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Via Electronic Delivery Only

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PJM Board of Managers
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Dear Ms. Riley, Dr. Almgren and the PJM Board of Managers,

Re: October Board to Board Discussion Follow-up

The purpose of this letter is to follow up on the discussion that occurred at the October 28, 2019, Board to Board meeting in Baltimore.¹ The discussion was spurred by an agenda item that included integrating renewables, with questions presented for discussion centering on how offshore wind projects are being analyzed, how to incorporate state policy goals for renewables into PJM transmission planning, and what is the status of projects to deliver renewable energy from MISO.

At that time, PJM Board members and staff asked, “what help can PJM give states?” Since that October meeting, OPSI Board members and OPSI staff have been deliberating on this question. As PJM and other parties have acknowledged, there are many challenges related to transmission planning in a region as diverse in terms of resource availability and state policy goals and objectives as the PJM region.

¹This letter was unanimously approved by the OPSI Board at its Meeting of December 12, 2019

In this context, OPSI would expect PJM to be actively engaged with the States by facilitating information exchange and conducting analyses and modeling studies as requested on an on-going basis. As changes in the energy landscape are occurring and state policies evolve, we support close interaction between States and PJM in these areas.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "T. Mathews". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke at the end.

Dr. Talina R. Mathews, President
Organization of PJM States Inc.

cc PJM Board of Managers