



May 14, 2008

Dear NTTG Transmission Provider,

The Northern Tier Transmission Group (NTTG) Transmission Use Committee (TUC) has reviewed the requests for the economic congestion study submitted to the Northern Tier Transmission Group in 2008. The study requests were compared to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's (FERC's) Order No. 890, the sub-regional Attachment K language in the respective transmission providers' Open Access Transmission Tariff, and the NTTG protocols. Below is a summary of the study requests and categorized results. Also, below are the results of the 2008 prioritization that was completed at the April 8, 2008 public stakeholder meeting in Salt Lake City, Utah.

Summary of submittals and transmission use categorization

NTTG Transmission Provider	Submitting Entity	Categorization	Economic Study Request?
Deseret Generation and Transmission cooperative	No study requests received	n/a	n/a
Idaho Power Company	No study requests received	n/a	n/a
Northwestern Energy Company	Montana Wind Working Group #1	Local	Yes
Northwestern Energy Company	PPL Energy Plus #1	Regional	Yes
Northwestern Energy Company	PPL Energy Plus #2	Sub-Regional	No
PacifiCorp	No study requests received	n/a	n/a

It is our understanding that the Montana Wind Working Group #1 will be completed by NorthWestern Energy Company, under the terms of the respective local planning process as defined in their Attachment K. NorthWestern Energy is requested to submit the results of this study, when complete, to the NTTG Planning Committee for incorporation into the sub-regional planning process.

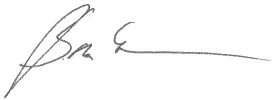
The PPL Energy Plus #1 study request will be forwarded to the Western Electricity Coordinating Council for consideration in their next regional economic study cycle.

The PPL Energy Plus #2 study request was determined by the TUC to be an analysis of rate pancaking, which is outside the scope of the FERC Order 890 requirements. As such, a study will not be completed as part of the Attachment K requirements. This customer can submit a rate study recommendation at the next public stakeholder meeting as part of the ongoing NTTG TUC processes.

No voting was undertaken at the April 8, 2008 meeting as there were no sub-regional study requests received by NTTG from its member transmission providers.

For more information please refer to the posted presentation and the protocols posted on the NTTG website, www.NTTG.biz.

On behalf of the Northern Tier Transmission Group Transmission Use Committee,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Brian Weber", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Brian Weber, Chair, Transmission Use Committee
Northern Tier Transmission Group

cc: Sharon Helms, NTTG Program Mgr.
NTTG TUC