

LOUISIANA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

SPECIAL ORDER NUMBER 35-2026

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In re: This Special Order ratifies LPSC interventions in Federal Energy Regulatory Proceedings regarding Regional Transmission Organization issues or Entergy Regional State Committee issues.

(Decided at the April 15, 2026 Business and Executive Session.)

ORDER

I. OVERVIEW

This matter was on the April 15, 2026 Business and Executive Session (“B&E”) Agenda for ratification of interventions on behalf of the Louisiana Public Service Commission (“LPSC” or “Commission”) in Regional Transmission Organization-related or Entergy Regional State Committee-related (“ERSC”) Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (“FERC”) proceedings pursuant to the scope of work approved in connection with the retention of Fishman Haygood¹ and United Professionals Company, LLC (“UPC”) at the February 24, 2021 Business and Executive Session (“B&E”) for Midcontinent Independent System Operator (“MISO”), Southwest Power Pool (“SPP”) and ERSC participation. Due to the short deadlines allowed for these interventions, if advanced Commission approval is not possible, the Executive Secretary on the recommendation of Staff, UPC or Stone Pigman, or on his own determination, may authorize the initial interventions, comments or protests, subject to ratification at a following B&E. For any pleadings the Commission does not ratify, all work related to such docket shall immediately cease, and any pleadings filed shall be withdrawn at the direction of the Commission.

Interventions were filed or plan to be filed on the LPSC’s behalf in the following FERC dockets: ER26-1564, ER26-1482, ER26-1538, EL26-49, and ER26-1731.

II. COMMISSION JURISDICTION AND AUTHORITY

The jurisdiction of the Commission is set forth by the Louisiana Constitution Article IV, Section 21, which provides:

The commission shall regulate all common carriers and public utilities and have such other regulatory authority as provided by law. It shall adopt and enforce reasonable rules, regulations, and procedures necessary for the discharge of its duties, and shall have other powers and perform other duties as provided by law.

¹ The Commission originally retained the law firm of Stone Pigman Walther Wittman L.L.C. At the Commission’s January 14, 2026 Business and Executive Session, the Commission voted to retain the services of Noel Darce, Dana Shelton, and Justin Swaim under the currently approved scopes of work, budgets, and hourly rates for all open dockets to which they are currently hired at the Commission, as well as all dockets the Commission is currently participating in at FERC as well as to ratify the Executive Secretary’s authorization to transfer all Commission files from the law firm of Stone Pigman to the law firm of Fishman Haygood.

III. CONCLUSION

This matter was placed on the Commission’s April 15, 2026 B&E Agenda for ratification by the full Commission. On motion of Chairman Skrmetta, seconded by Commissioner Lewis, and unanimously adopted, the Commission ratified the actions taken in ER26-1564, ER26-1482, ER26-1538, EL26-49, and ER26-1731.

This Order is effective immediately.

**BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION
BATON ROUGE, LOUISIANA
April 29, 2026**



A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Brandon M. Frey".

**BRANDON M. FREY
SECRETARY**

/S/ ERIC F. SKRMETTA
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