



The following letter and 2018-2019 NTTG Regional Transmission Plan were broadly distributed to federal, state and other regulatory agencies and planning entities.

December 31, 2019

Recipient First and Last Name
Title
Company
Street Address
City, State Zip

Dear [Recipient]:

We're pleased to provide you with the Northern Tier Transmission Group's (NTTG) 2018-2019 Regional Transmission Plan, adopted by the NTTG Steering Committee on December 19, 2019. The plan proposes a way to meet the transmission needs of the NTTG region in the year 2028.

The 32-page report shows how NTTG arrived at a plan to reliably transmit electricity in a more efficient or cost-effective manner than an Initial Regional Transmission Plan comprising the individual Funding Transmission Providers' local transmission plans. The report culminates a two-year process to arrive at a final Regional Transmission Plan (RTP).

NTTG developed the plan in accordance with NTTG's Funding Transmission Providers' Attachment Ks, which include FERC Order Nos. 890 and 1000 regional and interregional transmission planning requirements. The open and transparent process for developing NTTG's plan included numerous public stakeholder meetings to solicit input and opportunity to provide written comment to the draft plan. In addition, the planning process included coordination with neighboring regional transmission planning groups. The RTP that emerged as the more efficient or cost-effective plan is substantively the same as the 2016-2017 RTP.

This report marks the last RTP produced by NTTG. In 2020, NTTG and ColumbiaGrid will form a single transmission planning region to enhance the reliability and efficiency of the planning process for the regional system encompassing the greater Pacific Northwest and northern Rocky Mountain region. NorthernGrid, as the new entity will be called, will bring the two groups' regional transmission planning and reporting under one association.

Copies of this report, along with other public documents, are available on the NTTG website at www.nttg.biz and on the NTTG members' OASIS site.

We hope this RTP will prove useful in any further public planning processes involving the regional transmission system.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "David R. Clark".

David R. Clark, Commissioner
NTTG Steering Committee, State Co-Chair

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Brian Fritz".

Brian Fritz
NTTG Steering Committee, Utility Co-Chair