



<b>Description of Meeting:</b>	<b>NTTG Planning Committee Meeting</b>
<b>Meeting Date:</b>	<b>February 11, 2009</b>
<b>Meeting Minutes Prepared By:</b>	<b>Lynn Jesus-Olhausen</b>
<b>Approved to Post:</b>	<b>August 12, 2009</b>

**Attendee List:** Jamie Austin, Rich Bayless, Orlando Ciniglio, Brian DeKiep, Eric Egge, Marshall Empey, Lynn Jesus-Olhausen, John Leland, Ryan Munson, Jeff Newby, Steven Wallace, Darrell Zlomke

**Not in Attendance:** Arlo Corwin, Darrell Gerrard, Derrick Harris, Sharon Helms, Bill Hosie, Paul Kjellander, Ron Schellberg, Kip Sikes, Jim Tucker

**1. Agenda:**

- Initial Comments on the Draft Biennial Plan Report
- Further Definition of Additional Power Flows Study Matrix
- Economic Studies Tasks
- Division of Labor
- TEPPC Report Update (New Agenda Item proposed by Rich Bayless)

**2. Discussions & Decisions:**

**Discussion: Initial Comments on the Draft Biennial Plan Report**

- The draft biennial plan report is now posted and available for review and comment.
- There is a general consensus from the feedback received to date that the report needs to have more detail. This will be developed and incorporated closer to the completion of the final plan report.

**Discussion: Further Definition of Additional Power Flows Study Matrix/Economic Study Tasks**

- The Technical Work Group was not able to develop a matrix, due to uncertainty about what such studies are to accomplish or illustrate and parameters around study guidelines.
- Within the NTTG footprint, there is currently more generation than required load. It would be most beneficial to study exports moving through the NTTG footprint to elsewhere, using the proposed transmission within the footprint, and look for where there be may be problems exporting or moving power over transmission.
  - The export will be studied to the NTTG boundary and not beyond. These studies are not for validating projects outside the NTTG footprint. If more work detail is desired in moving transmission beyond the NTTG boundary, then NTTG will initiate coordination with the appropriate sub-regional group at that time.
- Prioritization will follow a 'two bucket theory' – one bucket is for ensuring NTTG compliance with FERC Order 890 and the other bucket is for anything beyond the first bucket. Bucket one will have priority.
  - Some duplication of work will be inherent between local, sub-regional and regional entities as the sub-regional groups fulfill the requirements of Order 890.
- Some other study parameters agreed upon:
  - Adjust generation rather than adjusting load or creating a phantom load.
  - Three resource-rich areas for exporting transmission will be Montana, Wyoming and Eastern Oregon.
  - Keep the focus on the NTTG footprint, and clearly outline details of any assumptions being made.
- The base cases should be maintained with the original data and frequent data additions should be avoided to preserve the base case integrity.



**Discussion: Division of labor**

- PGE (Heavy Summer) and NWE (Light Autumn) will work on the power flow studies.
- PAC and IPCO will work on the economic studies.
- Orlando will assist as needed and available to assist with power flows and to maintain the ftp site and database.

**Discussion: TEPPC Report Update**

- An NTTG activity summary is needed for the WECC TEPPC 2008 Annual Report.
- Please review and send comment to Rich Bayless on the draft he's written as soon as possible.

**Next Meeting: Next Meeting:** The next Northern Tier Planning Committee meeting is scheduled for February 18<sup>th</sup>, 2009 at 1:00PM Pacific.

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