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Subject: Committee & Working Group structure

Please forward the following to all members of BIC.

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To: Chairman of Business Issue Committee and
Members of Business issue Committee

As members of the Scheduling & Pricing Working Group, there are a few concerns we have that should be discussed at the next Business Issue Committee meeting.

First, there is a need for all parties to have the same understanding of what the key issues are within the Business Issue Committee domain. Accordingly, there should be a priority listing of issues in various Working Groups established by the Business Issue Committee (BIC). There are a number of reasons for establishing such a list; however, the obvious reason is to provide a structure to insure that key issues are being addressed in an orderly and timely manner.

Another concern is the number of items that the Scheduling & Pricing Working Group is discussing to present a consensus opinion to BIC. What was the initial issue that established the SPWG and as additional issues surface did BIC membership agree/concurred with assignment to SPWG? If they did, what priority was established?

In accordance with article XIV of BIC by-laws, Working Groups are to have established procedures that incorporate not only the issue but also a process for reporting its activities and technical support staff from the ISO. The multitude of issues presently within SPWG is preventing adherence to the BIC by-laws.

One would expect that a Working Group address a single issue. Perhaps BIC needs to form subcommittees along functional lines and if necessary they can assign Working Groups with clearly define objective and scope for particular items.

In summary, please allot some time at the July 20th BIC meeting to discuss:

- establishing a priority listing of action items within BIC and its Working Groups
- structure of Working Group(s)
- need for subcommittees

Thank you,

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