



## Transmission Business Line (TBL)

### Scheduling Automation Bulletin, SAB004

## Cutover to OATI Tagging Approval and Authority, Version 1

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In our continuing effort to ensure compliance with Western Electricity Coordinating Council's (WECC) Reliability Management System (RMS) M.2.b.4 and M.2.b.5, and avoid sanctions that take effect in January 2005, the TBL is focusing on scheduling automation activities to ensure that all scheduled transactions with our control area have an E-Tag. This Scheduling Automation Bulletin provides details of the impacts to TBL customers of the cutover to OATI and some temporary adjustments that you may need to make to do business with TBL during the cutover period.

The purpose of this Bulletin is to help prepare your organization for TBL's OATI cutover. We will keep you informed about TBL's processes and procedures through bi-weekly customer conference calls, through additional postings, and in other forums as required. All customers are invited to raise questions, clarify procedures, or offer feedback throughout the months leading to January on the bi-weekly calls through [etag@bpa.gov](mailto:etag@bpa.gov), or through your account executives.

### Cutover

On November 8, 2004 at 10:00 p.m. Pacific Standard Time, in preparation for implementing the changes we've identified in Scheduling Automation Bulletins 001, 002, and 003, TBL will cut over its E-Tagging Authority and Approval Service to OATI. Initiating the cutover on November 8<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 pm is consistent with NERC guidelines for changing Authority and Approval Service. To accomplish cutover, the E-Tag security keys in TBL's current Tag Authority and Approval system need to be migrated to the OATI system. (Security keys facilitate E-Tagging system's communication of E-Tag events to appropriate parties. Without migrating those keys, E-Tag adjustments, curtailments, etc. could not be performed.) TBL is establishing the following standards for the cutover period to manage the migration of security keys from the current system to our new OATI system.

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## Preparing for TBL'S OATI Cutover

Below is a brief list of actions that will help you transact business during TBL's OATI cutover.

Date	Customer Pre-Schedule Activities	Customer Real-Time Activities	TBL Actions to Support Cutover
October 25 <sup>th</sup> through November 8 <sup>th</sup> HE21 scheduling for HE22 (8:40 p.m.)	Pre-Schedule as usual, but do not submit any E-Tags for beyond HE24 on November 9, 2004.	Normal RT scheduling, but do not submit any E-tags that extend past HE24 on November 9, 2004.	TBL will deny (or curtail to zero) any E-Tags submitted that extend past HE24 on November 9, 2004.
November 8 <sup>th</sup> - 21:00 thru 21:40 scheduling for HE23 (9:00 p.m.-9:40 p.m.)	N/A	Submit E-Tags for HE23 that do not extend past HE24 on November 9, 2004.  No late tags will be accepted between 9:40 p.m. and 10:01 p.m.	TBL will deny (or curtail to zero) any E-Tags submitted that extend past HE24 on November 9, 2004.  TBL will deny any E-Tags submitted that do not have flow for HE23.  TBL will post notice and problems to the WECC website at 9:00 (RT)
November 8 <sup>th</sup> - Starting 22:00 scheduling for HE24 (10:00 p.m.)	N/A	Normal RT scheduling, now on OATI.	Review and approve E-Tags in OATI.  Start of transition period for all new business processes.
November 9 <sup>th</sup>	Normal Pre-Schedule. E-Tagging Operations 24/7.	Normal Real-Time scheduling.	

### Potential Revisions

TBL will test the migration to OATI over the next couple of weeks and will keep you informed about the outcome of those efforts. On November 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup>, if TBL finds that some of the migration was not effective, TBL send out notification by email to WECNet to inform you of the impact to your transactions.

### Reminder of Current Real-Time Requirements

Some customers have experienced a bit of uncertainty regarding how to transact business with TBL in Real-Time today, given the changes that will be occurring. First, you need to continue to call in your RODS schedule within the applicable timelines. Second, you need to continue to communicate curtailments and reloads to TBL Real-Time via a phone call. Both of these requirements for doing business with TBL Real-Time remain in place until TBL posts otherwise.