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North Carolina Transmission Planning Collaborative Oversight / Steering Committee (OSC) Meeting Highlights February 22, 2024 Webex / Teleconference Meeting 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM ET

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#### OSC Agenda

• Avni Patel opened the OSC Meeting with a safety message and inquired if there were any changes need to the agenda. Rich Wodyka requested that a review of the Draft TAG meeting agenda be added to the OSC agenda. The OSC agreed.

## **OSC Meeting Minutes and Highlights**

• The January 18, 2024 OSC Meeting Minutes and Highlights were reviewed and approved.

## 2023 Collaborative Plan Study Report

- Rich Wodyka reported that the 2023 Study Report was updated with three minor edits and distributed to the OSC on February 20th. Rich highlighted the three minor edits. With these minor edits included, the February 20th version of the 2023 Study Report is now ready for OSC approval.
- John Lemire reported that NCEMC supports the 2023 Study Report reliability and economic projects and projects driven by Duke Energy's policy compliance obligations ("policy-driven projects"). John also stated that NCEMC supports a planning process that accommodates front-end cost allocation estimates and an

opportunity to discuss if a Participant asserts LRS is an inappropriate cost allocation methodology.

• After review and discussion, the OSC approved the 2023 Collaborative Plan Study Report. The OSC instructed Rich to distribute the approved 2023 Study Report to the TAG and post it on the NCTPC website.

# 2024 Press Release for the 2023 Study Report

- Rich Wodyka reported that the company assigned PR reps of the companies have worked with him to develop the draft of the 2024 press release for the 2023 Collaborative Transmission Plan that was distributed to the OSC for review and approval. Rich reviewed the comments that were submitted. All the comments were addressed. Based on the OSC discussion, Rich and the PR reps were requested to develop additional clarifying language for the paragraph related to the ongoing statistics related to past and current transmission investments.
- Once the additional language is developed, Rich will redistribute to the OSC for final review and approval. Once the OSC receives the updated version, Avni Patel will proceed to conduct an OSC email vote for final OSC approval. Once the 2024 press release is approved by the OSC then the Duke Energy PR rep with determine when the press release get distributed to the media.

## **Public Policy Study Progress Report**

• Orvane Piper and Sid DeSouza provided the OSC an update on the Public Policy study activities. It was reported that the PWG received a detail update on the study analysis. They noted that there is more work to do to identify the best solutions to resolve the issues identified. After discussion, the OSC agreed that a special meeting should be held to review and discuss the solutions to address the problems that were identified in the analysis. This meeting will be held in advance of presenting the final Public Policy study results to the TAG.

## 2024 Study Scope and Schedule Update

- Rich Wodyka reported on the five studies that have been submitted by the TAG stakeholders for 2024 analysis. There are four Public Policy studies and one Local Economic Study.
- Sammy Roberts provided a review on each of the five studies. After discussion, the OSC agreed to have the PWG review the five study proposals and provide the OSC

a recommendation on the scope of what studies or combination of the proposed studies can be preformed in 2024.

- After review and discussion, the OSC recommended that the Duke PWG members should evaluate each of these five study proposals and prepare a list of questions that can be used to flush out additional details of each of these proposals. It was also recommended that a meeting with each sponsor of the five studies be conducted to develop a better understanding of what elements might be able to be combined with other study proposals. The goal is to result in a scope of work for a combined study analysis that accommodates the key elements of the various proposals.
- Another issue discussed was the transition from the current NCTPC process to the updated CTPC process once FERC approval is received. This may impact how these TAG study proposals are performed and the timing of when these proposed studies would be completed. The OSC will continue to evaluate this situation as the status of the Duke OATT Attachment N-1 FERC filing gets updated.
- Rich Wodyka also indicated that the PWG has begun to develop the necessary assumptions and elements related to the 2024 base reliability study scope of work. The goal is to have complete draft prepared to review with the OSC at the March 22nd meeting.

## **Transmission Planning Process Attachment N-1 Report**

- Sammy Roberts provided an update on the Transmission Planning Process Attachment N-1 activities. He reported that Duke has requested an effective date of March 13th. Once the FERC approval is received, then the process to implement the new Local Transmission Planning Process changes will begin.
- Sammy noted that the updated Attachment N-1 support documents have been posted for OSC review on the TEAMS site. Sammy encouraged the OSC members to complete their review of these documents by the end of February. The goal is to have the OSC document review completed to be ready for final OSC review and approval after FERC approves the changes in to the Local Transmission Planning Process.
- John Lemire raised a question regarding the updated cost allocation process in the support documents. Sammy clarified that this cost allocation process is specifically related to joint transmission projects.
- Sammy also reported on the development of the new website. The goal is to have this new CTPC website ready to be implemented with the effective date of the N-1

FERC approval date of March 13th. He indicated that the development of the new website is going well and is on-schedule.

# RZEP 2.0 Update

- Sammy Roberts provided an update on the RZEP 2.0 projects. Given the large number of re-conductor projects proposed in the current study plan, NCEMC raised a question about whether alternative transmission projects have been considered, such as a greenfield project, that could replace a group of base reliability or public policy projects at a lower cost. Sammy's response was that these discussions were being started.
- Sammy indicated that there was an additional project (Lee Milburnie 230 kV) that was identified in the 2023 Public Policy study that would be added to the RZEP 2.0 project list.

# **PWG Chair Change**

- John Lemire reported that James Manning has retired from NCEMC. James had been the PWG Chair so NCEMC has proposed replacing James with Joe Mason who has been serving on the PWG along with James. After discussion, the OSC approved Joe Mason to take over the PWG Chair role.
- The OSC recognized and thanked James Manning for his leadership in managing the PWG and his many years of service and participation on the PWG and involvement in the NCTPC activities. The OSC also wished James good health and happy times in his retirement.

## TAG Meeting Agenda

• Rich Wodyka reviewed the proposed TAG meeting agenda for the March 22nd meeting. The OSC will review and provide Rich with any additional agenda items or changes to the proposed agenda.

## **Supplemental IRP Filing**

• Sammy Roberts provided a report on the supplemental IRP filing with the NCUC relating to the impacts to the transmission system.

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## **Regional Updates and PWG Items**

- Bob Pierce provided a combined overview report related to SERTP regional activities and the PWG items, including SERC, EIPC and NERC.
- Bob reported that the extreme weather and inter-regional transfer capability related activities continues be a very important issue within SERTP, SERC, EIPC and NERC. The development of the process and procedures related to the inter-capability analysis continues to proceed but slowly.

## **SERTP Update**

• No additional report.

## **PWG Items**

## SERC LTWG Update

• No additional report.

## **EIPC** Activities Update

• No additional report.

## NERC Activities Update

• No additional report.

## **PWG Minutes**

• No report.

## **Other Items**

## **Project Updates**

• No update.

## 2024 OSC Meeting Schedule

• The OSC also discussed the opportunity to have an in person meeting. After discussion, the OSC agreed to hold an in person meeting for the March 22nd meeting. This meeting will be held at the Duke office in Greensboro, NC.

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Date	Time	Location
March 22, 2024	OSC 10:00 am - 12:00 pm TAG 01:30 pm - 03:00 pm	OSC - Duke Greensboro Office TAG Meeting Webex
April 19, 2024	OSC 10:00 am - 12:00 pm	OSC Meeting Webex
May 23, 2024	OSC 10:00 am - 12:00 pm	OSC Meeting Webex

• The following meeting schedules were reviewed and confirmed by the OSC.