

# OASIS Practices

## Request Processing

### General Policies

The following general policies apply to the processing of OASIS requests:

1. For the purpose of terminology in this document, requests, once "CONFIRMED", become reservations. In addition, service is divided into five "tiers":

Tier 1	Native Load, Network or Long Term Firm Service
Tier 2	Short-term Firm Service
Tier 3	Network Service from non-designated resources
Tier 4	Non-Firm Service
Tier 5	Service over secondary receipt and delivery points

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3. Requests are processed in accordance with ATC posted at the time the request is submitted.
1. "INVALID" requests are those that are submitted with incorrect POR, POD, or Path Name; are submitted outside the request submission timelines; are submitted for more capacity than is posted; or are submitted without a capacity value or price bid.
2. Requests submitted greater than or equal to posted rate and less than or equal to tariff maximum (ceiling) price will be processed without questioning the customer's motive for the bid price. Requests submitted at greater than tariff maximum (ceiling) price will be "DECLINED" and do not retain any rights or priority in the queue.
3. Requests submitted NOT PRECONFIRMED have until the earlier of: the reservation deadline, receipt of a PRECONFIRMED request of higher priority, or the time listed below to confirm:

Service Increment	Time
Hourly	5 minutes
Daily	2 hours

Weekly	48 hours
Monthly	4 days

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6. ATC, as posted by TEPC, includes the ability to interrupt reservations on lower tiers.
7. Valid, higher-tier reservations can interrupt lower-tier reservations at any time. Higher priority reservations in the same tier do not bump lower priority reservations that have begun.

### **Request Status Values**

The following list describes status values for OASIS requests:

QUEUED = initial status assigned by OASIS on receipt of the request.

INVALID = assigned by TEPC indicating that the request was not submitted correctly – see 2. above (final state).

RECEIVED = assigned by TEPC to acknowledge QUEUED requests.

STUDY = assigned by TEPC to indicate some level of study is required or being performed to evaluate the request.

REFUSED = assigned by TEPC to indicate service request has been denied due to availability of transmission capability (final state).

COUNTEROFFER = assigned by TEPC to indicate that a new OFFER\_PRICE is being proposed.

REBID = assigned by Customer to indicate that a new BID\_PRICE is being proposed.

SUPERSEDED = assigned by TEPC when a request which has not yet been confirmed is displaced by a higher priority reservation (final state).

ACCEPTED = assigned by TEPC to indicate the service request has been approved/accepted. If the reservation request was submitted PRECONFIRMED, the OASIS will immediately set the reservation status to CONFIRMED.

DECLINED = assigned by TEPC to indicate that the BID\_PRICE is unacceptable and that negotiations are terminated (final state).

CONFIRMED = assigned by Customer, in response to TEPC posting "ACCEPTED" status, to confirm service. Once a request has been "CONFIRMED", a transmission service reservation exists (final state, unless overridden by DISPLACED or ANNULLED).

WITHDRAWN = assigned by Customer at any point in request evaluation to withdraw the request from any further action (final state).

**DISPLACED** = assigned by TEPC when a "CONFIRMED" reservation from a Customer is displaced by a longer term reservation and the Customer has exercised right of first refusal (i.e. refused to match terms of new request) (final state).

**ANNULLED** = infrequently assigned by TEPC when, in special circumstances, by mutual agreement with the Customer, a confirmed reservation is to be voided (final state).

**RETRACTED** = assigned by TEPC when the Customer fails to confirm or withdraw the request within the required time period (final state).

## **Request Processing Procedure**

Requests are processed in the order they are received in accordance with the following procedure:

**1. Is the request valid?**

Y: see 2. below.

N: "INVALID", seller comments = " 'reason for invalidity' ".

**1. Is the bid price acceptable?**

Y: see 3. below.

N: "DECLINED", seller comments = "price too low/above ceiling".

**2. Can the request be served from existing ATC?**

Y: "ACCEPTED". Once "CONFIRMED", lower-tier reservations may be interrupted to prevent the path from being oversubscribed.

N: see 4. below.

**3. Can the request (#NNN) bump a same-tier reservation/request?**

Y: "ACCEPTED". Upon confirmation, see 5. below if bumping on duration. If higher in price, existing customer's reservation/request is "DISPLACED" or "SUPERSEDED", seller comments = "bumped on price by NNN". Bumped customer has first right to remaining ATC up to the duration of the bumped reservation/request by immediately submitting a new request that references the old reservation/request. NOTE: Requests with longer duration and higher price will be considered as bumping on price.

N: "REFUSED", seller comments = "insufficient ATC". Customer has first right to remaining ATC by immediately submitting a new request that references the old request number.

**4. Does the existing customer exercise the right to match duration?**

Y: Existing customer submits matching request #MMM. Once "CONFIRMED", existing customer's old reservation is "DISPLACED", seller comments = "matched NNN with MMM" and new customer's reservation is "DISPLACED", seller comments = "matched by MMM". ". New customer has first right to

remaining ATC up to the duration of NNN by immediately submitting a new request that references NNN.

**N:** Existing customer's reservation is "DISPLACED", seller comments = "bumped on duration by NNN". Bumped customer has first right to remaining ATC up to the duration of the bumped reservation by immediately submitting a new request that references the bumped reservation.