



Transmission Services

Cluster Study Authorization of 2009 Network Open Season (NOS) Transmission Service Requests (TSR)

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Transmission Services is authorizing the following Transmission Service Requests (TSR) based on the results of the 2009 Network Open Season (NOS) Cluster Study: 73076382, 72093971, 72582664, 73003463, 73188365, 73198888, and 73198896. Each of these TSRs is participating in the 2009 NOS and has an associated Precedent Transmission Service Agreement (PTSA). Transmission Services is authorizing these TSRs pursuant to Section 4 of the 2009 NOS PTSA, which requires Transmission Services to determine on a continuing basis whether it can provide transmission service to TSRs participating in the NOS without construction of additional network facilities.

Based on the results of the 2009 NOS Cluster Study, Transmission Services determined that it could provide transmission service to these TSRs without the construction of additional network facilities. Therefore, it is authorizing these TSRs.

Transmission Services will update its network flowgate Available Transfer Capability (ATC) to account for authorizing these TSRs in its annual ATC Base Case update but will not adjust network flowgate ATC in the In-Between Fixes as described in its ATC Methodology. However, any applicable ATC impacts across external interconnections will be accounted for when the TSRs are CONFIRMED.

Transmission Services is proceeding in this manner because the Cluster Study results are based on actual power flow analysis from the requested Point of Receipt (POR) to request Point of Delivery (POD) as well as the information provided in Exhibit B to the PTSA. The Cluster Study analysis is similar to the power flow analysis done in the annual ATC Base Case update for the network flowgates, and not the Network Composite Path Utilization Factor analysis used for the In-Between Fixes. Managing the network flowgate impacts of the authorized TSRs in this manner will not adversely impact other queued TSRs in Transmission Services' long-term firm pending queue. Transmission Services will update its ATC Methodology documents to explain how network flowgate ATC will be updated for authorizations made as a result of a Cluster or System Impact Study.