Engaging in a world of change

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Administrator and CEO
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Coronavirus response

- Objectives: Ensure continued mission success and protect employees
- Teleworking to maximum extent possible
- Permit mission-critical travel and training only
- Restrict visitors to WAPA facilities
- Restrict access to mission-essential work areas
- Participate in federal, state and local efforts
Carbon constraints/capacity conflict

- Demand for new power sources will outstrip capacity
- Demand for clean energy will outstrip the capacity
- Public perception contrasts with the reality of the system
- Renewables are being promoted as the only answer
- Cost of renewables creates financial challenges
Change is upon us

NEW WIND-PENETRATION RECORD

71.3%
AT 3:15 A.M.
FEB. 3, 2020

SPP Southwest Power Pool
Market status timeline

UGP: EI decision Sept. 2019
SN: EI decision Aug. 2019
RM: EI decision Sept. 2019
CRSP: EI decision Sept. 2019
DSW: EI Study 2019/2020

Full market Oct. 2015
TBD
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Value of hydropower

Renewable
Emissions-free
Resilient
Reliable
Affordable
Black-start capable
Transmission vision and strategy
Workload Management Initiative

• Assess & improve ability to estimate and plan workload
• Better allocate resources & execute work
• Improve balance between workload & resources
Combined transmission service rate

• Evaluating with customers the potential to combine transmission rates for:
  – Parker-Davis Project
  – Intertie
  – Central Arizona Project
  – ED5-Palo Verde Hub
  – CRSP
Personnel updates

• Senior VP & acting CFO is Jody Sundsted.
• Acting Senior VP & UGP Regional Manager is Lori Frisk.
• Next acting Senior VP and UGP Regional Manager is Ron Klinefelter in mid-April.
• Senior VP & acting DSW Regional Manager is Tracey LeBeau.
Key takeaways

Engagement is critical to secure a successful future.

Stability and progress are necessary.

Remain adaptable & responsive to world of change.
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