Eastern Interconnection Planning Collaborative

ATC Customer Meeting August 20, 2009



Recovery Act of 2009

- The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009:
 - Provided \$80 million to U.S. DOE to conduct a resource assessment and an analysis of future demand and transmission requirements
 - Directed DOE to provide technical assistance on the formation of interconnection-based transmission plans for the Eastern and Western Interconnections and ERCOT



DOE Funding Opportunity

- DOE published a funding opportunity announcement to facilitate the development or strengthening of capabilities in each of the three interconnections to prepare analyses of transmission requirements under a broad range of alternative futures and develop longterm interconnection-wide transmission expansion plans
 - Topic A: Transmission Planning
 - Topic B: State and Stakeholder Interaction
 - Proposals are due Sept. 14, 2009



Eastern Interconnection Planning Collaborative Effort

- Planning Authorities in the Eastern Interconnection have been engaged in an effort to form the "Eastern Interconnection Planning Collaborative"
 - ATC is among Planning Authorities actively participating
 - Developing an over-arching study process with significant stakeholder interaction
 - Finalizing Analysis Group Agreement to set structure and funding for technical analysis work
 - Developing a proposal for U.S. DOE funding of the EIPC approach

ATC EIPC Participation

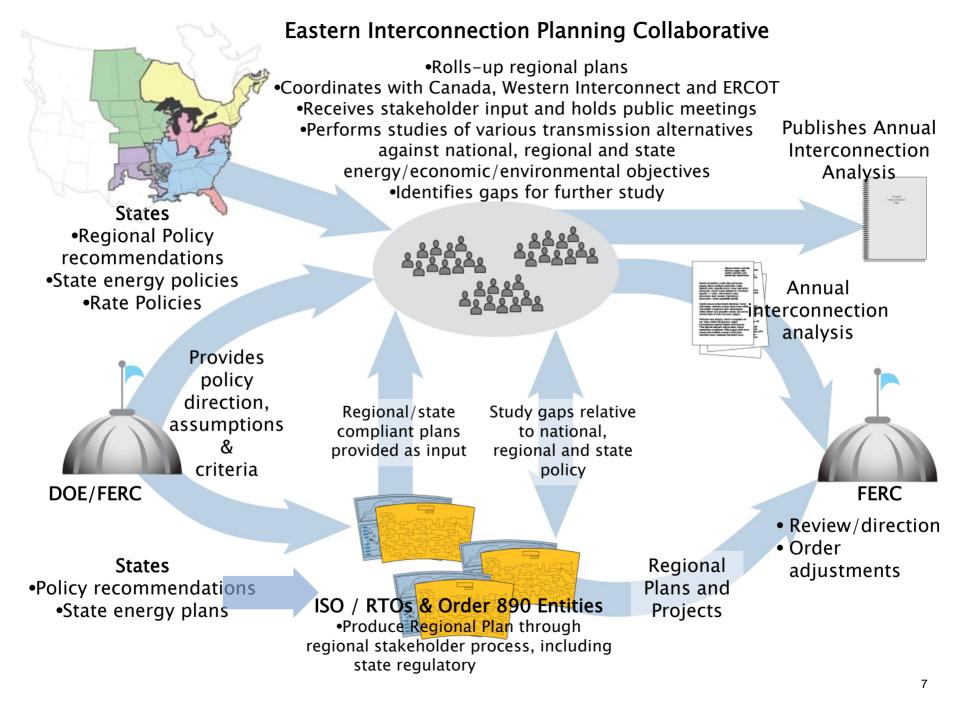
- ATC has an opportunity to participate in the EIPC because:
 - The company is a NERC-registered Planning Authority
 - The company has a FERC-approved local planning process that meets Order No. 890 requirements
- ATC is on the Executive Team and participating in developing the DOE FOA proposal
- ATC also would be a subcontractor with >\$100,000 expenditure over the three-year course of the project that is expected to be reimbursed under the FOA
 - Results report due to DOE June 2011, with second report due June 2013



EIPC Annual Process Skeleton

- 1. Assemble regional plan updates and insert into existing Eastern Interconnection models
- 2. Refine models and resolve seams differences
- 3. Coordinate with states and provinces on desired analyses and develop scenario proposals
- 4. Open workshop to collect input from broad stakeholder community and federal, state and provincial officials, and to prioritize scenarios to be analyzed
- 5. Analysis Group performs studies and drafts report(s) of the findings from study work
- 6. Draft report(s) published with supporting technical data for comment and input from stakeholders, federal, state and provincial participants
- 7. Analysis Group incorporates comments and revises report(s)
- 8. Final report(s) published





Questions?

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