

Description of Meeting:	NTTG Cost Allocation Committee
Meeting Date:	June 24, 2015
Meeting Notes Prepared By:	Amy Wachsnicht
Approved for Posting:	July 29, 2015

1. Agenda:

- a. Establish Quorum & Agenda Review
- b. Approval:
 - i. June 10, 2015 Cost Allocation Committee Meeting Notes
 - ii. June 17, 2015 Cost Allocation Committee Meeting Notes
- c. Cost Allocation Template with Final Cost Allocation Results
- d. Cost Allocation Report: Draft Regional Transmission Plan
- e. Cost Allocation Committee Presentation Review
- f. Round Table/Other Business
- g. Next Steps

2. Discussions & Decisions:

Decision: Approval of June 10, 2015 Cost Allocation Committee Meeting Notes

- This approval item was moved to the end of the agenda to provide more time to obtain quorum.
- There were no additional comments or modifications to the meeting notes.
- Belinda Kolb motioned to approve the meeting notes and Johanna Bell seconded.
 - The meeting notes were approved, with an abstention by Ray Brush.

Decision: Approval of June 17, 2015 Cost Allocation Committee Meeting Notes

- This approval item was moved to the end of the agenda to provide more time to obtain quorum.
- Modifications were incorporated during the review.
- Ray Brush motioned to approve the meeting notes and Clay MacArthur seconded.
 - The meeting notes were approved, with an abstention by Ray Brush.

Discussion: Cost Allocation Template with Final Cost Allocation Results

- Due to the interdependence with the Planning Committee/Technical Workgroup, work results have been integrated as late as today.
- Meeting material was distributed on June 22, 2015. John Leland noted that the draft of the CAC template and accompanying text that was sent has since had revisions due to continued work efforts.
- Some data has been rearranged within the template. Also some data in the losses section has been updated. John therefore revised the graphic to match the data.
- Recent changes as of today include:
 - Losses: John corrected a formula regarding allocation to three beneficiaries. After meetings with the Legal Committee the initial goal was to identify individual LSE's. Due to confidentiality for the LSE's this level of information could not be included.
 - The Q4 alternative plan developed replaced the Gateway West project with a smaller project similar to the Q1 Gateway project. After the initial planning and cost allocation process was completed, a change to the plan was required due the identification of a load and resources deficiency of 1800 MW. This shortage was made up by adding 712 MW of new wind and 1100 MW of existing generation. This generation was not dispatched in the original

plan. After these load and resource changes were made, the Q4 alternative project analysis did not result in reliable system operation so the cost allocation modeling needed to be adjusted. This resulted in an allocation ratio change as seen in the current template.

- For Scenario A and B, there was 387MW of PacifiCorp load changed in the LSE portion as a result of Scenario A and B assumption.
- In the final portion the loss benefit remains the same with transmission providers and the numbers have been adjusted appropriately via the formula correction to pick up the pertinent generation missed.
- While continued learning is expected and noted, this will continue to evolve in future planning cycles.
- There was new generation in the Wyoming area with a clear path to the Pacific NW area. When looking at the alternative projects this path was cut and ended in Idaho area. With the added alternative project losses increased in the NorthWestern/PacifiCorp area and the Portland area changed due to not receiving the direct load via Boardman-Hemingway.
- This template workbook is now considered complete and no more revisions (other than adding the previously mentioned text regarding assumptions) are expected.
- The template workbook will be attached as an Appendix to the report.

Discussion: Cost Allocation Report: Draft Final Regional Transmission Plan

- John will update the written report to reflect the latest changes from the template workbook.
 - One thing in the report, but not in the templates is the mention that with the allocation information provided there needs to be contact information. This is currently being worked through due to confidentiality issues with identifying the specific LSE's.
 - Shay had a meeting with Malcolm in regard to the confidentiality issue. It was determined that the LSE, in the case of the capital cost benefit in this analysis, is PacifiCorp. The LSE's in PacifiCorp's BAA are PacifiCorp's customers so the place for a potential sponsor to start in gathering further information could be PacifiCorp.
 - This is not a guarantee of what exactly the ownership-like rights are, but is a starting point of contact for parties.
- Shay suggested that it would be beneficial to have Malcolm review the caveats that are to be included in the report.
- All of the assumptions from the cost allocation analysis need to be explicitly stated in the report. There was also support to add text regarding this in the template worksheet.
- Lessons learned will be updated and captured in the report.
- John will send out an updated report by end of day today. Please submit comments (and reply all) by end of day 6/25/15. John will incorporate and redistribute on 6/26/15.

Discussion: Cost Allocation Committee Presentation Review

- John updated the PowerPoint slides that were distributed today to capture the latest revisions from the template workbook.

Discussion: Round Table/Other Business

- The Western Regions Planning Group will be meeting tomorrow via webinar.

Discussion: Next Steps

- A July 1st CAC meeting was added to debrief after the stakeholder meeting and develop next steps for finalizing the regional transmission plan.



1. Assignments:

Item #	Assignment	Owner	Target Date	Status
1.	Update report with latest information from template workbook	J. Leland	06/24/15 by 5PM (MDT)	
2.	Submit any comments on template workbook and report to all and John will incorporate	All	6/25/15 by 5PM (MDT)	
3.	Redistribute template workbook and report with any modifications	J. Leland	06/26/15	
4.	Post stakeholder materials for June 30 th meeting	S. Helm/ A. Wachsnicht	06/25/15 goal, but not later than 6/29/15	
5.	Continue weekly meeting invites	A. Wachsnicht	06/24/15	

Next Meeting: The next Northern Tier Cost Allocation Committee Meeting is scheduled for July 1st at 11am Pacific.

- Dial: **(630) 869-1013**
- Access Code: **579-186-509**

Attendees:

<u>NTTG Cost Allocation Committee Member Representatives</u>		
Membership Class 1		
Ray Brush, NorthWestern	Shay LaBray, PacifiCorp	Courtney Waites, Idaho Power
Marshall Empey, UAMPS	Clay MacArthur, Deseret	
Membership Class 2		
Johanna Bell, Idaho PUC	Marci Norby, WY PSC	Bela Vastag, UT OF CS
Belinda Kolb, WY OFC CA	Margo Schurman, MT PSC	Joni Zenger, UT Div. PU
<u>Other NTTG Members & Guests</u>		
Gil Coulam, NTTG	John Leland, NTTG	Amy Wachsnicht, NTTG
Sharon Helms, NTTG	Jamie Stamatson, MT CC	