

# **Renewal of Transmission Service (Reservation Priority)**

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This business practice describes the requirements and processes for reservation priority (RENEWAL Request Type on OASIS) for Long-Term Firm Transmission Service, and the Renewal Competition process.

### BPA Policy Reference

- [Open Access Transmission Tariff \(OATT\): 2.2](#)

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## A. General Renewal Requirements

1. The Parent Reservation must have reservation priority to be eligible for Renewal pursuant to OATT 2.2.
  - a. The term/duration must be for five (5) years or greater to maintain reservation priority.
  - b. Customers requesting to renew from one (1) to four (4) years will no longer maintain reservation priority.

## B. Renewal Submittal Requirements

1. A Customer's reservation priority with a Request Type of RENEWAL must be submitted on OASIS.
2. A Renewal TSR must be submitted no less than one (1) year prior to termination pursuant to OATT 2.2.
  - a. A Renewal TSR submitted less than one (1) year prior to termination will be placed in a status of INVALID on OASIS.
3. A Renewal TSR must include the following:
  - a. Customer: EIR Code must match the Parent Reservation.
  - b. Request Type: RENEWAL.
  - c. Service Type: Must match the Parent Reservation.
  - d. Point of Receipt (POR)/Point of Delivery (POD) and Source/Sink: Must match the Parent Reservation.
  - e. MW Request: Must be less than or equal to the MW of the Reserved Capacity of the Parent Reservation.
  - f. Start Date: Must equal the Stop Date of the Parent Reservation.
  - g. Stop Date: Must be at least one (1) year but cannot exceed 30 years from Start Date.
  - h. Related Ref: Must reference the Parent Reservation that holds the reservation priority.

## C. Renewal Competition

1. Competition is determined at the time a Renewal TSR is placed in a status of RECEIVED on OASIS.
2. The winner of a Competition must be known prior to performing subsequent Competitions.

## D. Defender Competition Criteria

1. The Renewal Customer is hereafter referred to as the "Defender."
2. BPA will evaluate each Renewal TSR to determine if there is a Challenger for the Reserved Capacity.
3. Renewal TSRs will be competed in queue order and will be subject to one competition within 30 Calendar Days of its queued date if there is a Challenger identified for that Reserved Capacity.
4. A replacement TSR submitted by the Defender (per BPA's competition notice in Section F.2.c) for the remaining capacity not competed in Section D.3, will not be subject to competition.

## E. Challenger Competition Criteria

1. A Customer that is determined to have a competing request is hereafter referred to as the “Challenger.”
2. A Challenger will be identified in queue order.
3. A Challenger must be eligible for reservation priority.
4. A Challenger must have a Start Date before or equal to the Defender’s TSR Start Date
5. A Challenger must have a duration of at least one (1) year or longer than the Defender.
6. The Challenger is identified as a Long-Term Firm ORIGINAL or REDIRECT TSR in an OASIS status of STUDY in BPA’s Long-Term pending queue.
  - a. A Challenger is identified if the Reserved Capacity to be released by the Defender would enable BPA to offer transmission service to the Challenger.
  - b. A Challenger will not be identified if the Competition results in a loss of revenue to BPA.
7. A Challenger may be identified even if the Challenger has a signed Cluster Study Agreement (CSA), Preliminary Engineering Agreement (PEA), Environmental Study Agreement (ESA), or an Individual System Impact Study (ISIS).
  - a. A Challenger active in one of the above agreements will have the option to decline a Competition and remain in the Long-Term pending queue.
  - b. If a Challenger is not active in one of the above agreements and declines to compete, the Challenger’s TSR will be placed in an OASIS status of DECLINED.

## F. Competition Notification Process

1. If a Competition has been identified, BPA will:
  - a. Notify the Challenger by email that a Competition has been identified; and
  - b. Provide the Challenger with the details of the Competition in a Challenger Competition Notification form.
2. If the Challenger competes, BPA will:
  - a. Set the Competition Flag to “Y” in the Defender’s Renewal TSR;
  - b. Notify the Defender by email that a Competition has been initiated; and
  - c. Provide the Defender with the details of the Competition in a Defender Competition Notification form.

## G. Completed Competition

1. The winner of the Competition will:
  - a. Execute an offer of transmission service and confirm the TSR on OASIS to finalize the outcome of the competition;
  - b. Not be able to request extensions for commencement of service per OATT 17.7; and

- c. Retain reservation priority (Renewal) per OATT 2.2.

## **H. Renewal Service Offer**

1. BPA will tender a signed Renewal Table to the Customer.
2. The Customer must countersign and return the Renewal Table to BPA no later than Close of Business (COB) on the 15th Calendar Day from the Date of Tender.
3. Upon receipt of the signed Renewal Table from the Customer, BPA will change the OASIS status of the Renewal TSR to ACCEPTED.
  - a. If the Renewal TSR is Preconfirmed, the status will automatically update from ACCEPTED to CONFIRMED.
  - b. If the Renewal TSR is not Preconfirmed, the Customer will have 15 Calendar Days to change the OASIS status of the Renewal TSR from ACCEPTED to CONFIRMED.
    - i. If the Customer fails to place the Renewal TSR in a CONFIRMED status within 15 Calendar Days:
      1. BPA will change the OASIS status to RETRACTED
      2. The Renewal TSR will receive no further consideration; and
      3. The Parent Reservation will remain unchanged.
4. If a Customer fails to sign and return the Renewal Table to BPA no later than COB on the 15th Calendar Day from Date of Tender:
  - a. BPA will change the OASIS status to DECLINED;
  - b. The Renewal TSR will receive no further consideration; and
  - c. The Parent Reservation will remain unchanged.