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MEMORANDUM

TO: Power Committee

FROM: Terry Morlan

SUBJECT: Agenda Planning for 2011 Power Committee and Council Meetings

Each year, the power division staff and Power Committee considers potential topics for Power Committee and Council meetings for the coming year. At the January Power Committee, the general approach for meeting agendas will be discussed. In addition, the Power Committee will discuss proposed agenda items for each month during 2011. Staff is looking for guidance and suggestions from Council members.

During 2009 and early 2010, agendas were focused on development of the Sixth Power Plan. 2011 will have a different focus. General topic areas proposed include the following, as discussed in the Power Committee planning lunch in November:

- Local interest panels at each meeting; either for utility planning issues or other local energy issues (state Council members and power staff will help organize these panels);
- Presentations from organizations that are engaged in activities related to Power Plan implementation actions;
- Updates on current energy policy issues; and
- Reports from staff on plan implementation activities, monitoring regional conditions
 related to planning, such as adequacy assessment, loads, resource development, and
 efficiency acquisition, and staff analysis of specific issues.

There is general agreement among Power Committee members that more detailed technical topics should be addressed in a conference call/GoToMeeting framework. Some Power Committee meetings will only be in that framework, but members have set aside the Thursday before Council meetings for potential conference call meetings each month.

A list of specific items for each month is attached for discussion. Clearly, both the proposed topics and their timing are preliminary and will evolve as the year progresses. The further out in the year the more tentative are the items. The plan will change as we progress through the year, so this is a dynamic document. We hope Council members will propose topics as we approach each meeting with special emphasis on meetings in your own states.

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