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Eastern Interconnection Grid Planning Authorities Issue Request for Proposals on Gas-Electric Study


A major initiative, the Gas-Electric System Interface Study will analyze the natural gas infrastructure serving a large portion of the Eastern Interconnection. The study will be funded under an existing U.S. Department of Energy grant.

The study, which is to be completed by mid-2015, will develop a baseline of the electric and natural gas systems, including their planning, operation and interactions. In addition, the study will look at the adequacy of the gas system to satisfy generation needs over five and 10-year horizons; identify contingencies on the gas and electric systems that could negatively affect the other; and examine the pros and cons of dual-fuel capability for generation versus expanding gas system infrastructure.

The intent to bid notice from interested bidders is due Aug. 9, 2013, and their proposals are due Aug. 30, 2013. Additional instructions and documents are available at: http://www.eipconline.com/RFP_for_Study.html

The study results will help improve gas/electric coordination to ensure electric system reliability.

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About the EIPC

Formed under an agreement by over two dozen electric system planning authorities from 40 states in the eastern United States and six provinces in eastern Canada, the EIPC is focused on a “bottom-up” approach, starting with a roll-up of the existing grid expansion plans of electric system planning authorities in the Eastern Interconnection.


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