

**Great River Energy Board Meeting Summary**  
**April 2-3, 2025**  
**Maple Grove, Minnesota**

**Topics of interest from the April board meeting**

- CEO update** President and CEO David Saggau provided the following report:
- ▶ The 2025 margin is \$9.1M compared to a budgeted margin of \$5.8M, for a positive variance of \$3.3M. The PCA through February is a \$2.5M charge to members.
  - ▶ Demand and energy sales are 7.4% and 0.8% higher than budget, respectively.
  - ▶ Members have expressed concerns about United States-Canada trade measures. GRE and member-owners have provided information to member-consumers and media as needed.
  - ▶ USDA outlined the next steps to release previously obligated New ERA funding.
  - ▶ Meetings attended: MMG leadership; John Twiest, Arrowhead Cooperative CEO; March MMG; and board officers.
  - ▶ Upcoming meetings: Fitch Ratings; April MMG; employee communication meeting; NRECA D.C. legislative conference; HERC tour; GRE board meetings; ACES board meeting; and S&P Global Ratings.
- Financial update** Vice President and Chief Financial Officer Michelle Strobel provided an overview of February financial results.
- ▶ The February margin was \$5.6M compared to a budgeted margin of \$5.3M for a favorable variance of \$0.3M.
  - ▶ Member revenue is \$7.2M above budget, non-member revenue under budget \$(1.1)M, and non-operating revenue above budget \$0.3M.
  - ▶ Ownership expenses are \$1.2M under budget, fuel expenses under budget \$5.5M, purchased power over budget \$(7.8)M, O&M expenses over budget \$(2.0)M, and the margin is a favorable variance of \$3.3M.
  - ▶ The PCA for February is a \$0.7M charge to members. Michelle discussed the PCA by resource.
- Reliability** System Operations Director Mark Peterson shared the 2024 transmission system reliability report. It was the third best year on record and included several all-time-best reliability metrics.
- Business improvement** Portfolio Project Manager Bill Gallagher presented a business improvement for a capacity upgrade at the Elk River Peaking Station through the installation of a wet compression pump at the facility.
- Consent agenda** A number of items were approved on the consent agenda, including an equity-to-capitalization ratio plan.

For more information about the April meeting of GRE's board of directors, contact Daniel Becchetti, communications and marketing manager, at 763-445-5706.