



Qualified Transmission Project Sponsor (QTPS) Process

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Process for becoming a QTPS (“QTPS Process”)

- Required under Order 1000
- Defined within Section 4B of Attachment K of the ISO Open Access Transmission Tariff

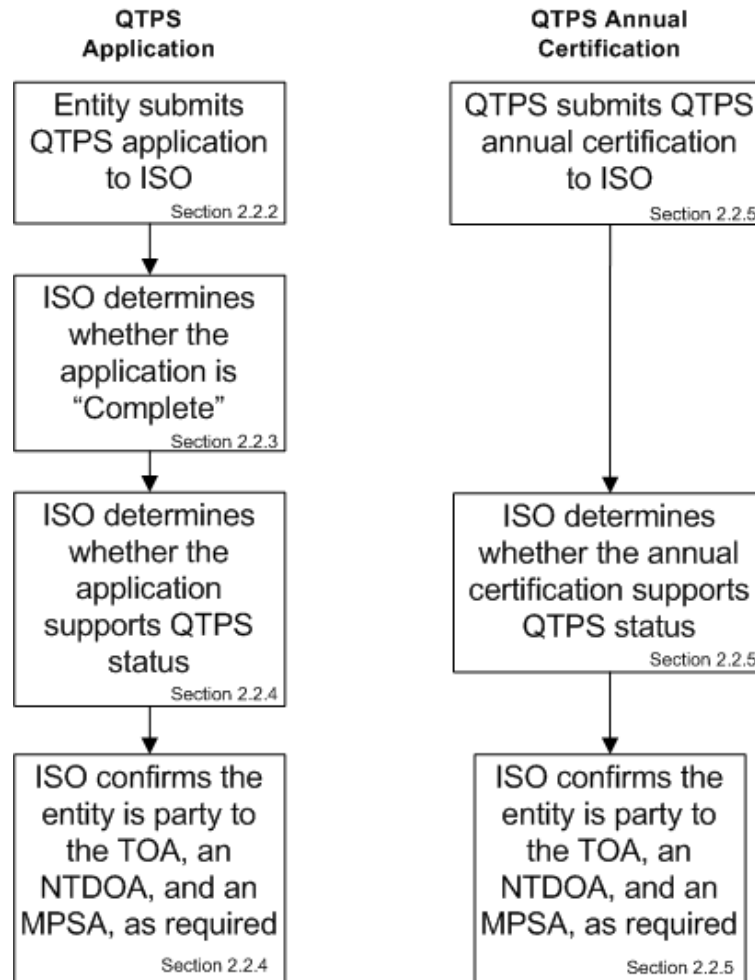
Qualify as QTPS before a Proposal is Submitted

- Any entity that intends to submit a proposal (Proposal) in response to an ISO identified need for a Reliability Transmission Upgrade (RTU), Market Efficiency Transmission Upgrade (METU), Public Policy Transmission Upgrade (PPTU) or a Backstop Transmission Solution must first be recognized by the ISO as a Qualified Transmission Project Sponsor (QTPS), in accordance with Section 4B of Attachment K to Section II of the ISO Tariff
- After becoming a QTPS, an annual certification process is required to maintain QTPS status

Who Will Apply

- **PTOs:**
 - A Participating Transmission Owner (PTO) is recognized as a QTPS once its QTPS application has been deemed accepted by the ISO and it is party to a Non-Incumbent Transmission Developer Operating Agreement (NTDOA)
- **Non-PTOs (i.e., any other entity):**
 - A non-PTO is recognized as a QTPS once its QTPS application is been deemed accepted by the ISO, and it is party to an NTDOA and a Market Participant Service Agreement (MPSA)
- All entities are encouraged to apply for QTPS status well in advance of when they expect to submit a Proposal

QTPS Process Overview



Discussion and Walkthrough

- Review and discuss QTPS Application Process and Forms
 - Application Process and Form
 - Annual Certification Process and Form
- Request that PAC provide input into the QTPS process and forms by [July 2nd]

Next Steps

- FERC is considering a proposal to move the hold harmless language for PTOs to the TOA, which would eliminate the need for PTOs to sign the NTDOA
 - This would require a conforming revision to the QTPS process and forms
- July/August 2015
 - Incorporate PAC input into the QTPS administration guidelines; and
 - Publish the resulting QTPS administration process and form

Questions

