

MRC Special Session: Transparency and End of Life Planning Monthly Progress Report

MC Webinar February 18, 2020

1. Transparency and End of Life Planning

Issue Status

The 'Transparency and End of Life (EOL) Planning' special session group is finishing up the narrowing of options, and beginning package development.

Target Completion

The current work plan is targeting the April 30, 2020 MRC meeting for a vote on solution packages (firstread of packages at the March 26, 2020 MRC meeting). This is dependent on the group's progress during the next several meetings.

Progress Update

The first meeting of this MRC special session series was held on December 18, 2019. The approved Issue Charge was reviewed, and the draft work plan was presented. This group was formed following related efforts by the Transmission Replacement Processes Senior Task Force (TRPSTF), and as such, much of the relevant education had already been addressed. A review of the existing TRPSTF education materials was provided, and a draft list of new education topics was proposed for stakeholder consideration.

The group's second meeting was held on January 15, 2020. PJM provided education on two FERC Orders which address the applicability of Order 890 to transmission owner asset management programs: the 'PG&E Order' (Dkt No. EL17-45) and the 'SoCal Edison Order' (Dkt Nos. ER18-370 and AD18-12). PJM also provided education on two FERC Orders issued on August 30, 2019 regarding Form 715 RTEP Projects: an Order on Remand (Dkt No. ER15-1344) and an Order to Show Cause (Dkt No. EL19-61). PJM also provided a brief summary of the TRPSTF activities and outcome. Upon completion of the education topics, the group engaged in discussion and developed an initial set of identified interests to be considered during solution development. The group was also able to establish an initial set of design components and preliminary options associated with those components. Those design components were organized into three primary categories associated with a transmission owner's asset management and end of life program: (1) Final determination of EOL process, (2) Forward look-ahead process, and (3) Planning entity process.

The group's third meeting was held on February 7, 2020. During this meeting, stakeholders had the opportunity to review and expand upon the previously identified interests. A number of additional interests were added to the matrix. The group then reviewed the previously identified design components, as well as a few changes and additions to the components which PJM had proposed. Stakeholders engaged in



discussion around the status quo of many of the design components. These discussions resulted in the need for some additional refinement of the status quo in order to reach consensus on a satisfactory description of current EOL processes. Stakeholders also reviewed the previously developed options and proposed a number of new options for consideration. The group decided that the status quo and options needed a bit more refinement before solution packages could be discussed in a group setting. However, stakeholders agreed to begin developing packages within their individual organizations based on their current understanding, and engaging in discussion with similarly aligned stakeholders. PJM requested that any proposed packages be submitted by February 27, 2020 in preparation for the group's next scheduled meeting on March 5, 2020.

Action Requested (if necessary)

No action requested of the MRC at this time.