

Scheduling Coordinator Definition Items for Discussion

During our discussions of the Scheduling Coordinator definition drafts, the following items were raised for discussion with the entire Ancillary Committee:

1. Who is to be transmission contract holder, the SC or the SC's client? Does the draft need to change to clarify/comply with this projected relationship.
2. The documents need to define an SC's responsibility to communicate with other SC's and adjacent control area operators with whom they have scheduled, particularly when curtailments occur.
3. Provisions need to be made for the RTO to penalize entities (unit operators) that ignore the RTO's operational orders.
4. Is there enough detail to allow SC to SC traded and to describe the nature of these trades?
 - Are SC's able to dynamically follow load for each other? If so how does it happen? What is the relationship?
 - How does self-tracking work? Is the tracking against actual load or the schedule given to RTO?
5. What information does the SC communicate to RTO West? Net load forecast, unit commitment schedules, etc.
6. How is the SC's certification of its clients authenticating? Are duplicate meter restrictions enough? Do you require record with audits? Do you require submission of documentation from the clients? When parties switch SC's and meter points must be transferred between SC's, how is the switch verified with the Eligible Customer (e.g. submission of an agreement between the new SC and the Eligible Customer).
7. There appears to be duplication between Attachment J-1 (Scheduling Coordinator Application Form), J-2 (Scheduling Coordinator Service Filing Form) and the Scheduling Coordinator Agreement. Can we figure out a way to combine? For instance, the procedure could be the submission of a Application, the RTO returns an Agreement for execution if the Application is accepted, and the RTO files the executed Agreement with FERC. The Agreement could be thinned down to a "form of service" type of agreement, i.e. essentially a signature page used to indicate that both parties accept and will abide by tariff provisions regarding SCs.