

December 30, 2016

Subject: NTTG 2016-2017 Biennial Planning: Updated Data Submission Window Notice

Northern Tier Transmission Group Members and Stakeholders,

The Northern Tier Transmission Group ("NTTG") has provided notice and posted its 2016-2017 Draft Regional Transmission Plan for stakeholder comment and input by January 27, 2017. In addition to comments on the Draft Regional Transmission Plan, stakeholders may take this occasion to identify any new unsponsored projects, including ideas for consideration, applicable to the planning horizon.

Additionally, NTTG members, project sponsors and stakeholders that submitted projects included in the Draft Regional Transmission should take this opportunity to provide additional or updated information on those projects, to the extent these changes likely lead to a material change, individually or in the aggregate, in the Draft Regional Transmission Plan. Updated data should match the level of detail submitted in Quarter 1 and be submitted to <a href="mailto:info@nttg.biz">info@nttg.biz</a> by <a href="March 31, 2017">March 31, 2017</a> using the Data Submittal Form, which is available on the Northern Tier website or by <a href="mailto:clicking here">clicking here</a>. If the load and resource information contained in your submission might be reported by another entity or Balancing Authority, please indicate such in the email with your updated data submittal.

Please direct any questions to info@nttg.biz.

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