

**STATE OF MISSOURI
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

At a session of the Public Service Commission held by telephone and internet audio conference on the 12th day of May, 2021.

In the Matter of the Establishment of a)
Working Case Regarding FERC Order 2222)
Regarding Participation of Distributed Energy) **File No. EW-2021-0267**
Resource Aggregators in Markets Operated)
by Regional Transmission Organizations and)
Independent Systems Operators)

**ORDER DIRECTING STAFF TO FURTHER INVESTIGATE THE
RESPONSE TO FERC ORDER 2222**

Issue Date: May 12, 2021

Effective Date: May 12, 2021

The Commission opened this working file on February 23, 2021, and directed its Staff to investigate and recommend an appropriate response from the Commission to Order 2222 issued by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) on September 17, 2020. That order amends FERC’s regulation to remove barriers to the participation of distributed energy resource aggregators in the capacity, energy, and ancillary service markets operated by Regional Transmission Organizations and Independent System Operators (RTO/ISO).

After gathering and assessing comments from interested stakeholders, Staff filed a report on April 30, 2021. Staff does not reach any conclusions about the Commission’s response to FERC Order 2222 and 2222-A,¹ but recommends the matter be further studied through a series of workshop meetings with stakeholders. In particular, Staff suggests the additional workshop meetings should consider the following:

- Interconnection standards for distributed energy resources;

¹ FERC issued Order 2222-A on March 18, 2021, to clarify its previous order.

- Protection against unintended consequences such as double counting/compensation of resources;
- Consumer protection;
- The Commission's authority to require implementation of a registry system for participant distributed energy resources; and
- The operation of Aggregators of Retail Customers (ARCs)

The Commission will direct Staff to further investigate the issues it has identified. Staff may schedule such workshop meetings as it believes will be helpful in that investigation. Staff will be directed to file additional updates and reports regarding its investigation as it deems appropriate.

THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

1. Staff shall further investigate the issues identified in its report of April 30, 2021, and in doing so may schedule such workshop meetings as it believes will be helpful in that investigation.
2. Staff shall file additional updates and reports regarding its investigation as it deems appropriate.
3. This order shall be effective when issued.



BY THE COMMISSION

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Morris L. Woodruff'.

Morris L. Woodruff
Secretary

Silvey, Chm., Rupp, Coleman, Holsman, and
Kolkmeier CC., concur.

Woodruff, Chief Regulatory Law Judge