

FTR Allocation Process

The FTR allocation procedure is based on a two-stage FTR allocation.

The first stage is based on assigning candidate FTR sources for each transmission zone or for each historic load aggregation zone from generation resources that were historically designated to serve the load in the transmission zone or historic load aggregation zone. A historic aggregation zone is defined as a sub-region of a transmission zone that was served under a separate set of supply contracts than the other load in the transmission zone. LSEs in each zone will be provided with a pro-rata amount of MW capability from each resource based on their proportion of load within the transmission zone. Each LSE may request a quantity of FTR MWs from any of the assigned resources up to its share of the resources MW capability. Each LSE may request a quantity of FTR MWs to each zone up to their Network Service Peak Load MW amount in the zone.

The second stage of the FTR allocation is an iterative allocation process which consists of four rounds with 25% of the remaining system FTR capability allocated in each round. Each round will be conducted sequentially with LSEs being given the opportunity to view results of each round prior to submission of FTR requests into the subsequent round. Valid FTR source points in Stage 2 include zones, generators, hubs and external interface points. In each round, LSEs may request a MW quantity of FTRs for up to 25% of their remaining Network Service Peak Load MW amount not covered by FTR MWs from the Stage 1 allocation.

Firm point-to-point transmission customers may also request FTRs during Stage 2. In each round, the customer may request up to 25% of the MWs of the service being provided between the specified source and sink points of the service.

All FTRs must be simultaneously feasible. If all FTR requests made during the annual allocation process are not feasible then FTRs are prorated and allocated in proportion to the MW level requested and in inverse proportion to the effect on the binding constraint.