Drivers of Regional Cooperation

- Wholesale competition
- Open access transmission
- RTOs/ISOs

Stretched the manpower and expertise of states and state utility commissions

Led to calls for regional cooperation from:

- National Governors Association
- FERC
Basics

- Indiana not-for-profit, tax exempt 501(c)(4) established in 2003

- Members – Retail energy regulators in the MISO region
  - Retail electric or distribution rate jurisdiction, OR
  - Primary siting authority

- Associate Members (non voting)
  - Consumer advocates
  - Energy planning offices
  - Agencies involved in energy related environmental issues
  - Others as approved
Footprint

- 17 Member Board
  - 15 states
  - City of New Orleans
  - Manitoba
Funding

- Indiana not-for-profit corporation with 501(c)(4) tax exempt status (2003)
- Funding agreement signed with MISO
- Funding agreement includes statement of independence
- Agreement provides for dispute resolution by FERC
Cooperation

• Combined input when possible (FERC/MISO)
• Facilitate informed and efficient participation
  – Fund travel
  – Host events
  – Share knowledge (work groups, publications, etc.)
Participation at MISO

- MISO Board of Directors
  - Transmission Owners Committee
  - Organization of MISO States (OMS)
    - Advisory Committee
  - Alternative Dispute Resolution Committee (ADRC)
    - Steering Committee
    - Informational Forum (expanded)

- 4 Members
- Staff Participation

- Finance Subcommittee FSC
  - Resource Adequacy Subcommittee RASC
    - Loss of Load Expectation Working Group LOLEWG
  - Market Subcommittee MSC
    - Seams Management Working Group SMWG
  - Reliability Subcommittee RSC
    - System Operator Training Working Group SOTWG
    - Emergency Preparedness/Powers System Restoration Working Group EPPSRWG
    - Reliable Operations Working Group – Closed ROWG-CLOSED
  - Planning Advisory Committee PAC
    - Planning Subcommittee PSC
    - Interconnection Process Task Force IPTF
  - RECB Working Group RECBWG
Current Work Groups

- Markets and Tariffs
- Resources
- Transmission Cost Allocation
- Governance and Budget
- Seams
- Transmission Planning
- DER
- ROE – Ad Hoc
2018 Priorities

- Transmission Planning
- Resource Adequacy
- Cost Allocation
- Distributed Energy Resources
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States and Wholesale Markets

- Utility wholesale decisions and costs show up in retail cases
- Link between wholesale and retail market structure
- May have authority to approve changes in RTO membership or participation
- States can advocate ways to shape the wholesale market for the benefit of the state’s residents and businesses
States and Wholesale Markets

- States determine value of reliability
- States are responsible for supply adequacy
- States make land use decisions for new facilities
  - Balance cost, need, and other considerations
  - Public policy needs and impacts
  - Maybe consider criteria broader than state boundaries