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On behalf of the entities in the Western Interconnection, the Western Electricity Coordinating Council (WECC) proposes to perform an analysis of transmission congestion in the Western Interconnection that will meet the U.S. Department of Energy's obligation under Section 1221 and Section 368 of the Energy Policy Act of 2005. WECC will draw on the current work of the Seams Steering Group – Western Interconnection (SSG-WI) and the work of the five western Subregional Planning Groups, supplemented by additional scenario studies requested by DOE. The proposed study will identify specific areas of congestion in the Western Interconnection, based

upon recent operating experience, expected congestion over the next 10 year time frame, and congestion associated with various alternative resource development scenarios now under consideration in the West.

WECC will facilitate the analysis and prepare the report to DOE through an open, public stakeholder process. The work will be performed working jointly and in coordination with the Seams Steering Group – Western Interconnection (SSG-WI), the state/provincial Committee on Regional Electric Power Cooperation (CREPC) and the five Subregional Planning Groups in the Western Interconnection, specifically the Colorado Coordinated Planning Group (CCPG), the Northwest Transmission Assessment Committee (NTAC), the Rocky Mountain Area Transmission Study group (RMATS), the Southwest Transmission Expansion Plan group (STEP), and the Southwest Area Transmission group (SWAT).

A joint Task Force will be formed, involving DOE staff and representation from the western planning groups, to oversee the study effort.

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