



Description of Meeting:	NTTG Cost Allocation Committee
Meeting Date:	June 12, 2013
Meeting Notes Prepared By:	Pam Greensky
Approved for Posting:	July 16, 2013

Attendee List:

Michele Beck – UT OFC of CS	Sam Liu – UT PSC
Pam Greensky – NTTG	David Lofftus – MT PSC
Sharon Helms – NTTG	Larry Nordell – MT CC
Belinda Kolb – WY OFC of CA	Curt Winterfeld – Chair, Deseret

1. Agenda:

- Welcome and Agenda Review
- 2012-2013 NTTG Cost Allocation Committee Recommendation
 - Approach and Status
 - 2010-2011 Cost Allocation Report
 - Schedule Review and Drafting Assignments
- 2014-2015 Cost Allocation Committee Cycle
 - Charter Revision
 - Membership Restructuring
 - Other
- Round Table/Other Business
 - Next Meeting

2. Discussions & Decisions:

Discussion: 2012-2013 NTTG Cost Allocation Committee Recommendation

- Approach and Status
 - No projects to report on in terms of this cycle.
 - Prepare a report with some of the same attributes as the past 2 prior reports. Don't need to, or have the information to go into high levels of detail. Give a perspective of where the Committee is going.
- 2010-2011 Cost Allocation Report
 - Committee activities are limited to describing the members have participated as part of a work group to assemble regional filing that was submitted. Describe the filing in a summary fashion with FERC response on what was accepted and what was not.
 - Data request was sent to project sponsors indicating that if they had updated information seeking cost allocation, it needed to be provided or to respond that they were not seeking cost allocation.
 - Evaluation of project information was the next section and no updates were presented. None of the sponsors with the possible exception of TransWest Express were seeking cost allocation. This would be indicated.
 - Appendices are not necessary or appropriate to include in the new report.
 - Appendix C which was economic studies.
 - No requests were received for economic studies, so this will not appear in the new report.
 - Appendix Transition planning in the west.
 - This was not part of our activities so this will not be in the new report.
 - Any thoughts on new material that needs to be included? NO
- Schedule Review and Drafting Assignments
 - Preliminary milestones:

- Preliminary Status report of intent, approach, & outline by 07.18.13
- Review with stakeholders on 07.25.13
- Final Draft report posted by 08.05.13
- Announcement to stakeholders for comment period 08.05.13 – 08.23.13
- Final report for review with Steering 09.04.13
- If any changes or comments incorporated, finalize and send to Steering by 12.03.13
- Volunteer to produce a draft for the updated report
 - This is a yearly public report that is posted on the NTTG website that is available for download. There is an obligation in our existing CAC charter that this report is produced. This distribution is combined with the final regional transmission plan & final cost allocation recommendations and then distributed to major parties.
 - Belinda Kolb & David Lofftus will take this project.
 - Target date of 3 weeks to produce this draft report and distribute to the group.

Discussion: 2014-2015 Cost Allocation Committee Cycle

- Charter Revision
 - The regional filing anticipates a restructuring of membership. Expanded to include representatives from all of the filing utilities that participate in NTTG. This will require updating the charter.
 - Substantial revisions will need to take place before the beginning of the 2014-2015 cycle. The revisions would be to remove the substantive material in regard to CAC principles, process, & methodologies that will be covered in the Attachment K's of the filing utilities and in the practices documents. That will guide the process of the Planning and Cost Allocation Committees.
- Membership Restructuring
 - The regional filing anticipates a restructuring of membership. Expanded to include representatives from all of the filing utilities that participate in NTTG.
 - Committee members had questions that need to be addressed regarding membership restructuring:
 - Should CAC have a membership that looks or parallels the Planning Committee? Does that make sense?
 - How would the dynamics with State agencies change? How carefully would this have to be navigated?
 - Does voting by class method of voting mitigate concerns on membership?
 - We need to be thinking about this and revisiting the topic when reviewing the first draft of the new report.
 - The issue of membership restructuring and voting restructuring may have to be addressed in the compliance filing. This will have to be addressed before the beginning of the 2014-2015 cycle.

Discussion: Round Table/Other Business

- Other Business
 - No other business.

3. Assignments:

Item #	Assignment	Owner	Target Date	Status
1.	Craft new draft report	B. Kolb D. Lofftus	07.08.13	Done
2.	Calendar hold 07.16.13	A. Wachsnicht	06.18.13	Done



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Next Meeting: The next Northern Tier Cost Allocation Committee Meeting is scheduled for July 16th at 1pm Pacific.

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