

## **RTO West Regional Representatives Group**

Sheraton Portland Airport

July 19, 2000

9:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

### **Minutes**

Agenda items:

- 1) Karen Adderley of B.C. Hydro presented a report from the Canada-U.S. Adjunct Committee titled, "Discussion Draft White Paper on Multi-Tier Approach to Canadian Involvement with RTO West." This draft has been published on the RTO West Website. The paper proposes a two-tier structure with Tier 1 being RTO West and Tier 2 being a Canadian Independent Grid Operator (IGO). Discussions will continue within the Adjunct Committee regarding a) the requirement of two tiers, b) the necessity of the IGO being a control area, and c) the division of functionality between tiers if there were two tiers.
- 2) Peggy Olds of BPA reported on BPA's consultations with sovereign tribes. Four consultations were held during the week of July 10 at the following locations: Boise, Idaho, Spokane, Washington, Portland, Oregon, and Lacey, Washington. The objective of the consultations is to provide technical information on Order 2000, RTO West, and BPA's role and then to solicit input from the tribes. Denise Dailey of ATNI reported that the meetings were well received. Three tribes have requested government-to-government consultation.
- 3) Work group reports. Copies of presentation slides were distributed at the meeting and are posted on the Website.
  - a. Market Monitoring – Kristi Wallis  
The Market Monitoring work group presented its recommendations to the RRG in the form of a set of bullet recommendations as well as a briefing paper defining the rationale for the decisions. The RRG will respond to the recommendations at the next RRG meeting. The Market Monitoring work group will finalize its recommendations following the RRG feedback and the final market definitions arising from the Ancillary Services and Congestion Management work groups.
  - b. Transmission Planning – Kristi Wallis
  - c. Transmission Pricing – Dave Hackett
  - d. Congestion Management – Dave Hackett

- e. Seams – John Boucher for Barney Speckman
  - f. Ancillary Services – John Boucher for Barney Speckman
  - g. Legal – John Boucher for Barney Speckman
  - h. Implementation – John Boucher
- 4) John Boucher presented the plan for completing the collaborative process and finalizing the filing. This plan is consistent with roles of the RRG and WGs as previously defined. In a similar manner to the Market Monitoring work group, each of the remaining work groups will present recommendations or alternatives in bullet form to the RRG at the 8/2 and 8/3 meeting. The RRG will meet every week in August to support the work groups and achieve consensus, meeting full days on both Wednesday and Thursday if necessary. KEMA is building a database of open issues and work group interdependencies to help manage the process.

The next RRG meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, August 2, and Thursday, August 3, starting at 9:00 am at a to-be-determined location.