## Conditional Firm Service Business Practice Option 1 & Option 2 Comparison

BC Hydro is proposing two options for Conditional Firm Service (CFS) Business Practice (BP).

The differences between the proposed option 1 and 2 are related to AB-US and BC-US paths. Option 2 will provide more information on monthly firm service amounts than option 1.

## For example:

Option 1	Option 2	Reference
A Completed Application	A Completed Application	Option 1: Ex. 3
submitted on 2 April 2011 for	submitted on 2 April 2011 for	Option 2: Ex. 5
Transmission Service on BC to	Transmission Service on BC to US	
US Path for 200 MW with service	Path for 200 MW with service	
Start-date of 1 August 2011.	Start-date of 1 August 2011. The	
	Transmission Customer has	
	indicated in its Completed	
	Application that it doesn't want to	
	commit to Network Upgrades.	
The Initial Forecasted Period is 1	The Initial Forecasted Period is 1	
August 2011 to 1 August 2013.	August 2011 to 1 August 2013.	
On 2 May 2011, the Current	On 2 May 2011, the Current	
Forecasted Period is 1 June2011	Forecasted Period is 1 June2011 to	
to 1 June 2013, and doesn't cover	1 June 2013, and doesn't cover the	
the last two months of the Initial	last two months of the Initial	
Forecasted Period.	Forecasted Period.	
The Initial Forecasted Period is	The Initial Forecasted Period is not	
not coincident with Current	coincident with Current Forecasted	
Forecasted Period; there is	Period; there is insufficient	
insufficient information. This is	information. CFS will not be	
indifferent to option 1.	offered until the Initial Forecasted	
	Period is coincident with Current	
	Forecasted Period, or until there is	
	sufficient information.	
On 2 May 2011, BC Hydro	On 2 May 2011, BC Hydro	
tenders a System Impact Study	tenders a System Impact Study	
and a CFS Service Agreement	with projected study completion	
with an ATC profile shown in	date of 1 July 2011.	
ATC profiles table below. (Note		
that the firm service amounts for		
the last 2 months are zero.)		
	On 1 July 2011, the Current	

Forecasted Period is from 1 August	
2011 to 1 August 2013, coincident	
with the Initial Forecasted Period.	
There is sufficient information	
Upon complete the System Impact	
Study on 1 July 2011, BC Hydro	
tenders a CFS Service Agreement	
with an ATC profile shown in	
ATC profiles table below. (Note	
that the firm service amounts for	
the last 2 months are non-zero.)	

ATC Profiles

Month	Option 1 Initial Forecasted Period		Option 2	
			Initial Forecasted Period	
	Firm Service	Conditional Service	Firm Service	Conditional
	Amount	Amount	Amount	Service Amount
Aug-11	200	0	200	0
Sep-11	200	0	200	0
Oct-11	178	22	178	22
Nov-11	0	200	0	200
Dec-11	0	200	0	200
Jan-12	0	200	0	200
Feb-12	0	200	0	200
Mar-12	200	0	200	0
Apr-12	200	0	200	0
May-12	200	0	200	0
Jun-12	200	0	200	0
Jul-12	200	0	200	0
Aug-12	200	0	200	0
Sep-12	200	0	200	0
Oct-12	173	27	173	27
Nov-12	0	200	0	200
Dec-12	0	200	0	200
Jan-13	0	200	0	200
Feb-13	0	200	0	200
Mar-13	200	0	200	0
Apr-13	200	0	200	0
May-13	200	0	200	0
Jun-13	0	200	200	0
Jul-13	0	200	200	0

## **Long-term and Short-term Interaction**

Competition for Firm ATC between long-term request and short-term request is common for the following reasons:

- Monthly ST service request can be for up to 11 months
- 60 days prior to Start-date
- Conditional acceptance up to 30 days
- 30 days prior to Start-date, ST request:
  - Is confirmed (unconditional)
  - Cannot be displaced by Long-term
  - Less Firm ATC will be available for Long-term
- If long-term service is offered early, there will be lesser interaction with short-term service; more Firm ATC may be available to CFS

Customer can submit long-term service request early to avoid competition with short-term for Firm ATC. Option 2 will take away this advantage in case where Customer wishes to have only CFS as substitute service.