



COMMISSION POLICY

Commission Committees

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1.0 INTRODUCTION

With this policy, the Commission establishes its purpose and the means by which it creates and empowers committees to assist the Commission in its work. This policy applies to any group formed by Commission action, whether or not it is called a committee. It does not apply to committees formed under the authority of the General Manager.

2.0 POLICY

Commission committees, when created, will be used to reinforce the wholeness of the Commission and never to interfere with the delegation of authority from the Commission to the General Manager or to any officer of the Commission.

Consistent with this general statement:

1. The Commission will use committees sparingly and only for as long as required to accomplish its purposes. Committees may be appropriate in circumstances where the Commission recognizes the need for more in-depth review of information and issues, and where a committee is the best way to make effective and efficient use of available Commission member expertise and time.
2. When the Commission creates a committee, it will by majority vote appoint Commission members to committees and remove or replace them, as appropriate.
3. Commission committees may not convene a meeting that includes a quorum of the Commission.
4. Commission committees may not speak or act for the Commission except when formally given such authority for specific and time-limited purposes. Expectations and authorities will be carefully stated in order not to conflict with authority delegated to the General Manager or Commission President.
5. Commission committees may not exercise authority over management and staff employees. The General Manager is accountable to the whole Commission and is not required to obtain approval of any Commission committee before taking an executive action.

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POLICY HISTORY:

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