# North Carolina Transmission Planning Collaborative Oversight / Steering Committee (OSC) Meeting Highlights November 16, 2010 Teleconference 10:00 am EPT

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### Administrative

- The OSC approved the OSC representative changes for ElectriCities. Andy Fusco and Jim Deaton will be replacing Roy Jones and Greg Locke. The OSC thanked Roy and Greg for their contributions to the OSC in their support of the NCTPC.
- The October 21, 2010 OSC Meeting Minutes and Highlights were approved with 1 edit.

### **OSC Items**

## **Regulatory Update**

#### Notice of Public Rulemaking on Transmission Planning and Cost Allocation

• The OSC members discussed the Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (NOPR) where the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) is proposing to reform its electric transmission planning and cost allocation requirements for public utility transmission providers. Reply comments to the NOPR have been filed and the OSC members expect to receive a FERC Order based on this NOPR early in 2011. The OSC members will evaluate the new FERC Order requirements when the order is issued and discuss the potential impacts on the NCTPC at future OSC meetings as required.

### **NERC Facility Ratings Alert**

• NERC held a webinar on November 4<sup>th</sup> which focused on their recent industry alert that identified possible discrepancies between the design and the actual field conditions of transmission facilities as a potential reliability issue that needs prompt industry attention. The NERC webinar was held to clarify the alert issued on October 7<sup>th</sup> which recommends that entities review their current facilities rating methodology to verify that the methodology is based on actual field conditions, rather than solely on design documents. The Alert requires entities to develop a plan to identify and implement any necessary actions to correct their ratings and report that plan to NERC and regional entities by Dec. 15, 2010. The OSC will continue to follow this NERC facility rating alert issue and evaluate any impacts on the NCTPC process at future OSC meetings.

### **Other Joint Planning Activities**

- Ed Ernst reported that the Eastern Interconnection Planning Collaborative (EIPC). The next Stakeholder Steering Committee (SSC) is scheduled for December 13-14, 2010 in Charlotte, NC. The focus of this SSC meeting will be to:
  - Finalize the roll-up case and the roll-up report
  - Continue more detailed discussions on potential future scenarios to finalize eight future scenario studies and data needs
  - Finalize the activities to combine the existing regional plans by combining the various regions existing 2020 transmission plans into a single 2020 reference case model.

Updated information on the EIPC activities can be found on the website (www.eipconline.com).

- Sam Waters reported that Progress recently met with AEP on the scope of a transmission reliability study. Progress and AEP will continue to develop a mutual scope of work for a study. Sam will report back to the OSC on the reliability study scope once it gets agreed upon by the parties.
- Sam Waters reported that the NC Transmission Owners and SC Transmission Owners met recently to review the study results, discuss a draft study report and determine when to distribute the study results to interested stakeholders. Sam reported that the study results presented no significant surprises. Sam also stated that he expects the NC and SC Transmission Owners group will finalize the study report and distribute to interested stakeholders in January.

- Ed Ernst reported that the SIRPP has selected the 5 study scenarios for the next series of studies and the 2010 -2011 scope of work based on proposals submitted by stakeholders. The next step will be will be to clarify the details with the stakeholders.
- Rich Wodyka reported that the NCTPC group met with PJM on October 26<sup>th</sup> in Philadelphia, PA to review preliminary 2010 study results and continue to exchange planning information and data. This meeting also provided the parties an opportunity to discuss updating the current NCTPC PJM agreement to reflect the additional requirements for inter-regional planning proposed in the FERC NOPR on transmission planning.

# TAG / ITP Update

## **ITP Website Transfer**

• Sam Waters reported that he is still working with the Accenture staff to transfer the domain name. Sam will keep the OSC informed as the domain transfer is completed and the original NCTPC website links are re-established.

## **December TAG Meeting Agenda**

• The OSC reviewed and approved the proposed TAG December 16<sup>th</sup> meeting agenda.

# **PWG Update**

## 2010 Study Report Review

 Rich Wodyka led the OSC review and discussion of the 2010 Study Draft Report. The OSC discussed the report and made several comments as well as suggesting a number of edits. Rich Wodyka will work with the PWG to address all the OSC comments and proposed changes. The final Draft Report will be sent back to the OSC for a final review and approval prior to distributing it to the TAG for their review and comments at the December 16<sup>th</sup> TAG meeting.

## 2011 Study Scope

• The OSC discussed the 2011 Study Scope. In addition to the base reliability analysis normally included in the scope of work, the OSC discussed a number

of alternative study scenarios for inclusion in the 2011 Study. The OSC will solicit input from the TAG members at the December 16<sup>th</sup> meeting for possible study scenarios that they would suggest to be included in the 2011 Study Scope. Based on the TAG input the OSC will finalize the 2011 Study Scope and distribute to the stakeholders in January.

## **Future Meeting Schedule**

Date	Day	Time	Location
December 16, 2010	Thursday	10 am – 3 pm	Raleigh – ElectriCities (TAG)
January 20, 2011	Thursday	2 pm – 4 pm	Conference call
February 15, 2011	Tuesday	2 pm – 4 pm	Conference call
March 17, 2011	Thursday	2 pm – 4 pm	Conference call
April 21, 2011	Thursday	2 pm – 4 pm	Conference call
May 24, 2011	Tuesday	10 am – 3 pm	Raleigh – NCEMC (TAG)
June 16, 2011	Thursday	2 pm – 4 pm	Conference call

The OSC reviewed the following updated meeting schedule.