

<b>Description of Meeting:</b>	<b>Cost Allocation Committee Meeting</b>
<b>Meeting Date:</b>	<b>November 2, 2009</b>
<b>Meeting Minutes Prepared By:</b>	<b>Lynn Jesus-Olhausen</b>
<b>Approved to Post:</b>	<b>November 9, 2009</b>

**Attendee List:** Rich Bayless, Brian DeKiep, Lynn Jesus-Olhausen, Sam Liu, Matt Muldoon, Marcy Norby, Larry Nordell, Cory Scott, Lou Ann Westerfield, Curt Winterfeld, Darrell Zlomke

**Not in Attendance:** Marshall Empey, Bryce Freeman, Marc Hellman, Sharon Helms, Jim Logan, Joni Zenger

## 1. Agenda:

- Review Notes from the October 26, 2009 Cost Allocation Meeting and Approve to Post
- Update on Cost Allocation Recommendation
- NTTG States Response to FERC NORC for September 2009 Technical Conferences
- Roundtable/Next Steps

## 2. Decisions / Discussions:

### **Discussion: Review Notes from the October 26, 2009 Cost Allocation Meeting and Approve to Post**

- Approved to post as-is.

### **Discussion: Update on Cost Allocation Recommendation**

- The Cost Allocation Draft Recommendation is now posted. Please submit any comments via email to Lynn Jesus-Olhausen.
- The public comment period will end on Nov 13<sup>th</sup>.
- The Planning Committee's final draft report will be posted on the NTTG website and available for public comment for the same time period (Nov 2<sup>nd</sup>-Nov 13<sup>th</sup>.)

### **Discussion: NTTG States Response to FERC NORC for September 2009 Technical Conferences**

- There has been an extension for submission of the FERC NORC responses to Nov 23<sup>rd</sup>.
- The Legal Work Group will be meeting tomorrow, Nov 3<sup>rd</sup>, to begin reviewing the draft NTTG FERC NORC comments.
- Rich Bayless reviewed the latest draft of NTTG's FERC NORC comments.
- NTTG already offers open participation within its planning process, as opposed to a region-wide open season process.
  - Care will need to be taken to be very clear on what is meant by the term 'open season' in the context of the response, as there are multiple open season phrases being used in the region, such as open season planning process, network open season, equity open season, etc.
  - NTTG's position is for open seasons to be managed by the local providers, but better align timelines for easier coordination. NTTG is not looking for open seasons to become an obligation for NTTG or its members.
- Having parties participate in the sub-regional planning process for need and planning is more efficient than having too many requests in the queue process.



- Lou Ann Westerfield will send Rich Bayless the revisions discussed on today's call. Rich Bayless will integrate feedback from today's Management Committee meeting and Cost Allocation Committee meeting by COB today. A version 9 draft can be sent to the Legal Work Group ahead of their meeting tomorrow. Rich will also distribute a copy to the Cost Allocation Committee.
  - This draft will be the guiding document for the Legal Work Group. There is concern that the topics are very technical and if there are any questions, parties from the Planning Committee and Cost Allocation Committee should be contacted before substantive changes are made to the document.

**Discussion: Roundtable/Next Steps**

- BESD Comments
  - The comments drafted by OPUC are available to circulate. It would be helpful for committee members to make sure their commissioners and state representatives have a copy.
- The NTTG FERC NORC comments will be the foundation for the coordinated NTTG States response. Outlining the NTTG States response will be on the agenda for next week's Cost Allocation Committee meeting.

**3. Assignments:**

Item #	Assignment	Owner	Target Date	Status
1.	Send revisions for cost allocation portion to Rich Bayless	L. Westerfield	11-02-09	
2.	Integrate revisions and distribute to Cost Allocation Committee	R. Bayless	11-02-09	

**Next Meeting: Next Meeting:** The next Northern Tier Cost Allocation Committee meeting is scheduled for November 9<sup>th</sup>, 2009 at 1:00PM Pacific.

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- Meeting ID **688444** and password **123456**