



PRELIMINARY NOTES
Transmission Adequacy Steering Committee Meeting
August 29, 2006, 1:30 PM – Conference Call

1. Introductions, Arrangements, and Agenda Changes

Ravi/Dana

AGENDA

1. Introduction and changes to the agenda
2. Update on current product status for TA guidelines
 - N-2 load service
 - RAS
 - Load Transfer
3. Proposed timeline
4. Guidance and Next steps from TASC members
5. Adjourn

Addition to agenda: Discuss the links between TA efforts and BPA congestion management process led by Bob King, BPA.

Participants: Ravi Aggarwal*, Dana Reedy*, Scott Waples, Paul Choudhury, Marv Landauer, John Leland, Jeffrey Miller, Ken Dillon, Phillip Augustin*, Jim Eden, Chris Reese, Gordon Dobson-Mack, E. John Tompkins, Rod Lenfest*, John Martinsen. (* denotes non-voting).

2. Update on current product status for TA guidelines

Ravi hopes that TASC members are staying informed on TAWG progress by emails copied to TASC members.

N-2 Load Service

These guidelines were previously approved. The TAWG has put together a discussion document (White paper) around the approved guidelines for N-2. Similar documentation will be prepared for the other guidelines. The N-2 document has been circulated to TPC and TASC. No comments have come in. **Dana to circulate latest copy to TASC again.**

Two subgroups have been formed:

RAS – Gordon Dobson-Mack (Facilitator)

Load Transfer – Kenny Dillon (Facilitator)

RAS

Gordon summarized efforts on RAS effort which began in May. He thinks they are about 75% finished. There will be another meeting via conference call and webex on September 8, 2006 at 1:30-3:30 PDT. He would like broader representation – especially the larger transmission owners – so that the draft will have good review prior to the TPC meeting. **Gordon will send out latest version.**

Load Transfer

Kenny summarized the efforts to examine constraints for transfers. They have started looking at outage transfer metrics to determine who might be responsible for upgrades. He estimates the document to be about 50% complete. A more complete document will be circulated among the subgroup for review and then out to the larger workgroup as a version 1. Kenny also would like more involvement. The group will meet via conference call and webex on September 12, 2006 1:30-3:00 PDT.

3. Proposed timeline

Ravi would like a meeting of the TAWG near the same date of the TPC meeting. Ravi would like to present a draft product at the TPC meeting on September 21, 2006. Then the TAWG would use the next three months to finish the work by December 31.

John Martinsen reminds the group that the guidelines are pretty benign, merely information gathering. This is a first effort that probably put in less rather than more. He sees it as a Version 0 that could be improved later. FERC and NERC may be requiring similar measures at some point.

Gordon suggested that TASC attend at least a portion of the TPC meeting and hold a follow-up meeting of the TAWG & TASC on September 26 in Portland.

4. Guidance and Next Steps from TASC members

TASC members agreed to review the existing document and provide comments. Some of the members were asked to participate on the sub-team conference calls scheduled for September 8 and September 12. The September 26 meeting (at the PDX Conference Center) will be a joint meeting of TASC and TAWG members.

5. BPA Congestion Effort

The group was unsure how market forces will play out. The model going forward may be different. In one scenario, investment bankers will require secure contracts for transmission, fuel and load; thus, there might be less new congestion. In another scenario, changes in policy may cause congestion without any increase in generation.

Ravi will document something related to the BPA congestion effort and have Dana send it out to the group.

Bob King, BPA, will lead a discussion (of approximately 30 minutes) at the September 26 meeting on congestion efforts and potential linkages to the Transmission Adequacy efforts. The objective of this discussion will be to factor/account for congestion with the Transmission Adequacy Guidelines and to capture any synergies between the two processes.

6. Other

Chris Reese is looking for people for Pacific Northwest Regional Wind Integration effort (NWPCC). He's looking for participants for a conference call August 31.

Next meeting dates:

September 8 – RAS Sub-team conference call (POC: Gordon Dobson-Mack)

September 12 – Load Transfer Sub-team conference call (POC: Kenny Dillon)

September 26 – Joint TASC/TAWG meeting (at PDX Conference Center) (POC: Ravi Aggarwal and Dana Reedy)

7. Adjourned at 2:45 PM.