

Description of Meeting:	Cost Allocation Committee Meeting
Meeting Date:	December 8, 2008
Meeting Minutes Prepared By:	Lynn Jesus-Olhausen
Approved for Posting:	December 15, 2008

Attendee List: Rich Bayless, Bryce Freeman, Sharon Helms, Lynn Jesus-Olhausen, Matt Muldoon, Marcy Norby, Larry Nordell, Kip Sikes, Lou Ann Westerfield, Darrell Zlomke

Not in Attendance: Brian DeKiep, Marshall Empey, Marc Hellman, Sam Liu, Jim Logan, Curt Winterfeld, Joni Zenger

1. Agenda:

- Acknowledgement of Standards of Conduct Safeguards
- Approval of Meeting Notes from December 1st, 2008
- Follow Up on November 12th, 2008 Webinar
- Continued Discussion on Right Sizing – TABLED UNTIL DEC 15th
- Review of AWEA/RNP Filing and NTTG Members' Response Filing

2. Decisions / Discussions:

Discussion: Approval of Meeting Notes from December 1st, 2008

- Approved as-is for posting.

Discussion: Update from other Committees

- Planning Committee
 - The Heavy Summer base case is released for contingency analysis.
 - The Light Autumn base case should be released at the end of this week.
- Transmission Use Committee
 - The committee is on track for the January deliverables.
 - The current work is refining and organizing the data collected for presentation at the January Stakeholder meeting.
- Economic Study Requests: Submittal Timeframes
 - TEPPC's window for submitting study requests is November through January.
 - NTTG's window for submitting study requests is January through March.

Discussion: Webinar

- The two major issues raised at the November 12th webinar in regard to cost allocation were right sizing and reliability.
 - The right sizing issue will continue to be discussed by the Cost Allocation Committee.
 - NTTG's Cost Allocation Committee does not assign reliability or value to a project. NTTG does not possess the rate structure for that process.

Discussion AWEA/RNP Filing

- AWEA and RNP's concerns regarding NTTG's cost allocation process seem to mostly stem from a misunderstanding between cost allocation and cost recovery. NTTG does not have the authority to assign cost recovery processes.
- NTTG will encourage AWEA and RNP to actively participate in the Cost Allocation Committee calls and the NTTG Stakeholder meetings as a forum to assist in their understanding of NTTG's structure and processes and hopefully satisfy some of their concerns.
- The 2008-09 Biennial Plan is NTTG's first iteration of the planning process. It is important to get through this first iteration to have the process evolve before looking at large revisions to the process.



3. Assignments:

Item #	Assignment	Owner	Target Date	Status
1.	Review the papers regarding right sizing. Comments are encouraged.	All	12/15/08	

Next Meeting: Next Meeting: The next Northern Tier Cost Allocation Committee meeting is scheduled for December 15, 2008 at 1:00-3:00PM Pacific.

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