

Description of Meeting: Cost Allocation Committee Meeting

Meeting Date: August 31, 2009

Meeting Minutes Prepared By: Lynn Jesus-Olhausen

Approved to Post: | September 21, 2009

Attendee List: Rich Bayless, Brian DeKiep, Marshall Empey, Bryce Freeman, Lynn Jesus-Olhausen, Larry Nordell, Lou Ann Westerfield, Curt Winterfeld, Darrell Zlomke

Not in Attendance: Marc Hellman, Sharon Helms, Sam Liu, Jim Logan, Matt Muldoon, Marcy Norby, Joni Zenger

1. Agenda:

- Review Notes from the August 24, 2009 Cost Allocation Meeting and Approve to Post
- Update on Cost Allocation Recommendation
 - Public Comment Period
 - o Portland General Electric Update
- FERC Technical Conference
 - AWEA/RNP Open Season Request
- Next Steps/Next Call

2. Decisions / Discussions:

Discussion: Review Notes from the August 24, 2009 Cost Allocation Meeting and Approve to Post

Approved to post as-is.

Discussion: Update on Cost Allocation Recommendation

- Review of the draft language for inclusion of NTTG's economic study results will be done on September 7, 2009. Matt Muldoon and Brian DeKiep are currently developing the draft language.
- Public Comment Period
 - No additional comments have been received to date.
- Portland General Electric Update
 - Portland General Electric is currently working on the additional information the committee requested in regard to the Southern Crossing project.

Discussion: FERC Technical Conference

- Marshall Empey and Curt Winterfeld will be attending the conference in person.
- AWEA/RNP
 - AWEA and RNP have met with ColumbiaGrid asking for them to support scoping a region wide open season process. ColumbiaGrid has agreed to support scoping the process and will include their support in their transmittal letter for their upcoming Order 890 compliance filings.
 - A region wide open season process is more of a planning process than a cost allocation process.



- Opportunities currently exist in the NTTG planning process for open participation.
 Stakeholder participation by any party is continually and openly encouraged by NTTG.
- In regard to the issue of a region wide tariff, NTTG currently does not have a mechanism for this. There is also a circuit court decision that does not support a regional tariff.

Discussion: Next Steps/Next Call

- Labor Day
 - The Cost Allocation meeting scheduled for September 7, 2009 is cancelled in observance of Labor Day.

3. Assignments:

Item#	Assignment	Owner	Target Date	Status
1.	Complete draft language of economic study results for the committee's recommendation	M. Muldoon and B. DeKiep	09/07/09	

Next Meeting: Next Meeting: The next Northern Tier Cost Allocation Committee meeting is scheduled for September 14, 2009 at 1:00PM Pacific.

- o Voice Conference Mtg. **503-813-5600** (toll free #800-503-3360)
- o Meeting ID **688444** and password **123456**