



2014 ECONOMIC STUDY REQUEST SUBMITTALS and NTTG PLANNING COMMITTEE DETERMINATION

Submitter	Request	Planning Committee Determination
Absaroka Energy, LLC	<p>Retire Colstrip 1&2 (approx. 600 MW net) and replace with 1000 MW wind and 400 MW pumped hydro. Pumped Hydro connected to Colstrip Transmission System (CTS) between Broadview & Townsend. 600 MW wind connected at Colstrip, 400 MW wind connected at Pumped Hydro interconnection to CTS. Study assumes CTS capacity not diminished by Colstrip 1&2 retirement and CTS Upgrade and M2W projects not in service. Pumped Hydro operated to manage transmission flows within current path ratings.</p>	<p><i>RESOLVED:</i> That the Absaroka Energy Economic Study Request to retire Colstrip Units 1 and 2 not be pursued by NTTG, as the Points of Receipt and Points of Delivery are broader than the NTTG footprint. The motion was ADOPTED by a vote of the members at the April 9, 2014 NTTG Planning Committee.</p>
Great Basin	<p>Southwest Intertie Project - North (SWIP - N) is an approximately 275 mile single circuit 500 kV AC transmission line. The northern terminal is the existing Midpoint substation near Twin Falls, Idaho but an alternative could be the proposed Cedar Hill substation near the county line between Cassia and Twin Falls Counties in Idaho. The southern terminal is the Robinson Summit substation near Ely, Nevada. All major approvals for the commencement of construction of SWIP - N have been obtained and the project could be in service within 2 years of the commencement of construction which can occur shortly after completion of commercial arrangements for cost recovery. The estimated cost of SWIP - N is \$510 million. SWIP-N is currently wholly owned by Great Basin Transmission, but the capacity of the line is subject to the Transmission Use and Capacity Exchange Agreement as described in the Cost Allocation Data form</p>	<p>NTTG is unable to accept the economic study request due to the late submission on March 31, 2014.</p>
Sea Breeze Pacific- Regional Transmission System	<p>Analysis of the expansion of the Blaine Intertie US-Canada Interface</p>	<p>NTTG is unable to accept the economic study request due to the late submission on March 31, 2014.</p>