



Lincoln Electric System

LES RESOLUTION 2025-3

WHEREAS, LES produces an annual, long-range forecast projecting future system load levels;

WHEREAS, the Southwest Power Pool (SPP) has proposed new planning reserve requirements;

WHEREAS, based on the annual, long-range forecast and SPP planning reserve requirements, LES may have a need for additional generating capacity to meet future projected load levels;

WHEREAS, SPP allows for the purchase of accredited capacity from a specific generation resource to meet SPP planning reserve requirements, without the requirement to purchase energy from said resource;

WHEREAS, LES desires the ability to purchase accredited capacity as necessary to support compliance with LES's obligations as a Load Responsible Entity (LRE) within SPP;

WHEREAS, LES has solicited, and may continue to solicit, proposals for accredited capacity, or respond to entities that have issued proposals to sell accredited capacity;

WHEREAS, LES staff will review and evaluate solicitations in accordance with prudent business practices, risk mitigation considerations, and LES's objective to minimize power supply costs to LES's customers;

WHEREAS, LES and any potential partner will negotiate a contract specifying the terms and conditions of LES's purchase; and

WHEREAS, LES staff will review any potential accredited capacity purchases with the Board Operations & Power Supply Committee prior to execution of a contract.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the LES Administrative Board authorizes contracts to purchase accredited capacity required to support compliance with SPP planning reserve requirements and LES's obligations as a Load Responsible Entity on terms and conditions consistent with the following parameters:

- a) Prudent business practices;
- b) Risk mitigation considerations;
- c) LES's objective to minimize power supply costs to LES's customers;
- d) Individual capacity contract terms will be limited to a maximum of five years; and
- e) Individual capacity contracts will be limited to a maximum of 100 MW.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the LES Administrative Board authorizes the LES Chief Executive Officer and staff to execute contracts for the purchase of accredited capacity with any ultimately selected partners consistent with the parameters outlined herein.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this authorization shall be valid for all contracts entered into before midnight on March 21, 2026.

Chair

Adopted: _____