

January 21, 2008

Re: TCPC Membership Registration

Dear Stakeholder:

The Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) issued Order No. 890 on February 16, 2007. The intent of that Order is to remedy opportunities for undue discrimination on the transmission network and address deficiencies in the transmission planning process shown in the pro forma Open Access Transmission Tariff (OATT).

To remedy the potential for undue discrimination in planning activities, the FERC directed all transmission providers to develop a transmission planning process that satisfies nine planning principles with an emphasis on coordination, openness, transparency and stakeholder input. Black Hills Power, Inc., Basin Electric Power Cooperative and Powder River Energy Corporation filed a transmission planning process as an attachment to their Joint Open Access Transmission Tariff (JOATT) that meets the requirements promulgated by FERC Order 890.

The JOATT planning process outlines the use of a stand-alone advisory committee comprised of eligible stakeholders to provide input into the Transmission Providers Local Transmission Plan. This committee is known as the Transmission Coordination and Planning Committee (TCPC) and all active solicitation from the Transmission Provider will be directed through TCPC members. Black Hills Power, as Tariff Administrator of the JOATT, is requesting that all parties who wish to be members of the TCPC complete the attached registration form. Please complete a separate form for each organization representative. Additional information regarding the TCPC can be found under the transmission planning tab on the Transmission Providers OASIS website located at http://www.oatioasis.com/BHBE

Please return the completed registration form to Pamela Wiley (<u>pwiley@blackhillspower.com</u>) no later than Friday, February 1, 2008.

Please contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Vance Crocker Acting Tariff Administrator