

Benefit Cost Analysis Schedule Proposal

June 1 – June 22	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)
July 10 – July 18	Develop Informal Competitive Solicitation (ICS) with filing utilities, stakeholders, and consultant support. Send out ICS to qualified firms.
July 19 – July 31	Firms prepare and submit responses to ICS. Begin reviewing/evaluating submissions.
Aug 1 – Aug 14	Review/evaluate consultant submissions with filing utilities and stakeholders; develop short list and interview consultants; select consultant.
Aug 15 – Aug 22	Filing Utilities and stakeholders work with consultant to design study with detailed work plan and performance schedule.
Aug 23 – Aug 24	Filing Utilities negotiate/execute contract with consultant
Aug 27 – Sep 21	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 24 – 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.