

ColumbiaGrid – Joint Planning and Legal Discussion
PEFA/Order No. 890 Compliance
Products, Assignments, Timelines
(Reflects April 26, 2007 Discussion, not complete analysis)
Agenda Topics for May 1 Meeting

Products

1. Road Map Document (coordinated language for strawmen) – 3 or 4 page description of proposed compliance with references to source materials (source materials would be posted with road map, e.g., PEFA)
2. Outline of Attachment K – to be used for purposes of preparing Road Map, not for use as strawman or at technical conference, and for foundation of compliance filing in October
3. COGR white paper re sub regional coordination – to be posted on CG website and used for communications
4. Comments on WECC Strawman
5. Comments on NTTG Parties Strawman and Cost Allocation Proposal
6. Stakeholder discussion of COGR Road Map at May 18th Board Meeting (each TOPP to provide notice to its stakeholders)

Assignments

1. Road Map Document - **LEGAL DRAFTING TEAM RESPONSIBLE FOR PRODUCTION OF ROAD MAP BASED UPON COLLABORATIVE DISCUSSIONS WITH PLANNING GROUP**
 - More is likely needed on dispute resolution, including sub regional cooperation (commitment to work jointly to reconcile plans/dispute resolution in the NW rather than at WECC [although it was noted that because of the configuration of NW transmission systems, it may be difficult to have “dispute resolution” with more than one sub regional planning entity]) **EVERYONE NEEDS TO THINK ABOUT MORE**
 - Economic analyses initiated by customer requests – all agree that a distinction should be made between production cost modeling (which will take place at WECC) and economic analysis performed using other tools (which may take place at COGR). **EVERYONE NEEDS TO THINK MORE ABOUT THE PROCESS TO DETERMINE WHETHER IT IS A WECC OR CG ENDEAVOR**
 - Would all requests for economic analysis goes to WECC for triage as to appropriate place for study?

OR

- Would COGR be the gatekeeper with effect that certain requests remain at COGR for analysis and others are sent on to WECC (either for triage or for WECC analysis)

OR

- Something else

Language should be developed to explain how the PEFA treatment of Capacity Increase Projects provides for the local upgrades that FERC wants in Order No. 890. (PEFA has this capacity, but makes it optional on the part of the TOPP. Could be addressed by TOPP putting in its strawman that it commits to bringing customer requests to COGR for analysis under the PEFA or could amend the PEFA to require a TOPP to bring to COGR.)

- Non-transmission solutions – **Bob and Marv will talk through Order 890 requirements and PEFA non-transmission solutions treatments**

2. Outline of Attachment K – **LEGAL DRAFTING TEAM (BASED UPON COLLABORATIVE DISCUSSIONS WITH PLANNING GROUP) IS KEEPER OF THE OUTLINE FOR PURPOSES OF DEVELOPING ROAD MAP AND PREPARING FOR TECHNICAL CONFERENCE – WILL ALSO BE USED AS FOUNDATION FOR SUBSEQUENT COMPLIANCE ACTIVITIES – Don Kari prepared initial draft and will be principal drafter for purposes of technical conference preparation**

3. COGR white paper re sub regional coordination – **COLUMBIAGRID RESPONSIBLE FOR PRODUCTION OF WHITE PAPER BASED UPON COLLABORATIVE DISCUSSIONS WITH PLANNERS, LAWYERS, AND POLICY REPS**

4. Comments on WECC Strawman – **COLUMBIAGRID WILL COORDINATE COMMENTS AND HAVE RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROVIDING TO WECC.** While it is important to coordinate and provide as much input on the WECC strawman as possible, group will wait for the May 3rd draft to provide comments. The most relevant section for comments is the WECC/TEPPC section as that is what the COGR TOPPs will draw from for their strawmen. It was noted that CG will likely have its own description of sub regional planning cooperation, although if agreement can be reached with other NW TOPPs (including NTTG parties) prior to the finalization of the WECC strawman, that could be reflected in the WECC document. The following assignments will help prepare for commenting on the May 3rd draft:
 - Write specific understanding of what WECC's role would be for the Road Map (work from this to determine whether there is any conflict with WECC strawman) **Chuck will draft language**
 - Also, find out how those activities are going to be funded (paragraph 459 of 4/19/07 order approving compliance filing (NERC)) **Gary will draft question**

5. Comments on NTTG Parties Strawman and Cost Allocation Proposal - **Everyone will read and come prepared to discuss at May 1 meeting and determine how to provide input by May 7** (not yet sure who will provide comments to NTTG Parties)
 - Initial thought – at a minimum, there needs to be
 - Further exploration of dispute resolution
 - Cost allocation methodology may be broader than what is strictly needed for Order No. 890 Attachment K
 - Appears to address coordination among sub regional entities as seams issues but, given nature of system (*e.g.*, CG has segmented lines connected in the middle of NTTG major facilities), there is not necessarily a seam

6. Schedule 2-day meeting week of May 7 – **Planners and Lawyers will get their scheduling availability to Kristi, Kristi will schedule meeting**

TIMELINE

<i>April 27</i>	<i>Comments on WECC strawman</i>
May 1	Joint Meeting of Planning Group and Legal Drafting Team (10 – 5; PDX)
<i>May 1</i>	<i>Review Group Conference Call on WECC strawman</i>
May 2	Meeting of Legal Drafting Team (9 – 3; PDX)
<i>May 3</i>	<i>Posting of WECC Strawman</i>
May 3	BPA public meeting re its planning process
<i>May 7</i>	<i>Comments on NTTG cost allocation/strawman proposal</i>
Week of May 7	Two-day work session
<i>May 15</i>	<i>Revised NTTG proposals drafted and posted on NTTG web site</i>
May 16	Board Meeting to discuss final draft of Road Map – all TOPPs will provide notice of discussion to their stakeholders
<i>May 17</i>	<i>WECC TEPPC finalization of strawman</i>
<i>May 23</i>	<i>NTTG Public Stakeholder Meeting in Salt Lake City</i>
<i>May 29</i>	<i>Posting of Strawmen</i>
<i>June 13</i>	<i>Technical Conference</i>

May 1 Meeting Agenda Topics (Not Inclusive)

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Confirm content for road map – principles/non-transmission solutions

Use Morgan, Lewis analysis as starting point, supplement to include subsequent discussions and current thinking, make drafting assignments

Identify whether anything additional is needed and where it might come from, for example

Supplements to PEFA

Further negotiation with NTTG parties and other NW TOPPs

NTTG Strawman and Cost Allocation Proposal (note that the issue of sub regional cooperation will be discussed as part of the Order No. 890 compliance discussion, this topic relates to getting input back to NTTG on their proposals)

Comments on WECC Strawman