



Start-Up & Testing *Power Option*

Start-up and Testing Power, or STP, is designed to provide customers the flexibility to start up and test a new operation, expand, or restart an existing facility while maintaining their long-term power supply options.

What are the eligibility criteria for this pricing option?

STP is available for:

- Starting up a new operation
- Expanding an existing operation to test new equipment or processes; or
- Restarting an existing facility that has been shut down for at least one year.

How does STP work?

Pricing – The STP price includes both demand and energy charges, and is subject to all other applicable rate schedule charges. The demand charge is priced to reflect transmission costs. STP energy, which will be priced on a day-ahead basis, reflects TVA’s hourly top cost, plus markups for losses, payments in lieu of taxes, and margin. Due to its pricing basis, STP is not available in conjunction with other hourly priced products.

Credit Programs – Although STP is not eligible for growth credits or small manufacturing credits, any STP demand will not be considered in the baseline demand determination if the customer later qualifies for the Enhanced Growth Credit program.

Adjustments – STP energy charges and administrative charges are subject to an annual adjustment. The demand charge may be adjusted from time to time to reflect changes in transmission costs.

Cost for participation – STP is subject to a monthly administrative fee of \$725 assuming a single metering point and no other pricing options.

STP Period – The standard period for start-up and testing is up to six months. An STP customer may terminate the STP period on seven-days’ written notice. Customers with larger loads that demonstrate the need for a longer STP period may be eligible for up to 12 months (for loads between 5 and 15 MW) and up to 24 months (for loads greater than 15 MW). At the end of the STP period, the customer may choose from any available product(s) for which they qualify.

Suspension of Availability – STP availability is subject to suspension on five-minutes’ notice in a system emergency.

Is STP right for my company?

STP may offer your company the flexibility you need to start-up, test, or restart a facility prior to establishing your longer-term power requirements.

How do I apply?

Contact your local distributor for more information on program details and the process for applying.