

Q39. Please provide a day-by-day timeline for milestones involved in/related to the FERC Study starting on the day the concept was first proposed and continuing to the date of the response, listing each step of the Study, initiation, assignment of FERC team members and any contractors, intermediate analytical activities, draft documents, conference calls, meetings, webinars, briefings, etc.			
A: Please see attached chart. Note: We did not configure the FERC Study to be tracked in a project management system and, therefore, do not have detailed records. In order to be responsive to this request, we have attempted to recreate a major milestone timeline. Some of the information provided is based on approximations or best efforts to recall events.			

Response Pertains to First PowerPoint Presentation			
Milestone	Intermediate Analytical Activities/Study Steps	Date	Draft Documents
Project assignment		Feb 2013	
Selection of methodology		Feb/March 2013	
Designation of initial team members and outline study plan	For identification of team members and assignments, see responses to Questions 13, 14, 15	Feb/March 2013	
Produce TIER rankings for each interconnection	Prepare and run TIER model	2/21/13	
	Provide TIER lists to team members	2/28/13	Raw TIER lists for each interconnection
AC Load Flow runs performed		3/1/13 - 3/19/13	Load flow results
	Determination of criteria for inclusion on Electrically Significant Locations (ESL) list	3/1/13- 3/19/13	
	Compile list of Electrically Significant Locations (ESL)	3/1/13-3/19/13	ESL interconnection list
Draft First PowerPoint presentation	Provide proposed outline for PowerPoint presentation to team	3/3/13	Draft outline for presentation
	PowerPoint presentation drafting taken over by another team member	3/4/13	Draft outline for presentation
	Western Interconnection (WI) list	3/4/13	WI list
	Circulate draft PowerPoint presentation to team	3/10/13	Initial presentation draft: "Ranking of Critical Nodes in the Continental National Power Grid"
	Team meeting to review draft PowerPoint	3/11/13	Initial draft of presentation
	Draft PowerPoint presentation editing	3/12/13	Initial draft of presentation

	Final selection of Electrically Significant Locations	3/13/13	Preliminary ranking results for presentation
	Information update	3/14/13	Table and map updates
	Circulate revisions to PowerPoint presentation among team members	3/14/2013 - 3/19/2013	Draft First PowerPoint presentation
	Finalize PowerPoint presentation and circulate final draft to team	3/19/13	Draft First PowerPoint presentation
PowerPoint presentation made to then-Chairman Wellinghoff and selected staff		3/20/13	First PowerPoint presentation

Response Pertains to Second PowerPoint Presentation			
Milestone	Intermediate Analytical Activities/Study Steps	Date	Draft Documents
Project assignment as a result of First PowerPoint presentation to then-Chairman Wellinghoff		3/20/13	
Designation of team members	For identification of team members and assignments, see responses to Questions 13, 14, 15	3/20/13	
Proposed outline for Second PowerPoint presentation		4/6/13	Discussion materials for outline of proposed PowerPoint presentation
Prepare Second PowerPoint presentation on then-Chairman's questions	AC Load flow runs related to the first question asked by then-Chairman Wellinghoff in response to First PowerPoint presentation	April 2013	Load flow results
	Provide preliminary information to team for the first two questions asked by then-Chairman Wellinghoff in response to First PowerPoint presentation	4/8/13	Draft Second PowerPoint presentation
	Provide preliminary information to team for two remaining questions asked by then-Chairman Wellinghoff in response to First PowerPoint presentation	4/9/13	Draft Second PowerPoint presentation
	First draft combining both presentations and editing	4/10/13	Draft Second PowerPoint presentation
	Preliminary results of the first draft review meeting	4/10/13	Draft Second PowerPoint presentation
	Finalize Second PowerPoint presentation	4/11/13	

Second PowerPoint presentation to then-Chairman Wellinghof and selected staff		4/12/13	Second PowerPoint presentation
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Response Pertains to May 2013 Summary			
Milestone	Intermediate Analytical Activities/Study Steps	Date	Draft Documents
Staff determined to prepare summary		5/27/13	
Staff prepared the summary		5/28/13	Draft May 2013 Summary
Staff provided the summary to Director of OEIS		5/30/13	May 2013 Summary