



Description of Meeting:	Cost Allocation Committee Meeting
Meeting Date:	November 9, 2009
Meeting Minutes Prepared By:	Lynn Jesus-Olhausen
Approved to Post:	November 16, 2009

Attendee List: Rich Bayless, Brian DeKiep, Marshall Empey, Lynn Jesus-Olhausen, Matt Muldoon, Marcy Norby, Lou Ann Westerfield, Joni Zenger, Darrell Zlomke

Committee Members Not in Attendance: Bryce Freeman, Marc Hellman, Sharon Helms, Bryce Freeman, Marc Hellman, Sharon Helms, , Sam Liu, Jim Logan Larry Nordell, Curt Winterfeld

1. Agenda:

- Review Notes from the November 02, 2009 Cost Allocation Meeting and Approve to Post
- Update on Cost Allocation Recommendation
- NTTG States Response to FERC NORC for September 2009 Technical Conferences
- Discussion on the Bulk Electric System Definition Process
- Roundtable/Next Steps

2. Decisions / Discussions:

Discussion: Review Notes from the November 02, 2009 Cost Allocation Meeting and Approve to Post

- Approved to post as-is.

Discussion: Update on Cost Allocation Recommendation

- Joni Zenger has a correction regarding the Sigurd to Red Butte segment reconfiguration and will send her comments to Lynn Jesus-Olhausen.

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

- There was a coordination call to finalize the draft of NTTG's NORC response, before it is sent to the Legal Work Group for their review.
 - The discussion was productive and the draft was sent to the Legal Work Group on Friday, Nov 6th.
 - The goal is to have Legal Work Group's review completed by Nov 13th.
- Brian DeKiep, Matt Muldoon and Lou Ann Westerfield will draft comments for the NTTG States. These comments will be more general and in support of the NTTG planning process.
 - Commission staff will be able to take this draft to their commissioners for guidance on support and finalizing.
- If the NTTG States decide to continue and file comments, further coordination between this draft and NTTG's response will occur the week of Nov 16th.

Discussion: Discussion on the Bulk Electric System Definition Process

- Currently, the limit level is 200kV with a table of exceptions for lines lower than 200kV. The proposed lowering of the limit to 100kV will result in all lines above 100kV needing to meet reliability standards.



- Lowering the limit for the bulk electric system definition to 100kV will result in large costs. Investments in relay equipment and upgrades will be required in the West.
- Comments are encouraged to be submitted to mitigate the potential issue of getting involved at a later date and FERC inquiring why there was no involvement during the development of the standard.

Discussion: Roundtable/Next Steps

- CREPC Meeting
 - There was heavy focus on Topics A and B for the DOE FOA proposals.
 - There was also an initial meeting for the State and Provincial Steering Committee that will provide guidance to the Scenario Work Group with WECC.
 - No selections of members were made at the meeting.
 - Six people are needed for the committee and confirmations will be conducted via email.
 - The topic of entities not participating in the sub-regional planning processes and going directly to the regional level via the ratings or siting process was not addressed.
 - Eight scenarios were requested for potential study.
 - There was no discussion in regard to regional State comments on FERC’s NORC on the September 2009 Technical Conferences.

3. Assignments:

Item #	Assignment	Owner	Target Date	Status
1.	Distribute latest draft of NTTG’s response to the FERC NORC to the committee	L. Jesus-Olhausen	11-09-09	
2.	Distribute Oregon PUC draft comments on the BESD	L. Westerfield	11-10-09	
3.	Draft initial comments for the FERC NORC for NTTG States	B. DeKiep, M. Muldoon, L. Westerfield	11-13-09	

Next Meeting: Next Meeting: The next Northern Tier Cost Allocation Committee meeting is scheduled for November 16th, 2009 at 1:00PM Pacific.

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