

**BPA Wind Integration Team Initiatives  
Update to WIT email list  
April 2011**

This is the monthly update on BPA's Wind Integration Team initiatives for April 2011. If you have questions, contact WIT Program Manager Eric King at 503-230-5236.

**Supplemental Service meeting scheduled**

BPA will hold a public working session May 9 to discuss the technical details of a supplemental service balancing service for variable energy resources. This is an optional service for wind customers to acquire and use balancing reserves in addition to the balancing reserves provided by the BPA balancing authority area. BPA will outline its current thinking on the technical details and business practice associated with providing this service and seek feedback from stakeholders.

In the BP-12 rate case, BPA has stated in rebuttal testimony that these technical details are not rate case issues and that this development process needs to take place outside of the rate case process. It is possible that participants in this technical working session may attempt to discuss rate case issues, but BPA does not intend on addressing rate case issues at this meeting.

The meeting will be held May 9 from 9 a.m. to noon in the BPA Rates Hearing Room, 911 N.E. 11th Ave, Portland, Ore.

Phone bridge information: Dial 877-336-1839; enter access code 1993537#, and press # at the prompt to enter as a participant.

**Dynamic Transfer Capability awarded**

In April, BPA awarded dynamic transfer capability to each of the five customers who requested it for phase two of BPA's DTC pilot project. BPA has received confirmations from three customers, and is working with the two other customers to clarify information and finalize the offers.

BPA made the awards after conducting a dynamic transfer limits study to determine how much DTC BPA's transmission system can reliably handle. The agency used the methodology it developed in 2010 to award dynamic transfer capability for the first phase of the pilot. During phase one, BPA offered DTC to two customers.

Phase two of the Dynamic Transfer Pilot will start October 1, 2011.

**BPA delays Network Open Season, reconvenes Wind Integration Forum steering committee**

BPA announced in April it will delay the next Network Open Season, the agency's process to manage and serve requests for transmission service, originally scheduled to begin in June. The delay will give BPA a chance to hold a regional discussion about its



transmission policies and whether they continue to be best-suited to meet the evolving transmission needs of the region.

Because wind generation will occupy a central role in future transmission expansion, BPA will reconvene the steering committee of the Wind Integration Forum, co-sponsored by BPA and the Northwest Power and Conservation Council.

The Wind Integration Forum steering committee will reconvene in June. It will lead a regional discussion and produce recommendations on how to best integrate more wind energy in the region. In a coordinated public process, BPA will lead a Network Open Season discussion with its stakeholders to consider issues that could promote even more effective transmission planning. Both processes will inform BPA as it decides how to move forward with Network Open Season.