

FERC ORDER ON NTTG MEMBER COMPLIANCE FILINGS

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Order 890 Summary

- Order 890 is intended to ensure that transmission service is provided on a non-discriminatory basis
- To remedy the potential for undue discrimination in planning activities, FERC identified nine principles and requested TP's identify how they would satisfy requirements for
 - Coordination
 - Openness
 - Transparency
 - Information Exchange
 - Comparability
 - Dispute Resolution
 - Regional Participation
 - Economic Planning Studies, and
 - Cost Allocation for new projects



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- NTTG Transmission Providers have made filings with FERC, the most recent on October 29, 2008, as amended on November 13, 2008 and November 18, 2008 addressing the Order No. 890 transmission planning processes.
- FERC accepted the Transmission Providers' tariff revisions subject to further compliance filings.



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- NTTG Members have satisfied requirements for coordination, openness, transparency, information exchange and dispute resolution.
- Additional clarifications and filings are required to:
 - Identify more clearly where and when stakeholders can propose alternative transmission solutions in the planning process
 - Clarify that all stakeholders who are members of NTTG may submit data for evaluation in the transmission plan
 - Identify how competing transmission solutions will be evaluated on a comparable basis
 - Broaden the method for clustering economic study requests to allow for alternative to POR/POD pairings, and
 - Identify circumstances when an open season may not be initiated for new transmission investment

FERC Technical Conference

FERC has scheduled technical conferences as part of its ongoing evaluation of the implementation of the planning processes to determine if further refinements to processes are necessary.

- The focus of these conferences will be:
 - To determine the progress and benefits realized by each transmission provider's transmission planning process, obtain customer and other stakeholder input, and discuss any areas that may need improvement;
 - To examine whether existing transmission planning processes adequately consider needs and solutions on a regional or interconnection-wide basis to ensure adequate and reliable supplies at just and reasonable rates; and
 - To explore whether existing processes are sufficient to meet emerging challenges to the transmission system, such as the development of interregional transmission facilities, the integration of large amounts of location-constrained generation, and the interconnection of distributed energy resources



Timeline





Questions?