Response to Comments – TSR Study and Expansion Process (TSEP)

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This document contains comments and BPA's response regarding the TSR Study and Expansion Process (TSEP), Version 9 Business Practice posted for comment from Aug. 29, 2023, to Oct. 5, 2023.

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A. Seattle City Light

Seattle City Light Comments Regarding BPA TSR & Expansion Process v9.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide comments and suggestions regarding BPA's BPA TSR & Expansion Process v9 business practice. We appreciate BPA's efforts to engage with customers regarding impactful business practice changes and updates. City Light would like to offer the following suggestions and comments regarding BPA's draft changes.

City Light applauds BPA creative efforts to provide customers with additional value regarding the TSR & Expansion process. City Light supports the change allowing BPA to provide customers one or more opportunities to extend the term of service for TSRs in study status or taking Bridge CFS that is in a confirmed status.

City Light suggests that BPA consider additionally allowing customers to request extensions of the term of service for TSRs in study status or taking Bridge CFS that is in a confirmed status. City Light believes a longer term of service is arguably financially beneficial to funding and completing a plan of service with few exceptions.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment. We appreciate BPA's willingness to listen to Customer concerns regarding business practices changes.

BPA Response

BPA appreciates the comments from Seattle City Light. This policy enhancement allows BPA to enable TSRs requiring a specific project an opportunity to improve the business case associated with that project. If a Customer has a business need that they believe warrants extending the TSR term for a particular project, they are welcome to reach out to their assigned Transmission Account Executive to make such a request. Upon review, if BPA determines that the TSR extension does sufficiently improve the project business case, then all TSRs that are waiting on the completion of that particular project will collectively be offered the opportunity to extend their terms, not just the one customer that initiated the review.