

RAILBELT TRANSMISSION ORGANIZATION (RTO)  
GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE  
SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES  
January 8, 2026

**A. CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Million, GVEA, called the Railbelt Transmission Organization Governance Committee meeting to order at 3:02 p.m. A quorum was established.

**B. ROLL CALL (for Committee members)**

Curtis Thayer (Alaska Energy Authority [AEA]); Arthur Miller (Chugach Electric Association [CEA]); Brian Hickey (City of Seward); Brad Janorschke (Homer Electric Association [HEA]); Tony Izzo (Matanuska Electric Association [MEA]); Travis Million (Golden Valley Electric Association [GVEA]); Ed Jenkin (Railbelt Reliability Counsel [RRC]).

**C. PUBLIC ROLL CALL (for all others present)**

Jennifer Bertolini (AEA); Karen Bell (AEA) Mark Billingsley (AEA); Bill Price (AEA); Matt Clarkson (CEA); Mike miller (CEA); Sarah Lambe (HEA); Kim Henkel (MEA); David Pease (MEA); Jon Sinclair ((MEA); Tony Zellers (MEA); Daniel Heckman (GVEA); Tina Grovier (Stoel Rives, RTO); Carl Monroe (Munro Advisors, LLC); Andrew Jensen (Governor's Office).

**D. AGENDA APPROVAL**

**MOTION: A motion was made by Mr. Thayer to approve the agenda as presented. Motion seconded by Mr. Miller.**

**A roll call was taken, and the motion to approve the amended agenda passed unanimously.**

**5. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

There were no public comments.

**6. OLD BUSINESS**

**A. Open Access Transmission Tariff, RCA Matter #TA1-8001**

Tina Grovier, Stoel Rives said on December 19, 2025, the RTO filed its reply testimony for all five of its witnesses in the docket. On December 23, 2025, the RCA issued Order #9, announcing proposed decisions regarding the Alaska Intertie Agreement, allowing comments on the proposed decisions, and establishing timeline for filing comments.

Ms. Grovier continued, on January 6, 2026, the RTO filed its response to RCA Order #8, as did many of the other parties in the docket. She stated she has matters related to these topics, specifically the response to Order #9 to discuss with you an executive session, the immediate knowledge of which could have an adverse effect on the legal and financial position of the RTO or its committee members.

**MOTION: A motion was made by Mr. Hickey to enter into Executive Session to discuss confidential financial matters related to the RRTTO finances and legal strategy. This is consistent with our Bylaws, which allow the Board to consider confidential matters in executive session. In this case, the RTO believes that these are subjects that would have an adverse effect on the finances of the RTO and are being discussed with an attorney, the immediate knowledge of which could have an adverse effect on the financial or legal position of the Committee or are protected by law due to rules protecting personal privacy and certain business information. Motion seconded by Mr. Izzo.**

**A roll call was taken, and the motion to enter into Executive Session passed unanimously.**

- 7. EXECUTIVE SESSION – 3:09 pm. (Bylaws Section 5.12.3) To discuss matters, the immediate knowledge of which could have an adverse effect on the finances or legal position of the RTO, the Committee or Authority, or that are confidential under state, federal, or local law.**

The RTO Governance Committee reconvened its regular meeting at 3:42 p.m. Chair Million advised that the RTO did not take any formal action on the matters discussed while in executive session, except as authorized by Bylaws Section 5.12.2, to give direction to an attorney or negotiator regarding the handling of a specific legal matter of pending negotiation.

## **8. NEW BUSINESS**

### **A. RTO Order U-25-028(9)**

**MOTION: A motion was made by Mr. Miller to move that the RTO approved Chair Travis Million to work with the Council and any relevant witnesses to finalize and file the RTO's comments on RCA Order #9 with the understanding that no material changes will be made without bringing the matter back to the committee. Motion seconded by Mr. Izzo.**

**A roll call was taken and the motion to approve Chair work with council and relevant witnesses to finalize and file the RTO's comments on RCA Order #9 passed unanimously.**

## **9. MEMBERS COMMENTS**

Mr. Janorschke thanked the team working on the RTO.

Mr. Jenkin noted that the RRC had a webinar today on the development of integrated resource

plan with over two hundred individuals signed up and peak attendance was one hundred fifty individuals. He thanked the utility employees that are involved with the RRC and moving the integrated resource plan forward.

**11. NEXT MEETING DATE – January 16, 2026.**

Chair Million stated the next meeting will be Friday, January 16, 2026.

**12. ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business for the committee, the meeting adjourned at 3:46 p.m.

  
Travis Million, Chair  
Curtis W. Thayer, Secretary