TAC Report to the ERCOT Board

April 18, 2006

TAC Summary

- 2 unanimous PRRs
- Notice of guide revisions
- TAC discussion regarding Board Retreat Action Items
- Other high interest issues
 - Mass Transition PRR
 - PUC Staff appeal of project priorities
 - TPTF Oversight
 - Entergy Texas interconnection study
 - Zonal Market Improvements

PRR 630 – Private Use Networks

Purpose (TXU Wholesale, IOU)	Requires private use networks (PUNs) to maintain and report appropriate watt/VAR metering data at each substation and the addition/deletion of load points.		
Benefit	Improved system reliability by requiring PUNs to meet same power factor/voltage standards as other market participants.		
Market Impact	Places additional reporting requirements on certain PUNs.		
System Change	No	N/A	
Assumptions	N/A		
TAC Vote	TAC unanimously recommends approval ; all market segments were present		
Effective Date	May 1, 2006		

PRR 630 – Private Use Networks

Impact Analysis

Item Reviewed	No Impact	Impact	Description
Budget	\rightarrow		
Staffing	\rightarrow		
Computer Systems	\bigstar		
Business Functions	\bigstar		
Grid Operations	\star		
Credit Monitoring/ Liability	\star		
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PRR 651 RPRS Cost Recovery Process Clarification -- URGENT

Purpose (ERCOT)	Conforms RPRS cost recovery process to that used for OOMC (e.g., verifiable costs)				
Benefit	Clarifies the process used by QSEs when submitting RPRS verifiable costs to ERCOT				
Market Impact	N/A				
System Change	Νο Ν/Α				
Assumptions	N/A				
TAC Vote	TAC unanimously recommends approval ; all market segments were present				
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Market Guide Revisions

- RMGRR032 Transaction Timing Matrix Correction
- RMGRR033 Process for Retail Market Guide Revisions
- LPGRR009 Changes to Governing Subcommittee
- LPGRR010 Load Profile Type Responsibility Change

Recommended Board Actions

- Approval
 - PRR 630 Private Use Networks
 - PRR 651 RPRS Cost Recovery Process Clarification

Board Retreat Action Items for TAC

- Develop strawman for TAC consideration regarding possibility of only sending PRRs with priority/ranking above cut line to Board, include review of Board oversight in Protocols
 - TAC taskforce is meeting and will report to TAC in May
 - Taskforce is also looking at the issue of Board approvals
- Discuss advantages and disadvantage of Market Participants directly funding some PRRs
 - PRS has discussed this item and will report to the TAC in May

Other High Interest Issues: Mass Transition

- Mass Transition -- PRR 660 Texas SET Transactional Solution for a Mass Transition Event has been submitted for urgent consideration.
 - ERCOT Staff target implementation date: March 31, 2007.
 - Stakeholder discussion of acceleration to December 31, 2006.
 - BOD direction to accelerate planning phase prior to adoption.

Other High Interest Issues: TPTF Oversight

- TPTF Oversight
 - TAC heard an appeal of TPTF's approval of the network modeling business requirements document.
 - Approved a motion giving further guidance to ERCOT and stakeholders in development of the network model.
 - Successfully passed the first test of the nodal transition plan: timely resolution, clear outcome, identified additional tasks

Other High Interest Issues

- PUC Staff appeal of priority ranking for PRR 590 and PRR 601—issues remaining from the "Patton list".
 - PRS approved raising PRR 601 above the line.
 - PRS and TAC did not act to raise PRR 590 priority.
- ERCOT study of Entergy Texas integration.
- Continuation of zonal market improvements?