

## **POSTING OF TRANSMISSION SERVICE OFFERINGS**

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### **1.0 OVERVIEW**

BC Hydro's [Open Access Transmission Tariff](#) (OATT) requires that all Transmission Service Requests (TSRs) be made on BC Hydro's OASIS (Open Access Same-Time Information System). For information on how to register and be enabled on BC Hydro's OASIS, refer to BC Hydro's OATT Business Practice on *Becoming a BC Hydro Transmission Customer*.

These Business Practices provide clarification of the rules, standards and practices used by BC Hydro to implement its OATT. While the terms of BC Hydro's OATT and these Business Practices govern, the Transmission Customers should also refer to the NAESB WEQ Business Standards, and WECC Regional Criteria, which BC Hydro has followed in most, but not all, respects. BC Hydro also complies with the Mandatory Reliability Standards adopted by the BCUC.

### **2.0 VALID PATH NAME AND POR/POD (Point of Receipt/Point of Delivery) COMBINATIONS**

OASIS will only accept Transmission Service Requests (TSRs) that have a valid POR<sup>1</sup> and POD<sup>2</sup> combination for the BC Hydro transmission system.

Transmission Customers should validate that its source and/or sink is registered in NAESB's Electric Industry Registry (EIR). Transmission Customers need to verify with [BC Hydro Wholesale Market Services](#) that its source and/or sink is linked to a valid BC Hydro POR and/or POD. If a new POR and/or POD is to be added, BC Hydro will register the appropriate POR and/or POD in the Electric Industry Registry (EIR) and OASIS. This will take approximately 1 week. BC Hydro will advise the Transmission Customer once the above steps are complete.

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<sup>1</sup> Per BC Hydro OATT Section 1.36, Point(s) of interconnection on the Transmission Provider's Transmission System where capacity and energy will be made available to the Transmission Provider by the Delivering Party under Part II of the Tariff.

<sup>2</sup> Per BC Hydro OATT Section 1.35, Point(s) on the Transmission Provider's Transmission System where capacity and energy transmitted by the Transmission Provider will be made available to the Receiving Party under Part II of the Tariff.

Table 1 below provides the valid Path Name and POR/POD combinations on the BC Hydro System.

**Table 1: Valid Path Name and POR/POD Combinations and the Short-Term Point-To-Point Transmission Service Pricing**

Path Name	POR	POD	Price
<b>BC – US</b>			
W/BCHA/BCHA – BPAT/KI – BC.US.BORDER/	KI	BC.US.BORDER	D
W/BCHA/BCHA – BPAT/GMS.MCA.REV – BC.US.BORDER	GMS.MCA.REV	BC.US.BORDER	D
W/BCHA/BCHA – BPAT/BCHA.INT.SYS – BC.US.BORDER/	BCHA.INT.SYS	BC.US.BORDER	D
W/BCHA/BCHA – BPAT/BCHA.LM.SYS – BC.US.BORDER/	BCHA.LM.SYS	BC.US.BORDER	D
W/BCHA/BCHA–BPAT/POWELL.RIVER – BC.US.BORDER	POWELL.RIVER	BC.US.BORDER	D
<b>BC – AB</b>			
W/BCHA/BCHA – AESO/KI – AB.BC/	KI	AB.BC	D
W/BCHA/BCHA – AESO/GMS.MCA.REV – AB.BC/	GMS.MCA.REV	AB.BC	D
W/BCHA/BCHA – AESO/BCHA.INT.SYS – AB.BC/	BCHA.INT.SYS	AB.BC	D
W/BCHA/BCHA – AESO/BCHA.LM.SYS – AB.BC/	BCHA.LM.SYS	AB.BC	D
W/BCHA/BCHA – AESO/POWELL.RIVER – AB.BC/	POWELL.RIVER	AB.BC	D
<b>AB – BC</b>			
W/BCHA/AESO – BCHA/AB.BC – KI/	AB.BC	KI	M
W/BCHA/AESO – BCHA/AB.BC – FBC.LAM.LD/	AB.BC	FBC.LAM.LD	M
W/BCHA/AESO – BCHA/AB.BC – BCHA.INT.SYS/	AB.BC	BCHA.INT.SYS	M
W/BCHA/AESO – BCHA/AB.BC – FBC.PRI.LD/	AB.BC	FBC.PRI.LD	M
W/BCHA/AESO – BCHA/AB.BC – BCHA.LOSSES/	AB.BC	BCHA.LOSSES	M
W/BCHA/AESO – BCHA/AB.BC – FBC.OK.LD/	AB.BC	FBC.OK.LD	M
W/BCHA/AESO – BCHA/AB.BC – BCHA.NTWK.LD/	AB.BC	BCHA.NTWK.LD	M
W/BCHA/AESO – BCHA/AB.BC – BCHA.SEL.LD/	AB.BC	BCHA.SEL.LD	M
<b>AB – US</b>			
W/BCHA/AESO – BPAT/AB.BC – BC.US.BORDER	AB.BC	BC.US.BORDER	D
<b>US – BC</b>			
W/BCHA/BPAT – BCHA/BC.US.BORDER – KI	BC.US.BORDER	KI	M
W/BCHA/BPAT – BCHA/BC.US.BORDER – BCHA.INT.SYS/	BC.US.BORDER	BCHA.INT.SYS	M
W.BCHA/BPAT – BCHA/BC.US.BORDER – BCHA.LOSSES/	BC.US.BORDER	BCHA.LOSSES	M
W/BCHA/BPAT – BCHA/BC.US.BORDER – BCHA.NTWK.LD/	BC.US.BORDER	BCHA.NTWK.LD	M
W/BCHA/BPAT – BCHA/BC.US.BORDER – FBC.LAM.LD/	BC.US.BORDER	FBC.LAM.LD	M
W/BCHA/BPAT – BCHA/BC.US.BORDER – FBC.OK.LD	BC.US.BORDER	FBC.OK.LD	M
W/BCHA/BPAT – BCHA/BC.US.BORDER – FBC.PRI.LD	BC.US.BORDER	FBC.PRI.LD	M
<b>US – AB</b>			
W/BCHA/BPAT – AESO/BC.US.BORDER – AB.BC	BC.US.BORDER	AB.BC	D

**Table 1: Valid Path Name and POR/POD Combinations and the Short-Term Point-To-Point Transmission Service Pricing (Cont'd)**

Path Name	POR	POD	Price
BC – BC			
W/BCHA/BCHA – BCHA/KI – FBC.OK.LD/	KI	FBC.OK.LD	M
W/BCHA/BCHA – BCHA/KI – FBC.LAM.LD/	KI	FBC.LAM.LD	M
W/BCHA/BCHA – BCHA/KI – FBC.PRI.LD/	KI	FBC.PRI.LD	M
W/BCHA/BCHA – BCHA/KI – BCHA.NTWK.LD/	KI	BCHA.NTWK.LD	M
W/BCHA/BCHA – BCHA/KI – BCHA.INT.SYS/	KI	BCHA.INT.SYS	M
W/BCHA/BCHA – BCHA/KI – BCHA.LOSSES/	KI	BCHA.LOSSES	M
W/BCHA/BCHA – BCHA/BCHA.INT.SYS – KI/	BCHA.INT.SYS	KI	M
W/BCHA/BCHA – BCHA/GMS.MCA.REV – KI/	GMS.MCA.REV	KI	M
W/BCHA/BCHA – BCHA/POWELL.RIVER – KI/	POWELL.RIVER	KI	M
W/BCHA/BCHA – BCHA/BCHA.INTRNL – BCHA.NTWK.LD	BCHA.INTRNL	BCHA.NTWK.LD	M
W/BCHA/VI – BCHA/POWELL.RIVER-BCHA.NTWK.LD	POWELL.RIVER	BCHA.NTWK.LD	M

**Notes to Table 1:**

1. BCHA.NTWK.LD is only available to BC Hydro Network Customer for network service from designated/non-designated resources.
2. PODs that have a suffix of “.LD” are to be used to serve load.
3. Pursuant to Attachment Q-4 of BC Hydro’s OATT, Mixed Class Wheelthrough service is available on the US – AB path only. It is posted and must be reserved on OASIS as Mixed Class Wheelthrough. The POR is BC.US.BORDER and the POD is AB.BC. The reserved Mixed Class Wheelthrough service will be of equal amount and duration: (1) a Firm service on the US – BC path; and (2) a Non-Firm service on the BC – AB path.
4. Transmission Customers combining an import and export path to make a wheelthrough must use BCHA.INT.SYS as the POD and then POR. For example, BCHA.INT.SYS as POD for the AB – BC portion and POR for the BC – US portion. The Transmission Customer will be charged for two separate transmission reservations.
5. BCHA.LOSSES POD is to be used for the delivery of energy losses.
6. Transmission Customers wishing to utilize internal BC paths to/from the FBC service territory must submit an OASIS TSR to reserve the transmission service and submit an energy schedule.
7. In Column “Price”, “M” indicates the maximum tariff price and “D” indicates the discounted tariff price as defined in Rate Schedule 01 of BC Hydro’s OATT for Hourly and Daily Transmission Service only.

### 3.0 PRICING

All Offer Prices are in CDN \$.

#### 3.1 Long-Term Firm Point-To-Point (LTFPTP) Transmission Service

The price for LTFPTP transmission service is defined in Rate Schedule 01 of BC Hydro's OATT.

#### 3.2 Short-Term Point-To-Point (STPTP) Transmission Service

The price for STPTP Firm and Non-Firm Transmission Service to a load serving point within BC will be the maximum price as defined in Rate Schedule 01 of BC Hydro's OATT.

Refer to Section 2, Table 1 for further details of pricing per Path and POR/POD combination for Hourly and Daily Transmission Service.

For export and wheel-through transmission services, the prices for Short-Term Point-To-Point (STPTP) Firm and Non-Firm Transmission Service are:

- 1) for hourly delivery:
  - i. \$3/MW per hour in Heavy Load Hour period (06:00-22:00, Monday – Saturday, excluding NERC holidays);
  - ii. \$1/MW per hour in Light Load Hour period (remaining hours and days, including NERC holidays).
- 2) for daily delivery:
  - i. \$56/MW per day (Monday – Saturday, excluding NERC holidays) and \$24 /MW per day (Sunday and NERC holidays);
  - ii. daily price will be adjusted for Daylight Savings Time change.
- 3) for weekly delivery: the maximum weekly price as defined in Rate Schedule 01 of BC Hydro's OATT.
- 4) for monthly delivery: the maximum monthly price as defined in Rate Schedule 01 of BC Hydro's OATT.

##### 3.2.1 Rate Harmonization with FortisBC

BC Hydro and FortisBC have adopted (as directed pursuant to BCUC Order G-12-99) the harmonization of transmission wheeling rates. Such harmonization eliminates rate "pancaking" between the two utility service areas by using a "license plate" approach whereby a transmission service rate customer within BC is only charged for wheeling by the utility within whose service area the

customer is located. Rate harmonization is meant to mimic a transmission reservation as if it were on a single transmission system and charged one Point-To-Point Transmission Service rate. A Transmission Customer will need to demonstrate to BC Hydro, with a BC Hydro TSR, that its POD at a FortisBC Point of Interconnection (POI) is associated with an equivalent PTP transmission reservation to a FortisBC TSR POD located in FortisBC's service territory to receive \$0 rate per BC Hydro OATT Schedule 01. BC Hydro defines an equivalent PTP transmission reservation as having the same class (firm or non-firm), service increment (hourly, daily, weekly, monthly, yearly), and volume on both the BC Hydro and FortisBC's transmission reservations. In addition, the POD on the delivering utility must match the POR on the receiving utility as demonstrated by the Transmission Customer with the TSR on each utility's OASIS.

The Transmission Customer requesting rate harmonization is required to provide a summary of the approved transmission reservation(s) information on both utility's transmission systems to BC Hydro within the same billing month that the Transmission Customer is seeking \$0 rate. Information required to be provided includes, but is not limited to:

- the name of the Transmission Customer,
- the TSR AREF(s) (transmission reservation assigned reference number),
- the class of transmission purchased,
- the service increment of the transmission service,
- the POR and POD,
- the volume, and
- the term

If FortisBC does not have an OASIS to enable the Transmission Customer to provide evidence of a TSR, the Transmission Customer must provide to BC Hydro a copy of the agreement for service between FortisBC and the Transmission Customer, or other evidence acceptable to BC Hydro acting reasonably, that shows that the service contracted for on the FortisBC transmission system meets the equivalency requirements set out in this Business Practice.

TSR resales are not eligible for rate harmonization.

### **3.3 Ancillary Services**

Rate Schedules 03 through 09 of BC Hydro's OATT define the pricing of BC Hydro Ancillary Services.

Ancillary Services will be charged by each utility independently based on the reserved capacity for these transmission reservations.

#### **3.3.1 Loss Compensation**

For Transmission Customers that financially settle for energy losses, BC Hydro posts on OASIS an estimate of the Loss Compensation charge for that day (according to Rate Schedule 09 of BC Hydro's OATT). A forecast of the Loss Compensation charges is also posted with the Transmission Customer's daily settlement report. Actual Loss Compensation charges are finalized on the Transmission Customer's monthly invoice and settlement details. Refer to BC Hydro's OATT Business Practice on *Settlements and Billing* for further details.

### **4.0 POSTING OF TOTAL TRANSFER CAPABILITY (TTC) AND AVAILABLE TRANSFER CAPABILITY (ATC)**

BC Hydro posts TTC and ATC for each Path and POR/POD combination on OASIS. Refer to BC Hydro's OATT Business Practice on *TTC/ATC* for information on how BC Hydro calculates and determines TTC/ATC.

Updates or changes to TTC and ATC are posted immediately to OASIS. TTC and ATC are posted for the current month plus the next 12 months on OASIS.

#### **4.1 Release of Unused Firm Point-To-Point Transfer Capability in Real Time**

At the top of the hour (XX:00), 1 hour before the start of the delivery hour, unscheduled Firm PTP transfer capability, including ATC from Redirects, is released and posted on OASIS as Hourly Non-Firm PTP ATC for the appropriate path and POR/POD combination.

Unused Firm Transmission Service that is economically interrupted will be treated in accordance with BC Hydro's Business Practice *Curtailments of Transmission and Energy*.

**Document Change History**

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8	Clarified Language, inserted links, and combined Pricing information from Table 2 to Table 1. Added W/BCHA/VI-BCHA/POWELL.RIVER-BCHA.NTWK.LD path to Table 1.	September 1, 2022
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4	Finalized language about Firm to Non-Firm Redirect ATC as postback.	May 10, 2013
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2	Corrected typos.	June 23, 2011
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