

	Become a MISO Member	Become a MISO Market Participant	Participate through the Environmental, State Regulatory Authority or Public Consumer Stakeholder Groups*	Participate through the Affiliate Stakeholder Sector**
Requirements				
Who is Eligible?	A person or business entity which is (1) an Eligible Customer (Non-Transmission Owner) or (2) an Owner (Transmission Owner), and which pays the non-refundable membership fee. (See descriptions below)	A legal Entity certified by MISO and registered to participate in the Open Access Transmission, Energy and Operating Reserve Markets.	Must request and receive acceptance by one of these Stakeholder Groups	Entities that do not elect to participate in one of the other Stakeholder Groups or do not otherwise meet the membership criteria of those groups.
Fees/Financial Considerations	One-time, non-refundable \$15,000 membership application fee plus an annual fee of \$1,000 (payable in March)	Applicants must meet MISO's eligibility Requirements	None	None
Process to engage	Complete the appropriate Membership application to begin the process, or email membership@misoenergy.org	Email MISO's Registration Team to begin the process Registration	Email MISO's Engagement Team	Email MISO's Engagement Team
Key Elements of Engagement				
Able to <u>attend</u> stakeholder meetings	✓	✓	✓	✓
Participate at the Advisory Committee (through sector representatives only)	✓		✓	✓
All other Entities	✓	✓	✓	✓
Eligible to <u>vote</u> on the following:				
MISO Board Members	✓			
MISO Board Member Compensation	✓			
Matters before the Advisory Committee, Planning Advisory Committee and Finance Subcommittee (through sector representatives)	✓		✓	
Matters before all other stakeholder Entities (Committees)	✓		✓	✓
Able to engage in market-related activities, including submitting bids to purchase energy and offers to supply energy and operating reserves, holding financial transmission or auction revenue rights		✓		

The Transmission Owners Agreement defines a “Member” as:

a person or business entity which is (i) an Eligible Customer, (i.e., [Non Transmission Owner](#)) as defined in the Tariff, or (ii) an Owner (i.e., a [Transmission Owner](#)), as defined herein, and which pays to MISO, the non-refundable membership fees as required herein.

More specifically, MISO’s Tariff defines “Eligible Customer” as:

(i) Any electric utility (including the Transmission Owner(s), ITC Participants(s), and any power marketer), Market Participant, Federal Power Marketing Agency, or any person generating electric Energy for sale or for resale is an Eligible Customer under this Tariff. Electric Energy sold or produced by such entity may be electric Energy produced in the United States, Canada or Mexico. However, with respect to transmission service that the Commission is prohibited from ordering by § 212(h) of the Federal Power Act, such entity is eligible only if the service is provided pursuant to a state requirement that a Transmission Owner or ITC Participant offer the unbundled transmission service, or pursuant to a voluntary offer of such service by a Transmission Owner or ITC Participant; or

(ii) Any retail customer taking unbundled transmission service pursuant to a state requirement that a Transmission Owner or ITC Participant offer the transmission service, or pursuant to a voluntary offer of such service by a Transmission Owner or ITC Participant, that is an Eligible Customer under this Tariff. Unbundled retail customers that seek to take local distribution service cannot be Eligible Customers under this Tariff with respect to that service.

* Entities comprising the Environmental stakeholder group are not members of MISO; rather, they are representatives of stakeholder groups serving on the Advisory Committee, which have been chosen by recognized environmental stakeholder organizations having an interest in the activities of MISO. The entities comprising this special interest group have been granted voting rights in MISO’s stakeholder process. Entities comprising the state regulatory authorities and public consumer groups are not members of MISO; rather, they are (i) representatives of state regulatory authorities serving on the Advisory Committee, which have been chosen by entities that regulate the retail electric or distribution rates of the Owners who are signatories to the Transmission Owners Agreement or (ii) representatives of public consumer groups serving on the Advisory Committee, which have been chosen by recognized consumer organizations having an interest in the activities of MISO. The entities comprising this special interest group have been granted voting rights in MISO’s stakeholder process.

**The entities comprising the affiliate stakeholder group on the Advisory Committee are those that do not elect to participate in a different stakeholder group or do not otherwise meet a different stakeholder group’s respective guideline. The affiliate stakeholder group is not eligible to vote on matters under the Advisory Committee or the Planning Advisory Committee since it does not constitute any one of the twenty-five (25) representatives of the Advisory Committee nor one (1) of the representatives on the Planning Advisory Committee. Entities comprising the affiliate stakeholder group may also consist of Members of MISO as well as non-MISO members.