

Meeting of the Energy Planning & Inventory Commission

March 26, 2025

This meeting of the Energy Planning & Inventory Commission (EPIC) was held virtually via Zoom on Wednesday, March 26, 2025.

I. Call to Order

Rodney Andrews, EPIC Executive Committee member and Director of the University of Kentucky Center for Applied Energy Research, called the meeting to order.

II. Attendance

The following members of EPIC were present: John Crockett, Talina Matthews, Jeff Brock, Wesley Cate, Todd Case, Caryl Pfeiffer, Keith Murt, Nathaniel Adams, Ashli Watts, Matt Partymiller, Mark Gooch, Kentucky Representative Suzanne Miles, Kentucky Senator Steve West, Rodney Andrews, and Ed Holmes. Jansen Hammock attended on behalf of Secretary Jeff Noel. Kenya Stump attended on behalf of Secretary Rebecca Goodman.

III. Minutes

Rodney Andrews stated that the minutes of the November 11, 2024 meeting had been distributed and asked for a motion to approve. Jeff Brock moved the approval and Keith Murt seconded the motion; the motion carried with dissent.

IV. Update on EPIC Executive Director position

Rodney provided an update on the EPIC Executive Director position. The deadline to apply for this position is April 9. Though we do not see who is in process, we have 10 applications in process right now. At that point, UK Human Resources will provide the completed applications to me.

We would like to put together a group of 5 EPIC Board members to review the full set of applications and recommend a list of candidates that are qualified to the EPIC Executive Committee for review.

If you would like to serve on that Committee, please email Rodney Andrews directly.

V. Process for drafting EPIC bylaws

Our staff member has pulled bylaws from similar organizations in other states. We have a draft. I would like to have some EPIC Board members volunteer to review those and comment before we send those more widely. If you are interested in doing that, please email Rodney Andrews directly.

VI. Long-Term Electricity Modeling

Kenya Stump, Executive Director of the Kentucky Office of Energy Policy, provided a presentation on “Long-Term Electricity Modeling” in Kentucky.

VII. Update on EPIC Website

Dave Melanson, Assistant Director for External Affairs and Development, showcased and reviewed the EPIC website.

VIII. Other Business

Rodney Andrews stated that on Monday that EPIC received the Notice of Intent to retire a unit from Big Rivers Electric Corporation for Reid gas turbine. Our staff is reviewing that document now. Once that is finalized, we will be posting that Notice of Intent on our EPIC website.

Rodney Andrews stated that EPIC just received an opinion from the Kentucky Attorney General about who can serve on the EPIC Executive Committee. We will be posting that on the EPIC website.

Rodney Andrews said that now that we have that Attorney General Opinion, we now are ready to receive nominations for members of the Board to serve on the EPIC Executive Committee as well as the Chair and Vice Chair of the EPIC Board. If you would like to nominate or self-nominate, please send those nominations directly to Rodney Andrews.

John Crockett suggested that utility providers would provide Integrated Resource Plans (IRP) to the EPIC Board to help level set. Rodney Andrews said he was going to suggest to the Executive Committee to have the utilities come present their IRPs.

Talina Matthews asked if non-voting members can be named to the Executive Committee. Rodney Andrews said he would have to look into it. Jeff Brock said his read on the legislation is that they would not be precluded but they would not be able to vote. Rodney Andrews said he would

IX. Adjournment

Nathaniel Adams made a motion to adjourn the meeting and the motion was seconded by Keith Murt; the motion carried without dissent.