## UNITED STATES OF AMERICA FEDERAL ENERGY REGULATORY COMMISSION

Available Transfer Capability Standards for Wholesale Electric Transmission Services

Docket No. AD15-5-000

### SUPPLEMENTAL NOTICE OF WORKSHOP - NEW DATE

(March 31, 2015)

As discussed in prior notices, the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (Commission) staff will hold a workshop to discuss standards for calculating Available Transfer Capability (ATC) for wholesale electric transmission services. In light of the inclement weather occurring on the originally proposed date, the workshop is rescheduled for Tuesday, April 21, 2015.

The workshop is prompted by the filing by the North American Electric Reliability Corporation (NERC) proposing changes to its ATC-related reliability standards,<sup>2</sup> and the initiative to replace these standards with similarly focused business practice standards to be developed by the North American Energy Standards Board (NAESB).<sup>3</sup>

The workshop will commence at 12:00 noon and conclude by 4:15 p.m., EST. The workshop will be held in the Commission Meeting Room at the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE, Washington, DC, 20426. Commission members may participate in the workshop.

This Notice contains an Agenda that is materially the same as the Updated Agenda previously issued in this docket. However, specific details may change as Commission staff finalizes the agenda, including the list of featured speakers, times of the session

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Prior Notices were issued on December 30, 2014, and January 30 and February 27, 2015.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> NERC's proposal is currently pending before the Commission in the rulemaking: *Modeling, Data, and Analysis Reliability Standards*, Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, Docket No. RM14-7-000; 79 Fed. Reg. 36,269 (June 26, 2014). While this workshop is not convened for the purpose of discussing specific cases, the workshop may address matters that are at issue in the NERC proceeding.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> See, e.g., the December 18, 2014 status report filed by NAESB in Docket Nos. RM05-5-000 and RM14-7-000.

discussions or details of the topics to be discussed. The Commission will issue an additional Notice as needed. This workshop is free of charge and open to the public. Commission members may participate in the workshop.

Those who plan to attend the workshop are encouraged to complete the registration form located at: <a href="https://www.ferc.gov/whats-new/registration/04-21-15-form.asp">https://www.ferc.gov/whats-new/registration/04-21-15-form.asp</a>. There is no registration deadline.

Transcripts of the workshop will be available for a fee from Ace-Federal Reporters, Inc. (202-347-3700). Additionally, there will be a free webcast of the workshop. Anyone with Internet access who wants to listen to the workshop can do so by navigating to the Calendar of Events at www.ferc.gov, locating the technical workshop in the Calendar, and clicking on the webcast link. The Capitol Connection provides technical support for the webcast and offers the option of listening to the workshop via phone-bridge for a fee. If you have any questions, visit www.CapitolConnection.org or call 703-993-3100.

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**Staff-Led Workshop** 

Docket No. AD15-5-000 April 21, 2015

## **Agenda**

As discussed in the Supplemental Notices issued on January 30 and February 27, 2015 in this docket, this workshop is being convened to discuss actions the Commission could take to ensure that transmission providers continue to calculate and post available transfer capability (ATC) in a manner that ensures nondiscriminatory access to wholesale electric transmission services. This workshop is prompted by the filing by the North American Electric Reliability Corporation (NERC) proposing changes to its ATC-related reliability standards, and the initiative to replace some of these standards with similarly focused business practice standards to be developed by the North American Energy Standards Board (NAESB).

12:00pm - 12:30pm	Welcome and Opening Remarks, including staff overview of ATC and its role in electricity markets
12:30pm –1:00pm	Overview and Context of ATC Determination and Posting
1:00pm – 2:30pm	Specific ATC Topics and Requirements

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> NERC's proposal is currently pending before the Commission in the rulemaking: *Modeling, Data, and Analysis Reliability Standards,* Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, Docket No. RM14-7-000; 79 Fed. Reg. 36,269 (June 26, 2014).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> See, e.g., the December 18, 2014 status report filed by NAESB in Docket Nos. RM05-5-000 and RM14-7-000.

2:30pm – 3:00pm Break

3:00pm – 4:00pm Lessons Learned and Opportunities for Improvement

**4:00pm – 4:15pm** Closing

#### **Panelists:**

• Charlie Bayless; Associate General Counsel; North Carolina Electric Membership Corporation

- Jason Davis; Manager, Seams & AFC Support; Southwest Power Pool, Inc. (Invited)
- Robert Harshbarger, P.E.; OASIS Trading Manager; Puget Sound Energy
- Michael G. Lowman, P.E.; Lead Engineer; Duke Energy
- Hari Singh, Ph.D., P.E.; Principal Engineer, Transmission Planning West; Xcel Energy Public Service Company of Colorado (Invited)
- Kevin Wellenius; Managing Director, FTI Consulting; for Powerex Corp.
- Art Wolfe; Sr. Engineer, Transmission Services; PJM Interconnection
- Kathy York; Sr. Program Manager, Bulk Power Regulatory; Tennessee Valley Authority (Invited)