

High Plains Express Transmission Project Feasibility Study Stakeholder Meeting Announcement

You are invited to attend the second stakeholder meeting on the High Plains Express Transmission Project Feasibility Study, which will be held on **Wednesday, November 14, 2007, in Denver, Colorado. The meeting will be held from 1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. at the Holiday Inn Denver International Airport.**

The purpose of this meeting is to provide an update on the Feasibility Study and to get input on the planning process. The study will address load flow study results, preliminary economic feasibility, conceptual routing, resource mixes, benefits of the project, and commercial/rate recovery considerations. Additional information and a meeting agenda will be available on the web site soon. The site is http://www.rmao.com/wtpp/HPX_Studies.html

The High Plains Express is a proactive plan to look at integrating generation from potential resource zones, where large concentrations of renewable and other types of generation may be developed. It has the potential to help meet RPS and load growth demand for power; provide increased access to diverse resources; better access to customers; increase the region's import and export capabilities; minimize environmental impacts by sharing utility corridors where feasible or through the consolidation of multiple projects; and improve overall regional electric reliability.

We look forward to providing an update on the High Plains effort. The Holiday Inn hotel is located near Denver International Airport at 15500 East 40th Ave., Denver, CO, 80239. Their phone number is 303-371-9494. The hotel offers shuttle service from the airport. The meeting has been scheduled to allow for participants to fly in and out that day, so no sleeping room arrangements have been made.

Please return the registration form to indicate your interest in the meeting. If you want to find out more about the meeting, please contact at 303-571-7255, or Stephanie.L.Preston@xcelenergy.com. For other information about the High Plains Express Transmission Project, you can contact Tom Green at 303-571-7223 or thomas.green@xcelenergy.com.
