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Transmission Cost Allocation and Seams Work Groups
Response to November 15, 2023 PAC Feedback Request
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In the November 15, 2023, meeting of the Planning Advisory Committee (PAC), MISO presented an updated approach to several elements of the Joint Targeted Interconnection Queue (JTIQ) project portfolio. Those changes are outlined on slide 7 of the posted presentation and include E&C cost allocation methodology, Operations & Maintenance, Backstop, and Entitlements under Appendix G of congestion management process.

https://www.misoenergy.org/stakeholder-engagement/stakeholder-feedback/2023/pac-jtiq-updated-approach-20231115/

The OMS Transmission Cost Allocation Work Group (TCAWG) and Seams Work Groups (SWG) provide this feedback to MISO on its updated cost allocation methodology for the Joint Targeted Interconnection Queue (JTIQ) project portfolio. **This feedback is from an OMS work group and does not represent a position of the OMS Board of Directors.**

On October 18, 2023, the Department of Energy (DOE) announced that the JTIQ portfolio was selected as a recipient of DOE's Grid Resilience and Innovation Partnership (GRIP) program. In total, this funding will help offset $464.5 million of the JTIQ cost (estimated $1,210 – $1,670 billion).

At the November 15 meeting of the Planning Advisory Committee, MISO announced that the GRIP funding would be used to eliminate the 10% of project costs assigned to load and that the remaining GRIP funds would be assigned to interconnecting customers.

The TCAWG and SWG support MISO and SPP's proposed use of the GRIP funding and believe it is the most equitable and streamlined allocation. Furthermore, this adjustment in the allocation method will follow SPP's existing cost allocation methodology for Generator Interconnection Projects thereby avoiding a FERC filing and ruling.