



2016 ITP Near-Term (ITPNT) Needs Assessment Posted

The Detailed Project Proposal (DPP) Transmission Planning Response Window (“DPP Window”) opens at 12:00 a.m. CDT (midnight) October 1, 2015, and will remain open until October 30, 2015 at 11:59 p.m. CDT.

For the submittal of potential transmission solutions not submitted as DPPs (non-DPPs, such as operating guides, or Order 890 submittals), **all** additional non-DPP stakeholder submittals need to be received by **11:59 p.m. CDT on Friday, October 30, 2015**, in order to meet study timelines. Any non-DPP or Order 890 solution submittals received after that date are not guaranteed to be evaluated in the 2016 ITPNT. The [updated DPP Submittal Form](#) is the preferred method for receiving all solution submittals, including non-DPP and Order 890 solutions.

The updated 2016 ITPNT models utilized for this needs assessment were [posted](#) on September 16, 2015, and approved by the Transmission Working Group (TWG) on September 24, 2015. As stated in the September 16th posting, the 2016 ITPNT needs assessment delay was due to modeling discrepancies and other model adjustments made to perform Notification to Construct (NTC) re-evaluations. Needs associated with previously issued NTCs, which were removed for re-evaluation, may appear in the posted needs assessment.

WAPA, Basin, and Heartland have been included in the 2016 ITPNT process. A bright-line analysis will be performed to ensure at the time of integration they are meeting SPP planning criteria. Projects identified during the bright-line analysis could resolve needs identified from the ITPNT process. In the event this occurs, those ITPNT needs would be invalidated.

The 2016 ITPNT needs assessment list can be found on TrueShare under “Integrated Transmission Planning – Confidential and Protected Material and or Critical Energy Infrastructure Information-Do Not Release → 2016 ITPNT ” in the “[2016 ITPNT Needs Assessment](#)” folder.

The MISO potential overload and voltage issues will be provided at a later date for **informational purposes only** to provide additional transparency in determining potential interregional solutions.

INFORMATION for obtaining the 2016 ITPNT needs assessment

In order to obtain access to the needs assessment in TrueShare, stakeholders must provide SPP with a signed [confidentiality agreement](#). Instructions can be obtained by clicking on the link. Please submit these forms by email to questions@spp.org. After the executed confidentiality agreement is received, an account will be created for the requester on TrueShare. An email with instructions for logging on will be sent to requester. For those that already have a TrueShare account, no additional action is necessary.

As a reminder, instructions for accessing the model information can be found on the SPP website on the Transmission Owner Selection Process (formerly Order 1000) page [here](#).

Description	Deadline
DPP Transmission Planning Response Window	October 30, 2015, 11:59 PM CDT
Non-DPP/Order 890 Submissions	October 30, 2015, 11:59 PM CDT

Helpful Links

- [Transmission Owner Selection Process \(formerly Order 1000\) home page](#)
 - [Order 1000 Documents \(includes previous postings\)](#)
 - [Detailed Project Proposal \(DPP\) page](#)
- [SPP Transmission Planning Page](#)
 - 2016 ITPNT updated schedule dates are included [here](#).
- All DPPs submitted through [SPP RMS](#). Click on this link and then “Register Now” if you are not already registered. Use the “**ITP-DPP Submittal**” Quick Pick.
- [SPP RMS](#) is also the preferred method for receiving all inquiries and solution submittals.