

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA  
FEDERAL ENERGY REGULATORY COMMISSION

Preventing Undue Discrimination and  
Preference in Transmission Service

Docket Nos. RM05-17-000  
RM05-25-000

SUPPLEMENTAL NOTICE OF TECHNICAL CONFERENCES

(May 25, 2007)

On April 6, 2007, as supplemented on May 4, 2007, the Commission issued notices scheduling staff technical conferences in the above-captioned proceeding. As stated in the April 6 notice, these technical conferences will review and discuss the “strawman” proposals regarding processes for transmission planning required by the Final Rule issued in this proceeding on February 16, 2007.<sup>1</sup> The Commission hereby provides the following additional information and instruction regarding these conferences.

The attached agenda details the dates and times of the technical conferences and identifies the companies presenting their strawman proposals, and the customer and industry groups to be represented in the stakeholder panels. To the extent a transmission provider is not listed or otherwise represented by a planning group as detailed on the attached agendas, it should contact the staff members listed below as soon as possible. In addition, each transmission provider should email Commission staff with an electronic link to its strawman proposal at [890Planning.Strawman@ferc.gov](mailto:890Planning.Strawman@ferc.gov) as soon as such proposal is posted on the transmission provider’s web site. The Commission will provide access to links to all strawman proposals in the OATT Reform section of the Commission’s web site at <http://www.ferc.gov/industries/electric/indus-act/oatt-reform/strawman-info.asp>.

Representatives of the customer groups identified on the attached agenda and other interested persons should please contact the staff identified below if interested in participating as a panelist.<sup>2</sup> In the event a transmission provider or interested party is uncertain as to which technical conference is relevant, such persons should contact staff in advance to discuss the matter.

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<sup>1</sup> Preventing Undue Discrimination and Preference in Transmission Service, Order No. 890, 72 FR 12266 (March 15, 2007), FERC Stats. & Regs. ¶ 31,241 at P 443 (2007), reh’g pending.

<sup>2</sup> A/V equipment will be available for panelists wishing to use PowerPoint or similar presentations.

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Order No. 890  
Transmission Planning Regional Technical Conferences  
June 4-7, 2007, Little Rock, AR  
Docket Nos. RM05-17-000 and RM05-25-000

**Day 1 – Monday June 4, 2007**

9:30 – 10:30 a.m.                    **Welcome and Introductions**

In Order No. 890, the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission set forth nine principles to govern the addition of a transmission planning process to the open access transmission tariff of each transmission provider. In this introductory session, representatives of the Commission will welcome the participants; briefly discuss the reasons underlying the Commission’s decision to require the implementation of such a planning process; and give an overview of the day’s agenda.

10:30 – 10:45 a.m.                    Break

**Session I**                                    **Transmission Providers in the Southern Company Subregion**

10:45 – 12:00 p.m.                    Strawman Proposal Presentations

In this session of the planning conference agenda, representatives of Dalton Utilities, the Municipal Electric Authority of Georgia, Georgia Transmission Corporation, Alabama Electric Cooperative, South Mississippi Electric Power Association and the Southern Company will discuss their compliance with the transmission planning provisions of Order No. 890.

12:00 – 1:30 p.m.                    SEARUC Conference Lunch or Lunch on your own

1:30 – 2:45 p.m.                    Question and Answer on Southern Company Subregion Planning Process

In this portion of the session, representatives of transmission customers and other interested parties, including municipal and cooperative utilities without transmission facilities, merchant generators, industrial customers, and state consumer advocates will ask questions of and respond to the transmission providers. Also in this portion, representatives of the Commission and interested state commissioners and state commission staff members will pose questions and respond to the proposals.

2:45 – 3:00 p.m. Break

**Session II Transmission Providers in the Carolinas Subregion**

3:00 – 4:15 p.m. Strawman Proposal Presentations

In this session of the planning conference agenda, representatives of Duke Energy Carolinas, Progress Energy Carolinas, Santee Cooper, and South Carolina Electric and Gas Company will discuss their compliance with the transmission planning provisions of Order No. 890.

4:15 – 4:30 p.m. Break

4:30 – 5:45 p.m. Question and Answer on Carolinas Subregion Planning Processes

In this portion of the session, representatives of transmission customers and other interested parties, including municipal and cooperative utilities without transmission facilities, merchant generators, industrial customers, and state consumer advocates, will ask questions of and respond to the transmission providers. Also in this portion, representatives of the Commission and interested state commissioners and state commission staff members will pose questions and respond to the proposals.



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Order No. 890  
Transmission Planning Regional Technical Conferences  
June 26, 2007, Phoenix, AZ  
Docket Nos. RM05-17-000 and RM05-25-000

8:30 – 9:00 a.m.                    **Welcome and Introductions**

In Order No. 890, the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission set forth nine principles to govern the addition of a transmission planning process to the open access transmission tariff of each transmission provider. In this introductory session, representatives of the Commission will welcome the participants; briefly discuss the reasons underlying the Commission’s decision to require the implementation of such a planning process; and give an overview of the day’s agenda.

**Session I**                                    **Coordination with WECC and Subregional Coordination**

9:00 – 9:30 a.m.                    Presentation by WECC

WECC organized the Transmission Expansion Planning Policy Committee (TEPPC) to provide west-wide study and data services and transmission planning across the Western Interconnection. Representatives of WECC and/or TEPPC will, among other things, explain the roles and services of TEPPC with regard to regional planning and the coordination and interaction with sub-regional planning groups and transmission providers.

9:30 – 10:00 a.m.                    Question and Answer on WECC/TEPPC Planning Process

In this portion of the session, representatives of transmission customers and other interested parties, including municipal and cooperative utilities without transmission facilities, merchant generators, industrial customers, and state consumer advocates, will ask questions of and respond to the presentation of WECC. Representatives from the Commission, interested state commissioners, state commission staff members and other state representatives will pose questions and respond to the proposals.

10:15 – 10:30 a.m.                    Break



consumer advocates, will ask questions of and respond to the presentations of CAISO and any other Transmission Provider. Representatives from the Commission, interested state commissioners, state commission staff members and other state representatives will pose questions and respond to the proposals.

Order No. 890  
Transmission Planning Regional Technical Conferences  
June 13, 2007, Park City, UT  
Docket Nos. RM05-17-000 and RM05-25-000

8:30 – 9:00 a.m.                      **Welcome and Introductions**

In Order No. 890, the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission set forth nine principles to govern the addition of a transmission planning process to the open access transmission tariff of each transmission provider. In this introductory session, representatives of the Commission will welcome the participants; briefly discuss the reasons underlying the Commission's decision to require the implementation of such a planning process; and give an overview of the day's agenda.

**Session I**                                      **Transmission Providers in the Pacific Northwest,  
including members of ColumbiaGrid**

9:00 – 10:00 a.m.                      Strawman Proposal Presentations

In this portion of the planning conference agenda, representatives of City of Tacoma, Avista Corporation, Bonneville Power Administration, PUD #1 of Snohomish, PUD #1 of Chelan, PUD #2 of Grant County, Puget Sound Energy, Inc., and Seattle City Light (members of ColumbiaGrid), along with Portland General Electric and Eugene Water and Electric Board, will discuss their compliance with the transmission planning provisions of Order No. 890.

10:00 – 10:15 a.m.                      Break

10:15 – 11:30 a.m.                      Question and Answer

In this portion of the planning conference agenda, representatives of transmission customers and other interested parties, including municipal and cooperative utilities without transmission facilities, merchant generators, industrial customers, and state consumer advocates, will ask questions of and respond to the transmission providers. Also in this portion, representatives of the Commission and interested state commissioners and state commission staff members will pose questions and respond to the proposals.

11:30 – 12:30 p.m.                      Lunch on your own

**Session II****Northern Tier Transmission Group**

12:30 – 1:00 p.m.

Strawman Proposal Presentations

In this portion of the planning conference agenda, representatives of Deseret G&T Cooperative, Idaho Power Co., Northwestern Energy Corp., PacifiCorp and UAMPS (members of NTTG) will discuss their compliance with the transmission planning provisions of Order No. 890.

1:00 – 2:00 p.m.

Question and Answer

In this portion of the planning conference agenda, representatives of transmission customers and other interested parties, including municipal and cooperative utilities without transmission facilities, merchant generators, industrial customers, and state consumer advocates, will ask questions of and respond to the transmission providers. Also in this portion, representatives of the Commission and interested state commissioners and state commission staff members will pose questions and respond to the proposals.

**Session III****Coordination with WECC and Subregional Coordination**

2:00 – 3:00 p.m.

WECC organized the Transmission Expansion Planning Policy Committee (TEPPC) to provide west-wide study and data services and transmission planning across the Western Interconnection. In this session, representatives of WECC and/or TEPPC will, among other things, explain the roles and services of TEPPC with regard to regional planning and the coordination and interaction with sub-regional planning groups and transmission providers. In addition, in this session representatives of ColumbiaGrid and NTTG should be prepared to discuss the status of their coordination and respond to questions regarding such coordination.

Order No. 890  
Transmission Planning Regional Technical Conferences  
June 28 -29, 2007, Pittsburgh, PA  
Docket Nos. RM05-17-000 and RM05-25-000

**Day 1 – Thursday, June 28, 2007**

8:30 – 9:00 a.m.                    **Welcome and Introductions**

In Order No. 890, the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission set forth nine principles to govern the addition of a transmission planning process to the open access transmission tariff of each transmission provider. In this introductory session, representatives of the Commission will welcome the participants; briefly discuss the reasons underlying the Commission’s decision to require the implementation of such a planning process; and give an overview of the day’s agenda.

**Session I                                    ISO-NE and Transmission Owners in New England region**

9:00 – 10:15 a.m.                    Strawman Proposal Presentations on ISO-NE and Member Transmission Owners Planning Process

In this portion of the planning conference agenda, representatives of ISO-NE will discuss the ISO’s compliance, as well as the compliance of the Member Transmission Owners with non-PTF facilities, with the transmission planning provisions of Order No. 890.

10:15 – 10:30 a.m.                    Break

10:30 – 11:45 a.m.                    Question and Answer on ISO-NE and Member Transmission Owners Planning Process

In this portion of the planning conference agenda, representatives of transmission customers and other interested parties, including municipal and cooperative utilities without transmission facilities, merchant generators, industrial customers, and state consumer advocates, will ask questions of and respond to the presentations of ISO-NE and its Member Transmission Owners. Also in this portion, representatives of the Commission and interested state commissioners and state commission staff members will pose questions and respond to the proposals.

11:45 – 12:45                            Lunch on your own



**Day 2 – Friday, June 29, 2007****Session I PJM and Transmission Owners in PJM region**

8:30 – 9:45 a.m. Strawman Proposal Presentations on PJM and Member Transmission Owners Planning Process

In this portion of the planning conference agenda, representatives of the PJM RTO will discuss the RTO's compliance, as well as the compliance of the Member Transmission Owners with local transmission facilities, with the transmission planning provisions of Order No. 890.

9:45 – 10:00 a.m. Break

10:00 – 11:15 a.m. Question and Answer on PJM and Member Transmission Owners Planning Process

In this portion of the planning conference agenda, representatives of transmission customers and other interested parties, including municipal and cooperative utilities without transmission facilities, merchant generators, industrial customers, and state consumer advocates, will ask questions of and respond to the presentations of PJM and its Member Transmission Owners. Also in this portion, representatives of the Commission and interested state commissioners and state commission staff members will pose questions and respond to the proposals.

**Session II Midwest ISO and Transmission Owners in Midwest ISO region**

11:15 – 12:30 p.m. Strawman Proposal Presentations on Midwest ISO and Member Transmission Owners Planning Process

In this portion of the planning conference agenda, representatives of Midwest ISO and their Member Transmission Owners will discuss their compliance with the transmission planning provisions of Order No. 890.

12:30 – 1:30 p.m. Lunch on your own

1:30 - 2:45 p.m. Question and Answer on Midwest ISO and Member Transmission Owners Planning Process

In this portion of the planning conference agenda, representatives of transmission customers and other interested parties, including municipal and cooperative utilities without transmission facilities, merchant generators, industrial customers,



and state consumer advocates, will ask questions of and respond to the presentations of Midwest ISO and its Member Transmission Owners. Also in this portion, representatives of the Commission and interested state commissioners and state commission staff members will pose questions and respond to the proposals.

2:45 – 3:00 p.m.                      Break

**Session III                              MAPP and MAPP participants**

3:00 – 3:30 p.m.                      Strawman Proposal Presentations on MAPP and MAPP participants

In this portion of the planning conference agenda, representatives of MAPP and their non-Midwest ISO member participants will discuss their compliance with the transmission planning provisions of Order No. 890.

3:30 - 4:15 p.m.                      Question and Answer on MAPP and MAPP participants Planning Process

In this portion of the planning conference agenda, representatives of transmission customers and other interested parties, including municipal and cooperative utilities without transmission facilities, merchant generators, industrial customers, and state consumer advocates, will ask questions of and respond to the presentation of MAPP and its participants. Also in this portion, representatives of the Commission and interested state commissioners and state commission staff members will pose questions and respond to the proposals.