

Meeting Notes
Project Prioritization Team
October 7, 2004
Teleconference

Mary McGarvey
Tim Schmehl
Bob Thompson
Ray Stalter
Amy Curley
Rich Dewey
Bradley Kranz
Kathy Whitaker

Joe Oates, MC Chair
Jim Scheiderich, BIC Vice-Chair
Mario DiValentino - BS&P Chair
Larry DeWitt – MC Co-Vice Chair

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1. Joe Oates opened the meeting by stating that the PPT agenda for this meeting was limited to a review of the proposed 2005 Project Priority list and a discussion of the presentation of the list at the upcoming Management Committee meeting. He asked PPT members to look at the project list, which now includes the results of the NYISO's evaluation of drivers and scoring criteria and asked for comments. (Document posted)
 2. Jim Scheiderich asked whether the Intra-Hour Transaction Scheduling (aka VRD) and 15-minute external transaction scheduling projects should be combined on this list.
 3. Bob Thompson responded that the two items were somewhat different in scope and that they should probably remain separate for now.
 4. Joe Oates noted that some explanation of the scoring method should be included with the materials for the MC to help understand why the project ranking did not go from the highest scores to the lowest.
 5. Mario DiValentino added that further explanation would be helpful as it can appear odd when a project like Self Supply of Reserves has an overall priority ranking of 7 when it only has an individual score of 1.
 6. Tim Schmehl explained that the ranking is an assessment of both the drivers and the scoring, which ultimately requires the exercise of some judgment in the selection of priority projects. Tim cited, as an example, a project that has a required regulatory action by a certain date, which becomes a driver that would raise the priority of that item.
 7. Brad Kranz added that the scoring on the Self Supply of Reserves issue by NYISO staff was consistent with the feedback received from Market Participants,

which, in turn, supports the plan to seek agreement from stakeholders to make a recommendation to FERC to defer an implementation of a self-supply option. Until that happens, however, it must be assumed, for project planning purposes, that a self-supply option may still need to be developed during 2005.

8. Jim Scheiderich added that it was helpful to have the scoring provided so that the process is more visible and Market Participants will have a better understanding of what was done to assess the projects and develop the prioritization list.
9. Joe Oates will ask that Market Participants review the project list and contact PPT members with any feedback or input they have. Joe requested that the MC presentation be focused on explaining the rationale and the criteria and process that was used to determine the project rankings.. Joe Oates also requested that a list of the Market Participant representatives on the PPT be included as part of the presentation to MC.
10. The next meeting is scheduled for November 11, 2004, at 3 p.m.