

Benefit Cost Analysis Schedule Proposal

June 1 – June 8	Complete getting expressions of interest and qualifications from potential consultants. Elicit ideas from filing utilities, stakeholders, and consultants on elements of Informal Competitive Solicitation (ICS)
June 11 – June 29	Develop Informal Competitive Solicitation (ICS) with filing utilities, stakeholders, and consultant support. Send out ICS to qualified firms.
July 2 – July 13	Firms prepare and submit responses to ICS. Begin reviewing/evaluating submissions.
July 16 – July 27	Review/evaluate consultant submissions with filing utilities and stakeholders; develop short list and interview consultants; select consultant.
July 30 – Aug 10	Filing Utilities and stakeholders work with consultant to design study with detailed work plan and performance schedule.
Aug 8 – Aug 10	Filing Utilities negotiate/execute contract with consultant
July 30 – Aug 31	Consultant undertakes regional analysis, using materials from Stage One and the new Stage Two inputs (Congestion Management, Planning/Expansion principles, Pricing illustration, Facilities inclusion, etc.)
Sep 3 – Nov 2	Consultant continues regional analysis using materials from remaining Stage Two inputs (the Tariff, GIA, LIA, SCA, Interregional Coordination, etc.). Consultant periodically posts analysis work and responds to feedback from filing utilities and stakeholders. Consultant begins work with filing utilities on state PUC requirements.
Nov 5 – Nov 30	Consultant completes regional analysis
Feb 1, 2002 - ?	Following Order from FERC, consultant updates analysis based on FERC decisions, and supports state PUC filings as requested by filing utilities. Consultant provides support before Congressional committees and other interested groups to be determined on a needs basis.