Regional Power Trading Mekong Experience

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Basic Data of GMS Power

Country	Ins. Capacity MW	Generation TWh	Hydro Potential GW
Cambodia (2004)	230	1	
PRC (2002) (Southern Grid)	57,300	269	
Lao PDR (2003)	650	3.5	15,000
Myanmar (2000)	1,200	4.5	37,000
Thailand (2003)	25,700	117	
Vietnam (2003)	9600	40	

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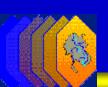
Cross Border Trading

- 1. Current Status
 - 230 KV & 115 KV lines for Thailand to buy from Laos (400 MW)
 - Trading at border areas between PRC Vietnam & Thailand Laos using 110 KV & 35 KV lines respectively.
- **2.** Proposed Developments
 - 500 KV line from Laos to Thailand to sell power from NT2 (1,000 MW HPP.
 - 220 KV line from Vietnam to Cambodia to trade 200 MW
 - 500 KV line from Vietnam to Laos to Connect to NT 2 HPP
 - 115 KV line from Thailand to Cambodia
 - Thailand Laos PRC 500 KV DC Link to transmit 3,000 MW
 - Thailand to purchase 3,000 MW from Laos
 - Power trading between Myanmar and Thailand (2,000 MW)
 - Power Trading between Vietnam and Laos (2,000MW)



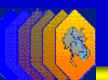
Progress in GMS Energy Trading

- GMS Master Plan for Power Interconnection prepared under ADB TA
- IGA on Regional Power Trade was signed and ratified by GMS countries.
- RPTCC was formed in 2004.
- Draft RPTOA is prepared under ADB TA
- MOU to initiate Power trading will be signed in GMS Summit in 2005



Key Regulating Issues: GMS Trading

- Progress in sector reforms in GMS countries
- Unbundling of transmission tariffs & open access to TX network.
- Terms of IPP PPAs
- TX lines crossing third countries



GMS RPTOA : Stage 1 (2005 – 2010)

- Weak cross-border capacity linked to IPPS.
- Only single buyers will trade.
- Significant economic benefit from opportunistic trading.
- Bilateral trading along common framework.
- Guaranteed revenues for investors in new cross-border transmission capacity.
- Existing cross-border lines to be rewarded based on usage for crossborder transactions.
- Development of operating & planning guidelines for synchronized operation of regional network.
- Establishment of regional institutions such as regional regulator.
- Standardized PPA for cross border IPPs



GMS RPTOA: Stage 2 (2011 - 2015)

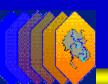
- Sufficient cross-border capacity for opportunistic trading, but not enough to establish market clearance price.
- Regional Transaction Coordinator (RTC) to determine the available cross-border capacity for opportunity trading.
- RTC to receive daily bid offers and schedule the cross-border trading among single buyers.
- Dispatching will be done by the National System Operators.
- Voltage & Frequency to be maintained within stipulated limits at the key nodes in the regional network.
- Transmission Tariff to be based on postage stamp method . (i.e. annuity type payment)



Regional Institutions

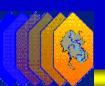
Stage I

- Technical Secretariat for coordinating cross-border trading
- System Planning Working group for developing the regional network
- Operating planning working group for determining available cross border capacity.



Key Issues: Stage 2

- Regulated Transmission Tariffs
 - Dedicated cross-border lines to be paid annuity payment to provide adequate return.
 - Lines shared with IPPs to be paid a % of return based on use of line for cross-border trading.
- Close coordination on system operation to ensure system security
- Regional regulator to monitor the regional trading.
- Long-term planning of cross-border transmission capacity.
- Different Security Standards (N-1 vs N- 0)



GMS RPTOA: Stage 3 (Beyond 2015)

- Presence of reliable regional network and regional system & market operator.
- Regional spot market initially limited to single buyers, large consumers / DISCOs.
- Regional regulator with enforcement powers.
- Congestion management using transmission tariffs and zonal / location pricing.
- Centralized settlement and billing.
- Trading in ancillary services

