## PLWG Meeting February 29, 2012

Initiator	Agenda Item No. 6.b	Action required from PLWG
Planning Working Group (LCRA TSC member)  Reference posted documents:  1) n/a	At the December PLWG meeting LCRA TSC presented a need for making available an ERCOT 7-year power flow case to be used for planning of long-lead time type projects (e.g., projects with certification requirements and 345-kV projects).  This 7-year case would be made available through the current ERCOT SSWG power flow case building process. The need for the 7-year case would provide the time required to 1) study a diverse set of alternatives ensuring study and solution credibility and 2) utilize normal implementation schedules to assist in minimizing overall project cost.  This issue is listed as one of the issues in the PLWG Issues List.  PLWG discussion:  1) Concerns were expressed on the certainty of case assumptions regarding load and generation; 2) Limit use to large projects that require an extended period of time to study. 3) Assist is identifying potential for economic projects to transition into reliability project based on two additional years of case information. 4) Alignment with NERC standards under consideration.  The ROS Operations and Planning Synchronization Task Force (OPSTF) has this issue in their list as one	PLWG  Seek direction form PLWG on identifying the next step to move this issue forward.
	to address in their assignment from ROS. The OPSTF list will be reviewed this month. The OPSTF issues is listed as follows:  Planning Cases and Scenarios. Consider modifying DSB structure from years 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5 to years 1, 2, 3, 5 and 7. [Comment from Oncor; Keep 4 and add 7]	
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