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1.0 Purpose

The purpose of this document is to outline a work plan for discussion amongst stakeholders and tariff holders regarding the 2017-2018 Biennial Transmission Planning Process (BTTP). The work plan will involve discussion and reevaluation of lessons learned from the prior BTTP cycle, and it will also seek to identify lessons learned from the 2017-2018 BTTP cycle to improve and better manage the process going forward.

2.0 Terms and Definitions

2.1 None

3.0 Responsibilities

3.1 FRCC Regional Projects Subcommittee (RPS)

The RPS is responsible for authoring this document, and for implementing the plan contained in this document.

3.2 Document Review Authority (DR)

The RPS will review this document.

3.3 Document Owner (DO)/Approval Authority

The FRCC Planning Committee is the authority responsible for approving this document.

4.0 Background

At the February 22, 2018, FRCC Board of Directors meeting, the Board directed FRCC Staff and the Planning Committee to facilitate a discussion amongst stakeholders and tariff holders regarding the 2017-2018 Biennial Transmission Planning Process (BTTP). The Board specifically directed a discussion and reevaluation of lessons learned from the prior BTTP cycle, as well as identification of lessons learned from the 2017-2018 BTTP cycle to improve and better manage the process going forward. In response to this directive, the Planning Committee directed the RPS to develop this work plan, considering the previous cycle lessons learned, stakeholder comments and any additional RPS technical basis discussions. In addition, the Planning Committee solicited written and verbal comments from stakeholders on any BTTP process improvement opportunities or other clarifying suggestions for consideration. This plan will be used to further solicit feedback and input on the BTTP process and ensure a systematic and transparent review is performed prior to the start of the next BTTP cycle.

5.0 Work Plan

5.1 Lessons Learned Tasks

The FRCC Planning Committee (PC) will ensure the following tasks are addressed as part of the 2017-2018 Lessons Learned work plan.

5.1.1 Review of 2015-2016 Lessons Learned Documents

The RPS is to review and evaluate the following process documents created from the 2015-2016 BTTP Lessons Learned improvement process and develop any additional recommended improvements for consideration by the PC:

- BTTP Step 1-3 checklist process document (FRCC-MS-PL-085)
- Proactive Planning Scope template (FRCC-MS-PL-080)
- Potential CEERTS Submission template (FRCC-MS-PL-083)
- Step 3 Scope of Work Template (FRCC-MS-PL-086)
- Step 3 Technical Analysis and Report Template (FRCC-MS-PL-088)
- Updates to the Project Information Form (PIF) process (in coordination with the Transmission Technical Subcommittee)

5.1.2 Contractor Evaluations and Qualifications

The Planning Committee will re-convene the Competitive Selection Task Force (CSTF) and direct it to perform the following tasks:

- Survey the experience, and evaluate the performance of the 2017-2018 BTTP cycle, Step 3 consultant to identify any process improvement opportunities and establish any specific parameters for that consultant for future cycles.
- Review the specific conflict of interest provisions in the contract template (e.g. Professional Services Agreement, Sec. V.D) that have inhibited consultants from bidding into the Step 3 analysis.
- Execute a Professional Services Agreement with additional consultants to qualify them as potential Step 3 consultants for the next BTTP cycle;
- Renew existing Professional Services Agreements with current consultants to extend through the 2019-2020 BTTP cycle.

5.1.3 Policy Issue Discussion and Resolutions

Finally, the Planning Committee will ensure that the following policy areas are reviewed and that any potential BTTP process improvement opportunities are identified, discussed in open stakeholder forums, and considered for implementation by the PC. At monthly Open Stakeholder meetings, the PC will discuss the options to formulate resolutions or additional procedures to be referenced in future cycles. If the PC finds that a resolution to one or more of these issues suggests a need for tariff changes, it will convene a task force to present suggested changes to tariff holders for consideration.

The PC directs the RPS to review these policy areas and if appropriate, develop background and options papers regarding any identified BTPP process improvement opportunities for review by stakeholders and consideration by the PC. As part of this activity, the RPS is to identify which of these policy issues might suggest tariff changes and which of the issues could be implemented without tariff changes.

5.1.3.1 How to treat changes (or forthcoming changes) to the Regional Transmission Plan that occur during the BTPP cycle. This policy discussion will address the following three sub-issues:

- Treatment of Florida Public Service Commission Ten Year Site Plan (“TYSP”) filings in the BTPP process.
- Appropriateness of cost sharing of CEERTS analysis conducted prior to a change in the Regional Transmission Plan
- Window for CEERTS project sponsors to adjust CEERTS proposals after a change is made in the Regional Transmission Plan.

5.1.3.2 Treatment of project cost estimates during BTPP Steps 1 through 4

5.1.3.3 Guidance for the Step 3 consultant’s determination of “equal to or superior to” and “identification of projects in the regional transmission plan that would be affected or avoided.” This guidance will address the following three sub-issues:

- Projects in the Regional Plan that are eligible for the independent consultant to “avoid.”
- Definition of “needs” that the Step 3 consultant will rely on to formulate his or her opinion.
- The criteria or methods that the Step 3 consultant will use to formulate his or her opinion.

5.1.3.4 Step 1 determination of whether CEERTS proposals are “regional transmission solutions” and how to ensure there is a common understanding at the beginning of the cycle.

5.1.4 Lessons Learned from 2015-2016 BTPP cycle that do not need further review at this time

There are several lessons learned identified in the 2015-2016 BTPP cycle that did not generate stakeholder feedback during the 2017-2018 BTPP cycle, and thus it is not necessary to focus attention on improving those areas in the present cycle. Namely, this 2017-2018 BTPP lessons learned work plan will not address changes to the following:

- Process for projects submitted in response to an “unmet need.” In particular, at this time, the PC does not contemplate revisions to the FRCC Guidelines for Proposing CEERTS Project(s) Based on Production Cost Modeling (FRCC-MS-PL-089).
- Developer application and qualification processes. In particular, at this time, the PC does not contemplate revisions to the Project Developer Qualification/Review Application (FRCC-MS-PL-077) and acceptance letter templates.

5.2 Implementation Plan

The table below summarizes the 2017-2018 BTPP Lessons Learned tasks along with a target completion date for each task.

Review process documents created from the 2015-2016 BTPP Lessons Learned	
Task	Target Deadline
RPS reevaluates each process document created from the 2015-2016 lessons learned.	6/4/2018
RPS proposes potential revisions to these documents based on discussion of comments received (as appropriate)	6/4/2018
RPS revises language of process documents as appropriate	8/7/2018
PC approves RPS revisions	9/4/2018
Contractor Evaluations and Qualifications	
Task	Target Deadline
PC convenes the Competitive Selection Task Force (CSTF)	4/30/2018
CSTF evaluates the performance of the Step 3 consultant	6/4/2018
CSTF reviews and modifies Professional Service Agreement conflict of interest provisions	8/7/2018
CSTF executes Professional Services Agreement with additional consultants; renew existing services agreements.	January 2019
Policy Issues	
Task	Target Deadline
RPS presents background and options paper (and outline of draft procedure, if applicable) to the PC for each issue. RPS identifies which resolutions might suggest tariff changes and which can be implemented without tariff changes.	7/10/2018
PC manages issues at Open Stakeholder PC conference calls; PC directs staff to revise potential options / draft procedures as needed	July, August, September Open meetings (TBD)
PC votes on final resolutions or procedures addressing policy issues; PC identifies tariff change suggestions (if any) based on final resolutions.	September Open Meeting (TBD)
If needed, PC convenes a task force to begin addressing policy resolutions suggesting a need for tariff changes.	10/2/2018

<p>PC approves a final 2017-2018 Lessons Learned report to deliver to the Board (the report will summarize the non-tariff changes made to BTPP documents and procedures, CSTF actions taken, final PC resolutions, and any identified PC tariff change suggestions.)</p>	<p>10/2/2018</p>
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6.0 References

- 6.1 *FRCC Regional Transmission Planning Process (FRCC-MS-PL-018)*
- 6.2 *2016 FRCC BTPP Lessons Learned Work Plan (FRCC-MS-PL-075)*
- 6.3 *BTPP Step 1-3 checklist process document (FRCC-MS-PL-085)*
- 6.4 *Proactive Planning Scope template (FRCC-MS-PL-080)*
- 6.5 *Potential CEERTS Submission template (FRCC-MS-PL-083)*
- 6.6 *Step 3 Scope of Work Template (FRCC-MS-PL-086)*
- 6.7 *Step 3 Technical Analysis and Report Template (FRCC-MS-PL-088)*
- 6.8 *Project Developer Qualification/Review Application (FRCC-MS-PL-077)*
- 6.9 *FRCC Guidelines for Proposing CEERTS Project(s) Based on Production Cost Modeling (FRCC-MS-PL-089)*

7.0 Attachments

7.1 None

8.0 Review and Modification History

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