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Over the past several years, circumstances have resulted in NT and PTP customers having rights on a 1:1 path that exceeds the 1:1 path’s capacity. In the situation where the NT demand is based on load that exceeds an NT customer’s TSR, the NT customer’s e-Tags are curtailed based on the TSR, similar to PTP customers. On April 29, 2022, BPA revised its Redispatch and Curtailment Procedures V14 Business Practice to clarify its procedures for this situation, and requested customer comment. BPA subsequently hosted a meeting on May 9, 2022 to discuss the proposed revisions. BPA received two sets of written comments on the proposed revisions.

Comments received requested further clarity and raised concerns relating to BPA’s procedures for managing curtailments on managed 1:1 paths.

In light of the concerns raised in the comments received, BPA will form a team of subject matter experts to evaluate the existing procedures to manage curtailments on these paths. This evaluation will include:

- An industry scan;
- Review of implicated policies;
- Identification of possible areas of discrepancy between BPA’s tariff and current curtailment procedures; and
- Evaluation of alternative processes for management of these paths.

BPA will hold a customer workshop no later than six months from the date of this notice to share the status of the preliminary evaluation and receive customer input.

Until BPA completes its evaluation and identifies a path forward, BPA will continue its current practice in how it manages curtailments on these paths. BPA will retract the current proposed revisions to the business practice in anticipation of changes following the upcoming evaluation. It should be noted that the current path management processes are the result of a long and complex history, and other processes and policies may be implicated in implementing alternative processes.

The proposed business practice revisions were intended to continue with BPA’s commitment to provide transparency to its customers. BPA values the customer input provided, and looks forward to working collaboratively on this issue.