

SERTP Interim Stakeholder Meeting – FERC Order No. 1000 Discussion

December 19, 2013

Andrew Taylor of Southern Company Transmission, on behalf of the SERTP Sponsors, led the discussion of the draft tariff language that was posted on December 13 for stakeholder review.¹ Please provide any written comments by January 3, 2014 to give the SERTP Sponsors time to review before making their compliance filings on January 14, 2014. Meetings such as the December 19, 2013 meeting are an avenue for stakeholders to offer comments, but there are others. Interested parties can submit written comments through the SERTP website.

Open Discussion

Andrew Taylor (Southern) discussed the proposed SERTP process outlined in the draft Attachment K tariff language to satisfy the requirements of FERC's July 18th Order on the SERTP Jurisdiction Sponsors' original Order 1000 regional compliance filings. The substance of the discussion closely tracked the posted draft Attachment K language and, therefore is not captured below. However, discussions with stakeholders concerning specifics of the SERTP proposal are contained below.

- **Section 10 – Consideration of Transmission Needs Driven by Public Policy Requirements**
 - Allison Clements (NRDC) – What about the scenario where instead of driving a transmission need, a Public Policy Requirement impacts resources in the IRP process and reduces the need for physical transmission capacity?
 - Andrew Taylor (Southern) – Order No. 1000 specifically requires the consideration of transmission needs driven by public policy requirements and therefore that is the focus of Section 10. However, the transmission planning process considers all updates in resource assumptions, including those decisions made in IRP processes based upon public policy requirements. If a transmission need no longer exists based upon those updated input assumptions, then that will be reflected in the development of the transmission plan.
 - Allison Clements (NRDC) – What is the intent of Section 10.3.1 #3, the consideration of whether a transmission need driven by public policy requirements is already being addressed?
 - Andrew Taylor (Southern) – If the need is already being addressed, then it is not a new need that needs to be considered. It is already being considered as part of the planning process and will continue to be evaluated through the planning process. This section is about new

¹ This document represents a good faith effort to accurately capture the major themes of the discussions that occurred at this meeting. Importantly, this document should not be considered to be in the nature of an official transcript.

needs not being addressed. The regional planning cycle builds upon the local planning, so there is no gap.

- Allison Clements (NRDC) – Section 10.4.3, what do you mean that it may be directed to another tariff process?
- Andrew Taylor (Southern) – For example, if an entity is looking to integrate a new network resource, which may be driven by a public policy requirement, and there is another tariff process that governs how this may be effectuated, that entity will be pointed to the proper process.
- **Section 11 – Regional Analysis to Identify More Efficient or Cost Effective Regional Transmission Solutions**
 - No stakeholder questions were asked about this section.
- **Section 12 – Merchant Transmission Developers**
 - No stakeholder questions were asked about this section.
- **Section 13 – Enrollment**
 - No stakeholder questions were asked about this section.
- **Section 14 – Qualification for a Transmission Developer to submit a proposal for RCAP**
 - No stakeholder questions were asked about this section.
- **Section 15 – Transmission Facilities Eligible for RCAP**
 - Jay Prewitt (Clean Line) – Does it matter if the project is AC or DC?
 - Andrew Taylor (Southern) – We will consider both if they meet the project criteria
- **Section 16 – Submission of Projects Proposed for RCAP**
 - No stakeholder questions were asked about this section.
- **Section 17 – Evaluation and Selection of Projects for RCAP**
 - No stakeholder questions were asked about this section.
- **Section 18 – Cost Allocation Methodology**
 - No stakeholder questions were asked about this section.
- **Section 19 – On-Going Evaluations**
 - No stakeholder questions were asked about this section.
- **Section 20 – Delay or Abandonment**
 - No stakeholder questions were asked about this section.
- **Section 21 – Milestones**
 - No stakeholder questions were asked about this section.
- **Additional Comments or Questions?**
 - No stakeholder raised an additional comment or question.

The jurisdictional SERTP Sponsors will be filing their revised compliance filings on January 14, 2014. This draft tariff language remains under review and will be revised between now and the filing date.

We continue to review this language and the requirements of the July 18, 2013 order. Please provide written comments as soon as practicable but no later than

January 3, 2014 to allow us time to consider them in revisions to the draft tariff language.