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POSTPONEMENT OF NOVEMBER 8, 2002 REGIONAL REPRESENTATIVES GROUP (RRG) MEETING

Hello, Everyone -

This Notice postpones the planned November 8, 2002 meeting of the RTO West RRG until a date to be determined in December, 2002. We had planned to further discuss market design issues from the scheduled November 4 FERC policy meeting at the November 8 RRG meeting. However, on October 25, 2002, FERC issued a "Notice Announcing Process for Western Interconnection Market Design and Postponing Technical Conference" that deferred the November 4 policy meeting scheduled in Portland.

The October 25 Notice acknowledged the positive developments in RTO West, WestConnect, and the CallSO and the efforts of the Seams Steering Group - Western Interconnection (SSG-WI) to support a seamless western energy market. The Notice directed SSG-WI to develop a list of recommended market design elements for the western interconnection and a plan and timeline for resolving these issues that are coordinated with the RTO development efforts in the west. In addition, the Notice also acknowledged the current efforts of SSG-WI to re-structure in a way that allows for open participation in its deliberations. As we previewed at the last RRG meeting, SSG-WI has just set up a website that you can access through www.ssg-wi.com

RTO West very much appreciates the contributions many of you are giving to the RTO West Market Design and Tariff Work Groups. We anticipate that these Work Groups will continue on their current schedule of activities posted on the RTO West website. Regarding the directions in the October 25 Notice to move the RTO development processes forward concurrently with the SSG-WI collaborative process, RTO West welcomes your views on the schedule and timeline for accomplishing all of these tasks. Please send your views and suggestions to me and to Chris Elliott by e-mail (ekrogh@serv.net and chrirtowest@earthlink.net) or feel free to call either of us. My number is (206) 464-1872; Chris's number is (503) 262-9421.

We will send a notice regarding the December RRG meeting as soon as it can be determined.

Thanks very much for your help.

- Bud