

RTO West
CONGESTION MANAGEMENT WORK GROUP MEETING (CM WG14)
 On September 6, 2000

Telephone Conference Call
 2:00 pm – 4:00 pm

Work Group Meeting Summary
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Attendees (17 attendees in total):

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Calendar:

May 24, 2000	Kick Off Meeting – Complete	RTO West Facility
June 6-7, 2000	CM Workshop - Complete	RTO West Facility
June 12	CM WG Meeting #2 - Complete	RTO West Facility
June 19	CM WG Meeting #3 - Complete	RTO West Facility
June 26-27	CM WG Meeting #4 - Complete	RTO West Facility
July 10-11	CM WG Meeting #5 - Complete	RTO West Facility
July 18	CM WG Meeting #6 - Complete	RTO West Facility
July 24-25	CM WG Meeting #7 - Complete	RTO West Facility
July 31-August 1	CM WG Meeting #8 - Complete	RTO West Facility
August 7-8	CM WG Meeting #9 – Complete	RTO West Facility
August 15-16	CM WG Meeting #10-Complete	RTO West Facility
August 18	CM WG Meeting #11 -Complete	Telephone
August 22	CM WG Meeting #12 -Complete	RTO West Facility
August 29	CM WG Meeting #13 -Complete	RTO West Facility
September 6	CM WG Meeting #14 –Complete	Telephone

Highlights of Meeting by Agenda Topic

The goal of the meeting was capture the data on two open discussion topics from prior WG meetings.

Agenda topic 1: Agenda

Review agenda

DASP (alternative vs. straw position, from 8/28/00 draft)

Auctions used in annual and sub annual processes for FTRs, DASP auctions for NTRs and RTRs

Agenda topic 2: DASP (alternative vs. straw position, from 8/28/00 draft)

In reviewing the alternative vs. straw position, the WG favored the alternative. It was defined as cleaner by providing NTRs at 9:10 am so they could be scheduled at 11am and the alternative provides earlier release for NTRs (as early as 1600 2-days ahead). With multiple releases of NTRs, each NTR auction would award NTRs based on highest to lowest price. At the Operating Hour, all awarded NTRs would be consolidated into a single stack and if recall were required, recall would be from lowest to highest bid price. If multiple auctions were used, the clearing price would be the clearing pricing of the consolidated stack, established after the Operating Hour.

Since no one provide a reason to retain the straw position, the alternative will be used in the revised draft.

Agenda topic 3: Auctions used in annual and sub annual processes for FTRs, DASP auctions for NTRs and RTRs

For the auctions in this agenda topic, the single round, highest losing bid clearing pricing auction has been discussed by the WG. Concerns were raised if a single round auction would encourage a bidder to bid less than the value. Group felt this was not the case in most application of RTO auctions. After much discussion, the group felt the shorter period auctions, monthly and sub monthly, should be single round, highest losing bid clearing price auctions.

For longer-term auctions, the group felt the single auctions were simpler to administer but felt there was interest in investigating multiple round discrete auctions (CAISO holds multiple round annual auctions). Steve Walton agreed to investigate auction methods used in the gas industry (Columbia Tariff) and Wally Gibson agreed to research the CAISO approach.

End of Minutes

Meeting ended at 4:00 pm

Next Meeting:

- Final meeting of collaborative process.

Minutes prepared by: D. F. Hackett