

NorthWestern Energy (NWMT)

OASIS Metrics

Paragraph 413 of FERC Order 890, states” transmission providers must post (1) the number of affiliate versus non-affiliate requests for transmission service that have been rejected and (2) the number of affiliate versus non-affiliate requests for transmission service that have been made. This posting must detail the length of service request (e.g., short-term or long-term) and the type of service requested (e.g., firm point-to-point, non-firm point-to-point or network service).” This document provides assistance to customers to extract this information from the OASIS.

OATI, NorthWestern Energy’s OASIS provider has developed a control (or “button”) that provides the basic information required by items (1) and (2) specified in Paragraph 413. To view this information, select the button, labeled “TSR Metric” on the OASIS Reservation Summary page (see Figure 1, below).

To obtain the detailed information, as described further in Paragraph 413, customers must use the standard OASIS filtering located on the Reservation Summary page:

The customer may create queries using the dropdown windows described below. The bold lettering refers to the filter window, as shown in Figure 1. If any window has multiple entries, the “Ctrl” key may be used to string items together in a query. For example, if a query is desired that will display information for both FIRM and NON-FIRM requests, in the “Class” dropdown window, select “FIRM”, hold down the Ctrl key, then select “NON-FIRM.”

Cust: Customer name. Select “ALL” to view all customers, or select the acronym of any specific customer. NorthWestern Energy’ Default Supply group is “NWDS.”

TP: Transmission Provider. Select “ALL” for all transmission providers, or select the acronym of any specific transmission provider. NorthWestern Energy’s transmission provider acronym is NWMT.

Seller: Seller name. Keep as “ALL”

Incr: Service increment. Select “ALL” to included all increments or select the increment to be included in the query.

Class: Service class. Select “FIRM” or “NON-FIRM”

Type: Service type. “Select “ALL” for all types, or “POINT-TO-POINT” or “NETWORK”

Path: Transmission Path. This may be left blank, since the POR/POD combination will automatically define the path.

Status: Request status. Select “ALL” for all status types, or any of the available statuses listed. For purposes of the metrics required by Order 890, select “REFUSED”

Time: Time of requests to be included in query. Using the two dropdown boxes, queries can be defined based upon the time requests start, end, are active, were queued, or were updated.

POR: Point Of Receipt. Select “ALL” for all PORs, or select any specific POR.

POD: Point Of Delivery. Select “ALL” for all PODs, or select any specific POD.

Req Type: Request Type. The query can be limited to the type of request (e.g., ORIGINAL, RENEWAL, etc.) using this filter control.

Src: Source.

Snk: Sink.

Ref: Assignment Reference Number. If known, the OASIS Assignment Reference Number may be used to limit the query to a specific request.

OATI is working with the wesTTrans OASIS transmission providers to develop automated approaches to provide the metrics required by FERC Order 890. As these processes and procedures are developed and implemented, this document will be updated to assist customers in the use of such OASIS enhancements.

Figure 1

The screenshot shows a web browser window titled "SOCC_Marketing_6 (www.westtrans.net) - OASIS - Microsoft Internet Explorer". The address bar shows the URL: `https://www.westtrans.net/cgi-bin/webplus.dll?script=%2Fwoa%2Fwoa-main.wml&ppr=WestTrans`. The page features a navigation menu with buttons for Reservations, Sys Data, Offerings, Resale, Reductions, Data, Company, Home, Help, Logout, Ancillary, Offerings, Security, Deals, Schedules, Notices, User, Bulletin, Options, Auction, and Alarm. A status bar in the top right corner displays "SOCC_Marketing_6 07-13 15:09 MDT", "NWMT", and "OASIS Archive".

The main content area is titled "Reservation Summary". It contains a search filter form with the following fields and values:

Cust	ALL	Incr	ALL	Path		POR	ALL	Src		Use DST	<input type="checkbox"/>
TP	NWMT	Class	FIRM	Status	ALL	POD	ALL	Snk		Enter	
Seller	ALL	Type	ALL	Time	Queued	Any time	Req Type	ALL	Ref		

Below the search form are several buttons: "New TSR", "More Filtering", "User Range", "Columns", "Save Query", "Refresh", and "Disabled". There are also checkboxes for "AFC/Flowgate Reports" and buttons for "Hourly Summary", "Spreadsheet", "TransAssign", "TSR Metric", and "Old TSR Summary".

A red text message states: "Selected time range: 1997-01-01 00:00 MS to 2099-12-31 23:59 MS".

A large cyan box contains the instruction: "Select filter criteria and click on Enter button".

At the bottom of the page, there are buttons for "Download CSV" and "Upload CSV".

The footer text reads: "©2001 OASIS™ - Open Access Technology International, Inc. All Rights Reserved."