

MWG Call Summary
May 4, 2011, 3:30 p.m.

Attending: Stan Hadley, Samir Succar, Bob Pauley, Tom Schneider, Erin Hogan, Paul McCurley, Dave Whiteley, Tyler Ruthven, Maryam Sharif, Jonathan Forward, Flora Flygt, John Buechler, Steve Gaw

1. Follow-up Items from the 4/29/11 SSC webinar

- The MWG discussed two outstanding items from the webinar:
 - SMR costs sensitivity – SSC requested additional info from EISPC. No MWG action required at this time.
 - Offshore wind sensitivity – Offshore wind distribution within PJM will be done in accordance with the default approach, unless Samir Succar hears otherwise from PJM. No further MWG action required at this time.
- Erin will work to update the Google Docs overview document with the most current sensitivities index, and will highlight tables that need to be changed/updated for the various Futures by the end of the day Thursday (5/5/11). After that, all sub-team leads are expected to fill in their respective tables, or double-check and confirm that each Future is complete. The group will aim to have data fully populated by end of next week (5/13/11).

2. Transmission Hardening Methodology Update

- Tyler Ruthven gave an overview of the 2-3 methodologies currently under discussion within the transmission subteam.
- The group plans to have two specific methodologies, with proposed parameters, to recommend to the SSC in advance of the May 18-19 SSC meeting.
- The group still intends to have the SSC select one of the methodologies at the May meeting, with recognition that, after applying this methodology to Future 2, the group may want to refine or alter this approach or the parameters if the results strongly diverge from the group's expectations.
- Though some expressed an interest in allowing flexibility to change the methodology from one Future to the next, others expressed concerns about this, both related to the project budget/schedule impacts, and in terms of comparability/consistency between the Futures.
- The spreadsheet recently circulated by Stan is representative of the proposals currently on the table. Stan is also working on giving written descriptions of these approaches. Those with additional questions should direct them to Tyler or others individually.

3. MRN-NEEM Results

- Stan H. has agreed to create spreadsheets for analyzing the data from the Futures and sensitivities, based on the metrics most important to stakeholders. MWG members suggested a number of ideas for charts/spreadsheets that would assist in the data analysis, including the following:
 - Consolidate generation technologies and show *forced* builds and retirements vs. *economic* builds and retirements.
 - Show costs in net present value.
 - Calculate costs for resources not "costed out" in the model, by importing MWh for these resources and bringing in unit costs.

- Consolidate data by Super-region in order to compare regional and national futures.
 - Show technology types and how they are distributed among NEEM regions.
- Wil Burns requested that stakeholders be given 2010 results, instead of having those consolidated with 2015. Dave Whiteley said CRA already expressed that they did not plan to do this, but Dave said he will ask again.
- Other suggested data analysis spreadsheet/template suggestions should be e-mailed to Stan.

4. Next steps

- Catherine distributed the draft agenda for the May SSC meeting to the SSC and MWG. Please submit comments by next Monday.
- Next week, the MWG will review the slides/materials on the transfer limits methodologies before sending them to the SSC. This call will take place Wednesday 5/11 at **3 p.m. E.T.**