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Work Plan and Schedule Pacific NW Resource Adequacy Forum October 3, 2006

October through November 2006

- Steering Committee recommends pilot capacity standard to Council for adoption.
- Council receives comments on implementation approach.
- Council votes to release pilot capacity standard for comment.
- Technical Committee develops counting protocols and suggestions for revising the PNUCC reporting process; it recommends reporting protocols to the Steering Committee for consideration.

October 2006

- Council votes to adopt implementation approach.
- Steering Committee decides on final reporting protocols.

December 2006

- Council votes to adopt the pilot capacity standard.

Through May 2007

- Technical Committee works on refinements to the Council's economic adequacy target (based on its 5th Power Plan).
- Data is collected by PNUCC; Council performs top-down evaluation and PNUCC performs bottom-up evaluation.
- Technical Committee evaluates adjustments to the pilot capacity standard.
- Technical Committee benchmarks the energy standard.
- Technical Committee starts developing guidance for interpreting regional energy and capacity standards for individual utility resource planning.

January 2007

- Technical Committee forwards its economic target recommendation to the Steering Committee.

March 2007

- Steering Committee decides on an economic adequacy target.

June 2007

- Council completes its top-down assessment of adequacy.

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- PNUCC completes its bottom-up assessment of adequacy.
- Results of the top-down and bottom-up assessments are compared.
- If necessary, Council evokes actions called for in the implementation approach.

Other Technical Committee Tasks

Present through June 2007

- Reassess the amount of surplus out-of-region capacity (all months) to be used in the analyses.
- Finalize a methodology to benchmark the GENESYS model.
- Reassess the current “5% LOLP” value used to determine the energy metric target; explore other options for calculating LOLP and other potential LOLP targets; show how alternative LOLP methodologies would affect both the energy and capacity targets.
- Explore the use of a “loss of fish operation probability” (LOFP) metric to assure that fish and wildlife operations are not unduly curtailed.
- Review the impacts to cost and to economic risk of changing adequacy targets.
- Develop more detailed documentation to explain how adequacy targets are linked to statistical analyses (i.e. LOLP assessments).

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