

**Carolinas Transmission Planning Collaborative  
Oversight / Steering Committee (OSC)  
Meeting Highlights  
August 21, 2025  
Webex / Teleconference Meeting  
10:00 AM - 12:00 PM ET**

<b>Joe Mason, Chair</b>	<b>NCEC</b>
<b>Avni Patel</b>	<b>Duke Energy Carolinas</b>
<b>Bob Pierce</b>	<b>Duke Energy Carolinas</b>
<b>Orvane Piper</b>	<b>Duke Energy Carolinas</b>
<b>Matt Knudson</b>	<b>Duke Energy Carolinas</b>
<b>Sammy Roberts</b>	<b>Duke Energy Progress</b>
<b>Bill Quaintance</b>	<b>Duke Energy Progress</b>
<b>Brant Werts</b>	<b>Duke Energy Progress</b>
<b>Sid DeSouza</b>	<b>Duke Energy Progress</b>
<b>John Lemire</b>	<b>NCEC</b>
<b>Marty Berland</b>	<b>ElectriCities</b>
<b>Mark Oliver</b>	<b>ElectriCities</b>
<b>Chris Ware</b>	<b>CEPCI</b>
<b>Conner Hudson</b>	<b>CEPCI</b>
<b>Rich Wodyka</b>	<b>Consultant Administrator</b>

**OSC Agenda**

- Joe Mason opened the OSC Meeting with a safety message and highlighted the meeting agenda.

**OSC Meeting Minutes and Highlights**

- The July 24, 2025 OSC Meeting Minutes and Highlights were reviewed and approved.

**Multi Value Strategic Transmission (MVST) Response to TAG Comments**

- Brant Werts led the OSC review and discussion on the additional comments submitted by SELC, NCSEA, SACE and Sierra Club related to the MVST study. He reviewed each of the SELC comments and he reviewed proposed responses to each of the submitted comments. After discussion, the OSC agreed that Brant would produce a document of the proposed responses and send it back to the OSC for final review and approval. Once the proposed responses were approved by the OSC then

Rich Wodyka would send the document back to SELC, NCSEA, SACE and Sierra Club and post it on the CTPC website.

### **Multi Value Strategic Transmission (MVST) TAG Solutions Meeting Presentation**

- Brant led the OSC review and discussion on the upcoming MVST TAG Solutions meeting presentation that will be held tomorrow afternoon - August 22nd. He highlighted how the MVST Solutions were evaluated and MVST scoring system that was used in selecting the solutions. Brant then provided a detailed review of each of the MVST solutions that would address the various DEP and DEC needs that were previously identified. He concluded with a review of the next steps which includes TAG submitting alternative solutions and the updated MVST activities timeline. After discussion, the OSC approved Brant's MVST TAG Solutions meeting presentation for tomorrow's meeting.

### **2025 Base Reliability and Local Economic Study Activities Update**

- Sid DeSouza and Orvane Piper provided the OSC with an opportunity to review and discuss the 2025 preliminary Reliability Study results. The plan is to have the PWG review and provide the OSC with their input on these preliminary study results by August 28th. Once the OSC receives the PWG input then the OSC will have the opportunity to review and approve the preliminary study results by noon on September 4th. This will allow the preliminary study results to be distributed to the TAG and posted on the CTPC website on September 4th so that these results can be presented at the 3rd Quarter TAG meeting on September 18th.
- Sid and Orvane also reported on the status of the Local Economic study analysis. They reported that this study analysis would not be completed, then reviewed and approved in time to present at the September 18th TAG meeting. The OSC acknowledged that an additional TAG meeting will need to be scheduled likely in October to present these Local Economic study results.

### **RZEP Project Status Update**

- Sammy Roberts reported on the Lee - Milburnie 230 kV rebuild project. The DOE had an initial 120-Day extension for making payment schedule decisions for DOE GRIP IIJA grants. The DOE initiated another 120-day extension that ends at the end of August. Duke expects a payment schedule decision from the DOE for the Lee - Milburnie 230kV rebuild project hopefully in September. Duke is working closely with the NC State Energy Office on coordinating this grant payment schedule.
- Sammy reported that 5 RZEP 1.0 projects are complete and in-service. All the remaining RZEP 1.0 projects will be completed and in service by the end of 2026

with the with exception of the Robinson-Rockingham 115 project that will be completed by mid-2027.

### **CTPC Website Update**

- Bill Quaintance reported that the NCTPC website is no longer operational. Duke did copy all the NCTPC files and is in the process of providing a link so that these legacy files can be retrieved through the current CTPC website.
- Rich Wodyka provided a brief update on a couple of the issues he is still having with the [Carolinastpc.org](http://Carolinastpc.org) website.

### **OSC Scope**

- Joe Mason reported that NCEC continues their review of the OSC Scope document changes that were proposed. The OSC agreed to defer the final resolution of the proposed changes to the next OSC meeting.

### **PWG Scope**

- The OSC agreed to defer approval of the PWG Scope document until the OSC Scope document was ready for final review and approval.

### **Other Items**

#### **Project Updates**

- No update.

#### **Open Discussion**

- Bob Pierce led an OSC discussion related to the ongoing industry discussions related to the impact of data centers. The OSC agreed to continue these discussions and exchange information as the impact of data centers continues to evolve.

### **Upcoming CTPC OSC and TAG Activities**

- Joe Mason led the OSC review and discussion on the list of upcoming OSC and TAG activities and dates. The proposed activities discussed were:
  - 8/22/25 – MVST Solutions Meeting
  - 09/18/25 – OSC Meeting in person at Duke Energy Fairfax Operations Center in Greensboro, NC

- 09/18/25 – TAG 3rd Quarter Meeting
- XX/XX/XX – Revise OSC and PWG Scope documents (NCEMC to review)
- These activities and dates will be updated as the various 2025 Study Activities and MVST Activities proceed over the next several weeks.

#### **2025 OSC and TAG Meeting Schedule**

- The OSC reviewed the upcoming meeting dates and times. The date and time for the 4th Quarter TAG meeting still needs to be scheduled.

August 22, 2025	MVST Solutions Meeting 01:30 pm - 3:00 pm	TAG Meeting Webex
September 18, 2025	OSC - 10:00 am - 12:00 pm	OSC Meeting In Greensboro, NC
September 18, 2025	TAG 3rd Quarter 01:30 pm - 3:00 pm	TAG Meeting Webex
October 23, 2025	OSC - 10:00 am - 12:00 pm	OSC Meeting Webex
November 20, 2025	OSC - 10:00 am - 12:00 pm	OSC Meeting Webex
December 16, 2025	OSC - 01:00 pm - 3:00 pm	OSC Meeting Webex
December TBD	TAG 4th Quarter Meeting	TAG Meeting Webex