



***Proposed Name Change
For the “Beginning State”
And the “Advance Target State”***

RRG discussions over past few months have raised the possibility of changing the names of the Grid West “Beginning State” and Grid West “Advanced Target State”. If name changes are to occur, the changes should be made soon. These terms will be used widely in all of the documents being drafted in preparation for Decision Point #2. Making a change now will allow the work groups to incorporate the new names their current document production. After considering and discarding a number of possibilities that seem to carry the same burden as “beginning” and “advanced”, the following new names are proposed:

Grid West Basic Features = Grid West Beginning State
Grid West Extended Features = Grid West Advanced Target State

The proposed names are based on the idea of making a set of basic (and necessary) reforms of existing practices through Grid West formation, while recognizing that some parties want additional features that are "extensions" of the basic features. The Basic Features listed below are those currently envisioned, while the Extended Features are drawn from the special issues list found in the Grid West Bylaws.

Grid West Basic Features

The features currently envisioned include:

1. Planning & capacity expansion services:
 - a. Coordination and review of interconnection requests.
 - b. Single regional queue for transmission service requests.
 - c. Back stop for transmission adequacy and reliability.
2. Cost recovery:
 - a. Company rate approach to payment for transmission access.
 - b. Pre-existing transmission rights continue to use individual company loss methodologies.
3. Transmission reconfiguration services:
 - a. Pre-existing transmission rights preserved.
 - b. Transmission rights evaluated on a single system basis.
 - c. Physical injection/withdrawal rights issued for transmission service requests (i.e. rights required for schedule submission).



4. Scheduling & operations services:
 - a. One-stop scheduling, phased in over two years.
 - b. Balanced day-ahead schedules submitted.
 - c. Schedules handed-off to control areas for real-time operations.

5. Voluntary consolidated control area (CCA) services:
 - a. Reserves market.
 - b. Balancing market.
 - c. Operations for CCA.

6. Market monitoring:
 - a. Reporting based on data examination.

7. Regional alternative dispute resolution:
 - a. Transmission service requests.
 - b. Interconnection requests.
 - c. Settlement, billing and payment disputes.

Extended Features

Features from the special issues list are:

1. Implement a backstop for chronic, significant, commercial congestion.
2. Depart from company rate approach for transmission access payments.
3. Issue financial transmission rights.
4. Allow market monitor to impose penalties and actively intervene in markets.
5. Adopt a loss methodology that supersedes individual company loss methodologies for pre-existing transmission rights.