

Description of Meeting: NTTG Transmission Use Committee Friday, April 4, 2008 – 8:30 am

Meeting Minutes Prepared By: Sharon Helms

Members Present: Kathy Anderson, Brian Weber, Pat Weeres

Members Absent: Jim Tucker

Other Participants: Christine Draper, Kurt Granat, Sharon Helms

1. Meeting Purpose

- Review and approve required timing modifications the NTTG Transmission Use Economic Study Request Prioritization Process
- Review and categorize study requests

Review and agree on April 8 Stakeholder presentation materials

2. Discussions/Decisions:

Discussion:

- The Chair led the Committee through a review of:
 - Existing and proposed changes to the NTTG Transmission Use Economic Study Request Prioritization Process
 - Proposed criteria for categorizing study requests; and
 - o Draft presentation materials for the April 8, 2008 Stakeholder Meeting

Decisions:

- The requirement to have ¾ of the Transmission Use Committee membership present to establish a quorum was met
- Modifications to the NTTG Transmission Use Economic Study Request (ESR) Process are
 required to align the Attachment K timing requirements with the NTTG process. Sharon Helms
 was delegated responsibility to coordinate required modifications with the Planning and
 Transmission Use Committee. Upon consensus with the Planning Committee Chair to the
 revised process, Brian Weber will call for Transmission Use Committee approval via email. The
 modified and approved process is to be posted on the NTTG website.
- No ESRs were received from Deseret, PacifiCorp, or Idaho Power Company. Three ESRs were submitted by Northwestern Energy Company, one of which was designated by Northwestern as local and committed by Northwestern Energy to be completed under their local Attachment K process.
- The Committee reviewed and unanimously agreed on the protocols for classifying sub-regional requests.
- The PPL Energy Plus # 1 request to study congestion caused by the addition of 400 MW of shaped storage in Montana was determined to require both NTTG and other non-NTTG entity participation. This request was subsequently classified as <u>regional</u> per the approved categorization protocols and the recommendation was that it should be passed onto WECC. The vote passed unanimously.
- The recommendation by the Committee was that PPL Energy Plus #2 request to study the effects of pancaking did not meet the definition of an economic study request. The vote passed unanimously.