

The Circuit



WHAT TO
WATCH FOR!

TOP & TP 2020 Billing Determinants—October 1st

Annual System Review—December

Annual Data Exchange—January

TOP Services Attestation—January

The Latest TOP & TP Services

With the weather starting to chill, so has the TOP/TP programs resources. Your CSRP team has become more efficient and streamline in the efforts involved in keeping the programs running smooth. Here are the highlights from the latest TOP and TP Customer Face to Face meetings this past month.

What was discussed:

NERC's definition of what a line is, appears not to be as cut and dry as BPA thought. CSRP has some internal discussions scheduled to provide a cleaner definition that will be sent out to its Customers, for your input. Depending on the internal discussions, please be on the look out for a special WebEx.

Failure to Adhere to TOPIC Processes: has been added into the TOPIC to reflect the process CSRP will take if a Customer has more than one occurrence associated with the same type of action. This will prompt BPA to do a refresher training with the Customer to help alleviate future issues. The title will need to be altered a bit so not to be confused with the already in place Failure to Comply penalty change BPA has that is outside the TOP/TP Services agreements.

2020 Operating Costs for TOP/TP Services: were drastically reduced for all participating Customers. With the onboarding of EWEB and through our annual cost reconciliation process that ensures BPA to annually validates the resources required to sustain the TOP Services program, BPA was able to reduce the overall budget by \$300k.

FAC-008 Facility Ratings: As BPA performs TOP functions, BPA continues to gain clarity on its data requirements to support real-time operations. As such, BPA is submitting an amended data request to all TOP Customers for ambient temperature ratings on all elements identified in their TOP contract with BPA. CSRP will be reaching out to Customers individually to discuss the gaps needed so we can finally resolve this issue that keeps reoccurring.

TPL-007-1 (Transmission System Planned Performance for Geomagnetic Disturbance Events) was changed to TPL-007-3 and moved to BPA's responsibility column in the matrix. We believe that BPA handling the TP requirements in the standard is a more efficient use of resources for everyone involved in the project.

MOD-026-1 / MOD-027-1 were added to the matrix as well for BPA. The Generator Owner to Transmission Planner relationship is outlined in the TPIP and we wanted to make sure the roles for reporting of model validation data was clear.

Data Request Results: BPA Transmission Planning reviewed WECC expectations for TP Spare Equipment Strategies. BPA requested that customers provide more details and use the provided template to enhance consistency.

Short Circuit Analysis: BPA will be collecting data from Customers and regional entities to complete its annual short circuit studies and model in the winter timeframe. BPA believes it has all the data from the TP Customers but if not there may be a reach out from our study team. The BPA short circuit study team expects to provide Customers short circuit analysis for their respective systems in January 2020.



Welcome Eugene Water & Electric Board (EWEB) to TOP Services!

RC West

- Transition to RC West means changes to BPA's Outage Policy. These changes took effect in May—biggest change was the 45 day outage, moved to 60 days.
- Shadow operations started September 4th.
- BPA cutover to RC West is official November 1st.
- All Operations and Restoration plans are due to both RC's by the end of the 2019 calendar year.

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Thank you all for closing out another successful year!