

CONDITIONS OF ASSOCIATE MEMBERSHIP

Subject to review and approval by the Executive Committee or its designees, an entity that is not qualified to become a WSPP member may submit its application to become an Associate Member of the WSPP. The Associate Member classification is intended for entities working closely with bulk electric industry trading participants but that are not themselves engaged in trading.

While the Associate Membership has many benefits, Associate Members are not allowed to use the WSPP Agreement. In addition, the WSPP stresses that Associate members not take advantage of the WSPP's membership roster for purposes not beneficial to the organization's mission. This includes self-serving emails or any unsolicited information that may be considered spam by the recipient. As currently stated, the WSPP's mission is "to provide a catalyst for an efficient and robust wholesale electric power market. WSPP accomplishes this by providing networking opportunities to promote meaningful trading relationships and by facilitating refinements to the WSPP Agreement to keep it current and relevant." Any conduct of an Associate Member that is deemed to be inconsistent with the WSPP's mission may result in disciplinary action by the Executive Committee or its designee(s), including termination of membership without refunds.

An Associate Member that, subsequent to approval of its membership or any renewal thereof becomes eligible to become a WSPP member (that is, it qualifies as an Electric Utility, Retail Entity, Qualifying Facility or Demand Response Entity, as such terms are defined in the WSPP Agreement), must apply for full WSPP membership within thirty (30) days of becoming so eligible.

Any violation of the conditions described above, as deemed by the Executive Committee may result in actions to remove the Associate Member, terminate its membership or refuse to renew it for another year. Similarly, an Associate Member that (i) becomes eligible to become a WSPP member but fails to apply for such change in membership status or (ii) utilizes the WSPP Agreement during its period of Associate Membership, may be denied admission as a WSPP member.