



NCTA Western Logistics & Planning Committee

July 20, 2005 – Omaha

- NCTA Western L&P Rapid Response Team
 - Team Leader – Ron Hankins, MidAmerican Energy



Western L&P Rapid Response Team

■ Team Mission

- Focus on SPRB & Joint Line originated coal
- Monitor, assess, & investigate issues regarding coal production & transportation network
- Communicate findings in a timely manner



Western L&P Rapid Response Team

- Small representative team that can meet/react quickly when issues dictate
- Team meetings held monthly to review prior month's activity & following month's forecast in aggregate
- Special meetings called as sustained widespread issues dictate
- Special projects



Western L&P Rapid Response Team

■ Team Members

■ SPRB Railroads (2)

- Steve Behn/Will Cunningham, BNSF
- Andy Schroder/Franklin Sams, UP

■ SPRB Producers (5)

- Barb Luthy, Peabody
- Ken Peace, Arch
- Terri Humphries, Foundation
- Bill Wallace, Kennecott
- Steve Salonek, Kiewit

■ SPRB Shippers (8)

- Bill Stewart, CLECO
- Dan Gray, Entergy
- Ron Boro, OPPD
- Patricia Nesmith, Southern Co.
- Ron Hankins, MidAmerican (Team Leader)
- Bob Sarvela, Midwest Energy
- Glennon Hof, Ameren
- Tom Zolnerowich, TXU

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■ **QUESTIONS ?**



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- SPRB Forecasting Sub-team
 - Sub-team Leader – Dan Gray, Entergy



SPRB Forecasting Sub-Team

■ Sub-team Mission

- Stress importance of forecasting process
- Update forecasting goal
- Identify current issues that impact achieving goal
- Develop forecasting procedures to achieve goal



SPRB Forecasting Sub-Team

- **Forecasting Goal**
 - Provide a mechanism to forecast monthly Southern Powder River Basin coal demand for use in allocating BNSF/UP Joint Line mine slots, determining variances in mine forecast and production capabilities, and planning resources that are reasonably expected to be available to meet that demand.



SPRB Forecasting Sub-Team

- Current Forecasting Issues
 - Forecast Accuracy
 - Forecast Timeliness
 - Over-the-Counter Tons (OTC)
 - Lack of Understanding of Importance
 - Confusion with contract nominations
 - Geographical Complexities
 - Other Issues?
- Develop Forecasting Procedures



SPRB Forecasting Sub-Team

■ Sub-team Members

■ SPRB Shippers (7)

- Arthur Butcher, CPS
- Dan Ochoa, Texas Genco
- Tom Collins, Southern Co.
- Tom Zolnerowich, TXU
- Dan Gray, Entergy (Sub-team Leader)
- Dave Wilder, AEP
- Bill Smith, Ameren
- Ron Hankins, MidAmerican

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- Bill Wallace, Kennecott
- Ken Peace, Arch

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