North Carolina Transmission Planning Collaborative Oversight / Steering Committee (OSC) Meeting Highlights July 22, 2010 Teleconference 2:30 pm EPT

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### Administrative

• The June 18, 2010 OSC Meeting Minutes and Highlights were approved.

#### **OSC Items**

#### **Regulatory Update**

#### **Eastern Interconnection Planning Collaborative (EIPC)**

- Ed Ernst reported that the EIPC Stakeholder Steering Committee (SSC) met on July 15<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup> to kickoff this group. The SSC agreed to establish a number of Working Groups (WG) to support the development of the EIPC technical planning process. The Working Groups include the following:
  - 1. 2020 Reference Case WG that will roll up the regional base case models into one single base case that will be used as the starting point for the EIPC technical analysis.
  - 2. Economic Modeling WG that will work with Charles River Associates (CRA) to develop the economic models that CRA will utilize in their economic analysis.
  - 3. Scenario Development WG that will develop the macro economic study scenarios to be evaluated by CRA.
- These WG will be staffed from 2 -3 members from each of the Sector Committees. The WG meetings will be open to all interested parties. The WG will develop recommendations that would be presented to the SSC for approval under the voting structure established under the SSC governance.

Because of the diverse background of the SSC membership, they will be holding a series of webinars on transmission planning to establish a common foundation of information for the SSC members. Updated information on the EIPC activities can be found on the website (www.eipconline.com).

# Notice of Proposed Rulemaking on Transmission Planning and Cost Allocation

- The OSC members discussed the Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (NOPR) where the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission is proposing to reform its electric transmission planning and cost allocation requirements for public utility transmission providers. The proposed reforms are intended to correct deficiencies in transmission planning and cost allocation processes. This NOPR builds on Order No. 890 to establish a closer link between regional planning and cost allocation.
- The OSC members agreed to continue to evaluate the new requirements and obligations proposed under the NOPR and continue to discuss the potential impacts on the NCTPC at the next OSC meeting.

## **Other Joint Planning Activities**

- Sam Waters reported that the NC Transmission Owners and SC Transmission Owners (TOs) Planning Process continues to work on the technical analysis associated with their approved scope of work for this year. The completion of the technical analysis and distribution of the analysis results is still targeted for the end of September.
- Ed Ernst reported that the SIRPP group has completed its technical analysis for the 5 planning studies selected for the 2009 -2010 scope of work and the results are posted on the SIRPP website (<u>www.southeastirpp.com</u>). Stakeholders are invited to comment on the results and the SIRPP expects to wrap-up this years work in September.
- Rich Wodyka reported that he expects the NCTPC group to get back together with PJM sometime this Fall to review preliminary 2010 study results and continue to evaluate what information and data to exchange with PJM which would provide more accurate analysis in our NCTPC studies.

## **Confidentiality Agreements**

• The OSC discussed the NCTPC and the CEII Confidentiality Agreements that were distributed for review and approval. The OSC approved these Agreements with the proposed changes.

# **PWG Update**

# 2010 Study Update

- Rich Wodyka reported that the 2010 study activities are continuing onschedule. The PWG has reviewed the enhanced access and un-scrubbed coal retirement case scenario screening results. There were no unusual or unexpected results identified. With modification of in-service dates for existing projects, the existing transmission system plans should be effective for meeting reliability requirements under these scenarios for the next 10 years.
- Rich Wodyka reported that the PWG reviewed the preliminary Wind Study results for both the 230 kV (S1) and 500 kV (S2) solution scenarios. Both solution scenarios indicate the need for significant additional transmission infrastructure near the coast.

## **Appendix B Update and Approval**

• The OSC reviewed and approved the updated Appendix B from the 2009 – 2019 Collaborative Transmission Plan that reflects the transmission system changes from the final plan published on January 19, 2010. Rich Wodyka will post the updated Appendix B and send out to the TAG.

## **Future Meeting Schedule**

The next TAG meeting is tentatively scheduled for September 21<sup>st</sup> in Raleigh.