



BPA Planning Coordinator Function

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Description of Functions

- Planning Coordinator/Planning Authority
 - The responsible entity that coordinates and integrates transmission facility and service plans, resource plans, and protection systems.
 - Planning Coordinator = Planning Authority
- Transmission Planner
 - The entity that develops a long-term (generally one year and beyond) plan for the reliability (adequacy) of the interconnected bulk electric transmission systems within its portion of the Planning Coordinator Area.



BPA's PC implementation

- **Planning Coordinator (PC)**
 - Fundamental premise: Parties will continue to perform the functions/activities they have always been doing
 - BPA is the PC for all BPA customers
 - Regardless of Balancing Authority Area– ie transfer customers
 - BPA is NOT the PC for BPA customers that are currently registered and performing PC functions.
 - BPA is the PC for most of the generators connected to BPA's grid.

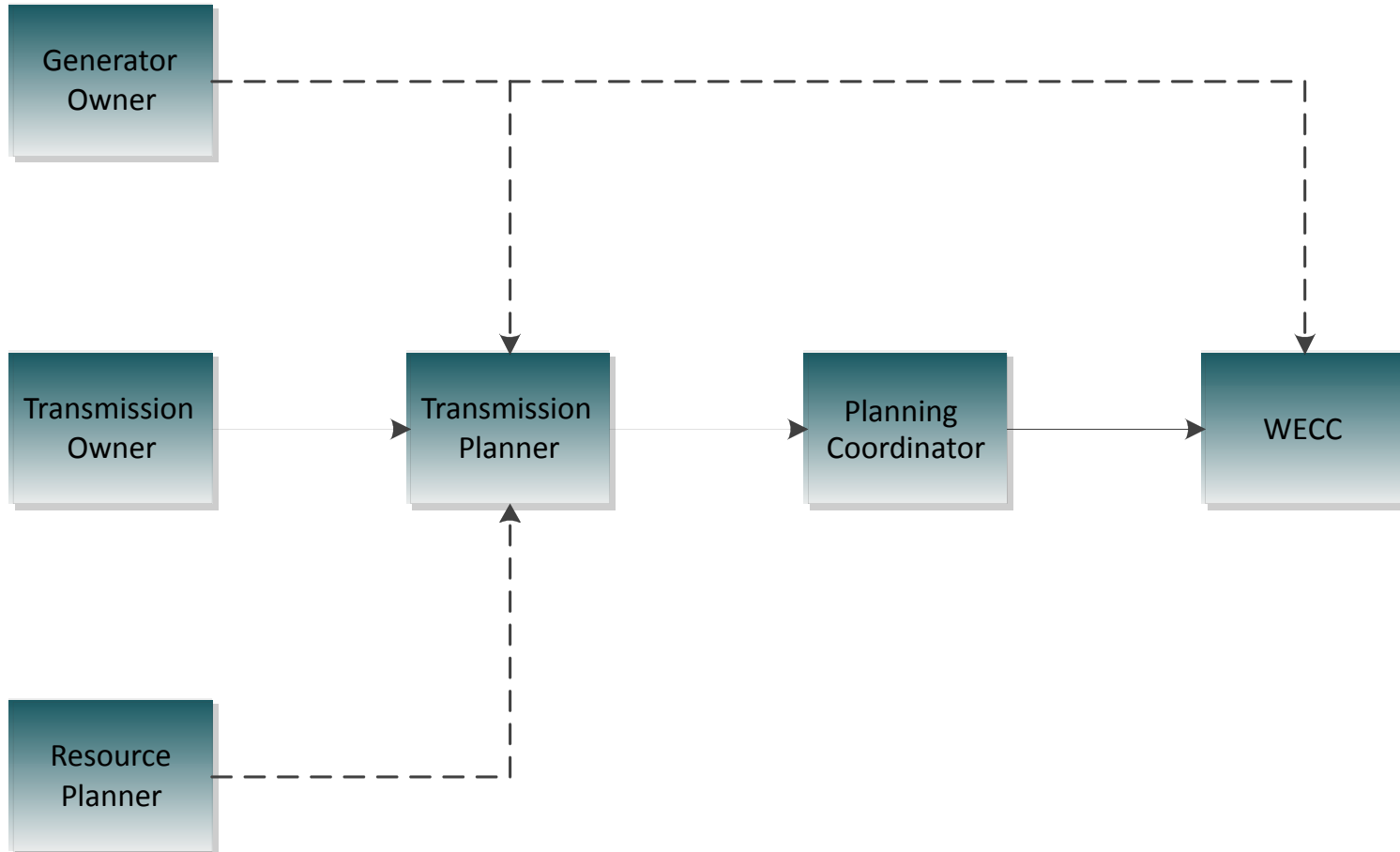


Common questions

- **What will change now that BPA has formally announced its PC Role?** BPA has been technically and informally acting in the role of the PC for all customers for many years--the PC announcement formalizes that role with registered customers. There is no anticipated change in relationship due to this announcement for registered or non-registered customers.
- **Will BPA be a customer's TP?**
In general, BPA will not be the TP for customer-owned assets unless BPA leases the majority of the capacity of the asset. The owner retains TP responsibilities either by performing the TP function themselves or arranging to have it done for them.
- **What was the general rule for boundaries between Planning Authorities?**
In general, PA boundaries follow ownership boundaries. For example, BPA's PA responsibility for a transfer customer will be at the change of ownership between the transfer customer and the transfer provider.



Base Case Data Submittal Process (current and general)



Next Steps

- BPA is working with internal organizations to develop, document and implement processes & procedures to ensure BPA and our customers have all the needed documentation for compliance
 - 258 requirements presently
- BPA will develop a confirmation document that will be jointly signed between BPA and our customers to document compliance
 - Anticipate late fall 2014 implementation
 - likely similar to the BPA Annual System Letter



Questions

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