

SUBMITTING A LONG TERM FIRM POINT-TO-POINT TRANSMISSION SERVICE REQUEST

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1.0 OVERVIEW

BC Hydro's [Open Access Transmission Tariff](#) (OATT) requires that all transmission service requests 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 Practices on *Becoming a BC Hydro Transmission Customer*. If OASIS is not functioning, BC Hydro will post a bulletin to advise of the OASIS outage and instruct Transmission Customers how to submit an application for transmission service.

Pursuant to the OATT, Long Term Firm Point-to-Point (LTFPTP) Transmission Service is for a period of one year or longer.

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, 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 TIMELINES

Service Offering	Earliest Request	Latest Request
Yearly	Anytime	60 Calendar Days (see Note)

Note: Pursuant to Section 17.1 of the OATT, a request for LTFPTP Transmission service should be submitted to BC Hydro at least 60 Calendar Days in advance of the calendar month in which service is to start. BC Hydro will consider requests on shorter notice when feasible.

3.0 TRANSMISSION SERVICE REQUEST (TSR) ATTRIBUTES

3.1 Path Name and POD/POD Combinations

POR/POD combinations available on BC Hydro’s system and OASIS are outlined in BC Hydro’s OATT Business Practice on *Posting of Transmission Service Offerings*.

3.2 Transmission Type, Service Class and Service Increment

A Transmission Customer can submit on OASIS a Long Term Transmission Service Request (TSR) for Point-to-Point service only. It must be Firm and the service increment is Yearly.

3.3 Start and Stop Dates and Times

Service	Start Date & Time	Stop Date & Time
Yearly	Must begin on the 1 st day of the month at 00:00 hour.	The interval between Start and Stop dates must be equal to or greater than 1 year. For example 1 year or 5 years and 2 months.

3.4 MW Request / Reservation Profile

A **Yearly** TSR may request yearly service for a minimum of 1 year. A **Yearly** TSR must have a flat MW profile for the entire requested term.

3.5 Bid Price

Bid Price must be equal to the posted Offer Price, as set out in Rate Schedule 01 of BC Hydro’s OATT. Transmission Customers must enter a Bid Price when submitting a Yearly TSR. Refer to BC Hydro’s OATT Business Practice on *Posting of Transmission Service Offerings* for information on Pricing.

For Resales, the Bid Price shall be the rate (in \$/MW – Hour) mutually agreed upon between the Reseller and Assignee. Refer to BC Hydro’s OATT Business Practice on *Resale and Transfer of Transmission Rights* for further information.

4.0 ROLLOVER REQUEST

Pursuant to Section 2.2 of BC Hydro’s OATT, Long Term Firm Transmission Customers with Service Agreements for Point-to-Point Transmission Service that are five years or longer have a right to rollover their service for any number of years provided that:

- BC Hydro had determined at the time of the initial request that there is sufficient capacity available to accommodate the request beyond the term of the initial request.
- The rollover request is considered a new service request with the exception that:
 1. it does not need to be studied in the same manner as a new request;
 2. the Transmission Customer has the Right of First Refusal (ROFR) in the event of a competing request; and
 3. the Transmission Customer must at least match the term requested by the competing request.
- The effective date for the purposes of transition to the new rollover rights as contemplated in Section 2.2.1 of BC Hydro's OATT is October 21, 2009; the effective date of BC Hydro's amended OATT.

The Transmission Customer requesting to rollover existing service must submit a RENEWAL request on OASIS pursuant to Section 17.1 of the OATT. The RENEWAL request must be received by BC Hydro no less than one Calendar Year (or as defined in Section 2.2.1) prior to the date on which the reservation expires, rolls over, or is renewed.

The Transmission Customer must submit the rollover TSR as type RENEWAL and reference the original LTFPTP OASIS ID (Aref) in the Related Ref field. The MW requested can be up to the capacity specified as available for rollover on the Transmission Customer's Service Agreement.

Refer to BC Hydro's OATT Business Practice on *Rollover Rights of Long Term Firm Service* for more information.

5.0 EXTENSION OF COMMENCEMENT OF SERVICE

5.1 Requests for Extensions of Commencement of Service

Pursuant to Section 17.7 of the OATT, the Transmission Customer may request up to five one-year extensions for the commencement of its LTFPTP Transmission Service.

The Transmission Customer will submit, within 60 calendar days prior to the initial or extended service commencement date, a new Yearly TSR in OASIS with the new extended commencement start and end date. The original service term shall not change. The OASIS number of the confirmed original Yearly TSR must be referenced in the Buyer's Comment field. The request may require additional studies. Refer to Section 9 of BC Hydro's OATT Business Practices on *Processing for Long Term Firm Point-to-Point Transmission Request* for more information.

An extension of service will not be available for rollover requests, since in these circumstances the Transmission Customer has already commenced service.

Refer to BC Hydro’s OATT Business Practice on Processing of *Long Term Firm Transmission Service Requests* for information on BC Hydro processing of requests for extension of commencement of service.

5.2 Annual Reservation Fee

The Transmission Customer must pay a non-refundable annual reservation fee equal to one-month’s charge for LTFPTP service for each one-year extension within fifteen (15) calendar days of notifying BC Hydro it intends to extend the commencement of service.

If the Transmission Customer fails to pay the annual reservation fee within 15 calendar days of notifying the Transmission Provider it intends to extend the commencement of service, the Transmission Customer will lose its option to extend the Service Commencement Date and will remain obligated to take service under the original terms and conditions of the underlying transmission service.

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