

Summary of Roll-up WG Call #1
Mon., Aug 16, 2:30 – 4:00 PM ET

Official/ designated WG Members in attendance: Wil Burns, Matt Schuerger, Fred Plett, Erin Hogan, Gregory Smith, Michael Hutson, Noman Williams, Ken Lotterhos, Bruce McKinnon, Lauren Azar, Garry Brown, David Meyer (DOE), John Lucas and Bryan Hill (EIPC),
Facilitators: Margaret Pinard and Catherine Morris (Keystone Center)

1. Ground rules established for WG calls and meetings:

- Decisions will be made by consensus, meaning no one expresses objections to a proposal moving forward.
- Each sector's 1-3 designated representatives/official members on this WG have speaking priority. Other participants and observers will have opportunities to weigh in on substantive discussions, which will depend on the agenda.
- At this point, the WG members see no need for a chairperson, as long as Keystone will be facilitating.

2. Overview of Task 2 – Roll up of Regional Plans, by John Lucas, (from July 14th Statement of Project Objectives). Highlights:

- The Roll-Up is a process of “knitting together” or integrating regional plans.
- The purpose of the roll-up is to integrate into a single model the regional plans based on current assumptions and public policy requirements and establish a “best guess” at a transmission topology 10 years out to 2020..
- A stress & gap analysis will be conducted to identify inconsistencies between the regions and opportunities for increased efficiencies.
- Once the roll-up is completed, it will be analyzed using a production cost model (GE-MAPS), designated as Task 3 in the SOPO.
- The time frame of the roll-up will not be extended for the purpose of creating a “base case” or “reference case.” If a reference/base case with a longer planning horizon is desired, it will have to be created (likely through the Scenario Planning WG) as one of the eight macroeconomic futures or three transmission build-out scenarios.
- Roll-up will include any current or planned transmission infrastructure and public policies that are currently incorporated into the regional planning processes.

3. Timeline for WG and SSC input:

- Though EIPC doesn't anticipate major inconsistencies in regional planning processes, there will be some assumptions made by the EIPC planning engineers to rectify shortcomings, and the SSC can provide feedback on these.
- WG members want this group and the SSC to have input on the process for creating improvements/enhancements, and addressing inconsistencies or gaps in the regional planning processes, and would like information about these processes such as the criteria used for enhancements as soon as possible.
- John Lucas noted that the EIPC work group dedicated to the roll-up has to begin the gap analysis before it can inform the group about the potential inconsistencies.
- The roll-up Study Guide (Subtask 2A) will be reviewed soon by EIPC technical committee and will be made available as soon as possible after that.

4. Information request on Roll-up inputs

- EISPC requested detailed information from EIPC related to regional planning process assumptions. EIPC is forming a response, and will soon be able to identify and discuss regional differences in inputs/assumptions. Response from EIPC is expected as soon as the end of this week.
- NGOs also have a list of questions which they will submit after reviewing the response to the EISPC.
- EISPC's requests will be forwarded to this WG so they can see what has been requested and decide on a coordinated method for obtaining any other necessary information about roll-up process and assumptions.

5. Procedures for obtaining CEII Data (Dave Whiteley)

- Access is restricted to some of the data desired by this WG. A written procedure for obtaining restricted Critical Energy Infrastructure Information (CEII) will be released by EIPC by Aug. 26th or 27th. David explained the general approach.
- In order to obtain CEII data, the following steps must be taken:
 1. Individuals must approach local planning authority and request access to CEII data.
 2. Planning Authority would give authorization to that individual to obtain the data.
 3. TVA will issue the data to that individual.
- Independent individuals should go to the planning authority that covers their home or organizational HQ address. For those representing clients – the individual receiving the information is the one who needs approval.

6. Suggested topics for Transmission Planning webinar:

- Differences in regional planning processes and assumptions
- Preliminary roll-up data available at time of webinar
- Areas of inconsistencies identified so far and how they were handled
- As-built vs. as-planned assumptions
- What transmission planning is **not**
- Explanation of how, why MMWG data was used in roll-up as opposed to regional plans
- May need a webinar more advanced than “transmission planning 101,” or a second webinar to present the more advanced information that is desired.

7. Charge & Tasks for Roll-up WG

- Description from Chicago SSC meeting summary: dedicated to liaising with and providing feedback to EIPC as EIPC develops the integration of the existing regional transmission plans, addresses potential enhancements identified through a gap analysis, and completes production cost analysis of the EI-wide 10-year roll-up case.
- Another call will be needed to further review and refine the charge of the WG.

8. Next Steps

- Transmission Planning webinar to be scheduled in mid to late September.
- Response to States' information request will be available soon and distributed for discussion by WG in 2 weeks.
- EIPC will provide a schedule for Task 2 to the WG .
- Next Call, to refine charge, tasks, and deliverables of WG, will be the week of August 23rd. Keystone will send Doodle poll.