



**Joint Initiative
“Think Tank” Stakeholder Meeting Notice**

August 3, 2011
1:00 – 4:00 pm (MPT)
Idaho Power Company
Boise, Idaho

To date the Joint Initiative endeavors have experienced significant success. DSS is operational, standardized business practices for intra-hour scheduling are on target for a July 1, 2011 effective date, I-TAP is projected to go live by October, 2011 and a new Strike Team has been established to coordinate ATC MOD implementation issues.

The accomplishments of the Joint Initiative are based on the participation and resourcefulness of those parties who are interested in developing and implementing these initiatives. The JI Facilitators have scheduled a Think Tank meeting on **August 3, 2011** to provide an update on the current projects, acknowledge the efforts of those who contributed to the success of these initiatives and assess interest and possible next steps for future efforts.

At the last Think Tank meeting in Portland, stakeholders suggested several options for ‘next steps’ ranging from developing a business case for a small scale, voluntary capacity pool to identifying possible EDT anchor tenants and fleshing out a draft Participants Agreement, among others. We’d like to re-assess the interest of participants in moving ahead with one or more of the proposed efforts.

Prior to the August 3rd stakeholder meeting, please survey your organization’s interest in developing and participating in one or more of the following proposed Strike Teams:

- Develop a business case for a voluntary capacity market/resource pool
- Identify possible EDT ‘anchor tenants’ and discuss implementation issues and/or a Participant Agreement
- Add a ‘ghost market’ modeling component to I-TAP to see how I-TAP would work if prices cleared through a single dispatch model
- Identify additional ways to improve ability to transact over multiple systems in the same manner
- Identify whether there are FERC policies that impede within-hour or real-time transactions across multiple systems and seek appropriate modification of such policies (e.g. undesignation of resources – once resources are designated for a system’s use it is difficult to use them to respond to other systems’ issues)
- Others?

Please put a calendar hold and join us on August 3rd in Boise, Idaho. Participants will be polled and based upon interest and responses we’ll determine how to proceed.

We are looking forward to seeing you there!

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