:** Board Office, Executive Office, Procurement, and Legal

**Presenter:** Casey Fallon, Director, Procurement, Warehouse & Fleet

**Additional Links:**

**Subject:** Proposed Revisions to Board-Staff Linkage BL-8, Delegation to the CEO/GM with Respect to Procurement

ITEMS SUBMITTED AFTER DEADLINE WILL BE POSTPONED UNTIL NEXT MEETING.
The procurement of goods and services is an integral part of SMUD operations. SMUD’s procurement activities shall take place in accordance with the following principles:

a) **Competition:** SMUD’s procurement activities shall be competitive whenever practical.
b) **Direct Procurement:** Direct procurement may be utilized when it is in SMUD’s best interest. Direct procurement is the purchase of goods or services without competition when multiple sources of supply are available.

c) **Sole Source Procurement:** Sole source procurement shall be performed only in the case of emergency or when a competitive process would be an idle act.

d) **Inclusiveness:** SMUD’s procurement practices shall promote inclusiveness of the entire supplier community in its contracting opportunities.

e) **Economic Development:** SMUD’s procurement practices shall promote the economic development of the community we serve.

f) **Environmental Procurement:** SMUD shall minimize the impact on the environment through its procurement practices. In making procurement decisions, staff shall consider the environmental impacts in assessing total cost and benefits.

g) **Responsible Bidder:** SMUD shall only do business with reputable and responsible suppliers. A Responsible Bidder demonstrates trustworthiness, quality, capacity, financial capability, fair labor practices, and experience to satisfactorily perform SMUD work through the bidding and evaluation process. In addition, SMUD will determine Responsible Bidders by considering a supplier’s social, environmental ethical, and safety accountability where applicable.

h) **Supplier Code of Conduct:** SMUD shall set minimum expectations or standards for all suppliers to follow in the course of doing business with SMUD (in some cases by submitting data and reporting annually) including but not limited to, labor and human rights, environmental, social, governance (ESG), health and safety accountability, ethics and compliance, and diversity, equity, inclusion, and belonging practices.

i) **Best Value Procurement:** SMUD may procure goods and services by the best value at the lowest cost methodology, where cost and other factors are used to obtain the maximum value while ensuring a fair and equitable process.

j) **Leveraged Procurement Agreement (LPA):** SMUD may procure goods and services where another lead public agency or organization competitively procures the same goods or services under applicable state and federal laws to streamline procurement processes and leverage collective buying power of multiple agencies to achieve cost savings and other benefits to SMUD. Leveraged procurement agreements are generally referred to by other public agencies as “Cooperative Purchasing Agreements”.

k) **Strategic Alliances:** SMUD may enter into strategic alliance contracts for the procurement of goods or services. A Strategic Alliance is a competitively bid multi-year contract for goods and/or services in which the Supplier and SMUD
work collaboratively over the life of the contract to improve quality, and to explore
design and process improvements to reduce the cost of production, service
delivery, and the total cost of ownership. These benefits are shared both by
SMUD and the Supplier.

j) Supply Chain Risk: SMUD’s procurement activities shall identify, manage, and
mitigate supply chain risks through a coordinated effort across the enterprise.

m) Protest Policy: SMUD shall ensure that suppliers are afforded the
opportunity to have their grievances heard through a fair protest process.

n) Delegation of Authority to the Chief Executive Officer and General
Manager: The Chief Executive Officer and General Manager is delegated
authority to perform and approve the procurement activities in accordance with
the below matrix. This delegation includes the authority to amend contracts for
time extensions or other changes that create no additional cost to SMUD.

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| Sole Source:                                  |                  |
| All types except Maintenance/Licensing Fees   | $1.5 million     |
| Maintenance/Licensing Fees                   | $3 million or original approved amount |

| Direct Procurement:                          |                  |
| Materials/Supplies/Services                  | $50k**           |
| Government Entities                          | $1 million       |
| Nonprofit Entities (services/goods)          | $1 million       |

| Emergency Procurements:                     |                  |
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Consent Calendar | Yes | No | If no, schedule a dry run presentation. | Budgeted | Yes | No (If no, explain in Cost/Budgeted section.)
FROM (IPR) | MAIL STOP | EXT. | DATE SENT
Dave Tamayo | B304 | 6154 | 5/24/23

DEPARTMENT | DATE SENT
Board Office | 5/24/23

NARRATIVE:

Requested Action: Allow the Board of Directors and Executive staff an opportunity to discuss and evaluate existing policies: Board-Staff Linkage BL-6, Evaluating the Chief Executive Officer and General Manager’s Performance; Board-Staff Linkage BL-7, Delegation to the Chief Executive Officer and General Manager; and Board-Staff Linkage BL-8, Delegation to the Chief Executive Officer and General Manager with Respect to Procurement.

Summary: The Board agreed to monitor established policies on a yearly basis to create a framework to better understand the policies and give the Board an opportunity to make improvements, additions or changes as desired.

Board Policy: This monitoring supports GP-2 Governance Focus which states that the Board will direct, evaluate, and inspire the organization through the establishment of written policies which reflect the Board’s values.

Benefits: Monitoring policies helps ensure the policies are current and in keeping with the current will of the Board.

Cost/Budgeted: Included in budget

Alternatives: Monitor these policies at a later date.

Affected Parties: Board of Directors

Coordination: Special Assistant to the Board

Presenter: Dave Tamayo, Policy Chair

Additional Links:

SUBJECT

Board Monitoring of BL-6, BL-7, and BL-8

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ITEMS SUBMITTED AFTER DEADLINE WILL BE POSTPONED UNTIL NEXT MEETING.
The Chief Executive Officer and General Manager’s job performance shall be evaluated by comparing the organization’s results, operations and their personal performance to the policies established by the Board.

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Consent Calendar: Yes

Requested Action: Enable the Board of Directors and Executive Staff an opportunity to review the Board Work Plan.

Summary: The Board President reviews the Board Work Plan at the Policy Committee meeting to ensure agenda items support the work of the Board.

Board Policy: This review of the work plan supports GP-6 Role of the Board President which states that the Board President shall give progress reports on the Board’s work plan.

Benefits: Reviewing the Work Plan allows the Board members and Executive staff to make changes to the Work Plan and Parking Lot items as necessary.

Cost/Budgeted: Costs included in budget.

Alternatives: Not review the Work Plan at this time

Affected Parties: Board and Executive staff

Coordination: Special Assistant to the Board

Presenter: Heidi Sanborn, Board President

Additional Links:

SUBJECT: Board Work Plan
**Board Meeting Date**

N/A

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**Staffing Summary Sheet**

**Committee Meeting & Date**

Policy Committee 6/7/23

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**requested Action:**

A summary of directives provided to staff during the committee meeting.

**Summary:**

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**Board Policy:**

GP-4 Agenda Planning states the Board will focus on the results the Board wants the organization to achieve.

**Benefits:**

Having an agendized opportunity to summarize the Board’s requests and suggestions that arise during the committee meeting will help clarify what the will of the Board.

**Cost/Budgeted:**

Included in budget

**Alternatives:**

Not summarize the Board’s requests at this meeting.

**Affected Parties:**

Board of Directors and Executive Staff

**Coordination:**

Special Assistant to the Board

**Presenter:**

Dave Tamayo, Policy Chair

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**Subject**

Summary Of Committee Direction - Policy

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