

Change Control and Issues Request Form

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***All change control forms must be received one week prior to the next SAC meeting in order to be available for presentation at that meeting.**

Instructions: Fill out all required fields below and submit to wregishelp@wecc.biz.

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Status: **Second Revision - To CCSC**

Date Requested: **3/12/2010**

Project Issue/Change Request ID (PIR/PCR): **PCR-159**

Type of Change/Request:

Title of Change/Request: **ALLOW PARTIES TO INITIATE THE MASS TRANSFER AND RET**

Priority: Urgent High Medium Low

Target Date: **April 1, 2011**

Requested By: **Jamie Sims**

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Organization: **Bonneville Power Administration**

Description:

Title: **ALLOW PARTIES TO INITIATE THE MASS TRANSFER AND RETIREMENT OF RECs VIA THE UPLOAD OF DATA FILES INTO THE WREGIS SYSTEM**

Description: BPA is requesting the ability for an Account Holder to initiate a mass transfer of RECs from its sub-account(s) to various other sub-accounts, the accounts of other Account Holders and to initiate the mass retirement of RECs by way of data files which could be submitted/uploaded into WREGIS. Each file would contain the information deemed necessary by APX to initiate the transaction.

APX Response:

Rational / Benefit / Need:

As a Federal Marketer, BPA has more than 150 public power customers, marketers and IOUs whom it serves, many of which purchase RECs from the Agency. BPA currently purchases the output from 6 wind projects but is expecting to expand the renewable portfolio over time. BPA annually allocates RECs to its customers after the fact using a Monte Carlo distribution and cannot take advantage of WREGIS' forward transfer features. BPA is contractually obligated to perform such REC transfers by no later than April 15th for the preceding calendar year.

BPA is facing the prospect of having to manually transfer the monthly generation from 6 wind projects to each of its customers that purchase RECs. Currently only 60 of the Agency's public power customers purchase RECs from BPA (expanding to more than 150 customers by the end of 2011). This would mean the Agency faces having to make 4,320 transfers each year (60 customers x 12 months of data x 6 wind projects). If all 150 of its customers purchase RECs, BPA would have to make over 10,000 transfers annually. The addition of future projects would also increase this number substantially.

BPA also administers over 50 sub-accounts for its customers and that number is expected to grow significantly in the next 2-3 years. Part of the administration function is to retire RECs at the customer's request. The ability to initiate mass retirements via a file upload would save numerous hours of labor and significantly reduce errors that are inherent in the current manual process. As each account holder develops their upload files, accuracy checks could be performed before the actual upload which should greatly improve the accuracy of the transfer and retirement process. The ability to initiate mass retirements should also have a widespread benefit for other WREGIS account holders as they administer green pricing programs and meet the requirements of their states Renewable Portfolio Standards.

Consequences of Not Implementing Change:

Would require WREGIS users with substantial REC activity to manually enter large volumes of transfers/retirements – often in a very short period of time each year – introducing and increasing the possibility errors, requiring a very substantial manpower commitment and possibly tying up WREGIS staff and system resources.

Deliverables:

Estimate for Scheduled Release:

Cost Impact:

Total Cost Estimate:

Risk and Issues Involved:

External Impacts:

Approvals:

APX:

Date:

CEC/WREGIS:

Date:

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Attachments / References:

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