



Eastern Interconnection Planning Collaborative

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# **EIPC Stakeholder Steering Committee & Stakeholder Engagement Process**

Day 2 Summary & Options

April 22-23, 2010

# Agenda

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- Welcome
- Keystone Report on Day 1
- Open Mike/ Polling
- Possible Small Group
- 10:45      Break
- 11:00      Report out
- 12:30      Adjourn

# Proposals with Strong Support

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- How satisfied are you with the straw proposal?
  - 69% strongly accepts or accepts
- Need a fall-back process if consensus is not achieved.
  - 65% strongly accepts or accepts
- Fall-back voting details, finalized before SSC convenes.
  - 66% strongly accept and accept
- Fall-back voting is different for different issues.
  - 61% strongly accept and accept
- Fall-back voting on substantive issues by super majority
  - 91% strongly accept and accept

# Proposals with Strong Support

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- Size 30/sm – provide open SSC sessions
  - 74% strongly accept and accept
- Size 30/sm sector caucuses instruct their representative on regional diversity
  - 75% strongly accept and accept
- Structure exists for the life of DOE project and shall be revisited at the end
  - 81% strongly accept and accept

# Proposals with Strong Support

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- Size 30/sm – increase caucus responsibility
  - 75% strongly accept and accept
- Merger Florida with SIRPP
  - 82% Strongly accept or accept
- Generation Sector seat designation (1 renewable, 1 non-renewable, 1 open) and selection protocol
  - 66% strongly accept and accept

# Sector Break-down on Satisfaction with Straw Proposal

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TO:	30% OK; 32% Oppose, 33% Strongly Oppose
GO:	33% OK; 67% Oppose (N=3)
Other Suppliers:	100% Oppose (N=1)
TDUs/Public Power:	25% Very Satisfied; 25% OK; 50% Oppose
End User:	100% Very Satisfied (N=1)
NGOs:	60% Very Satisfied, 40% OK or Somewhat
States:	86% Somewhat or OK; 14% Oppose
Fed Gov't:	80% - Very, Somewhat or OK

# Proposal with Little/No Support

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- Increase size – 2 members per region per non-government sector (over 100 members)
  - 63% oppose and strongly oppose
- If asset threshold moves non-asset owners out of TO sector into “Other Suppliers,” they should have a designated seat.
  - 61% oppose and strongly oppose

# Proposals with No Clear Trend

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- Increase size to ensure regional diversity at SSC.
  - 45% strongly accept and accept; 55% opposed and strongly opposed.
- Create more designated seats WITHIN sectors.
  - 51% strongly accept and accept; 49% opposed and strongly opposed
- Establish TO sector asset eligibility threshold.
  - 52% strongly accept and accept; 48% oppose and strongly oppose
- SSC elections occur sequentially to balance regional diversity.
  - 50% strongly accept and accept; 50% oppose and strongly oppose

# Facilitators' Take-Aways

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- The Straw Proposal has support as a starting place.
- The group would appear to agree to maintain balance in the decision making authority (in number of seats or voting power)
- Consensus should be the primary decision making process, without an easy off-ramp

# Facilitators' Take-Aways

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- Process should be structured to actively foster consensus (adequate time, expert facilitation and manageable size)
- A fall-back decision making process is important and should also be a high threshold for approval, e.g. super majority.
- The Caucus should be empowered to advise the SSC members on substantive issues. Each sector can determine the best way to structure that.

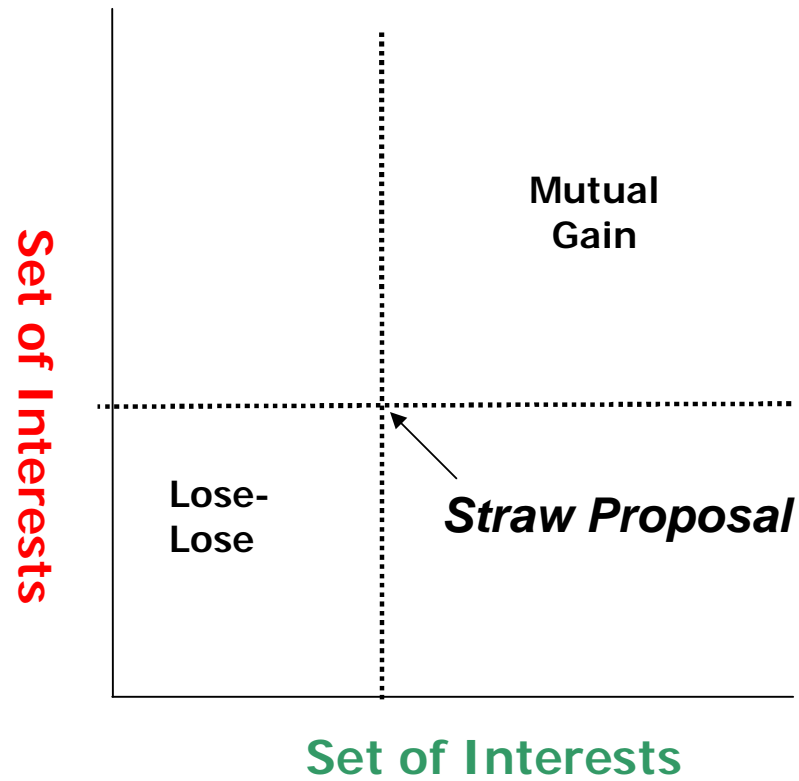
# Remaining Challenges

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- Provide a way for the different voices within a sector to be heard and taken into account in SSC deliberations while achieving manageability and efficiency
- Respect the resource and time constraints of all the sectors and the EIPC project proposal

# The Analytical Question

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# Key Ingredients for Improving Acceptance

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- Address Sector-specific concerns about adequate representation
- Maintains manageable size and workable dynamics
- Encourages consensus, no easy off-ramp
- Fall-back decision method when consensus can't be reached.

# States' Proposal

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*3 Members each for 6 non-government sectors*

*States have one-third representation on SSC*

*TO regions not represented by 3 members may attend SSC meetings, put forward agenda items, consult with members*

*SSC develops 8 macro futures and 3 final scenarios*

*States get to approve or revise 4 macro futures and 1 final scenario for detailed transmission analysis*

*Consensus decision making with fall back that requires super majority (% determined to ensure no two sectors could block the majority)*

