GMAC Executive Committee Nominations

Statements of Candidacy

For the voting member seats (two seats available)

• Sarah Bresolin Silver, Director, Government & Regulatory Affairs, ENGIE North America

I would like to join the Executive Committee to further assist the GMAC accomplish its mission by ensuring meaningful and efficient engagements, processes, and issue prioritization. I believe that I would be a valuable member of the Executive Committee because I have experience engaging, managing, and working with consultants while working in the Massachusetts state government and in the private sector. Also, I have significant experience leading and working in formal stakeholder processes and informal coalitions, representing diverse interests, and competing priorities. Thank you for your consideration.

• Kyle Murray, Senior Advocate and Massachusetts Program Director, Acadia Center

I believe the GMAC, and by extension the Executive Committee of the GMAC, will help guide our Commonwealth to comprehensive and state-of-the-art grid modernization plans and a transparent and open stakeholder process to address these important issues and meet the urgency of the climate crisis. As the environmental representative on the GMAC, I see my constituency as including both the traditional environmental advocacy community, and, more importantly, environmental justice populations. I hope to use my position on the executive committee of the GMAC to ensure that utility grid modernization plans are regularly updated, maximize benefits equitably delivered to ratepayers, and provide for greater stakeholder input and public participation.

Acadia Center has long been a pillar of utility planning reform in the region and helped create and has served on the Executive Committee of the Energy Efficiency Advisory Council. In addition to developing and drafting the initial legislation which created the GMAC, Acadia Center has long been a thought leader in grid modernization. Acadia Center has intervened at each grid modernization docket dating back to 2012. We have also published multiple reports on related matters, including UtilityVision (which outlines the specific steps needed to create a new energy system that both meets our needs and supports a fair, healthy economy and environment) and RESPECT (which proposes key reforms to utility planning processes to ensure that utility investments and decision-making are aligned with state goals to address climate pollution, further environmental justice, and lower consumer costs). I would be honored to be able to represent the Council on the Executive Committee.

For the non-voting member seat (one seat available)

• **Digaunto Chatterjee**, Vice President – System Planning, Eversource

I joined Eversource in 2019 – and within this short time, have completely revamped every aspect of our planning process to ensure the Company delivers on the Commonwealth's Clean Energy Plan. We've demonstrated industry thought leadership in <u>DER Group Studies</u>, <u>Cost Allocation</u>, Electrification Demand Assessment <u>translating policy objectives to substation level electric</u> <u>demand impacts</u>, <u>Non-Wires Planning</u>, Substation <u>Advanced Planning Analytical Methods</u>, Complex T&D <u>Substation Design</u> (East Cambridge is a one of its kind in the nation substation of this size completely underground), <u>Battery Storage</u> (Provincetown is a one of its kind first grid forming inverter distribution system battery storage in the nation).

I bring with me not just my Eversource New England planning ground, Energy Finance, Energy Consulting but Transmission Planning and Cost Allocation domain expertise from Midwest. As the Executive Committee non-voting member, bringing my about 25 year experience in the power sector, I can be the sounding board for voting members to fulfill their responsibilities laid out within the charter.

• **Carol Sedewitz**, Vice President, New England Electric Asset Management & Engineering, National Grid

My technical expertise and management skills in utility planning and infrastructure development, commitment to collaborative engagement to achieve a shared goal and track record of delivering results enable me to represent the utilities' perspective on the Executive Committee in a positive, productive way.

Currently I oversee the approximately 300 employees and contractors in National Grid's New England Electric Asset Management and Engineering function who plan and deliver infrastructure work for our customers. The work we do enables the clean energy future while maintaining a grid that is safe and reliable. In leading this organization, I have found that when an organization or committee has a shared purpose, openly and actively listens to the opinions of others, and implements those ideas, great outcomes can be achieved. Truly listening to the needs of our stakeholders and working to address their needs while delivering complex projects is critical to our success in this endeavor, and I would bring those experiences to the Executive Committee of the GMAC to facilitate GMAC's role in making our collective shared goal of a clean energy future a reality.

I believe I can bring utility technical support to the Executive Committee the in a uniquely collaborative manner. I've had the opportunity to work on several major initiatives and projects. I served on the Joint National Grid/Eversource Project Boards for the NEEWS (New England East West Solution) Project, the Greater Boston Projects, and first competitive solicitation under the FERC 1000 for the Tewksbury STATCOM. I served as a member of the NY State Transmission Assessment and Reliability Study that paved the way for future FERC 1000 studies and projects in NY. I serve on many internal National Grid project delivery boards for major projects within our New England business – including responsibility for delivering our Grid Modernization suite of projects. I also have a certificate in Asset Management from the Institute of Asset Management, where we focus on ensuring the asset management work we do is coordinated in deriving value from ones assets by managing the cost, risk, opportunities and benefits.

I have also had the opportunity to work on the Board of the Northeast Power Coordinating Council for the past seven years and have been a member of the CIGRE US Executive Committee for the past year. The work on these industry boards has further enabled me to address the technical challenges we face in the industry as we move towards high penetration of renewable generation sources.

In closing, I am submitting this self-nomination because I believe the activity of the GMAC and the Executive Committee is extremely important to the Commonwealth, and I and National Grid are committed to working collaboratively to shape that future. If I am selected for the Executive Committee, I will dedicate and free up the time necessary to meet the needs of the Executive Committee and of the GMAC generally.