

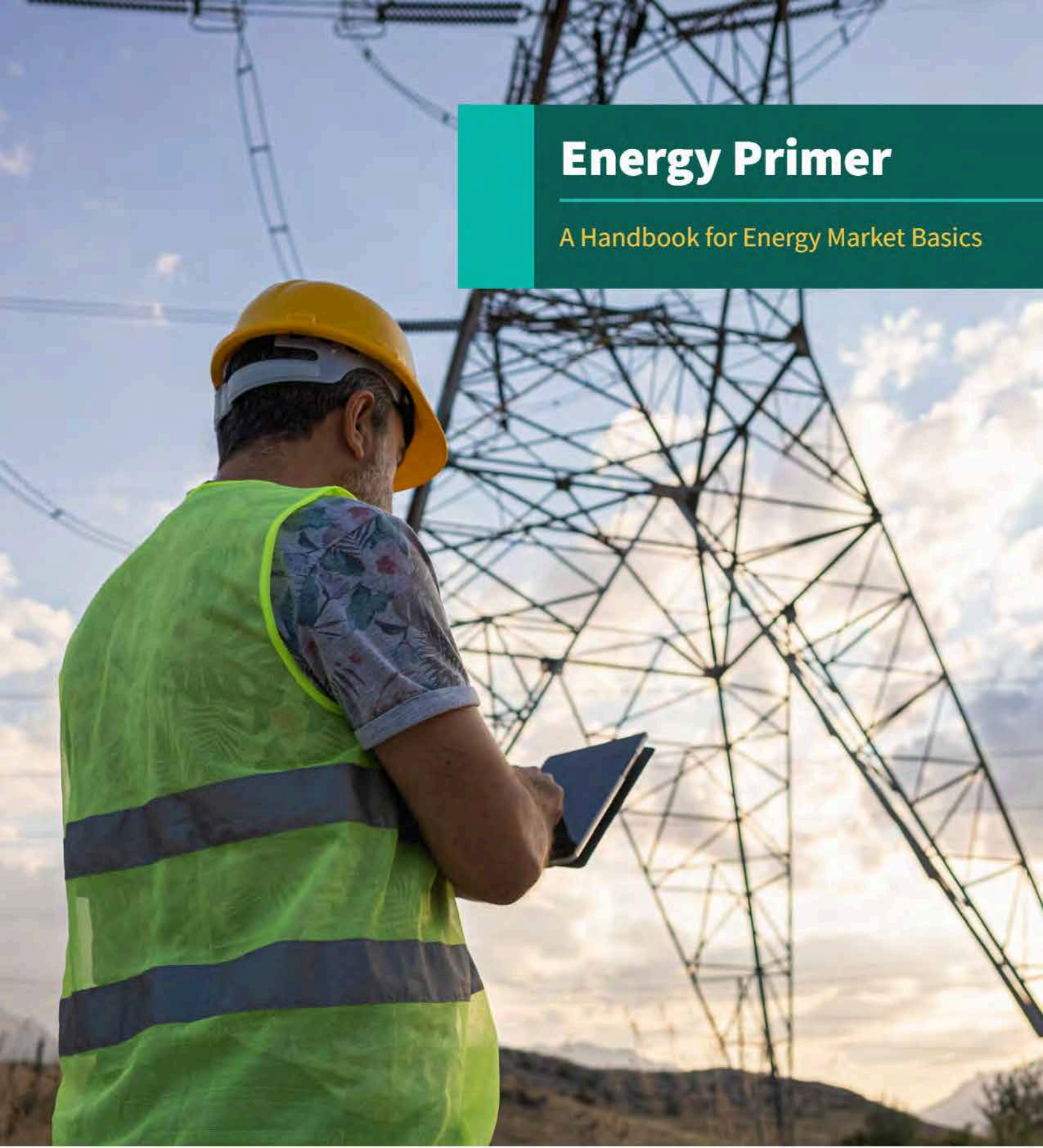
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INTRODUCTION

Natural gas, electricity, and crude oil are forms of energy that are of particular interest to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) pursuant to its authority under the Natural Gas Act, the Federal Power Act, and the Interstate Commerce Act. This primer explores the workings of the wholesale markets for these forms of energy, as well as energy-related financial markets.

Energy markets consist of both physical and financial elements. The physical markets contain the natural resources, infrastructure, institutions and market participants involved in producing energy and delivering it to consumers. The financial markets include the buying and selling of financial instruments that derive value from the price of the physical commodity. These financial markets have their own set of market structures and institutions, market participants, and traded products which have their own drivers of supply and demand. In general, physical and financial markets can be distinguished by the products and by the intentions of the market participants involved.

Much of the wholesale natural gas and electric power industry in the United States trades competitively, while some markets and their prices are established through administrative processes based on the cost of providing service. In competitive markets, prices are largely driven by the economic concepts of supply and demand. Underlying the supply and demand for energy are physical fundamentals - the physical realities of how markets produce and deliver energy to consumers and how they form prices. These physical fundamentals will be covered in Chapter 1 (Wholesale Natural Gas Markets), Chapter 2 (Wholesale Electricity Markets), and Chapter 4 (U.S. Crude Oil and Petroleum Products Markets).

The significant shift in the U.S. fuel mix has heightened the importance over the past decade of the interdependence of the natural gas and electric systems. Given the importance of natural gas in electricity

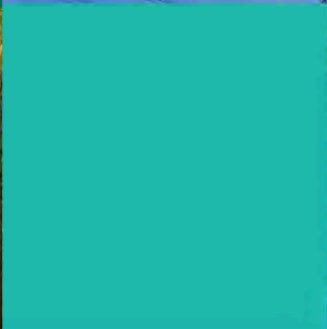
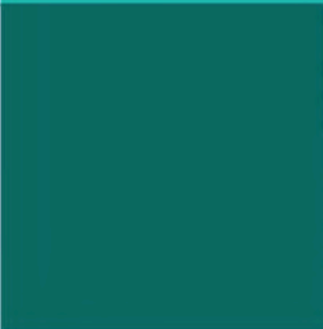
generation, integration of market operations between the natural gas and electricity industries is critical. The primer provides an overview of natural gas and electric system interdependencies in Chapter 3, Gas-Electric Interdependency.

Market participants buy and sell energy based financial contracts for a number of reasons. Physical market participants, such as producers and large consumers, usually use financial contracts to manage price risk and to protect against price volatility. That is, financial contracts can serve as a tool for managing risk akin to insurance. Other market participants use the energy markets to speculate, or to assume a market risk in hope of profiting from market fluctuations. Additionally, companies turn to the capital markets if they need to raise or invest money. This primer explores the market participants, products, market mechanisms and trading at work for natural gas and electricity in the financial markets in Chapter 5, Financial Markets and Trading.

Where there are markets, there will be those who attempt to manipulate the markets for their own benefit. These practices undermine the market's ability to operate efficiently, reduce other market participants' confidence in the markets and distort market outcomes, including prices. Some of these practices are discussed in Chapter 6, Market Manipulation.

This primer is written to be used either as a traditional text – read front to back – or as a reference guide. Consequently, some material is repeated in different sections and references are provided to other parts of the primer where a concept is addressed in greater detail.

Further information about various aspects of energy markets and FERC regulation can be found at www.ferc.gov; then navigate to the Market Oversight tab. You can find the market oversight pages here: <https://www.ferc.gov/market-assessments>.



Chapter 2

Wholesale Electricity Markets

WHOLESALE ELECTRICITY MARKETS

Electricity is a physical product – the flow of electrical power. It is a secondary energy source, in that it results from the conversion of other energy forms such as natural gas, coal or uranium, or the energy inherent in wind, sunshine or the flow of water in a river. Electricity is not visible or directly observable, but it can be turned on and off and measured.

Quick Facts: *Measuring Electricity*

A key measure of electricity used in industry is the rate at which it is produced, transferred, or consumed – how much energy per unit of time a generator produces, with the units of electricity called watts. Similar measures are kilowatts (kW) – 1,000 watts, and megawatts (MW) – 1,000 kilowatts. A watt, kilowatt, or megawatt is a unit of power.

The amount of electric energy generated, transmitted, or used over time is measured as the number of watt-hours (also expressed as kilowatt-hours, megawatt-hours, or gigawatt-hours).

The amount of electricity a generator can produce in an hour is its capacity, which is typically noted as megawatts. For example, a generator with a capacity of 100 MW can produce 100 MW in an hour. The amount of power consumed at any location is the demand at that point.



Electricity markets have retail and wholesale components. Retail service involves the sales of electricity to consumers and may involve retail markets; wholesale markets typically involve the sales of electricity among electric utilities and electricity traders before it is eventually sold to consumers. Because the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) has jurisdiction over wholesale electric rates and not retail electric rates, this document focuses on wholesale electricity markets, although it does address retail demand and other instances where retail markets strongly influence wholesale markets.

Most wholesale electric markets rely upon competitive markets to set prices, but some prices are based on the service provider's cost of service. For wholesale markets, FERC either authorizes jurisdictional entities to sell at market-based rates or at cost-based rates.

Both market-based and cost-of-service prices are affected by physical factors or conditions that drive electric supply and demand – these factors are known as physical fundamentals. For example, weather affects both supply and demand. Fuel costs, capital costs, transmission capacity and constraints, and the operating characteristics of power plants affect the cost at which supply can be provided. The actual price for power is determined by the interaction of supply and demand. For example, extreme heat can drive up demand and require grid operators to activate less-efficient, more-expensive power plants, and consequently drive prices up.

Electric Power Industry

ELECTRICITY ON DEMAND

In the United States and other developed countries, consumers expect electricity to be available whenever they need it. Electricity use has grown as consumers integrate various devices and amenities such as lighting, refrigerators and computers into their everyday lives. Consumers also expect to pay reasonable prices for the electricity that they use.

Meeting these customer expectations requires substantial effort and activity. While technology continues to develop and advance, electric markets can only store a portion of the electricity required to serve electric loads. Thus, the vast majority of electricity must be produced instantaneously as needed. Further, unlike most other markets, electricity's historically inelastic demand does not move with prices. To provide electricity on demand, electric system operations have to be planned and conducted with that goal in mind. In the absence of significant amounts of storage and price responsive demand, operators must plan and operate power plants and the transmission grid so that demand and supply exactly match, every moment of the day, every day of the year, in every location.

ECONOMIES OF SCALE

Electric power is one of the most capital-intensive industries. Generation, transmission and distribution require significant investment in capital intensive equipment, the costs of which are fixed. Spreading these significant fixed costs over more customers helps bring down the cost that each customer pays.

Thomas Edison's first street lighting project in the 1880s grew to electrifying whole neighborhoods, towns, and cities. Providing service over larger areas allowed utilities to take advantage of economies of scale and the cost per unit of production dropped as power plants grew larger and larger. The companies building these facilities were generally self-contained and not connected to each other. They owned and operated generation, transmission, and distribution facilities and were vertically integrated.

While successful for launching the electric utility industry, this market structure had limitations. The larger generating units were difficult to replace if they experienced unexpected shutdowns. As a result, the utilities held and maintained excess capacity in reserve (reserves) to ensure reliable electric service. These reserves were able to quickly replace electricity lost due to an unexpected shutdown or an unexpected increase in electric loads.

RESERVE SHARING

The solution to high reserve costs was to share reserves with adjacent utilities. Instead of building and maintaining all of the capacity required to provide energy and sufficient reserves, utilities were able to pool their reserves and could buy power from their neighbors in times of need cutting their costs significantly as a result. To facilitate reserve sharing, utilities built interconnecting transmission lines between their transmission systems to deliver electricity in the event of a generator outage or some other system disruption. Today's bulk power grid began as a way to maintain reliable service while lowering costs. The value of reserve-sharing agreements led to the formation of power pools, the forerunners of today's regional transmission organizations.

Coordinating exchanges of energy and reserves also led to closer coordination of other utility functions, such as the process of determining which generating units to use to serve electric loads. Operators want to commit just enough capacity to ensure reliability, but no more than is needed. Over time, this coordination ultimately led to the creation of regional transmission organizations that use markets to determine the set of resources to reliably serve electric loads at least cost. These wholesale electricity markets operate over large regions of the country.

Regional coordination also was spurred by special circumstances, particularly in the West. Large federally owned dams on the Columbia and Colorado river systems generate power from the spring runoff of melting mountain snow. When the reservoirs are full and hydroelectric plants are generating plentiful amounts

of power, there is not enough local demand to use the available supply. Since hydropower was cheaper than any alternative, long distance transmission lines were built to deliver the excess power from the Northwest and Southwest to load centers in California. With these transmission interconnections in place, northwestern utilities found that they could get cheaper power from southern power generation at other times of the year. These seasonal and regional disparities in availability and price introduced a lively bilateral trading market.

In the 1960s, the electric power industry created an informal, voluntary organization of operating staff to aid in coordinating the reliable operation of the bulk electric system. Then, in 1965, the largest power blackout until that time hit the northeastern United States and southeastern Ontario, Canada, affecting 30 million people. The blackout led to the development of the National Electric Reliability Council in 1968, shortly thereafter renamed the North American Electric Reliability Council (NERC), and nine regional reliability councils.⁷⁴ Rather than serving as a power pool or other entity for sharing reserves, NERC focused on reliability. In 2006, using authority granted in the Energy Policy Act of 2005 (EPAct 2005), FERC certified NERC as the electric reliability organization for the United States, and reliability standards became mandatory and enforceable.

ECONOMY ENERGY TRADE

Transmission interconnections between adjacent utilities were originally built for the primary purpose of delivering reserves in emergencies. However, this created excess transmission capacity, since these events were rare. The interconnections allowed utilities to trade power, which became profitable when the marginal cost of operating their generation was higher or lower than that of their neighbors. Transmission availability provided opportunities for utilities to save money by buying energy when it was cheaper than generating and

selling energy to utilities with higher costs. This is called economy energy trading.

EVOLVING PUBLIC POLICIES

Evolving public policies, regulatory constructs and organizational structures shaped the electric power industry over its history. Five concepts that helped shape the electricity industry and markets are outlined below, and still affect the industry today.

REGULATED MONOPOLIES

In the early years of the industry, investors provided funds and took ownership shares in the power stations and electric distribution systems. These utilities became regulated – typically by state agencies – to overcome concern they were natural monopolies in the areas they served, lacking competition, and to bring stability to a capital-intensive industry. Stability came from granting exclusive service territories (or franchises), transparent financial statements, and the formulaic setting of electricity rates that were subject to regulatory oversight and approval. Over time, many of the utilities issued stock, which gave stockholders a share of the company's ownership, commonly referred to as investor-owned utilities (IOUs). The regulatory model for setting electricity rates was almost exclusively cost of service-based until about 30 years ago. Today, retail electric rate regulation is largely still based on cost-of-service, while wholesale electric rate regulation has become increasingly market-based. State regulators are responsible for approving retail rates, as well as utilities' investments in generation and distribution facilities. Some states eventually developed elaborate integrated resource planning (IRP) processes to determine what facilities should be built.⁷⁵

NOT-FOR-PROFIT UTILITIES

Another approach to serving customers emerged in the form of nonprofit electric providers. In the early years of the industry, electrification started in towns and cities

74 In 2006, the North American Electric Reliability Council changed its name to the North American Electric Reliability Corporation (also referred to as NERC).

75 For additional background and context on the early years of the electrification of the U.S., National Museum of American History, *Powering a Generation of Change, Emergence of Electrical Utilities in America* (2002), <http://americanhistory.si.edu/powering/past/h1main.htm>.

where utility service was provided by municipal power agencies or city governments. The federal government also stepped in to develop and market electricity from the nation's significant hydroelectric resources. Finally, the Depression-era rural electrification program promoted customer-owned rural electric cooperatives and low-interest government loans. There are currently more than 1,700 municipal and almost 900 cooperative utilities in the United States.

POWER POOLS

Power pools are multilateral arrangements with members ceding operational control over their generating units and transmission facilities to a common operator. Members provide incremental cost data about their units and system status data to the operator. The operator then runs an energy management system that uses the unit cost data to optimize the overall unit commitment and economic dispatch.

The first of the power pools was PJM, which began in 1927 for utilities to share their generating resources. The Electric Reliability Council of Texas (ERCOT) and the Southwest Power Pool (SPP) formed in 1941 to pool resources for the war effort. Later, the New York Power Pool was formed in 1966 and the New England Power Pool in 1971, in response to the 1965 Northeast blackout.

COMPETITION, PART 1: COMPETITIVE GENERATION AND OPEN ACCESS

Environmental policy and initiatives to open the airline and trucking industries to competition helped shape the energy industry in the 1970s. A provision in President Carter's energy plan led to passage of the Public Utility Regulatory Policies Act of 1978 (PURPA), which ushered in the next era.

PURPA established a program implemented by states and overseen by FERC to encourage the use of efficient cogeneration (using the heat from industrial or other processes to generate electricity) and small-scale renewable generation. FERC's role was to issue regulations for the program and certify that qualifying facilities (QFs)

met statutory requirements. States administratively set the price to be paid to these generators at the cost the utilities would avoid by purchasing the power rather than generating it themselves. Such prices are referred to as avoided-cost rates.

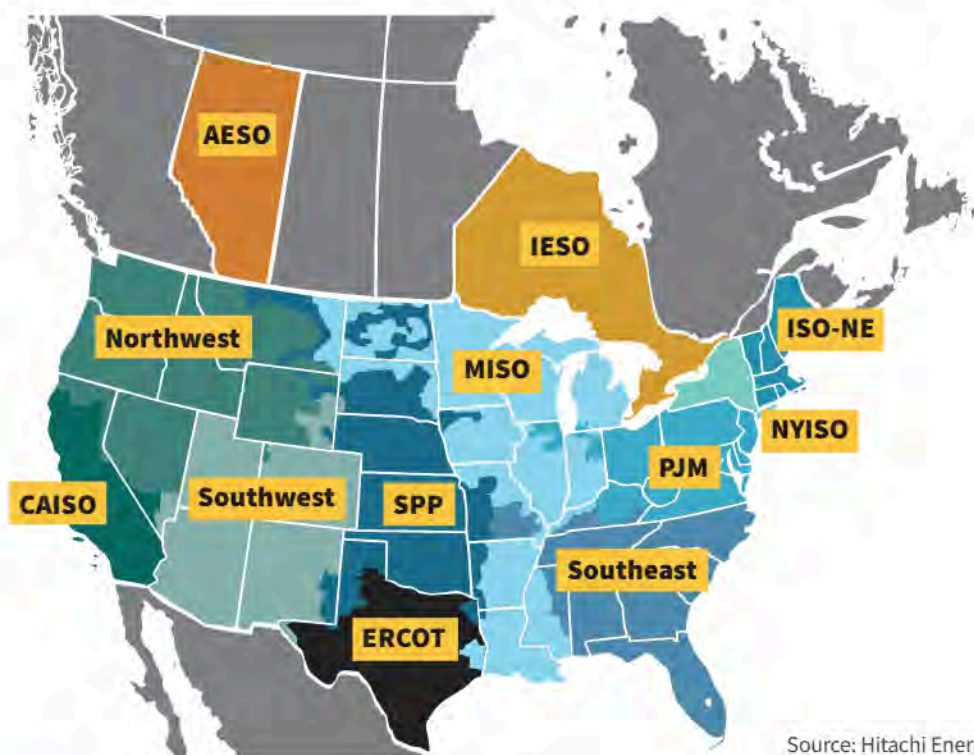
Most states set their avoided-cost rates so low that they got little QF capacity. However, California, Texas, and Massachusetts set relatively generous avoided-cost rates, and were overwhelmed with QF capacity, much of which received prices that turned out to be higher than the actual costs avoided by the purchasing utilities. The rapid growth and size of the QF industry surprised many policymakers and entrepreneurs and got them thinking about the viability of generation independent of regulated monopolies.

Under the original regulated monopoly model, utilities owned and operated the transmission lines with no obligation to allow others to use them. This posed a significant barrier to the development of an independent power industry. FERC started conditioning approval in merger cases on the utility's voluntary provision of open transmission access. The Energy Policy Act of 1992 gave FERC the authority to grant transmission access on request. These approaches to open access resulted in a patchwork of transmission access.

By the mid-1990s, support for opening the transmission grid to all users encouraged FERC to pursue a generic solution. FERC issued Order No. 888 in 1996 and required mandatory open transmission access by all transmitting utilities and a reciprocity provision successfully extended open access to non-jurisdictional entities (municipal, cooperative and federal utilities).

Order No. 889 addressed matters needed to implement open access. The rule established the Internet-based Open Access Same-Time Information System (OASIS) for posting available transmission capacity and reserving transmission capacity. These rules required significant changes to utility control room operations and limited the ability of companies to share transmission-related information with their own power marketing operating units.

Figure 2-1: North American Regional Transmission Organizations, Independent System Operators and Bilateral Regions



Source: Hitachi Energy, Velocity Suite

COMPETITION, PART 2: INTEGRATING MARKETS AND OPERATIONS – ISOS AND RTOS

While the industry had historically traded electricity through bilateral transactions and power pool agreements, Order No. 888 promoted the concept of independent system operators (ISOs). Along with facilitating open access to transmission, an ISO would operate the transmission system independently of wholesale market participants and foster competition for electricity generation. Several groups of transmission owners formed ISOs, some from existing power pools.

In Order No. 2000, FERC encouraged utilities to join regional transmission organizations (RTOs) which, like ISOs, would operate the transmission systems and develop innovative procedures to manage transmission equitably. FERC's proceedings in Order Nos. 888 and 2000, along with the efforts of the states and the industry, led to the voluntary formation of ISOs

and RTOs. Each of the ISOs and RTOs subsequently developed full-scale energy and ancillary service markets in which buyers and sellers could bid for or offer generation. Both organizations use bid-based markets to determine economic dispatch. Throughout the subsequent sections of the primer, when referring to the organized RTO and ISO markets generally and collectively, the term RTO/ISO is used.

Major parts of the country operate under more traditional market structures, notably the West (excluding California) and the Southeast. Two-thirds of the nation's electricity load is served in RTO/ISO regions.

Electricity Demand

Americans consume electricity for an ever-increasing range of uses. While consumption has grown over the years, it varies annually based on many influences, such

as weather, economic activity, and other factors. Total generation at utility-scale facilities reached 4,108,303 gigawatt hours in 2021.⁷⁶

Vertically-integrated IOUs, federal entities, municipally owned, and electric cooperatives sell the majority of electric generation to retail consumers. Additionally, some retail consumers generate all or part of the power that they consume. The rest of the electricity ultimately consumed by customers is bought and sold through wholesale electricity markets.

DEMAND CHARACTERISTICS

The amount of electricity consumed (demand) is continuously varying and follows cycles throughout the day and year. Regionally, electric demand may peak in either the summer or the winter. Spring and fall are considered shoulder months, with lower peak demand. Seasonal peaks vary regionally, although the highest levels of power load in almost all regions of the United States occur during summer heat waves, in the late afternoon. However, a minority of regions reach their peak load when the weather is extremely cold. These are primarily areas with significant space-heating requirements and little summer air conditioning load, such as the far northern areas of the United States.

Throughout the year, and in most locations, daily demand typically peaks in the late afternoon, as commercial and domestic activities peak, and in the winter, when lighting needs grow. Electricity use also varies between weekdays and weekends. Commercial and industrial activities are lower on weekends and peoples' noncommercial activities change with their personal schedules. The load on different weekdays can also show distinct usage. For example, Mondays and Fridays, being adjacent to weekends, may have different loads than Tuesday through Thursday. This is particularly true in the summer.

Since supply must rise and fall to provide exactly the amount of electricity customers need, the cost of

providing power typically rises as demand grows and falls as demand declines. This is because higher levels of demand require activation of increasingly expensive sources of power generation, and reductions as demand declines. As a result, power prices are typically highest during periods of peak demand.

DEMAND DRIVERS

The amount of electricity demanded is insensitive to prices in the short-term. Electricity is a necessity to most people and businesses. While they may be able to reduce their demand in the short-term – by turning down the thermostat or turning off lights, for example – electricity consumers find it difficult to do without electricity altogether. Further, most customers – especially smaller customers – do not get price signals to which they can respond. A vast majority of residential customers are billed monthly on a preset rate structure. Large industrial customers, on the other hand, may receive real-time price signals.

In the longer-term, options for reducing electricity use include installing insulation and implementing other energy efficiency measures. Larger consumers may also consider building their own generation facilities.

As discussed below, utilities, at the direction of government, have developed demand-response programs, which can provide reduced rates or other compensation to customers who agree to reduce load in periods of electric system stress.

Climate and Weather

Weather is one of the primary factors affecting demand. General climatic trends drive long-term consumption patterns and therefore the infrastructure needed to ensure reliable service.

Weather also can have extreme short-term effects on electricity usage. A sudden cold snap can drive heating use up quickly and a heat wave can push up air conditioning loads. Other, less obvious weather patterns affect demand

76 Derived from EIA, *Electric Power Annual*, Table 3.1.A (released November 8, 2022), www.eia.gov/electricity/annual/html/epa_03_01_a.html.

– rain and wind, for example, may result in sudden cooling, affecting heating or air conditioning usage.

Economic Activity

The overall level of economic activity affects power demand. During periods of robust activity, loads increase. Conversely, loads drop during recessions. These changes are most evident in the industrial sector, where businesses and plants may close, downsize, or eliminate factory shifts. In addition to reducing overall demand, these changes affect the pattern of demand; for example, a factory may eliminate a night shift, cutting off-peak use but continue its use of power during peak hours. In some cases, these effects can be significant. For example, the COVID-19 pandemic changed how consumers used electricity as communities and companies implemented social distancing and stay-at-home measures to combat the spread of COVID-19 in the spring of 2020. Electricity demand shifted from commercial and industrial uses to residential consumption. Overall, electricity demand in the U.S. dropped about 4% in 2020, as commercial and industrial demand dropped 6% and 8%, respectively, and residential demand rose 1%.⁷⁷

Energy Policies and Regulations

State regulatory agencies, such as public utility commissions, oversee retail electric rates and set policies affecting retail customer service. Some states allow utilities to offer retail rate structures that enable customers to receive more accurate price signals. They include, among other things, rates that vary with the time of day and the cost of providing electricity.

Efforts to reduce overall demand by improving energy efficiency are also supported by governmental and utility programs. These include rebates for the purchase of energy efficient appliances and home improvements, as well as capacity market payments for load reductions, also known as demand response, that are made available in certain markets.

Quick Facts: Heating and Cooling Degree Days

In the United States, engineers developed the concept of heating and cooling degree days to measure the effects of temperature on demand. Average daily temperatures are compared to a 65°F standard - those in excess of 65° yield cooling degree days; those below 65° yield heating degree days. For example, a day with an average temperature of 66° would yield one cooling degree day.



Retail Customer Mix

Most electric utilities serve three distinct classes of customers: residential, commercial, and industrial. Each class uses electricity differently, resulting in a differing load profile, or the amount of energy each customer class uses throughout the day. If a consumer uses electricity consistently throughout the day and seasons, the load shape is flat. Another consumer may use more at some times than others. More variable demand is typically more expensive to serve, especially if the peak occurs at the same time as other customers' use peaks. Consequently, the mix of customer types affects a region's overall demand and costs.

⁷⁷ EIA, *Short-Term Annual Outlook*, at 3 (January 2020).

Residential consumers form one of the top two customer segments in the United States at approximately 39 percent of electricity demand in 2021. Residential consumers use electricity for air conditioning, refrigerators, space and water heating, lighting, washers and dryers, computers, televisions, and other appliances. Prices for residential service are typically highest, reflecting both residential customers' load shape and their service from lower-voltage distribution facilities, meaning that more power lines and related assets are needed to provide service to them.

Commercial use, the next largest customer segment, represented approximately 35 percent of electricity demand in 2021.⁷⁸ This customer segment includes office buildings, hotels and motels, restaurants, street lighting, retail stores, wholesale businesses, and medical, religious, educational, and social facilities. More than half of commercial consumers' electricity use is for heating and lighting.

Industrial consumers use about 26 percent of the nation's electricity.⁷⁹ This customer segment includes manufacturing, construction, mining, agriculture and forestry operations. Industrial customers often see the lowest rates, reflecting their relatively flat load profile and their ability to take service at higher voltage levels.

Transportation demand for electricity stems primarily from trains and urban transportation systems. This is less than 1 percent of total electricity demand.⁸⁰ However, state and federal policies that advance electrification of the transportation fleet are expected to increase electric load growth in the near future.

LOAD FORECASTING

Demand is constantly changing, which challenges grid operators and suppliers who are responsible for ensuring that supply will meet demand at all times. Consequently, they expend considerable resources to forecast demand.

Load forecasting uses mathematical models to predict demand across a region, such as a utility service territory or an RTO/ISO footprint. Forecasts can be divided into three categories: short-term forecasts, which range from one hour to one week ahead; medium-term forecasts, usually a week to a year ahead; and long-term forecasts, which are longer than a year. It is possible to predict the next-day load with an accuracy of approximately one to three percent of what will actually happen. The accuracy of these forecasts is limited by the accuracy of the weather forecasts used in their preparation and the uncertainties of human behavior.

The forecasts for different time horizons are important for different operations within a utility company. Short-term load forecasting can help to estimate transmission system power flows and to make decisions that can prevent overloading of transmission systems. Timely implementation of such decisions leads to the improvement of network reliability and to reduced occurrences of equipment failures and blackouts. Forecasted weather parameters are the most important factors in short-term load forecasts, with temperature and humidity as the most commonly used load predictors.

The medium- and long-term forecasts take into account historical load and weather data, the number of customers in different customer classes, appliances used in the area and their characteristics, economic and demographic data, and other factors. For the next-year peak forecast, it is possible to provide an estimated peak load based on historical loads and weather conditions. Long-term forecasts extending 10 to 20 years into the future are used for system infrastructure planning and are meant to ensure that there are sufficient resources available to meet the needs of the expected future peak demand.

Forecasts are necessary for the variety of actions that must occur to ensure that sufficient supply is available in the immediate and long term. These include the

78 Derived from EIA, *Electric Power Annual*, Table 2.5 (November 7, 2022), www.eia.gov/electricity/annual/html/epa_02_05.html.

79 *Id.*

80 *Id.*

planning of long-term infrastructure, purchasing fuel and other supplies, and ensuring adequate staffing of specific personnel. Load forecasts are also extremely important for suppliers, financial institutions, and other participants in electric energy generation, transmission, distribution, and trading. Missed forecasts, when actual demand differs significantly from the forecast, can cause wholesale prices to be significantly higher or lower than they otherwise might have been.

DEMAND RESPONSE

Electricity demand is generally insensitive to price, meaning that demand does not typically fall when prices rise. This occurs for several reasons, including that most end-use consumers of electricity are not exposed to real-time electricity prices. However, some utilities and grid operators have developed ways to stimulate a response from consumers through demand-response programs.

Demand response is the reduction in consumption of electricity by customers from their expected consumption levels, in response to either reliability needs or price signals. Customers will forego power use for short periods, shift some energy use from peak periods to other times, or use on-site generation in response to price signals or incentives for load reduction. The signals to respond to electric power system needs or high market prices may come from a utility or other load-serving entity, an RTO/ISO, or an independent provider of demand response. Both retail and wholesale entities administer these programs. Demand response has the potential to lower system-wide power costs and assist in maintaining reliability. It can also mitigate system stress and allow operators to resolve shortages, avoid operating inefficient power plants, or relieve transmission congestion. There can also be environmental benefits, such as lower levels of power plant-related emissions that result from not operating peaking units.

Measuring and verifying the amount of reduced consumption during a demand response activation requires development of consumers' baseline usage, against which their actual use is measured.

Demand-Response Programs

Programs generally fall into three categories: curtailing, shifting, or on-site generation.

Curtailing, or forgoing, involves reducing power use (load) during times of high prices or threats to reliability without making up the use later. For example, residential customers might turn off lights or raise thermostats during hot weather. Commercial facilities may turn off office equipment, lower building lighting or change thermostat settings by a few degrees.

Shifting involves moving or rescheduling high energy-use activities in response to high prices or demand response program events to off-peak periods – evenings, nights, or weekends. Industrial customers might reschedule batch production processes to evening hours or the next day. Commercial establishments may delay high-energy operations. Residential customers may wait until evening or night to use high energy consuming appliances, such as clothes dryers or dishwashers. In shifting, the lost amenity or service is made up at a subsequent time.

On-site generation is when customers respond by turning on an on-site or backup emergency generator to supply some or all of their electricity needs. Although these customers may have little or no interruption to their electrical usage, their net load and requirements from the power system are reduced. The ability to use on-site generation is most common for institutional customers, such as hospitals, large schools, or data centers.

Demand response programs can be further distinguished by whether they are controlled by the system operator (dispatchable) or the customer (non-dispatchable). Dispatchable demand response refers to programs where the system operator can direct the customer to reduce its energy use, such as direct load control of residential appliances or directed reductions to industrial customers. Dispatchable demand response programs can be used for both reliability and economic reasons. Non-dispatchable demand response lets the retail customer decide whether and when to reduce

consumption in response to the price of power. This includes time-sensitive pricing programs that are based on rates that charge higher prices during high-demand hours and lower prices at other times.

As a result of technological innovations and policy directions, new types and applications of demand response are emerging that encompass the use of smart appliances that respond in near real-time to price or other signals. These models may allow customers to respond more easily, as they require little customer monitoring or interaction.

Retail Demand Response Programs

Utilities and third-party aggregators offer a variety of demand response programs that include time-based rates and interruptible contracts. Also, some states mandate energy efficiency resource standards that include peak load reduction targets.

Time-based rates include time-of-use rates and dynamic pricing. Time-based rates depend on advanced meters at customer premises that can record usage over short increments, typically groupings of hours or individual hours. In time-of-use programs, customers are charged different prices at different times of the day, with hours on or near peak demand costing more than off-peak hours. Dynamic pricing is a category of programs where rates change frequently to better reflect system costs. The practice of adjusting prices as costs change provides an incentive for consumers to shift load to other periods or to reduce peak load. One form of dynamic pricing is termed real-time pricing. In these programs, customers are charged prices reflecting the immediate cost of power. Industrial or very large commercial customers are the most likely to choose real-time tariffs.

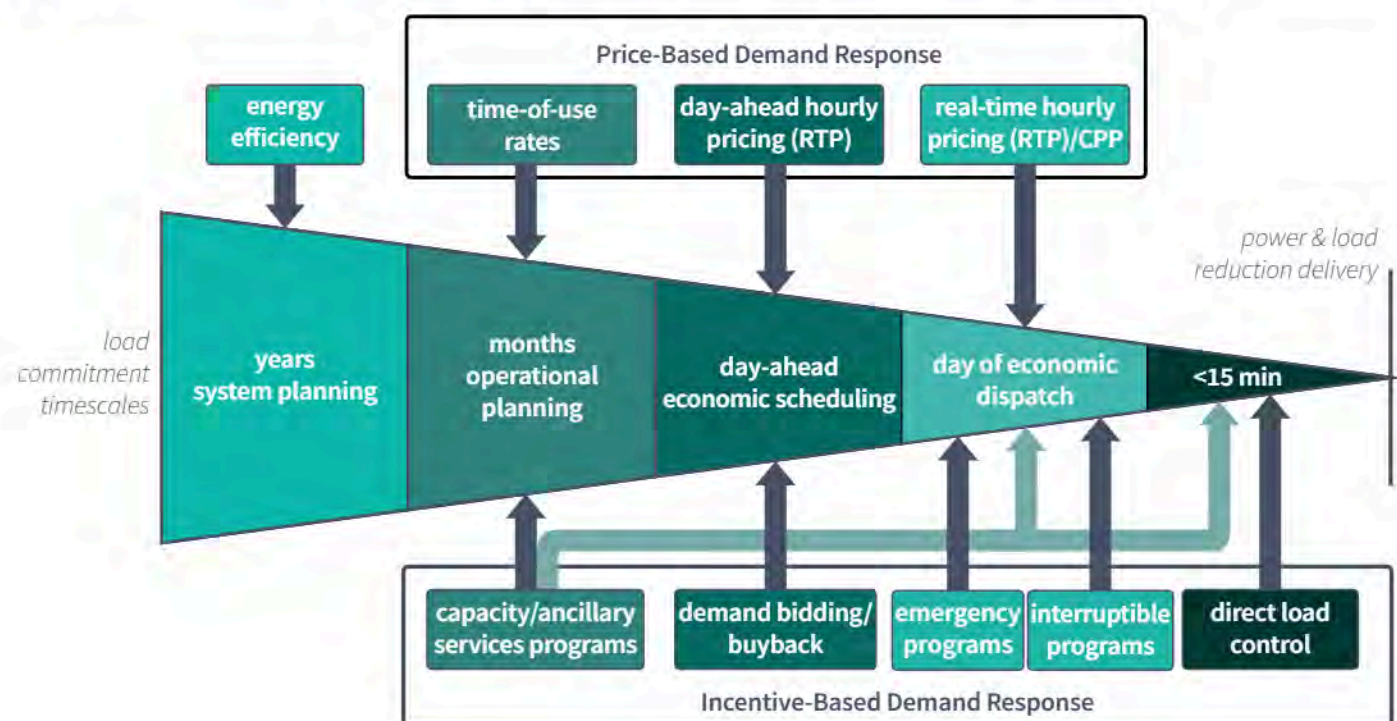
Another form of dynamic pricing is critical peak pricing. These programs use real-time prices at times of extreme system peak but are restricted to a limited number of hours annually. They feature higher prices than time-of-use prices during the critical peak. Consumers do not know in advance when a critical peak might be called. Critical peak programs for residential customers typically use rebates as an incentive to participate in the program, but customers take the risk of paying higher prices or reducing load during critical peak periods. These programs seek to have customers respond to price signals, as opposed to penalizing them, if they do not lower their use in the critical peak hours.

Interruptible contracts are used by utilities to control load and address potential reliability issues, such as reducing stress on the electric system during heat waves. The two primary forms of this category of demand response are direct load control and interruptible rates. Direct load control entails the utility curtailing a portion of customer load as described above. Under interruptible rates, customers agree to turn off equipment or switch their energy supply to an on-site generator.

Energy efficiency resource standards exist in 25 states, while five states and the District of Columbia, have energy efficiency goals.⁸¹ The standards typically require utilities to achieve electric energy savings, and many include peak load reduction targets. These mandates provide incentives for utilities to reduce customers' energy consumption and include mechanisms that decouple profits from the amount of electricity sold or performance bonuses for utilities that meet or exceed reduction targets.

81 DSIRE, N.C. Clean Energy Technology Center, *Energy Efficiency Resource Standards (and Goals)* at 1 (September 2021), https://ncsolarcenter-prod.s3.amazonaws.com/wp-content/uploads/2021/09/Energy-Efficiency-Resource-Standards_Sept-2021.pdf.

Figure 2-2: Demand Response and Energy Efficiency in Electric System Planning and Operations



Source: U.S. Department of Energy⁸²

Wholesale Market Demand Response Programs

On the wholesale level, market operators have some programs that dispatch the demand response resources. Other demand response programs are dispatched by the utilities or aggregators that sponsor the programs, rather than the market operator. Note that with most retail demand response programs, which can also aid wholesale markets, market operators may not be able to invoke them or even see the specific amount of response that occurs.

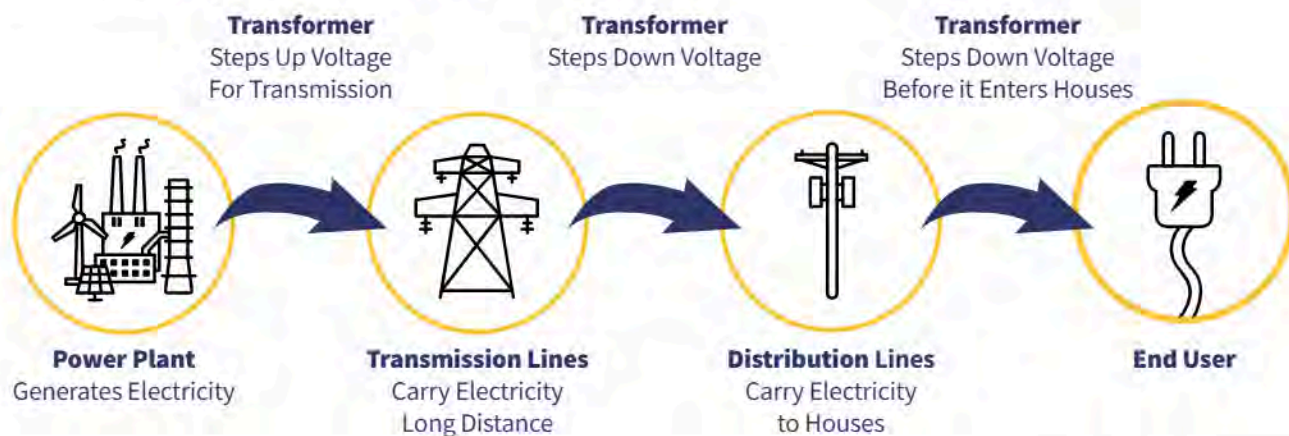
Demand response participation in RTO/ISOs has been encouraged in U.S. national energy policy and by various FERC orders.⁸³ Overall, approximately 30.8 GW of demand response participated in RTOs/ISOs in 2020.⁸⁴ These resources primarily participate in RTO/ISOs as capacity resources and receive advance reservation payments in return for their commitment to participate when called upon or activated. Additionally, demand resources may offer into the RTO/ISO day-ahead markets, specifying the hours, number of MWs and price at which they are willing to curtail.

⁸² U.S. Department of Energy, *Benefits of Demand Response in Electricity Markets and Recommendations for Achieving Them: A Report to the United States Congress Pursuant to Section 1252 of the Energy Policy Act of 2005*, at 15, (2006), <https://www.energy.gov/oe/articles/benefits-demand-response-electricity-markets-and-recommendations-achieving-them-report>.

⁸³ EPCA 2005 included policy encouraging time-based pricing and other forms of demand response and the elimination of barriers to demand response participation in the energy, capacity, and ancillary services markets. Examples of FERC orders include Order No. 719, 128 ¶61,059, (July 16, 2009); Order No. 745, 134 ¶61,187 (March 15, 2011); and Order No. 2222, 174 ¶61,197, (March 18, 2021).

⁸⁴ See FERC, *Assessment of Demand Response and Advanced Metering Staff Report*, at 3 (December 2021), <https://www.ferc.gov/media/2021-assessment-demand-response-and-advanced-metering>.

Figure 2-3: Electricity Supply and Delivery



Source: The NEED Project⁸⁵

Some of the RTO/ISO demand response comes from individual entities; the rest is accumulated through third-party aggregators, or curtailment service providers, who recruit customers too small to participate on their own, such as schools, commercial chains or groups of residential customers. In aggregating small customers, curtailment service providers have increased customer participation in many wholesale reliability and emergency programs.

Demand Response and Energy Efficiency in Planning and Operations

Different demand response programs can be used at various times to support planning and operations (see Figure 2-2). Energy efficiency programs that reduce baseload or peak demand over the long-term are incorporated into system planning. Dispatchable programs that are quickly implemented and targeted for short-term peak reductions – such as direct load control – lie on the other end of the spectrum and are used in the moment of operation.

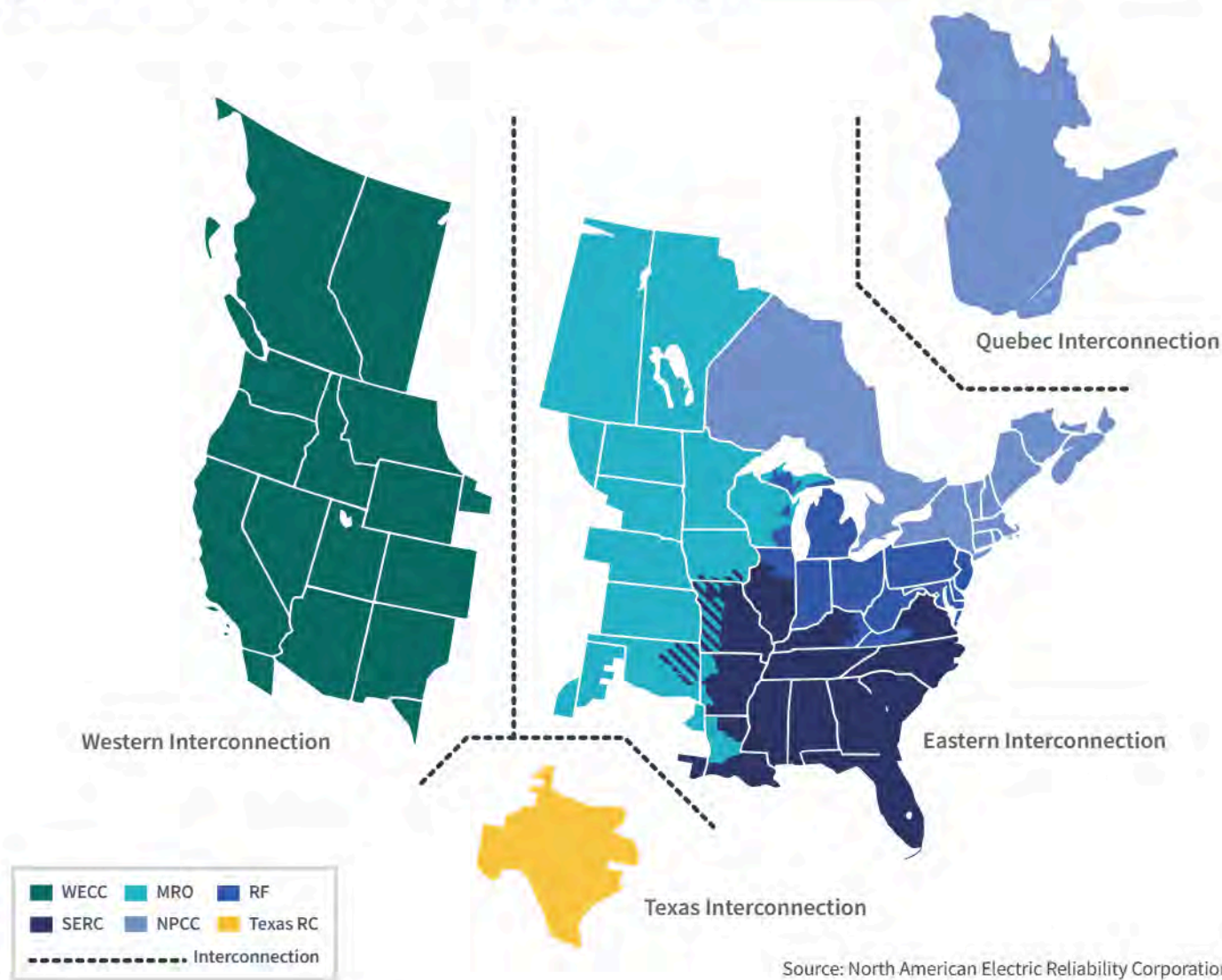
Electricity Supply and Delivery

Unlike many other products, electricity cannot be stored in any appreciable quantity relative to the total consumed across the country each day. Further, electricity is a necessity for most consumers, whose use responds little to price changes. Finally, electric equipment and appliances are tuned to very specific standards of power, measured as voltage and frequency. For example, deviations in voltage can cause devices to operate poorly or may even damage them. Consequently, the supply side of the electricity market must provide and deliver exactly the amount of power customers want at all times, at all locations. This requires constant monitoring of the grid and close coordination among industry participants.

Electricity service relies on a complex system of infrastructure that falls into two general categories: generation and delivery services of transmission and distribution. Together, the power generation and high-voltage transmission lines that deliver power to distribution facilities constitute the bulk power system. Transmission and distribution facilities are also referred to as the power grid. These are coordinated, and at times operated by, a grid coordinator.

85 National Energy Education Development Project, *Electricity*, at 56 (2017), <http://www.need.org/Files/curriculum/infobook/Elec1S.pdf>.

Figure 2-4: North American Electric Reliability Corporation Regions



Nationally, the grid is geographically split into three main sections – the Western, Eastern and Texas Interconnections. These sections operate independently and have limited interconnections between them.

The nation, along with Canada and a small part of Mexico, is also divided into regional entities for reliability purposes. The regional reliability entities fall under the purview of North American Electric Reliability Corporations (NERC), which was designated by FERC as the nation's electric reliability organization, and which develops and enforces mandatory reliability standards to better ensure the reliable operation of the nation's bulk-

power system (the interconnected transmission grid). The reliability standards, once approved by FERC, must be met by applicable industry participants as designated in each reliability standard. Consequently, the grid is planned and operated to meet these standards.

NERC's regions include:

- Midwest Reliability Organization (MRO)
- Northeast Power Coordinating Council (NPCC)
- Reliability First Corporation (RFC)
- SERC Reliability Corporation (SERC)
- Texas Reliability Entity (TRE)
- Western Electricity Coordinating Council (WECC)

FERC JURISDICTION

Under the Federal Power Act (FPA), FERC regulates the transmission of electric energy in interstate commerce and the sale of electric energy at wholesale in interstate commerce. The FPA requires that every public utility file with FERC all rates and charges for any transmission or sale subject to the jurisdiction of FERC. Under Sections 205 and 206 of the FPA, 16 U.S.C. §§ 824d, 824e, FERC ensures that the rates and charges made, demanded, or received by any public utility for, or in connection with, the transmission or sale of electric energy subject to the jurisdiction of FERC, and all rules and regulations affecting, or pertaining to, such rates or charges are just and reasonable and not unduly preferential or unduly discriminatory.

GENERATION

Power generators are typically categorized by the fuel that they use and subcategorized by their specific operating technology. In 2021, the United States had approximately 1,218 GW of total generating capacity.⁸⁶ The majority of power generation is produced from coal, natural gas, nuclear fuels, and renewables.

Power plants each have differing costs and operational characteristics, both of which determine when, where and how plants will be built and operated. Plant costs fall into two general categories: capital investment costs, which are amounts spent to build the plant, and operational costs, the amounts spent to maintain and run the plant. In general, there is a trade-off between these expenses: more capital-intensive plants tend to be cheaper to run – they have lower variable costs – and, conversely, the least capital intensive plants tend to be more expensive to run – they have higher variable cost. For example, nuclear plants produce vast amounts of power at low variable costs but are expensive to build. Conversely, natural gas-fired combustion turbines are far less expensive to

build but can be more expensive to run. Grid operators dispatch plants – or call them into service – with the simultaneous goals of providing reliable power at the lowest cost. Because various generation technologies have differing variable costs, plants are dispatched only when they are part of the most economic combination of plants needed to supply the customers on the grid. For plants operating in RTOs/ISOs, this cost is determined by the price that generators offer. In other areas, it is determined by the marginal cost of the available generating plants.

CONVENTIONAL GENERATION

Generation is often described as conventional or renewable (described further in the Renewable Generation section below). Conventional generation typically includes natural gas-, oil-, coal- or nuclear-powered generation.

Natural Gas-Fired Generation

Natural gas power plants consist of three major technologies, each with its distinct set of market advantages and limitations. They are steam boilers, gas turbines and combined cycle generators. Natural gas fuels nearly a third of U.S. electricity generation.

Steam boiler technology is an older design that burns gas in a large boiler furnace to generate steam at both high pressure and high temperature. The steam is then run through a turbine that is attached to a generator, which spins and produces electricity. Typical plant size ranges from 300 MW to 1,000 MW. Because of their size and the limited flexibility that is inherent in the centralized boiler design, these plants require fairly long start-up times to become operational and are limited in their flexibility to produce power output beyond a certain range. Furthermore, these plants are generally not as economical or easy to site as some newer technologies – which explains why few have been built in recent years.

⁸⁶ Installed nameplate capacity is assessed through December 2021 and captures Operating and Standby resources available. Note that these estimates do not imply that generation output will match the nameplate capacity of a resource type. Derived from EIA, *Preliminary Monthly Electric Generator Inventory* (based on Form EIA-860M) (February 2022), <https://www.eia.gov/electricity/data/eia860m/>.

Gas turbines (GT) are small, quick-start units similar to an aircraft jet engine. These plants are also called simple cycle turbines or combustion turbines (CT). GTs are relatively inexpensive to build but are expensive to operate because they are relatively inefficient, providing low power output for the amount of gas burned, and have high maintenance costs. They are not designed to run on a continuous basis and are used to serve the highest demand during peak periods, such as hot summer afternoons. GTs also run when there are system-wide shortages, such as when a power line or generator trips offline. GTs typically have a short operational life due to the wear-and-tear caused by cycling. The typical capacity of a GT is 10-50 MW, and they are usually installed in banks of multiple units.

Combined cycle power plants (CCPPs) are a hybrid of the GT and steam boiler technologies. Specifically, this design incorporates a gas-combustion turbine unit along with an associated generator, and a heat recovery steam generator along with its own steam turbine. The result is a highly efficient power plant. They produce negligible amounts of SO₂, and particulate emissions and their NO_x and CO₂ emissions are significantly lower than a conventional coal plant. CCPPs, on average, require 80 percent less land than a coal-fired plant, typically 100 acres for a CCPP versus 500 acres for comparable coal plant, and CCPPs also use modest amounts of water compared to other technologies.

Coal-Fired Generation

Coal plants produced approximately 22 percent of the electricity in the United States in 2021.⁸⁷ These facilities generate power by creating steam which is used to spin a very large turbine. These plants tend to be used as baseload units, meaning that they run continuously and are not especially flexible in raising or lowering their power output. They have high initial capital costs, with complex designs and operational requirements.

However, coal plants have low marginal costs and can produce substantial amounts of power. Most of the coal-fired plants in the United States are located in the Southeast and Midwest.

Oil-Fired Generation

Oil plants generally produce only a small amount of the total electricity generated in the U.S. power markets. These facilities are expensive to run and also emit more pollutants than natural gas plants. They are frequently uneconomic and typically run at low-capacity factors. Like natural gas-fired generators, there are several types of units that burn oil; primarily, these are steam boilers and combustion turbines. Most dual-fuel power plants are located in the eastern half of the United States, especially on the East Coast.⁸⁸

Generally, two types of oil are used for power generation: number 2 and number 6 (bunker) fuel oil. Number 2 is a lighter and cleaner fuel. It is more expensive, but because it produces fewer pollutants when burned, it is better for locations with stringent environmental regulations such as major metropolitan areas. Conversely, number 6 fuel oil is cheaper, but considered dirty because of its higher emissions. It is highly viscous (thick and heavy), and it comes from the bottom of the barrel in the refining process.

Nuclear Generation

Nuclear plants provided roughly 19 percent of the nation's electricity in 2021, when 93 nuclear plants operated in the United States with a total capacity of approximately 100 GW.⁸⁹ Like generating units that use coal, nuclear plants tend to be large, baseload units that run continuously. Nuclear plants have high capital and fixed costs, but low variable costs, which includes fuel cost. They typically run at full power for 18 or 24 months, which is the duration of a unit's fuel cycle, and are then taken offline for refueling and maintenance. Outages

87 EIA, *Electric Power Annual* (November 7, 2022), *Generation at Utility Scale Facilities, Tables 3.1A. and 3.1.B.*, (accessed December 2022), www.eia.gov/electricity/annual/html/epa_01_02.html.

88 Derived from Hitachi Energy, Velocity Suite data (Accessed March 28, 2023).

89 EIA, *Form EIA-860* (November 2022), www.eia.gov/electricity/data/eia860/.

typically last from 20 days to significantly longer, depending on the work needed. Of the 92 operating nuclear plants, most reside in the eastern United States. Only six are in the West, four in Texas. Illinois had the largest number of plants at 11, followed by Pennsylvania at eight, and South Carolina at seven.⁹⁰

RENEWABLE GENERATION

Renewable resources use fuels that are naturally replaced, such as wind, solar, hydroelectric and geothermal or which use fuels that are readily replaceable, such as biomass and biogas.

Such generation (generation termed renewable generation or renewables) is an increasingly important part of total U.S. supply, accounting for 29 percent of electric energy produced in 2021.⁹¹ As total generation from all fuels has remained relatively constant in recent years, renewable generation's share has risen, spurred by technological advancements, state policy, and federal tax credits.⁹²

Wind and solar capacity have grown faster than other renewable resources in recent years. Wind capacity grew substantially, from approximately 10 GW in 2006 to 193 GW in 2021.⁹³ Utility-scale solar capacity grew even faster, from approximately 0.1 GW to 61 GW over the same period.⁹⁴

Additions of renewable generation capacity are usually reported in megawatts of nameplate capacity. Actual capability varies from the nameplate for any unit type due to such factors as age, wear, maintenance and ambient conditions. But as renewable resources are often weather-dependent, their capacity factors – the ratio of average generation to the nameplate capacity

for a specific period – have been lower (for example, approximately 30 percent), depending on the technology type, than for fossil-fuel generation. Grid operators pay close attention to the difference between nameplate and capacity factor values when they evaluate capacity available to cover expected load, however, capacity factors have risen with technological innovation and improved manufacturing processes.

Wind

Wind generation is among the fastest-growing renewable resource, in part due to cost declines and technology improvements, as well as receipt of federal tax credits. Increases in average hub heights and rotor diameters have increased average wind turbine capacity. Because the best wind resources are often located far from load centers, obtaining sufficient transmission presents a challenge to delivering wind output. Other market challenges for future wind development include its variable output, which is often inversely correlated to demand (seasonally and daily); system operators' limited ability to dispatch wind resources to meet load increases; difficulties related to accurately forecasting its ramping; and the need for companion generation (usually fossil-fueled) or energy storage to be available to balance wind generation when the wind is not blowing.

Solar

Solar generation transforms sunlight into electricity using one of two technologies: photovoltaic (PV) or concentrating solar power (CSP). PV modules, or panels, transform sunlight directly into power using cells made of silicon or thin-film materials. They can be installed on roofs of buildings or at ground-level PV farms. CSP plants use a two-step process to transform the sun's energy. First, mirrors direct sunlight towards a receiver that captures

90 EIA, *Form EIA-860M* (February 2023), www.eia.gov/electricity/data/eia860m/.

91 Derived from EIA, *Electricity Annual* (September 2022), www.eia.gov/electricity/annual/html/epa_01_01.html.

92 Lawrence Berkeley National Lab, *U.S. State Renewables Portfolio and Clean Electricity Standards: 2023 Status Update* (June 2023), https://eta-publications.lbl.gov/sites/default/files/lbnl_rps_ces_status_report_2023_edition.pdf.

93 Installed nameplate capacity is assessed through December 2021 and captures Operating and Standby resources available. Note that these estimates do not imply that generation output will match the nameplate capacity of a resource type. Derived from EIA, *Preliminary Monthly Electric Generator Inventory (based on Form EIA-860M)* (February 2022), <https://www.eia.gov/electricity/data/eia860m/>.

94 *Id.*

the heat. CSP then employs a thermal process to create steam, driving an engine or turbine to produce electricity. CSP plants, which are dispatchable, can include low-cost energy storage that extends their availability later in peak hours. PV growth has increased greatly as a result of policy incentives and cost declines. Total PV generation for 2021 was 161.5 GW, with approximately two-thirds of that generation coming from utility-scale facilities and one-third from small-scale generation.⁹⁵

By the end of 2021, 1.5 GW of CSP was operational – a decline from 2017 when CSP capacity was 1.8 GW.⁹⁶ Total CSP capacity is significantly lower than PV owing to PV's lower costs.⁹⁷ Seven western and southwestern states have extensive CSP potential: Utah, New Mexico, Arizona, Nevada, Texas, California and Colorado.⁹⁸ Developing that potential will require overcoming challenges of cost, siting, transmission, and the need for extensive water supplies to clean mirrors.

Hydroelectric

Hydroelectric generation is powered by the kinetic energy of falling water that drives turbine generators, which convert the energy into electricity. There are two types of hydroelectric projects: conventional and pumped storage. Conventional projects, which use a dam in a waterway, can operate in a run-of-river mode, in which water outflow from the project approximates inflow, or in a peaking mode, in which the reservoir is mostly drained to generate power during peak periods when energy is more valuable. Pumped storage projects use bodies of water at two different elevations. Water is pumped into elevated storage reservoirs during off-peak periods when pumping energy is cheaper; the water is

then used to generate power during peak periods as it flows back to the lower elevation reservoir. In 2021, total U.S. hydro-electric capacity (including conventional and pumped-storage capacity) reached 246 GW. Conventional hydro-electric capacity was 285.3 GW and pumped storage hydro-electric capacity was 5.1 GW.⁹⁹

Geothermal

Geothermal generation taps into reservoirs of steam and hot water deep beneath the earth's surface to produce power. The majority of the plants are based in California and Nevada. Geothermal potential is determined by thermal conductivity, thickness of sedimentary rock, geothermal gradient, heat flow and surface temperature. Geothermal generation, which stood at 16 GW in 2021, increased from 0.6 GW in 2011, but has decreased as a portion of total renewable output, due to the growth of other renewables. California hosts about 76 percent of geothermal U.S. operating capacity.¹⁰⁰

Biomass

Biomass generation includes power production from many waste byproducts, such as agricultural residues, landfill gas, municipal solid waste, and wood resources. The largest biomass category is wood waste, burned for heat and power in the lumber, pulp and paper industries. Challenges to biomass production include impacts on food supplies (for example, converting corn into ethanol), conserving natural resources, and minimizing water pollution. In 2021, net utility-scale power generation using biomass fuel sources was 54.3 GWh – composed of 36.5 GWh from wood and wood-derived fuels as well as 17.8 GWh from other biomass sources.¹⁰¹

95 Derived from EIA, *Electric Power Annual, Tables 3.1.A. and 3.1.B* (released November 7, 2022 and accessed December 2022), www.eia.gov/electricity/annual/html/epa_01_02.html.

96 Derived from EIA, See table 4.3 in *Electric Power Annual 2021 and Electric Power Annual 2017*, www.eia.gov/electricity/annual/html/epa_04_03.html and www.eia.gov/electricity/annual/archive/pdf/03482017.pdf.

97 See National Renewable Energy Laboratory, *Annual Technology Baseline* (July 2018), <https://atb.nrel.gov/electricity/2018/summary.html>

98 EIA, *Form EIA-860*, (September 13, 2018), <https://www.eia.gov/electricity/data/eia860/>.

99 Derived from EIA, *Electric Power Annual* (November 7, 2022), *Generation at Utility Scale Facilities, Tables 3.1.A and 3.1.B* (accessed December 2022), www.eia.gov/electricity/annual/html/epa_01_02.html.

100 Derived from EIA, *Form EIA-860* (accessed November 2017), <https://www.eia.gov/electricity/data/eia860/>.

101 *Id.*

Biogas

Biogas energy is created through the anaerobic (without oxygen) bacterial decomposition of biodegradable waste, which is turned into a gas containing 60-70 percent methane. Biogas recovery is typically installed at farms and used to run farm operations and reduce methane emissions from natural manure decomposition.

Renewable Energy Policies

Renewable generation development is frequently tied to policies promoting their use, which include tax credits, low-cost loans, rebates and production incentives. Federal funding of research and development has played an important role in lowering the costs or reducing the time it takes for renewable technologies to become commercially viable.

Congress has provided tax incentives to spur renewable resource investments. Originally enacted in 1992, federal production tax credits (PTC) are available for wind, biomass, geothermal, and other forms of renewable generation based on a facility's production. An inflation-adjusted credit, the PTC generally has a duration of 10 years from the date the facility goes online. The PTC has been revised several times, most recently in August 2022 under the Inflation Reduction Act, which extended the PTC for projects that begin construction before 2025, including solar projects that had previously been excluded from the PTC program.¹⁰² After 2024, the PTC becomes technology neutral and emission based, and phases out starting in 2032, or when the U.S. electricity sector emissions are 75% below 2022 levels. If projects over 1 MW meet certain labor requirements, their PTC is 2.6 c/kWh; if the projects do not meet the labor requirements, the PTC would be 0.3 c/kWh. A further 10% adder on the PTC and ITC can be obtained if a project uses U.S. steel and roughly

half the of manufactured components (as measured by cost) are sourced in the United States.

Another form of tax credit for renewables, including solar and other types of projects, has been a federal investment tax credit (ITC). The ITC has generally been set at 30 percent of a project's equipment and construction costs. The Inflation Reduction Act also revised the ITC, with the same terms as for the PTC. Projects meeting labor requirements may receive a 30% ITC, otherwise the ITC drops to 6%. Projects may also receive a 10% increase in the ITC if they use U.S. components, as described for the PTC.

State renewable portfolio standards (RPS) and renewable energy standards (RES) have been significant drivers in the growth of investment in renewable generation. An RPS requires a certain percentage of energy sales measured by megawatt-hours (MWh) to come from renewable resources. Percentages usually increase incrementally from a base year to an ultimate target. Currently, 30 states plus Washington, D.C., have an RPS with financial penalties for non-achievement.¹⁰³ As utilities and independent developers build more renewable-powered generation, the markets in which they participate continue to address the integration of renewable output into their day-ahead and real-time operations, and incorporate the expected growth of renewable generation in their long-term transmission-planning processes.

Renewable energy certificates (RECs) allow state regulators to track compliance with mandatory RPS targets or verify progress in voluntary state renewable programs. They also allow compliance entities to purchase credits – subject to state-imposed limits on amount and price – if they have not generated or bought enough renewable energy to meet their annual requirements.

102 Congress.gov, *H.R. 5376-Inflation Reduction Act of 2022*, (became law August 4, 2022) <https://www.congress.gov/bills/117th-congress/house-bill/5376/text>.

103 Barbose, Galen. Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory, *U.S. Renewables Portfolio Standards: 2021 Status Update: Early Release* (February 2021), https://eta-publications.lbl.gov/sites/default/files/rps_status_update-2021_early_release.pdf.

ELECTRIC STORAGE

Historically, utility-scale storage of electricity for later use had been limited to pumped-hydro storage facilities. Recent advances in technology have made other types of electric storage resources, including batteries and flywheels, more economically feasible. The lower costs and improved capabilities of electric storage, along with favorable state and federal policies, increased penetration of variable energy resources, and a continued focus on grid reliability have helped spur the development of electric storage resources.¹⁰⁴

As of 2021, the combined capacities of utility-scale electric storage and battery storage represented less than 2 percent of total generating capacity in the United States.¹⁰⁵ The majority of storage capacity consists of pumped-hydro storage (21 GW in 2021), which has grown very slowly. Battery storage capacity, in contrast, has grown from 3 MW in 2016 to 4,482 MW in 2021.¹⁰⁶ EIA projects that total U.S. battery storage capacity could reach 30 GW by 2025.¹⁰⁷

Electric storage projects are increasingly available to help balance supply and demand particularly during periods of high demand or excess supply. These resources can charge during periods of low demand or excess generation, when electricity is less expensive, and discharge when demand is high and electricity is more expensive. Batteries, flywheels, and other fast-acting electric storage technologies can also provide ancillary

services which help maintain grid reliability. The vast majority of battery storage capacity in the electricity markets is used to provide ancillary services or capacity, because these applications provide the most revenue for storage owners.¹⁰⁸

Some states have passed legislation to incentivize investment in storage projects. In 2013, California adopted targets for utilities to procure 1,325 MW of energy storage capacity by 2024 and subsequently increased the capacity requirement target and compressed the timeline for reaching that target.¹⁰⁹ As of May 2021, five states besides California also set energy storage requirements or targets: Oregon, Massachusetts, New York, New Jersey and Virginia. Additionally, some states which do not have formal energy storage requirements offer financial incentives such as grants and tax incentives, while others have begun requiring utilities to include storage in integrated resource plans.

DISTRIBUTED ENERGY RESOURCES

In Order No. 2222, the Commission defined Distributed Energy Resources (DERs) as any resource located on the distribution system, any subsystem thereof or behind a meter. These resources may include, but are not limited to, electric storage resources, distributed generation, demand response, energy efficiency, thermal storage, and electric vehicles and their supply equipment.¹¹⁰ In most instances, these resources are located close to the

104 FERC has issued various orders to help remove barriers to the participation of electric storage resources in FERC-jurisdictional markets. See, *Electric Storage Participation in Markets Operated by Regional Transmission Organizations and Independent System Operators*, Order No. 841, 162 FERC ¶61,127 (2018); *Participation of Distributed Energy Resource Aggregations in Markets Operated by Regional Transmission Organizations and Independent System Operators*, Order No. 2222, 172 FERC ¶ 61,247 (2020).

105 Installed nameplate capacity is assessed through December 2021 and captures Operating and Standby resources available. Note that these estimates do not imply that generation output will match the nameplate capacity of a resource type. Derived from EIA, *Preliminary Monthly Electric Generator Inventory (based on Form EIA-860M)* (February 2022), <https://www.eia.gov/electricity/data/eia860m/>.

106 *Id.*

107 EIA, *U.S. battery storage capacity will increase significantly by 2025* (December 8, 2022), <https://www.eia.gov/todayinenergy/detail.php?id=54939#:~:text=As%20of%20October%202022%2C%207.8%20GW%20of%20utility-scale,add%20another%2020.8%20GW%20of%20battery%20storage%20capacity.>

108 EIA, *U.S. Battery Storage Market Trends*, 13-15 (August 2021), https://www.eia.gov/analysis/studies/electricity/batterystorage/pdf/battery_storage_2021.pdf.

109 California Public Utilities Commission, *Energy Storage* (accessed December 1, 2022), www.cpuc.ca.gov/industries-and-topics/electrical-energy/energy-storage.

110 Order No. 2222, 172 ¶61,247, (September 17, 2020), at 4.

end user of power. While individual installations of DER tend to have capacities much smaller than that of central station power plants (for example DER installations may range from a fraction of a kW to systems producing less than 10 MW), the overall quantity of DER installations has grown tremendously, particularly in states with beneficial policies toward DERs.

One such policy is known as net metering, which is a system in which DERs are connected behind the meter to a distribution system and any surplus power is transferred onto the grid, allowing customers to offset the cost of power drawn from a distribution utility. Such surplus flow typically occurs during periods when the DER's production outstrips the customer's total demand. Under one measure of DER, as tracked by EIA, total net-metered capacity grew by approximately 277 percent between 2014 and 2020, from approximately 7.5 GW of capacity to 28.3 GW. The bulk of this capacity was solar PV, which made up 94 percent of net-metered capacity in 2020, with 62 percent of that capacity owned by residential customers.¹¹¹ In some cases, surplus power from a large DER or a set of net metered DERs may flow onto the transmission system.

TRANSMISSION

The alternating current (AC) power grid operates like an interconnected web, where, with a few exceptions,

the flow of power is not specifically controlled by the operators on a line-by-line basis. Instead, power flows from sources of generation to consumers across any number of lines simultaneously, following the path of least resistance. There are also a limited number of direct current (DC) lines, which are set up as specific paths with definite beginning and end points for scheduling and moving power. These lines are controllable by operators and have other characteristics that make them attractive to grid planners and operators, such as providing greater grid stability and lower line losses. However, DC lines cost significantly more than AC lines to construct. Consequently, DC lines are typically built for certain specialized applications such as the movement of large amounts of power over long distances, for example the Pacific Intertie, which extends between the Northwest and California.

Transmission lines provide a certain amount of resistance to the flow of power as electricity travels through them. This resistance is not unlike the wind resistance that a car must overcome as it travels along a highway. The resistance in power lines creates losses: the amount of power injected into a power line diminishes as it travels through the line. The amount of these losses is contingent on many factors including the voltage of the transmission facilities.

111 EIA, *Electric Power Annual* (December 2022), (March 2022), www.eia.gov/electricity/annual/html/epa_04_10.html.

Wholesale Electricity Markets and Trading

Electric markets encompass different organizational structures and different mechanisms for buying and selling power at the wholesale level. Electric systems for delivering power to consumers in the United States are split into two structures: traditional systems and those run by RTO/ISOs. Traditional systems are typically vertically integrated, rely on management to make operational decisions, and sell electricity to retail customers based on their cost of service. In general, RTO/ISOs use their markets to make operational decisions, such as generator dispatch, and to price the resulting electricity. Load-serving entities then buy the power through the RTOs/ISOs for resale to retail customers.

Both traditional systems and RTOs/ISOs conduct certain functions, although they may perform these functions in different ways. These include:

- Ensuring the electric grid operates reliably in a defined geographic footprint
- Balancing supply and demand instantaneously and maintaining sufficient operating reserves
- Dispatching system resources as economically as possible
- Coordinating system dispatch with neighboring balancing authority areas (BAAs)
- Planning for transmission in its footprint
- Coordinating system development with neighboring systems and participating in regional planning efforts
- Providing non-discriminatory transmission access

Buying and selling electricity in the wholesale markets – trading – occurs through bilateral and RTO/ISO transactions, as discussed below. Bilateral transactions occur in both traditional systems and in RTO/ISO regions. Pricing for bilateral transactions in both RTO/ISO and traditional regions incorporates both cost-based and market-based rates.

SUPPLYING LOAD

Load serving entities (LSE) serve customer load through a combination of self-supply, bilateral market purchases and purchases from RTO/ISO markets. Self-supply means that the LSE generates power from plants it owns or operates to meet demand. With bilateral purchases, the LSE buys power from a supplier. RTO/ISO market purchases means the supplying company purchases power through the RTO's/ISO's markets.

LSEs' sources of energy vary considerably. In ISO-NE, NYISO, and CAISO, the LSEs have divested much or all their generation. In these circumstances, LSEs supply their customers' requirements through bilateral and RTO/ISO market purchases. In PJM, MISO, and SPP, LSEs may own significant amounts of generation, either directly or through affiliates, and therefore use self-supply as well as bilateral and RTO market purchases.

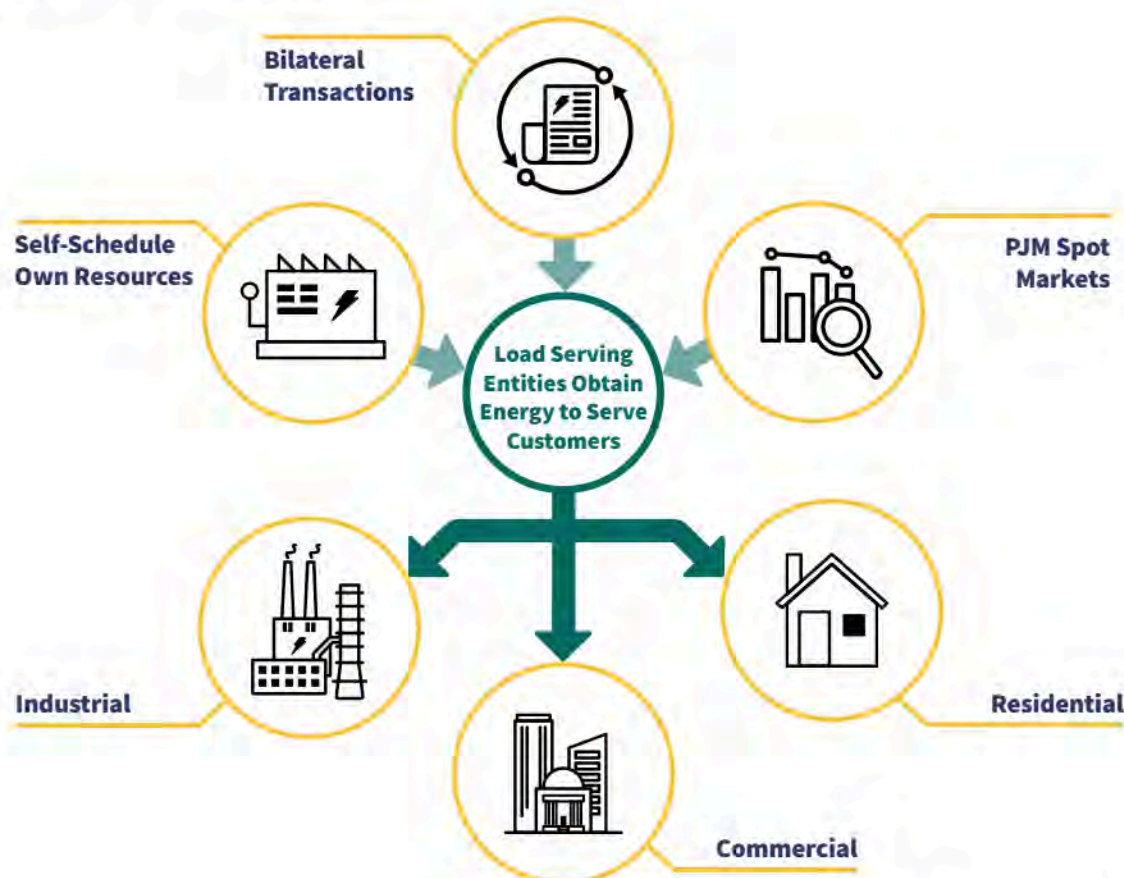
BILATERAL TRANSACTIONS

Bilateral transactions between two parties do not occur through an RTO/ISO and can occur through direct contact and negotiation, through a voice broker or through an electronic brokerage platform, such as the Intercontinental Exchange (ICE). The deals can range from standardized contract packages, such as those traded on ICE, to customized, complex contracts known as structured transactions. In bilateral transactions, buyers and sellers know the identity of the party with whom they are doing business.

Whether the trade is done on ICE, directly between parties or through another type of broker, the trading of standard physical and financial products, such as next-day on-peak firm or swaps, allows index providers to survey traders and publish price indexes. These indices provide price transparency.

Physical bilateral trades involving the movement of energy from one point to another require the parties to reserve transmission capacity to move the power over the transmission grid. Transmitting utilities are required to post the availability of transmission capacity and offer

Figure 2-5: Options for Energy Supply



Source: PJM Traditional Wholesale Electricity Markets

service on an OASIS website. Traders usually reserve transmission capacity on OASIS at the same time they arrange the power contract.

Transfers of power between Balancing Authority Areas (BAAs) require one of the parties to the transaction to submit a request for interchange, also known as an eTag.¹¹² The receiving BAA (the entity to which the power is transferred or sinks), or its agent, will process the eTag, ensure a reliability assessment has been completed, and send it to all parties named on the eTag. This ensures an orderly transfer of energy and provides transmission system operators with the information that they need to

institute curtailments, as needed. Curtailments may be necessary when a change in system conditions reduces the capability of the transmission system to move power and requires some transactions to be reduced or cut.

Bilateral physical transactions that are conducted in RTO/ISOs are settled financially. Generators offer their power into the markets, and load is served through the power dispatched by the RTO/ISO. The RTO/ISO then settles bilateral transactions based on the prices in the contracts and the prices that occurred in their markets.

¹¹² A BAA is a collection of generation, transmission, and loads within the metered boundaries of the entity (a Balancing Authority) that is responsible for balancing load, generation, and net interchange between other BAAs. Glossary of Terms Used in NERC Reliability Standards (March 2022), https://www.nerc.com/files/glossary_of_terms.pdf.

COST-BASED RATES

Cost-based rates are used to price most transmission services and some electricity when FERC determines that market-based rates are not appropriate, or when an entity does not seek market-based rate authority. Cost-based rates are set to recover costs associated with providing service and give a fair return on capital. These rates are typically listed in a published tariff.

The following are major inputs to setting cost-based electricity rates:

- Determining used-and-useful electricity plant costs. This may include the cost of generation facilities, transmission facilities, distribution plants and office and related administration facilities.
- Determining expenses for the production, transmission and distribution of electricity, including fuel and purchased power, taxes and administrative expenses.
- Establishing a fair return on capital, known as the cost of capital. This includes determining the cost of debt, common equity, preferred stock and commercial paper and other forms of short-term borrowing, such as lines of credit used to finance projects and provide cash for day-to-day operations.
- Allocating electric plant and other expenses among various customer classes and setting the rate structure and rate levels.

MARKET-BASED RATES

Under market-based rates, the terms of an electric transaction are negotiated by the sellers and buyers in bilateral markets or through RTO/ISO market operations. FERC grants market-based rate authority to electricity sellers that demonstrate that they and their affiliates lack, or have adequately mitigated, horizontal market power (typically based on whether the seller is a pivotal supplier and on the percent of generation owned by the seller relative to the total amount of generation available in a market). Sellers must also show that they lack, or have adequately mitigated, vertical market power (the ability to erect barriers to entry or influence the cost of production for competitive electricity suppliers). Wholesale sellers

who have market-based rate authority and sell into day-ahead or real-time markets administered by an RTO/ISO do so subject to the specific RTO/ISO market rules approved by FERC. Thus, a seller in such markets must have an authorization from FERC and must also abide by the additional rules contained in the RTO/ISO tariff.

TRANSMISSION SERVICE

FERC requires that public utilities that own transmission lines used in interstate commerce offer transmission service on a nondiscriminatory basis to all eligible customers. The rates and terms of service are published in each utility's Open Access Transmission Tariff (OATT). Each utility's OATT specifies the transmission services available. Customers submit requests for transmission service through the OASIS. Utilities evaluate each transmission-service request using a model of the grid called a state estimator. Based on the model's estimation of the effects on the system, the request for transmission service is either approved or denied.

The two most common types of transmission service are network and point-to-point service. Network service allows a transmission customer the use of the entire transmission network to deliver generation from specified resources to specified loads. The price for service is cost-based and published in the OATT. Network service has higher priority than point-to-point service.

Point-to-point service involves paying for and reserving a fixed quantity of transmission capacity and moving power up to the reservation amount from one location, the point of receipt (POR), to another location, the point of delivery (POD). The POR and POD may be outside the transmission operator's footprint. Depending on availability, customers may purchase firm or non-firm point-to-point service for durations of one hour to multiple years.

Customers holding firm point-to-point transmission capacity may sell that capacity in a secondary market – such a sale is known as capacity reassignment. An entity holding transmission rights may want to resell

that capacity to another transmission customer in the secondary market because it is unneeded, or to make a profit. Resellers of transmission capacity are permitted to charge market-based rates for capacity reassignments, instead of the original cost-based rate at which they purchased the capacity. Most capacity reassignments are hourly, although capacity can also be reassigned on a daily, weekly, monthly, or yearly basis.¹¹³

If the market price of energy is greater at the POD than at the POR, the transmission has value. The transmission holder can capture this value by using the transmission – buying energy at the POR, moving it to the POD and selling it. Alternatively, the transmission holder can sell the transmission through a capacity reassignment. Thus, the price of a capacity reassignment should be consistent with, and rarely exceed, the expected price differential between the POD and the POR.

Transmission Planning

Each transmission-operating utility must participate in regional planning processes that identify transmission system additions and improvements needed to maintain reliability. Studies are conducted to test the transmission system against mandatory national reliability standards, as well as regional reliability standards. Planning studies may look 10-15 years into the future to identify transmission overloads, voltage limitations, and other reliability problems.

GRID OPERATIONS

Grid operators dispatch their systems using the least costly generation, consistent with the constraints of the transmission system and reliability requirements. The dispatch process occurs in two stages. For RTOs/ISOs, the market determines a day-ahead unit commitment, then updates the unit commitment and dispatches in real time. Grid operators in traditional utilities plan for the next day's dispatch, then update and implement that dispatch in real time.

Dispatch Planning

Grid operators decide which generating units should be committed in advance of actual operations. For RTOs/ISOs, this is done, in part, through the day-ahead markets and forecasts. For operators in traditional utilities, this is done through various planning and forecasting processes. Planning dispatch in advance of real-time operations is needed because some generating units need to obtain fuel or require several hours of lead time before they are brought online. In selecting the most economic generators to commit, operators take into account forecast load requirements and each unit's physical operating characteristics, such as how quickly output can be changed, maximum and minimum output levels and the minimum time a generator must run once it is started. Operators must also take into account each generating unit's cost factors, such as fuel and nonfuel operating costs, and the cost of environmental compliance.

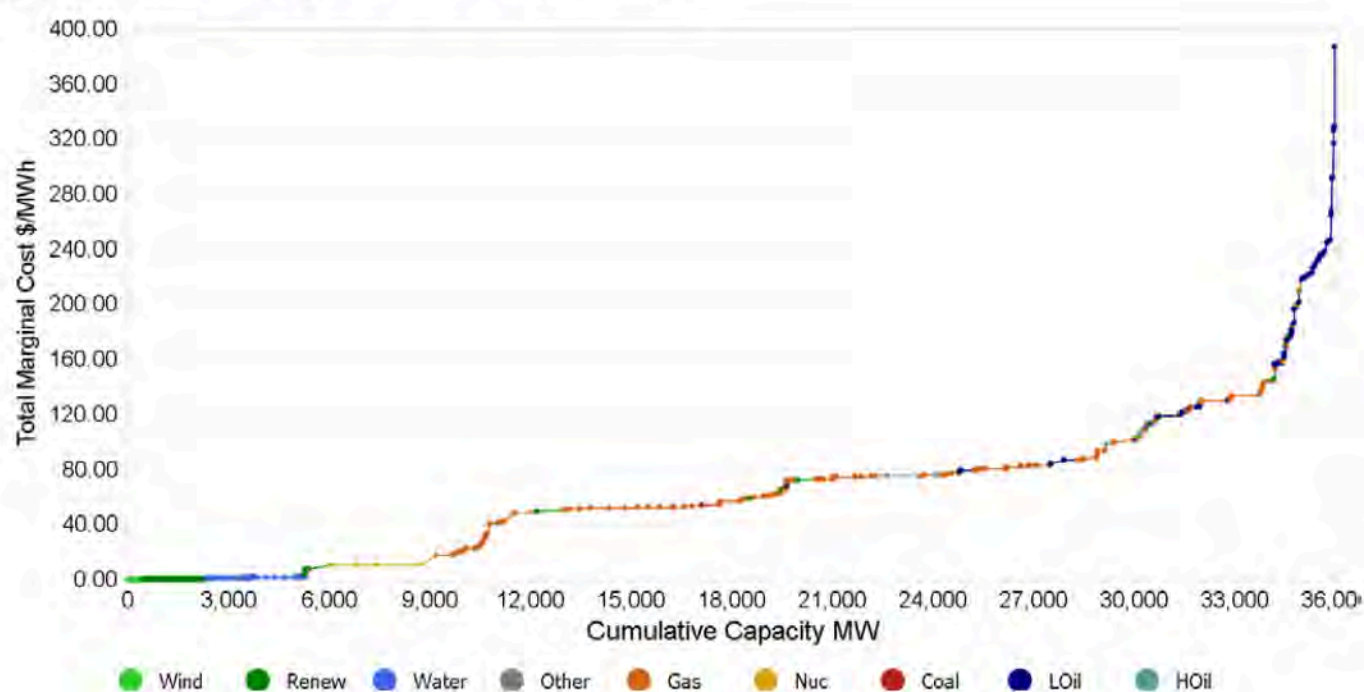
Forecast conditions can also affect how the transmission grid is optimally dispatched to reliably meet load. This is the security aspect of commitment analysis. The factors that can affect grid capabilities include generation and transmission facility outages, line capacities as affected by loading levels and flow direction, and weather conditions. If the security analysis indicates that the optimal economic dispatch cannot be carried out reliably, relatively expensive generators may have to be called upon to replace less-expensive units.

System and Unit Dispatch

Grid operators must decide the actual level at which each available resource should be operated, given the actual real-time load and grid conditions, so that reliability is maintained and overall production costs are minimized. Actual conditions will vary from those forecast prior to real-time, and grid operators must adjust the dispatch accordingly. As part of real-time operations, demand, generation and interchange (imports and exports) must be continually kept in balance to maintain a system frequency of 60 hertz.

113 FERC, *Electric Quarterly Reports, Downloads, Quarterly Filings* (2021), <https://eqrreportviewer.ferc.gov>.

Figure 2-6: Market Supply Curve for NYISO (Illustrative)



Source: Hitachi Energy, Velocity Suite¹¹⁴

This is typically done by automatic generation control (AGC) to change the generation dispatch as needed.

In general, dispatch occurs based on the cost of generation from given resources, with the lowest-cost resources dispatched first and the higher-cost resources dispatched last. The chart above is a depiction of the market supply curve for the New York Independent System Operator (NYISO). This is also commonly called the supply stack. In it, all the generating units in the New York market are shown, sorted according to their marginal cost of production. Their cost of production is shown on the vertical axis in terms of dollars per MWh. The cheapest units to run are to the left and the most expensive to the right.

Dispatch in New York, for example, first calls upon wind generating units, followed successively by hydroelectric, nuclear and coal-, gas- and oil-fired generating units.

This assumes that the generating units have sufficient resources – enough wind for the wind-powered generators or enough river flow for the hydroelectric plants, for example – and that sufficient transmission capability exists to deliver generator output and meet reliability needs.

In addition to these considerations, transmission flows must be monitored to ensure that the grid operates within voltage and reliability limits. If transmission flows exceed accepted limits, the operator must take corrective action, which could involve curtailing schedules, changing the dispatch or shedding load. Operators may check conditions and issue adjusted dispatch instructions as often as every five minutes.

ANCILLARY SERVICES

Ancillary services maintain electric reliability and support the transmission of electricity. These services

¹¹⁴ Derived from Hitachi Energy, Velocity Suite, *Supply Curve Analyst*, Form EIA 860, NERC Electric Supply and Demand database, FERC Form 1, FERC Form 714, ISO Load Data, Hitachi Energy Primary Research, et al (February 2023).

are produced and consumed in real-time, or in the very near term. NERC and regional entities establish the minimum amount of each ancillary service that is required for maintaining grid reliability.¹¹⁵

Regulation matches generation with very short-term changes in load by moving the output of selected resources up and down via an automatic control signal, typically every few seconds. The changes to output are designed to maintain system frequency at 60 hertz. Failure to maintain a 60-hertz frequency can result in systemic failure of an electric grid.

Operating reserves are needed to restore load and generation balance when a supply resource trips offline. Operating reserves are provided by generating units and demand resources that can act quickly, by increasing output or reducing demand, to make up a generation deficiency. There are three types: spinning reserves, non-spinning reserves and supplemental reserves.

Spinning reserves are provided by generators that are online (synchronized to the system frequency) with some unloaded (spare) capacity and capable of increasing its electricity output within a specified period, such as 10 minutes. During normal operation, these reserves are provided by increasing output on electrically synchronized equipment or by reducing load on pumped storage hydroelectric facilities. Synchronized reserve can also be provided by demand-side resources.

Non-spinning reserves are provided by generating units that are not necessarily synchronized to the power grid but can be brought online within a specified amount of time, such as 10 minutes. Non-spinning reserve can also be provided by demand-side resources.

Supplemental reserves are provided by generating units that can be made available within a specified

amount of time, such as 30 minutes and are not necessarily synchronized with the system frequency.

Blackstart generating units have the ability to go from a shutdown condition to an operating condition and start delivering power without any outside assistance from the electric grid. Hydroelectric facilities and diesel generators predominately have this capability. These are the first facilities to be started up in the event of a system failure or blackout to restore the rest of the grid.

Reactive power: Electricity consists of current, the flow of electrons, and voltage, the force that pushes the current through the wire. Reactive power is the portion of power that establishes and maintains electric and magnetic fields in AC equipment. It is necessary for transporting AC power over transmission lines, and for operating magnetic equipment, including rotating machinery and transformers. It is consumed by current as it flows. As the amount of electricity flowing on a line increases, so does the amount of reactive power needed to maintain voltage and move current. Power plants can produce both real and reactive power and can change the output of both. Special equipment installed on the transmission grid is also capable of injecting reactive power to maintain voltage.

WEATHER

Weather is the single most important factor affecting the level of electricity demand and, thus, is a major factor in grid operations. System operators therefore rely heavily on weather forecasts to ensure they have the right generation, in the right locations, to run the grid reliably.

Weather affects grid operations in other ways, as well. Primary among these is on the productivity of certain types of power generators: wind and hydroelectric. Wind turbines' power output changes

115 For additional information on the definitions of ancillary services, NERC, *Glossary of Terms Used in NERC Reliability Standards*, (March 2022), https://www.nerc.com/pa/Stand/Glossary%20of%20Terms/Glossary_of_Terms.pdf.

with wind availability and speed, which affects cost of wholesale power. Solar generation declines with cloud cover, which not only decreases available generation but can increase demand as behind-the-meter solar, such as residential and commercial installations, decrease their supply to retail users.

Hydroelectric plants rely on rain and snowfall to provide the river flow needed for their output. Geographically, this is most important in the Pacific Northwest, where seasonal hydroelectric plant output is a critical source of power. Rain and the melting of winter snowpack feed the Columbia and Snake

River systems. Surplus power from these generators is typically exported to California to help meet summer peak demand, increase reliability and lower prices.

Temperature can also affect the output of other power plants and capacity of transmission lines. Thermal plants that use a turbine – coal, gas, oil, and nuclear plants – become less efficient at higher temperatures. Additionally, the capacity of transmission lines is limited by heat because the conductive material used in fabrication becomes more electrically resistant as they heat up, limiting their throughput capability.

Traditional Electricity Systems

Traditional wholesale electricity markets exist primarily in the Southeast and the West outside of California, where utilities are responsible for system operations and management, and, typically, for providing power to retail consumers. Utilities in these markets are frequently vertically integrated – they own the generation, transmission and distribution systems used to serve electricity consumers. They may also include federal systems, such as the Bonneville Power Administration (BPA), the Tennessee Valley Authority and the Western Area Power Administration. Wholesale physical power trading typically occurs through bilateral transactions. In addition to the responsibilities listed in the overview to this section, a utility in a traditional region has the following responsibilities:

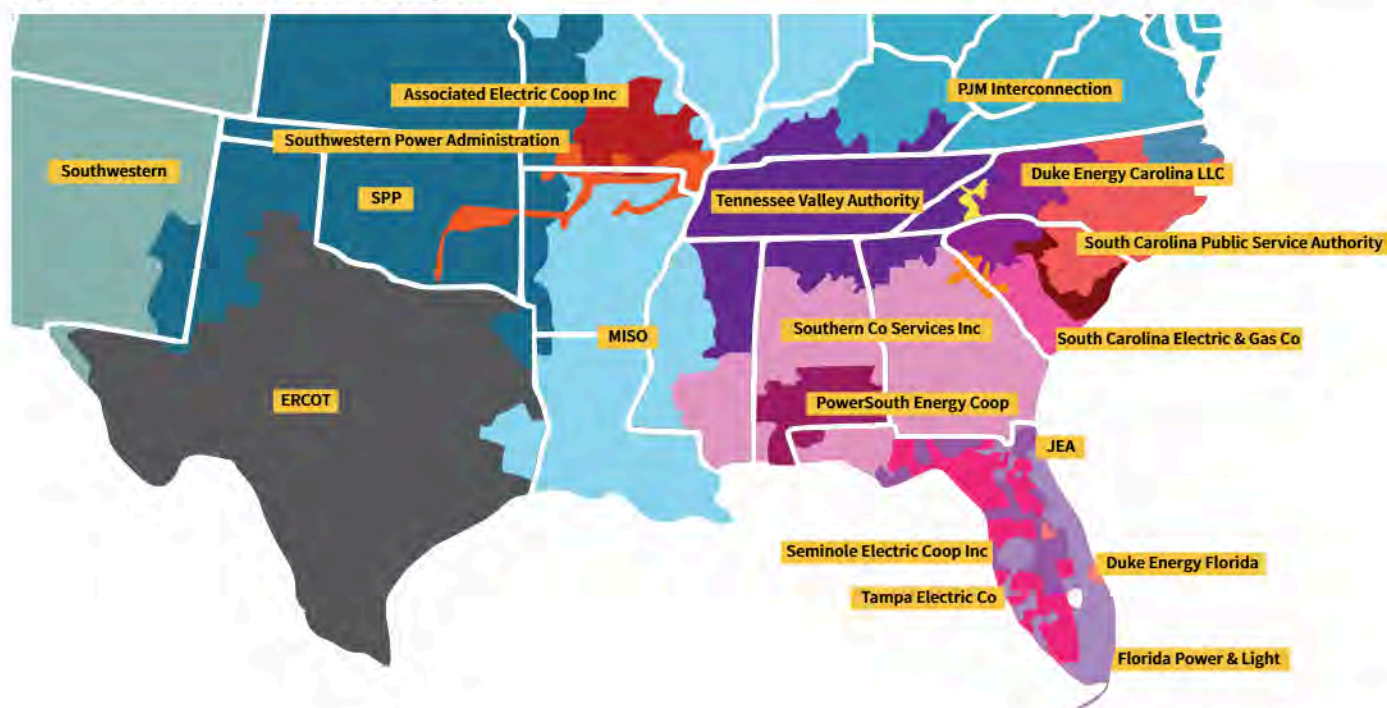
- Generating or obtaining the power needed to serve customers (this varies by state)
- Dispatching resources based on some cost minimizing algorithm

- Ensuring the reliability of the transmission grid

Southeast Wholesale Market Region

The Southeast electricity market is a bilateral market that includes all or parts of Florida, Georgia, Alabama, Mississippi, North Carolina, South Carolina, Missouri, and Tennessee. It encompasses the Southeastern Electric Reliability Council (SERC) NERC region. Major hubs include Into Southern and the Tennessee Valley Authority (TVA). The Southeast region's hourly peak demand is greater than 203 GW.¹¹⁶ While traditional bilateral trading continues in the Southeast, some utilities in the region have created a trading platform, the Southeast Energy Exchange Market (SEEM), discussed further below. Southern Company also conducts an auction for some of its available generation, also discussed further below.

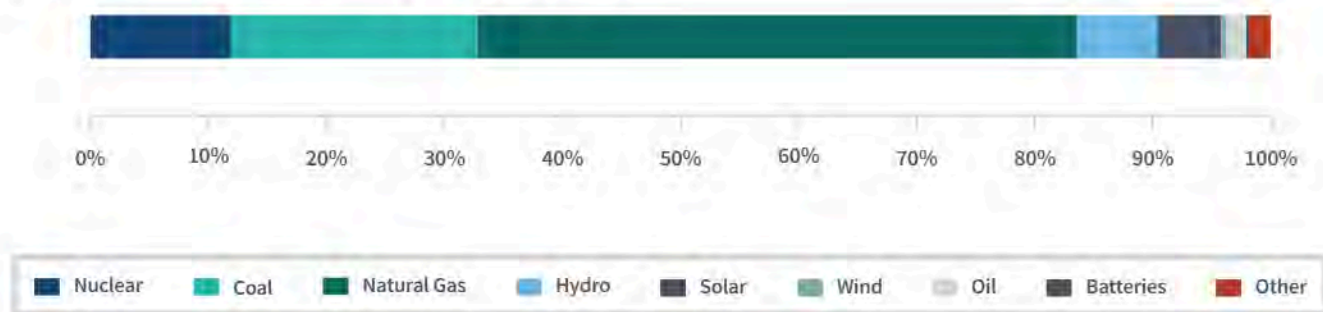
Figure 2-7: Southeast Electric Region



Source: Hitachi Energy, Velocity Suite

¹¹⁶ The hourly peak demand observed between 2000 and 2020. Based on FERC Form 714, Annual Electric Balancing Authority Area and Planning Area Report. Derived from the Balancing Authority Areas within the SERC NERC region, using the Hitachi Energy, Velocity Suite, Balancing Authority Area Net Energy for Load & Peak Demand dataset.

Figure 2-8: Southeast Electric Region Capacity Mix



Source: EIA Form 860-M¹¹⁷

Supply Resources

The total generating capacity in the Southeast Electric Region is over 256 GW and is predominately composed of natural gas and coal-fired generators. Hydroelectric and nuclear capacity are also substantial resources in the region.

The Southeast generates most of its electricity from coal, nuclear, and natural gas-fired plants, as shown in the bar chart above.

The TVA sub-region has a majority of its capacity and output from coal and nuclear, while the Virginia-Carolina (VACAR) sub-region has the highest utilization of nuclear generation in the Southeast.

Short-term energy is traded among various entities, including investor-owned utilities, municipal utilities, public utility districts, independent power producers, and marketers. Some of the largest sellers of short-term power include Southern Company, North Carolina Municipal Power Agency, Cargill, and Exelon.

Industry-referenced trading points for short-term bilateral transactions in the Southeast include the following locations: Into Southern, TVA, VACAR, and Florida. Volumes for short-term transactions can be low, particularly under normal weather conditions. Overall demand for short-term transactions tends to rise during periods of system stress, for example summer heat waves or winter cold snaps.

TRADING AND MARKET FEATURES

Physical sales in the Southeast are done bilaterally and long-term energy transactions are particularly prominent, compared to short-term transactions. Many long-term agreements involve full-requirements contracts or long-term power purchase agreements. For example, Southern Company's short-term transactions account for around 30 percent of its total wholesale energy sales in 2021.¹¹⁸

The Southeast has relatively low volumes of short-term trades compared to the Western regions. Thus, there is limited data on that price index publishers have on which to base their price reporting. Given the bilateral nature of wholesale power transactions in the Southeast, and a relatively small market for short-term transactions, interest in financial power products in the Southeast is weak.

¹¹⁷ Installed nameplate capacity is assessed through December 2021 and captures Operating and Standby resources available. Note that these estimates do not imply that generation output will match the nameplate capacity of a resource type. Derived from EIA, *Preliminary Monthly Electric Generator Inventory* (based on Form EIA-860M) (released February 2022), <https://www.eia.gov/electricity/data/eia860m/>.

¹¹⁸ FERC, *Electric Quarterly Reports, Downloads, Quarterly Filings* (2021), <https://eqrreportviewer.ferc.gov>.

SOUTHEAST ENERGY EXCHANGE MARKET

The Southeast Energy Exchange Market (SEEM) launched on November 9, 2022. However, on July 14, 2023, the U.S. Court of Appeals for the D.C. Circuit remanded to FERC orders addressing the Seem. Consequently, the SEEM proposal is now pending before the Commission once again.

SOUTHERN COMPANY AUCTION

Southern Company has held daily and hourly auctions for power within its balancing area since April 2009 as a requirement of Southern Company's market-based rate tariff. This BAA encompasses the service territories of Southern Company utilities: Georgia Power, Alabama Power, Mississippi Power, and Gulf Power. The products included in the auction are day-ahead power and real-time power.

According to the auction rules, Southern Company must offer all of its available uncommitted thermal generation capacity into the auction, after regulation and contingency reserves are met. The auction is intended to mitigate the potential ability of Southern Company to exercise market power within its balancing authority area and certain adjacent balancing authority areas. In February 2017, Southern Company revised its market-based rate tariff to

cap all market-based sales of less than one year outside of the auction at a cost-based tariff rate.¹¹⁹

Western Wholesale Market Regions

The power markets in the western United States are primarily bilateral markets. A key exception is most of California and portions of Nevada, which operate under CAISO. Further, several entities buy and sell electricity in a regional, short-term markets run by CAISO, called the Western Energy Imbalance Market (WEIM), and the SPP-run Western Energy Imbalance Service (WEIS). CAISO and SPP are discussed further in the RTO and ISO Markets section. The West includes the Western Power Pool (WPP), the Rocky Mountain Power Area, and the Arizona, New Mexico, Southern Nevada Power Area within the Western Electricity Coordinating Council (WECC), a regional entity. These areas contain over 30 balancing authority areas responsible for dispatching generation, procuring power, operating the transmission grid reliably, and maintaining adequate reserves.¹²⁰

NORTHWEST ELECTRIC REGION

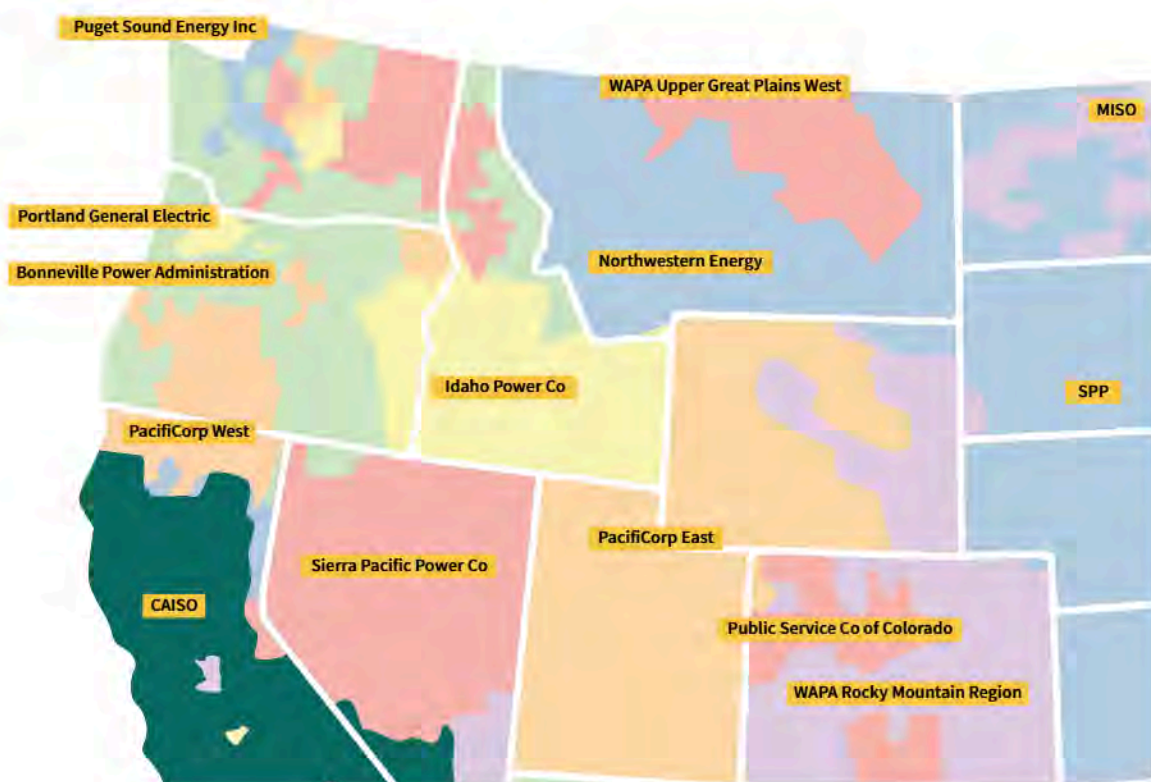
The Northwest Electric Region is composed of the Northwest Power Pool (NWPP) NERC region in the northwestern section of the Western Electric Coordinating Council (WECC) NERC region. The hourly peak demand is approximately 49 GW¹²¹

119 *Alabama Power Company*, 158 FERC ¶ 61,131 (2017) (February 2, 2017 Order) (order accepting market-based rate tariff revisions subject to condition).

120 Western Electricity Coordinating Council, *Western Interconnection Balancing Authorities* (accessed November 2022), https://www.wecc.org/layouts/15/WopiFrame.aspx?sourcedoc=/Administrative/Balancing_Authorities_JAN17.pdf&action=default&DefaultItemOpen=1.

121 The hourly peak demand observed in a given month between 2000 and 2020. Based on FERC Form 714, *Annual Electric Balancing Authority Area and Planning Area Report*. Derived from the Balancing Authority Areas within the NWPP NERC subregion, using the Hitachi Energy, Velocity Suite, Balancing Authority Area Net Energy for Load & Peak Demand dataset.

Figure 2-9: Northwest Electric Region



Source: Hitachi Energy, Velocity Suite

Supply Resources

The total capacity in the Northwest Electric Region is approximately 79 GW and is primarily composed of hydroelectric, natural gas, and coal-fired generators, as shown in the bar chart below. Wind generator capacity is also a significant resource for the region.

The Northwest has a unique resource mix, as demonstrated in the bar chart below, with hydroelectric generation capacity comprising approximately 40 percent of the power supply, which is sourced from many dams that are in the Columbia River system. The largest dam, Grand Coulee, can produce up to as much power as six nuclear plants. Due to the large amount of hydroelectric generation, the Northwest typically has low-cost power during the spring and early summer. During these periods, the region exports power to neighboring regions, especially California, where power prices are typically higher.

The amount of hydroelectric power produced depends on a number of factors, some natural and some controllable. On a seasonal basis, the intensity and duration of the water flow is driven by snowpack in the mountains, the fullness of the reservoirs, and rainfall. On a short-term basis, the levels of hydroelectric power generation output are influenced by decisions to release water locally and upstream to generate power, as well as local water-use decisions that are independent of the economics of the power markets, based on recreation, irrigation, and wildlife considerations, for example. The peak hydroelectric power generation period begins in the spring, when the snow melts, and may last into early summer. When less water is available, the Northwest may rely more on its coal and natural gas generation, and occasionally import power from neighboring regions, including Canada, when loads are high.

Figure 2-10: Northwest Electric Region Capacity Mix

Source: EIA Form 860-M



Trading and Market Features

Two Canadian BAAs, Alberta Electric System Operator

The water forecast affects the forward market for electricity in the Northwest. Similarly, the daily water flow conditions influence the prices in the daily physical market. When there is an abundance of hydroelectric generation, the Northwest will export as much as possible on the transmission lines leading into California and elsewhere in the West. Sometimes in off-peak hours, more electricity is available than can move through transmission lines or be used locally, so electric prices become negative.

The largest seller of wholesale power in the region is the BPA, a federal agency that markets the output from federally owned hydroelectric facilities, as well as a non-federal nuclear plant and several other smaller non-federal power plants. BPA meets approximately one-third of the firm energy supply in its service territory and owns 75 percent of the region's high-voltage transmission.¹²² BPA gives preference to municipal and other publicly owned electric systems in allocating and pricing its generation output.¹²³

and British Columbia Hydro, are also substantial suppliers of energy to the United States via the Northwest Electric Region. These Canadian BAAs often import power to, and export power from, the United States, depending on market conditions. The Canadian BAAs generally import power from the United States when prices are low in order to save water in their hydroelectric reservoirs. The water is later released to generate and sell hydroelectric power during higher-priced periods¹²⁴

The Northwest region trading points for bilateral transactions include Mid-Columbia (Mid-C), California-Oregon Border (COB), Nevada-Oregon Border (NOB), and Mona (Utah). Of these, Mid-C is the most actively traded location.

SOUTHWEST ELECTRIC REGION

The Southwest electric market encompasses Arizona, New Mexico, and Southern Nevada in the WECC NERC region. The hourly peak demand is approximately 25 GW.¹²⁵

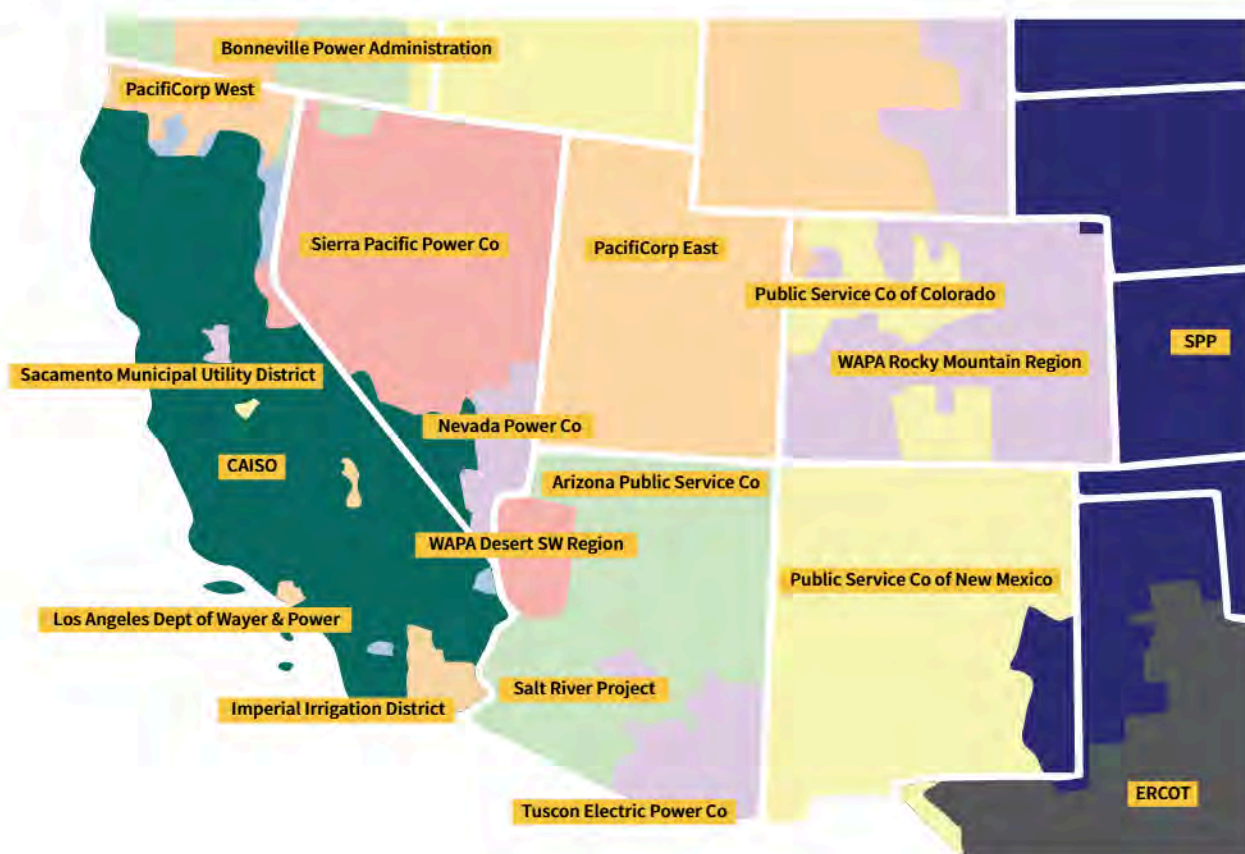
¹²² Bonneville Power Administration, *BPA Overview*, 45, https://energy.gov/sites/prod/files/2016/01/f28/0911review_ikakoula.pdf.

¹²³ Bonneville Project Act, 16 U.S.C. §§ 832-832m (2000).

¹²⁴ National Energy Board, *Market Snapshot: Which states trade electricity with British Columbia?* (September 2022) <https://www.cer-rec.gc.ca/en/data-analysis/energy-markets/market-snapshots/>; National Energy Board, *Market Snapshot: Why Canada is one of the world's largest electricity consumers* (August 2022), <https://www.cer-rec.gc.ca/en/data-analysis/energy-markets/market-snapshots/>

¹²⁵ The hourly peak demand observed between 2000 and 2020. Based on FERC Form 714, *Annual Electric Balancing Authority Area and Planning Area Report*. Derived from the Balancing Authority Areas within the AZ/NM/SNV NERC subregion, using the Hitachi Energy, Velocity Suite, Balancing Authority Area Net Energy for Load & Peak Demand dataset.

Figure 2-11: Southwest Electric Region



Source: Hitachi Energy, Velocity Suite

Supply Resources

The total capacity in the Southwest Electric Region is over 40 GW and is predominately composed of natural gas and coal-fired generators. Hydroelectric, wind, solar, and nuclear capacity account for the majority of the remaining capacity, as shown in the bar chart below.

The majority of generation in the Southwest is produced from natural gas and coal, as demonstrated in the bar chart above. The coal generators are generally located in close proximity to coal mines, resulting in low delivered fuel costs. Some generation is jointly

owned among multiple nearby utilities, including the Palo Verde nuclear plant, a plant with three units totaling approximately 4,000 MW,¹²⁶ which has owners in California and the Southwest.¹²⁷ The Southwest is also characterized by large amounts of solar capacity, as this region has the highest solar potential in the nation.¹²⁸

Trading and Market Features

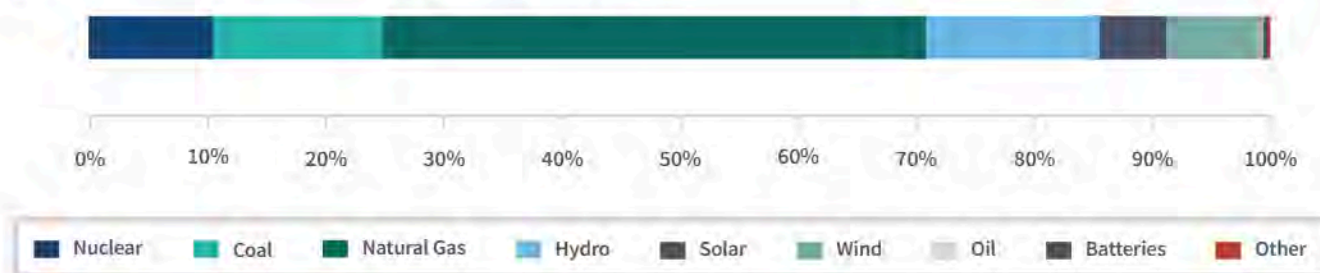
The Southwest region is summer-peaking and experiences peak loads coincident with air conditioning demand. The daily high temperature averages above 100 degrees from June through mid-September in Phoenix.

¹²⁶ Derived from EIA, *Form EIA-860, 3-1-Generator_Y2021 Report*, (2021), <https://www.eia.gov/electricity/data/eia860/>.

¹²⁷ Plant Operating License, Palo Verde, Unit 1, Current Facility Operating License NpF-41, Tech Specs, Revised 08/18/2022, <https://www.nrc.gov/info-finder/reactors/palo1.html>.

¹²⁸ Western Electricity Coordinating Council, *State of the Interconnection*, at 9 (September 2017), <https://www.wecc.biz/epubs/StateOfTheInterconnection/>.

Figure 2-12: Southwest Electric Region Capacity Mix



Source: EIA Form 860-M¹²⁹

However, power prices tend to be the highest when there is also hot weather in Southern California, creating competition for the region's generation resources. The Southwest trading points include Palo Verde, Four Corners, and West Wing. Of these, Palo Verde is the most actively traded location.

RTO and ISO Markets

Two-thirds of the population of the United States is served by electricity markets run by regional RTOs/ISOs. A key distinction between RTO/ISO markets and vertically integrated utilities, municipal utilities and co-ops is that RTO/ISO markets deliver electricity through competitive market mechanisms coordinated by a non-profit entity over a large geographic footprint. Further, RTOs/ISOs do not own or conduct maintenance on the transmission or other resources involved in providing electric service.

Currently, seven RTO/ISOs operate in the United States, listed below in order of the size of their all-time peak load.¹³⁰ FERC regulates all RTOs/ISOs except ERCOT. In addition to operating RTOs/ISOs, SPP and CAISO also operate regional short-term or imbalance energy markets, which, while not RTOs/ISOs, provide markets

for real-time energy sales and purchases. SPP operates the WEIS and CAISO runs the WEIM, which are discussed at the end of the SPP and CAISO sections below.

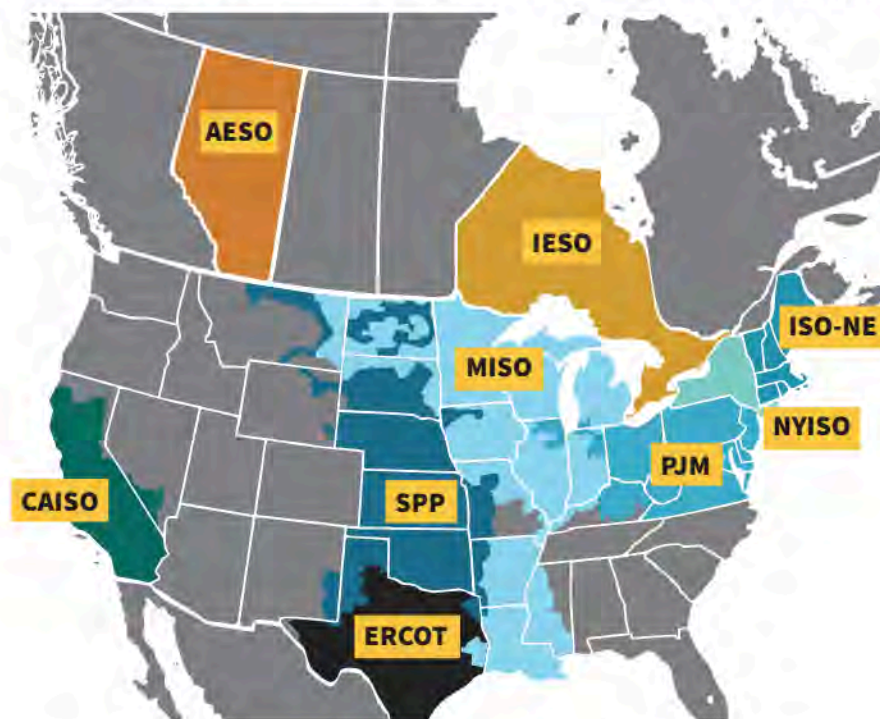
- PJM, 165 GW (summer of 2006)
- MISO, 127 GW (summer of 2011)
- ERCOT, 80 GW (summer of 2022)
- SPP, 53 GW (summer of 2022)
- CAISO, 52 GW (summer of 2022)
- NYISO, 34 GW (summer of 2013)
- ISO-NE, 28 GW (summer of 2006)

Unlike traditional electricity systems, RTOs/ISOs also operate competitive, nondiscriminatory electricity markets, which allow resource owners to offer resources and load-serving entities to submit bids for generation. These markets are the primary mechanism for dispatching resources, managing transmission congestion and pricing electricity. RTOs/ISOs work in conjunction with the resources and transmission-owning resources that participate in the RTO/ISO to maintain reliability. RTOs/ISOs also coordinate the maintenance of generation and transmission systems and oversee a transmission planning process to identify needed upgrades in both the near- and long-term.

¹²⁹ Installed nameplate capacity is assessed through December 2021 and captures Operating and Standby resources available. Note that these estimates do not imply that generation output will match the nameplate capacity of a resource type. EIA, *Preliminary Monthly Electric Generator Inventory* (based on Form EIA-860M) (February 2022), <https://www.eia.gov/electricity/data/eia860m/>.

¹³⁰ For source information on the peak load statistics for PJM Interconnection, Midcontinent ISO, Southwest Power Pool, California ISO, New York ISO, and New England ISO, see the individual region's description later in this chapter. For ERCOT, see *ERCOT, Fact Sheet*, (October 2022), https://www.ercot.com/files/docs/2022/02/08/ERCOT_Fact_Sheet.pdf.

Figure 2-13: North American Regional Transmission Organizations and Independent System Operators



Source: Hitachi Energy, Velocity Suite

RTO/ISO FEATURES

All RTOs/ISOs function as non-profit entities that operate markets to dispatch and price electricity across a large, defined footprint. To do this, the RTOs/ISOs perform functions such as operating day-ahead and real-time markets, but also perform an array of functions not directly part of the markets, but essential to allow their efficient performance. For example, RTOs/ISOs manage the flow of payments between market participants. The next section discusses markets operated by RTOs/ISOs. The remainder of this section discusses key RTO/ISO support features or functions.

Governance

RTOs/ISOs, resource owners and operators, investor-owned, public and cooperative utilities, marketers and financial entities participate in the RTO/ISO under a governance structure and rules determined through RTO/ISO-run processes.¹³¹ RTO/ISO governance

typically involves a board of directors and stakeholder committees, which, among other things, review rule revisions. Rules underlying RTO/ISO functions are included in the RTO's/ISO's tariff and are subject to FERC's approval. Details on rule implementation can be found in RTO's/ISO's Business Practice Manuals.

Financial Policies

Financial settlement is the process through which payments due from customers, and to generators, are calculated. Such settlements are based upon day-ahead schedules, real-time metering, interchange schedules, internal energy schedules, ancillary service obligations, transmission reservations, energy prices, Financial Transmission Rights (FTR) positions, and capacity positions. Each market participant's invoice of charges and credits includes the costs of services used to serve load and the costs for operating the RTO/ISO.

¹³¹ Order No. 2000, *Regional Transmission Organizations*, 89 FR 61,285, (December 20, 1999).

Generally, customers receive weekly or monthly invoices stating their charges and credits. Weekly invoices must be settled within a few days of being issued, while monthly invoices must be paid within either one or two weeks, depending on the policies of each RTO/ISO. All payments are made electronically.

While RTO/ISO energy and ancillary service markets operate to price electricity at a level that compensates resources for their energy supply and meet other requirements of their tariffs, instances do occur where additional cost recovery is needed – this is commonly known as uplift. The need for uplift may arise, for example, when unplanned transmission and generation outages occur, resulting in actual operations differing from the assumptions included in the market models underlying the energy and ancillary service markets.¹³²

Credit Policies

RTOs/ISOs settle the many financial charges that are paid by, or to, market participants. As RTOs/ISOs are non-profit entities with no financial interest in the markets they operate, any financial shortfall or over-collection goes to the various market participants. To protect the RTO/ISO and its market participants, each RTO/ISO has tariff provisions and other policies to ensure that market participants have the ability to pay, known as credit policies.¹³³ Defaults by market participants in RTOs/ISOs are rare and the costs have generally been spread across the market. Credit policies contain provisions related to credit evaluations, credit limits, forms of collateral, and the consequences of violations or defaults.

Transmission Planning

RTO/ISOs coordinate transmission planning for their footprint as required under Order 1000, a comprehensive transmission rule issued by FERC in 2011.¹³⁴ Each of

the RTO/ISOs has system-wide or regional planning processes that identify transmission system additions and improvements that are needed to keep electricity flowing. Studies are conducted to test the transmission system against mandatory national reliability standards, as well as regional reliability standards. The RTO/ISO transmission planning studies may look 10-15 years into the future to identify transmission overloads, voltage limitations, and other reliability problems. RTO/ISOs then develop transmission plans in collaboration with transmission owners to resolve potential problems that could otherwise lead to overloads and blackouts. This process culminates in one recommended plan for the entire RTO/ISO footprint.

RTO/ISO MARKETS AND ASSOCIATED FUNCTIONS

RTOs/ISOs operate several markets and functions that address the physical supply of electricity and its pricing – energy and capacity markets. To physically provide the supply of electricity at all times in all places, RTOs/ISOs operate energy markets that LSEs use to procure energy and ancillary services. Some RTOs/ISOs also operate capacity markets, which, along with underlying resource adequacy rules, ensure sufficient capacity is available. RTOs/ISOs also operate financial markets associated with the energy markets – financial transmission rights and virtual transactions.

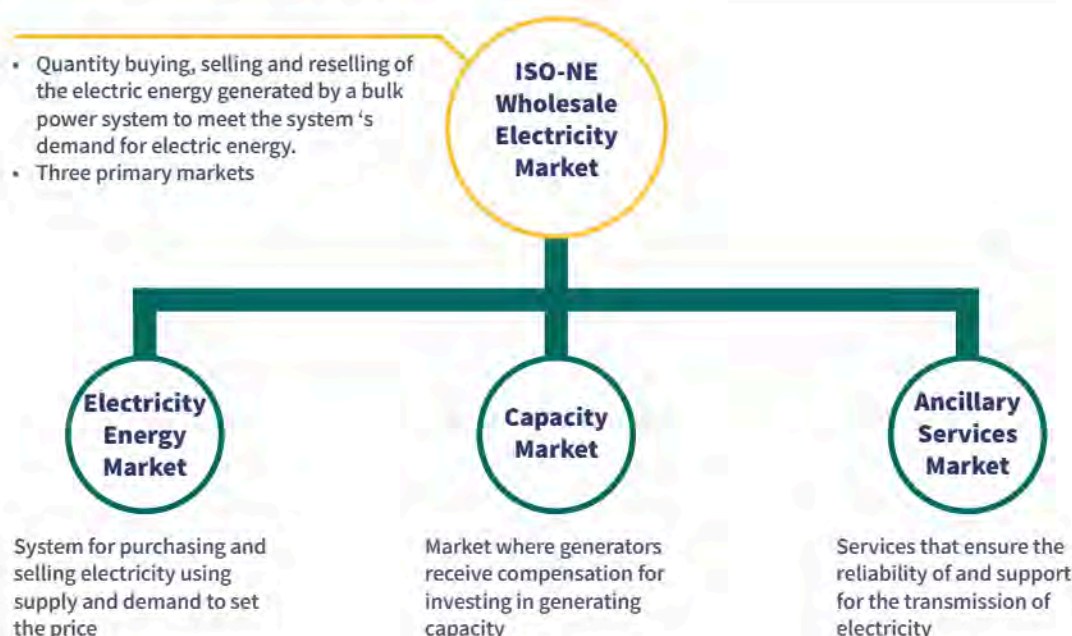
RTOs/ISOs must define rules and operate programs needed to ensure efficient market operations. The operations of the markets are discussed further below. Underlying these market operations are an extensive list of detailed rules and functions. For example, these rules detail what types of resources can participate, at limits on what prices resources can offer, and the operation of an independent market monitoring program:

132 Order No. 844, *Uplift Cost Allocation and Transparency in Markets Operated by Regional Transmission Organizations and Independent System Operators*, 163 FR 61,041, (April 19, 2018).

133 Order No. 741, *Credit Reforms in Organized Wholesale Electric Markets*, 133 FR 61,060, (October 21, 2010).

134 Order No. 1000, *Transmission Planning and Cost Allocation by Transmission Owning and Operating Public Utilities*, 135 FR 61,051, (July 21, 2011).

Figure 2-14: ISO-NE Wholesale Electricity Market



Source: ISO-NE

Resource Participation In addition to generation, demand response resources (DR), DER, energy efficiency and batteries may participate in RTO/ISO markets.¹³⁵

Offer Caps Each RTO/ISO caps a resource's supply offer at \$1,000. If a resource's costs exceed \$1,000, they may request authority to offer at a higher price that reflects their verified costs. Offers up to \$2,000 may be used by the RTO/ISO to set the locational marginal price.¹³⁶

Market Monitoring Each RTO/ISO must have independent market monitors which oversee various aspects of the RTO's/ISO's markets and performance, such as market power mitigation, assessment and referral of market manipulation and assessing and reporting on the competitiveness of market operations.¹³⁷

Energy Markets

All RTOs/ISOs have day-ahead and real-time markets. The day-ahead market schedules electricity production, ancillary services commitments and consumption before the operating day, whereas the real-time market reconciles any differences between the schedule in the day-ahead market and the real-time conditions. Both the day-ahead and real-time markets reflect reliability criteria and infrastructure conditions, such as transmission topology and limitations, resource outages, and resource operating limits.

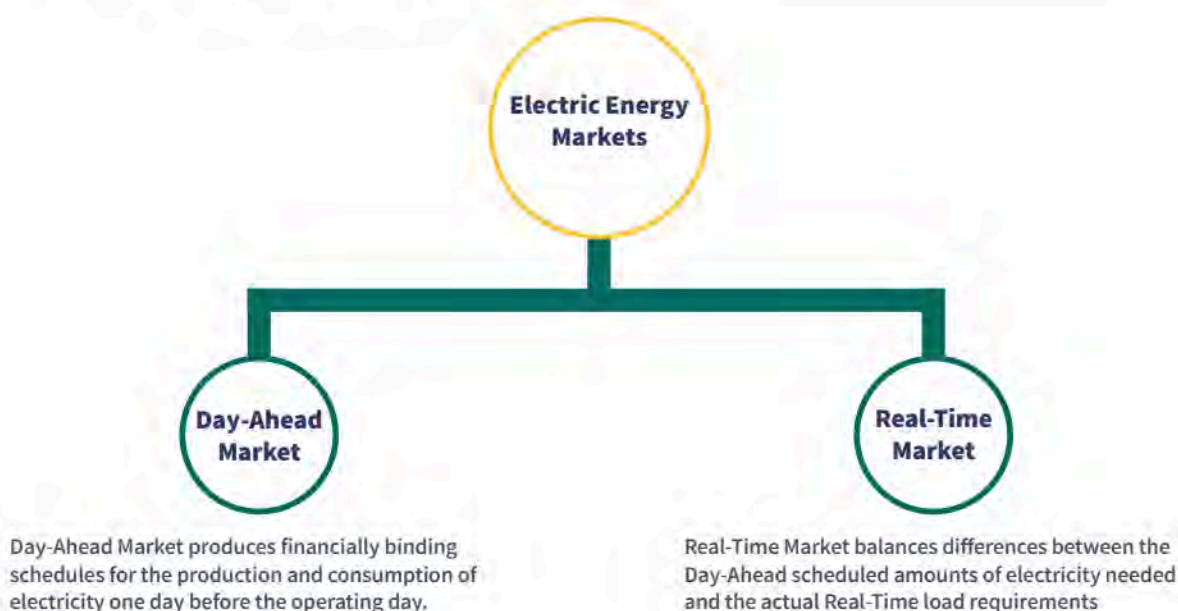
Energy markets operate to match the supply options offered by resource operators to the demand bid in by LSEs and RTO/ISO demand forecasts. The market models select the most economic supply offers available,

¹³⁵ Order No. 2222, *Participation of Distributed Energy Resource Aggregations in Markets Operated by Regional Transmission Organizations and Independent System Operators*, 172 FR 61,247; Order No. 841, *Electric Storage Participation in Markets Operated by Regional Transmission Organizations and Independent System Operators*, 162 FR 61,127 (2018); Order No. 745, *Demand Response Compensation in Organized Wholesale Energy Markets*, 134 FR 61,187, (March 15, 2011).

¹³⁶ Order No. 831, *Offer Caps in Markets Operated by Regional Transmission Organizations and Independent System Operators*, 157 FR 61,115, (November 17, 2016).

¹³⁷ Order No. 719, *Wholesale Competition in Regions with Organized Electric Markets*, 125 FR 61,071.

Figure 2-15: ISO-NE Wholesale Electricity Market



Source: ISO-NE

recognizing physical resource and transmission limitation. The overall market price for electricity is determined by the highest offer accepted. However, transmission limitations may require the market to adjust the offers selected, which can change the price for different locations in the RTO/ISO – the locational marginal price (LMP). The RTO/ISO markets calculate the LMP at each location on the power grid. The LMP reflects the marginal cost of serving load at the specific location, given the set of resources that are being dispatched and the limitations of the transmission system. LMP has three elements: an energy charge, a congestion charge, and a charge for transmission system energy losses.

If there are no transmission constraints, known as transmission congestion, LMPs will not vary significantly across the RTO/ISO footprint. However, when transmission congestion occurs, LMPs will vary across the footprint because operators are not able to dispatch the least-cost generators across the entire region and some more expensive generation must be dispatched to meet demand in the constrained area.

When transmission is constrained, the highest variable

cost unit that must be dispatched to meet load within transmission-constrained boundaries will set the LMP in that area. All sellers receive the LMP for their location and all buyers pay the price for their location.

The primary means used for relieving transmission congestion constraints is by changing the output of generation at different locations on the grid. The market-based LMP sends price signals that reflect congestion costs to market participants. Thus, LMPs take into account both the impact of specific generators on the constrained facility and the cost to change (redispatch) the generation output to serve load. This process is known as security-constrained economic dispatch.

This redispatch could be implemented by using non-market procedures, such as transmission loading relief (TLR). NERC established the TLR process for dealing with reliability concerns when the transmission network becomes overloaded and power flows must be reduced to protect the network. A TLR is used to ration transmission capacity when the demand for transmission is greater than the available transmission capacity (ATC). The rationing is a priority system that cuts power flows

based on size, contractual terms and scheduling.

Day-Ahead Energy Markets

The day-ahead energy market produces financially binding schedules for the production and consumption of electricity one day before its production and use (the operating day). The purpose of the day-ahead market is to give generators and load-serving entities a means for scheduling their activities with sufficient lead time to procure fuel or bring up resources with longer start times. The day-ahead bids and offers are based on a forecast of loads and are consistent with resources' business strategies.

In day-ahead markets, offers of supply and demand bids are compiled hours ahead of the beginning of the operating day. The RTO/ISO then runs a computerized market model that matches demand and supply throughout the market footprint for each hour of the day. Additionally, the model must account for changing system capabilities that occur, based on weather and equipment outages, transmission and resource capabilities, and the rules and procedures that are used to ensure system reliability.¹³⁸ The market rules dictate that generators submit supply offers and that loads submit demand bids to the RTO/ISO by a deadline that is typically in the morning of the day-ahead scheduling. Typically, 95 percent of all load is scheduled in the day-ahead market and the rest is scheduled in real-time. Generation and demand bids that are scheduled in the day-ahead market are settled at the day-ahead market prices.

Inputs into setting a day-ahead market schedule include:

- Generators' offers to sell electricity for each hour
- Load-serving entities' bids to buy electricity for each hour
- Demand-response offers by customers to curtail usage of electricity
- Virtual demand bids and supply offers
- Operational information about the transmission

grid and generating resources, including planned or known transmission and generator outages, the physical characteristics of generating resources including minimum and maximum output levels and minimum run time, and the status of interconnections to external markets.

Real-Time Energy Markets

The real-time market is used to balance the differences between the day-ahead scheduled amounts of electricity cleared in the day-ahead market and the actual real-time load and supply. The real-time market is run in five-minute intervals and clears a much smaller volume of energy and ancillary services than the day-ahead market (some RTOs/ISOs also run hour-ahead and 15 minutes-ahead of the operating interval). The real-time market also provides supply resources additional opportunities for offering energy into the market. When the real-time generation and load are different from the day-ahead cleared amount, the difference is settled at the real-time price.

Real-time market prices are significantly more volatile than day-ahead market prices. This stems from demand uncertainty, transmission and generator forced outages, and other unforeseen events. Since the day-ahead market generally is not presented with these events, it produces more stable prices than in real-time. Also, because the volumes in the real-time market are much smaller, there is an increased likelihood of supply and demand imbalances, which can lead to both positive and negative price movements.

Ancillary Services

RTOs/ISOs procure ancillary services, which are described in the Electricity Supply and Delivery Section, through the day-ahead and real-time market dispatch. RTOs/ISOs primarily procure ancillary service through their market mechanisms, although they compensate blackstart and voltage service based on the cost of providing the service (cost-of-service). Changes in the

¹³⁸ In evaluating which generators provide the power to meet hourly load, the market model assesses whether the power flows can travel without exceeding the physical capability of any transmission path. If the model shows such a violation of transmission capability, the combination of assigned generators will be changed in a process known as redispatch.

resources providing supply have necessitated changes in ancillary service procurement and compensation. For example, the advent of faster-ramping resources led to changes in compensation for frequency regulation.¹³⁹

While not an ancillary service, ramping capacity is a service for which some RTOs/ISOs have developed products. The growth of renewable generation has increased the need for generation that can increase its production rapidly to offset swings in generation or load.

Shortage Pricing

RTO/ISO markets dispatch energy and ancillary services to meet demand and reserve requirements. However, the markets may find that not enough supply is available. If the RTOs/ISOs cannot procure sufficient generation to meet demand and reserve requirements in the real-time market, they trigger shortage pricing¹⁴⁰ to send price signals to incentivize resources to increase the supply offered. Shortage events can be caused by unexpectedly high electric loads, supply disruptions, or both.

The common method that RTO/ISOs employ to implement shortage pricing is through the use of an operating reserve demand curve. The demand curve specifies price levels for the degree of the shortages.¹⁴¹ The price of the reserves, reflecting shortage as determined by the demand curves, sets the price for ancillary services and energy.

Market Power Mitigation

RTO/ISO energy and capacity markets are typically competitive, allowing the markets to set the price. However, situations may occur that result in certain resources being essential to serving demand, thus enabling those resources to increase prices in a specific area – in other words, the ability to exercise market power. Typically, this occurs when a transmission

constraint limits the amount of electricity that can flow into an area, rendering generation located inside that area essential to serving that local load. RTOs/ISOs have mechanisms for determining whether such market power may occur, and if appropriate, to mitigate the price at which affected resources may offer their supply. RTO/ISO market power mitigation typically examines whether a resource has the potential to exert market power; whether they actually offer in a way that could be an exertion of market power (conduct test); and whether any potential exertion of market power actually affected the market price (impact test).

RTO/ISO Capacity Markets and Resource Adequacy

RTO/ISOs, like other electric systems, are required to maintain adequate generation and demand-resource capacity to meet load and reliability requirements. LSEs have typically satisfied their reserve obligations with owned generation or bilateral contracts with other suppliers. In general, LSEs are required to procure sufficient capacity to meet their load. Some RTOs/ISOs also have mechanisms through which LSEs can obtain capacity commitments, such as capacity auctions and capacity payments.

Most RTOs/ISOs run a capacity market that allows LSEs to satisfy their reserve obligation. The markets cover short-term capacity, such as a month, season or year. PJM and ISO-NE run capacity auctions up to three years prior to when the capacity is needed. The capacity markets are intended to provide more certainty for investment in new capacity resources while including an opportunity for all resources to recover their fixed costs over time.

Other ISOs/RTOs, such as SPP and CAISO, rely on resource adequacy programs, in which the RTO/ISO determines the capacity each LSE is required to provide

139 Order No. 755, Frequency Regulation Compensation in the Organized Wholesale Power Markets, 137 F.161,064, (October 20, 2011).

140 Order No. 825, *Settlement Intervals and Shortage Pricing in Markets Operated by Regional Transmission Organizations and Independent System Operators*, 155 F.161,276 (June 16, 2016).

141 RTO/ISOs apply shortage pricing in the LMP for all intervals in which the operating software indicates that there is insufficient available energy to provide system or localized demand and reserves. *Settlement Intervals and Shortage Pricing in Markets Operated by Regional Transmission Organizations and Independent System Operators*, Order No. 825, 81 Fed. Reg. 42,882 (June 30, 2016), FERC Stats. & Regs. ¶ 31,384 (2016).

at different times of the year. These programs require each LSE to show the RTO/ISO that it has procured the required capacity for different times of the year.

Special Provisions for Essential Resource Retirements
Reliability must-run (RMR) units are generating plants that would otherwise retire but that the RTO/ISO has deemed necessary to ensure reliability. They can also be units that have market power due to their location on the grid. RTO/ISOs enter into cost-based contracts with these generating units and allocate the cost of the contract to transmission customers. In return for these payments to the generator, the RTO/ISO may call on the owner of an RMR generating unit to run the unit for grid reliability. The payment must be sufficient to pay for the cost of owning and maintaining the unit, even if it does not operate. Transmission upgrades can reduce the need for RMR units by increasing generation deliverability throughout the RTOs/ISOs.

Financial Transmission Rights

Financial transmission rights (FTRs) are contracts that give market participants an offset, or hedge, against transmission congestion costs in the day-ahead market.

FTRs were originally developed in part to give native LSEs in the nascent RTOs/ISOs price certainty similar to that available to traditional vertically integrated utilities operating in non-RTO/ISO markets. This practice continues, as FTRs are allocated to load-serving entities, transmission owners, or firm transmission right holders in RTOs/ISOs, typically based on historical usage. Entities that fund the construction of specific new transmission facilities may also be eligible to receive FTRs. The details of the allocations vary by RTO/ISO.

FTRs allow customers to protect against the risk of congestion-driven price increases in the day-ahead market in the RTOs/ISOs. Specifically, FTRs grant their holders the right to day-ahead congestion revenues over specific paths and periods of time. Congestion costs occur as the demand for scheduled power over a transmission path exceeds that path's flow capabilities. This causes the price at the source to decline or the price at the sink to

increase, or both, causing the congestion cost of serving Point B from Point A to increase. By buying an FTR over the path from Point A to Point B, the FTR holder is paid the difference of the congestion price components at the sink and source, thus allowing it to hedge against the congestion costs incurred in the day-ahead market.

FTRs are acquired through allocations and purchases. Purchases take place in the RTO-administered auctions or in a secondary market. Allocations stem from a related product, the auction revenue rights (ARR). ARR provides the firm transmission capacity holders, transmission owners or LSEs with the rights to revenue from the FTR auctions. In general, ARRs are allocated based on historical load served and, in some RTO/ISOs, ARRs can be converted to FTRs. If ARRs are converted to FTRs, the holder receives revenue from congestion. If ARRs are kept as such, the holder receives revenue from the FTR auction.

The main method for procuring FTRs is through an auction, which typically includes an annual (or multiyear) auction of one-year FTRs and monthly (or semiannual) auctions of shorter-term FTRs provided by existing FTR holders or made available by the RTO/ISO. The auctions are scheduled and run by the RTO, which requires bidding parties to post credit to cover the positions taken. FTR auction revenues are used to pay the holders of ARRs and assist the funding of future congestion payments to FTR holders. There is also a secondary market for FTRs (such as PJM's eFTR), but historically only a small number of transactions have been reported.

The quantity of FTRs made available by the RTO/ISO is bounded by the physical limits of the grid, as determined by a simultaneous feasibility test across all potential flowgates. This test is performed by the RTO/ISO prior to making FTRs available at auction and takes into account existing FTR positions and system constraints. The resulting portfolio of FTRs allocated or offered at auction represents an absolute constraint on the size of the net positions that can be held by the market. Participants in FTR auctions can procure counterflow FTRs, which directly offset prevailing flow FTR capacity, thereby allowing the

value at risk on a given path to exceed the physical limits of the line. However, such bids are physically constrained, as the net position held on the path must always conform to the simultaneous feasibility test.

FTRs can also be purchased by a creditworthy entity seeking their financial attributes as a speculative investment. In this regard, FTRs are similar to financial swaps that are executed as a contract for differences between two day-ahead LMPs (swaps are explained in Chapter 5, Trading and Capital Markets). However, FTRs are substantially different from swaps in that the quantity of FTRs is linked to physical constraints in the transmission grid, while the quantity of swaps is not. Further, FTRs are procured by allocation or FTR auction, while swaps are procured through financial over-the-counter markets or exchanges.

All six FERC-jurisdictional RTOs/ISOs trade FTRs or FTR-equivalent products. However, the types and qualities of the rights traded across the organized markets vary, as do the methods used to allocate, auction, and transfer these rights. These attributes of the FTR markets are discussed below.

Flow Type: Prevailing Flow and Counterflow. A prevailing flow FTR generally has a source in a historical generation-rich location and a sink that is in a historical load-heavy location. Alternatively, the source of a prevailing flow FTR is on the unconstrained side of a transmission interface and the sink on the constrained side. Auction clearing prices for prevailing flow FTRs are positive. Conversely, a counterflow FTR often has a source in a historical load-heavy location and a sink in a historical generation-rich location. As a result, auction clearing prices for counterflow FTRs are negative; bidders are paid to take the counterflow FTR position.

Peak Type: On-peak, Off-peak, 24-hour. FTRs can be purchased for either 16-hour on-peak blocks, 8-hour off-peak blocks or around-the-clock. Only PJM offers all three peak-type products. NYISO offers only the 24-hour product. The other RTO/ISOs offer on-peak and off-peak products.

Allocated Rights: The RTO/ISOs allocate transmission rights to transmission owners or load-serving entities within their markets. In PJM, MISO, SPP, and ISO-NE, these are allocated as auction revenue rights (ARRs), which give their holders the right to receive a share of the funds raised during the FTR auctions. CAISO allocates congestion revenue rights (CRR), which provide their holders a stream of payments based on the actual congestion occurring on associated paths. NYISO allocates both auction-based and congestion-based rights through multiple instruments. PJM and MISO allow ARR holders to convert all these rights to FTRs; NYISO allows only a portion of ARR-equivalent instruments to be converted to its version of FTRs, called Transmission Congestion Credits (TCCs). ISO-NE does not allow such conversions, while CAISO's allocation is already in a form equivalent to an FTR. Converted ARRs are fully fungible in PJM, MISO, and NYISO; CAISO only allows the sale of allocated CRRs in its secondary market, and ISO-NE has no converted instruments to sell.

Auctioned Rights: All RTOs provide FTRs (or equivalent CRRs or TCCs) for sale to the public through two or more auctions held at various times of the year. The products vary by market and by auction, with some products made available only at specific auctions.

Secondary Markets: With the exception of NYISO, each of the markets that auction FTRs also operates a bulletin board or similar venue designed to enable a secondary trading platform for FTRs. However, none of these platforms has had significant volume. NYISO offered to create a bulletin board for its participants, if requested, but received no requests.

Virtual Transactions

Virtual bids and offers (collectively, virtuals) are a form of financial trading used by market participants to hedge physical positions and by speculative traders to profit from differences between day-ahead and real-time prices. The quantity of MW purchased or sold in the day-ahead market is offset by a sale or purchase of an identical quantity of MW in the real-time, so that the net effect on the market quantity traded is zero. A virtual

trader pays (or is paid) the day-ahead price while being paid (or paying) the real-time price.

Although a trader does not have to deliver power, the transaction is not strictly financial as virtual transactions can set LMPs; the price is applied to physical as well as financial transactions. Virtual transactions can also affect the resource selection in the day-ahead market.

For each hour in the day-ahead market, virtual trades are added to the demand – day-ahead scheduled load – if virtual demand is greater than virtual supply. This has the effect of raising the price in the day-ahead market and, more importantly, increasing the amount of generation resources procured by the RTO/ISO. Since these generation resources will be available to the real-time market, the fact that virtual load does not carry forward into the real-time market will decrease the real-time demand below day-ahead scheduled load, thus placing downward pressure on real-time prices. The placement of virtuals affects the dispatch of physical capacity.

The primary benefits of virtual transactions are achieved through their financial impact on the markets. Virtuals sometimes are referred to as convergence bidding, as a competitive virtual market should theoretically cause the day-ahead and real-time prices to converge in each hour. The convergence of day-ahead and real-time prices within the RTOs/ISOs is intended to mitigate market power and improve the efficiency of serving load.

ISO-New England (ISO-NE)

MARKET PROFILE

ISO-NE serves the six New England states: Connecticut, Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Rhode Island, and Vermont. As the RTO for New England, ISO-NE is responsible for operating wholesale power markets that trade electricity, capacity, transmission congestion

Figure 2-16: New England Independent System Operator



Source: Hitachi Energy, Velocity Suite

contracts, and related products, in addition to administering auctions for the sale of capacity.¹⁴² ISO-NE operates the region's high-voltage transmission network and performs long-term planning for the New England system. ISO-NE operates its master control center in Holyoke, Mass.

Peak Demand

New England's all-time peak demand was 28 GW in summer 2006.¹⁴³

Imports and Exports

ISO-NE is interconnected with the NYISO, TransEnergie (Québec), and the New Brunswick System Operator and imports around 15 percent of its annual energy needs. New England receives imports from Québec and New

¹⁴² ISO-New England Inc. Internal Market Monitor, *An Overview of New England's Wholesale Electricity Markets, A Market Primer* (June 5, 2023), <https://www.iso-ne.com/static-assets/documents/2023/06/imm-markets-primer.pdf>.

¹⁴³ ISO New England, *Key Grid and Market Stats*, <https://www.iso-ne.com/about/key-stats/>.

Brunswick in most hours, and power flows in alternate directions between New England and New York, depending on market conditions.

Market Participants

The ISO-NE participants consist of end-users, IOUs, publicly owned utilities, generators, transmission owners, and financial institutions.

Membership and Governance

ISO-NE is a not-for-profit entity governed by a 10-member, independent, non-stakeholder board of directors. The sitting members of the board elect people to fill board vacancies.

NEPOOL is the principal stakeholder organization for the ISO-NE and is authorized to represent its more than 440 members in proceedings before FERC. It was organized in 1971 and its members include all the electric utilities rendering or receiving services under the ISO-NE Tariff, as well as independent power generators, marketers, load aggregators, brokers, consumer-owned utility systems, demand response providers, developers, end users, and a merchant transmission provider.

Transmission Owners

ISO-NE’s largest transmission owners include:

- Central Maine Power Company

- Cross Sound Cable Company, LLC
- Emera Maine, Inc.
- Eversource Energy Service Company
- Maine Electric Power Company
- National Grid USA
- NSTAR Electric Company
- The United Illuminating Company
- VT Transco, LLC

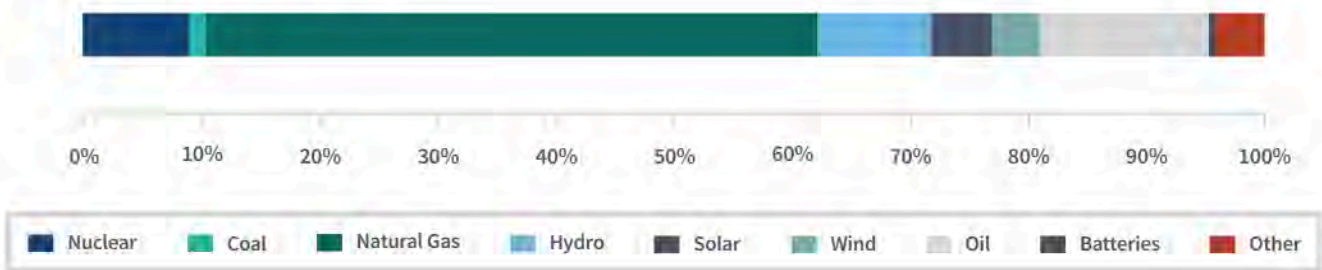
Chronic Constraints

Overall, transmission upgrades have reduced transmission constraints in ISO-NE. Constraints in ISO-NE may occur in regions affected by intermittent resources (notably wind), or by major interconnections with New Brunswick, Hydro-Quebec, and New York.¹⁴⁴

Transmission Planning

Each year, ISO-NE prepares a comprehensive 10-year regional system plan (RSP) that reports on the results of ISO system planning processes. Each plan includes forecasts of future loads (the demand for electricity measured in megawatts) and addresses how this demand may be satisfied by adding supply resources; demand resources, including demand response and energy efficiency; and new or upgraded transmission facilities. The plans also summarize the region’s overall needs, as well as the needs in specific areas, and includes solutions and processes required to ensure the

Figure 2-17: ISO-NE Capacity Mix



Source: EIA Form 860-M¹⁴⁶

144 ISO-New England Internal Market Monitor, *2021 Annual Markets Report* (May 26, 2022), <https://www.iso-ne.com/static-assets/documents/2022/05/2021-annual-markets-report.pdf>.

145 Installed nameplate capacity is assessed through December 2021 and captures Operating and Standby resources available. Note that these estimates do not imply that generation output will match the nameplate capacity of a resource type. Derived from EIA, *Preliminary Monthly Electric Generator Inventory* (based on Form EIA-860M) (February 2022), <https://www.eia.gov/electricity/data/eia860m/>.

reliable and economic performance of the New England power system.

Supply Resources

The total capacity in ISO-NE is over 38 GW and is predominately composed of natural gas-fired, oil-fired, and nuclear generators, as shown in the bar chart below. The region has a substantial proportion of oil-fired generation that is a particularly important resource to address potential power plant fuel shortages in the winter months during periods of local natural gas market stress.

Demand Response

ISO-NE administers the following demand-response programs for the New England wholesale electricity market:

- Real-Time Demand Response Resources (RTDR): These resources are required to respond within 30 minutes of the ISO's instructions.
- Real-Time Emergency Generation Resources that the ISO calls on to operate during a 5-percent voltage reduction that requires more than 10 minutes to implement. They must begin operating within 30 minutes of receiving a dispatch instruction.
- Transitional Price-Response Demand: An optional program that allows market participants with assets registered as RTDRs to offer load reductions in response to day-ahead LMP. The participant is paid the day-ahead LMP for the cleared interruptions, and real-time deviations are charged or credited at the real-time LMP.
- Price Responsive Demand (PRD): In June 2018, ISO New England launched a new PRD structure that fully integrates active demand resources into the regional wholesale electricity marketplace. With PRD, ISO-NE deploys its active demand resources as part of the energy dispatch and reserve-designation process along with generating resources. PRD incorporates demand response into the energy market, the reserves market and the capacity market.¹⁴⁶

MARKET FEATURES

Energy Markets

ISO-NE operates day-ahead and real-time markets, generally consistent with the discussion in the RTO/ISO Features section of this report. In the real-time market, ISO-NE uses 5-minute intervals. Market participants can offer imports or request exports of electricity from neighboring control areas with at least one hour's notice throughout the day.

Ancillary and Other Services

Ancillary services, described in the Electricity Supply and Delivery section, are services that support the grid and reliability. ISO-NE procures and sets prices for ancillary services in the real-time and forward reserve markets.

Market Power Mitigation

In ISO-NE, market power mitigation is applied for physical withholding, economic withholding, uneconomic production, certain types of virtual transactions and other conduct, if the activity has a material effect on prices or uplift payments. The market monitor uses defined thresholds to identify physical and economic withholding and uneconomic generation. Additionally, defined thresholds determine whether bids and offers would, if not mitigated, cause a material effect on LMPs or uplift charges.

Capacity Markets

ISO-NE's capacity market is termed the Forward Capacity Market (FCM). The FCM includes annual Forward Capacity Auctions (FCA) where both generator and demand resources offer capacity three years in advance of the period for which capacity will be supplied. The three-year lead time is intended to encourage new resource entry by affording market participants additional time to plan and make decisions relative to the forward market prices. Resources whose capacity clears the FCA acquire capacity supply obligations (CSOs). ISO-NE held its first two FCAs in 2008 for the 2010-11 and 2011-12 delivery years. The first full year of

¹⁴⁶ ISO-NE, *Price-responsive demand explained: Q&A with Henry Yoshimura, ISO Director of Demand Resource Strategy* (June 6, 2018), <http://isonewswire.com/updates/2018/6/6/price-responsive-demand-explained-qa-with-henry-yoshimura-is.html>.

capacity market commitments began on June 1, 2010. The FCA process includes the modeling of transmission constraints to determine if load zones will be import- or export-constrained.

The FCM includes rules known as Pay-for-Performance, which mandate performance-based financial incentives for capacity resources during times of system stress.¹⁴⁷ Under Pay-For-Performance, resource owners are subject to charges or incentive payments, based on performance during shortage conditions. Those resources unable to fulfill their CSOs are penalized and compensate the overperforming resources that relieve the capacity shortfall. ISO-NE additionally requires the owners of capacity resources to offer into the day-ahead and real-time energy markets.

Special Provisions for Essential Resource Retirements

When a resource owner requests to withdraw from the capacity market (termed a delist bid) or to retire the resource (termed a non-price retirement request), the ISO evaluates whether the resource is needed for reliability, such as when a resource's withdrawal could lead to a violation of a reliability requirement, such as inadequate reserve margins or a loss of electric system stability.

In New England, the resource owner has the option to retire the unit or continue to operate it while the ISO works with regional stakeholders to find alternate supply or engineering solutions that could allow the resource to retire and still maintain grid reliability. Alternative solutions might include obtaining emergency sources of generation or more expensive generation from outside the region. If no other alternative is available, the ISO may compensate the unit through certain payment provisions of the capacity market or by entering into a

cost-of-service agreement with the resource owner while other options are pursued.

Financial Transmission Rights

New England FTRs are monthly and annual products that provide market participants with a means to offset or hedge against transmission congestion costs in the day-ahead energy market. An FTR is an instrument that entitles the FTR holder to a payment for costs that arise with transmission congestion over a selected path, or source-and-sink pairs of locations on the grid. The FTR also requires its holder to pay a charge for those hours when congestion occurs in the opposite direction of the selected source-and-sink pair. The RTO holds FTR auctions to allow market participants the opportunity to acquire FTRs or to sell FTRs they currently hold. In New England, ARRs represent the right to receive revenues from the FTR auctions. ISO-NE allocates ARRs to both LSEs, in relation to historical load, and to entities who make transmission upgrades that increase the capability of the transmission system.

Virtual Transactions

New England's market includes a virtual transaction feature, as generally described in the Virtual Transactions part of the RTO/ISO Features section.

Credit Requirements

ISO-NE's tariff includes credit requirements for participants that assist in mitigating the potential effects of defaults that would otherwise be borne among all market participants. ISO-NE assesses and calculates the required credit dollar amounts for the segments of the market in which an entity requests to participate. ISO-NE then establishes a credit limit for each market participant in accordance with tariff formulas that include various creditworthiness-related specifications, such as tangible net worth and total amounts due to the ISO-NE market.

¹⁴⁷ ISO-NE's Pay-For-Performance rules became effective June 1, 2018, for Forward Capacity Auction 9. ISO-NE, Internal Market Monitor, *2017 Annual Markets Report*, at 138 (2018), <https://www.iso-ne.com/static-assets/documents/2018/05/2017-annual-markets-report.pdf>.

Figure 2-18: New York Independent System Operator



Source: Hitachi Energy, Velocity Suite

New York Independent System Operator (NYISO)

MARKET PROFILE

The NYISO footprint covers the entire state of New York. Prior to restructuring of the electric industry in the 1990s, New York's private utilities and public power authorities owned and operated New York's electric system. Operation of the electric grid was coordinated by a voluntary collaboration of the utilities and power authorities known as the New York Power Pool (NYPP). The creation of the NYISO was authorized by FERC in 1998. The formal transfer of the NYPP's responsibilities to the NYISO took place on Dec. 1, 1999. NYISO operates its system from control centers in Rensselaer, NY, and Guilderland, NY.

NYISO is responsible for operating wholesale power markets that trade electricity, capacity, transmission congestion contracts, and related products, in addition to administering auctions for the sale of capacity. NYISO operates New York's high-voltage transmission network and performs long-term planning. NYISO also serves as the reliability coordinator for its footprint.

Peak Demand

NYISO's all-time peak demand was 34 GW in summer 2013.¹⁴⁸

Imports and Exports

NYISO imports and exports energy through interconnections with ISO-NE, PJM, TransEnergie (Quebec) and Ontario.

Market Participants

NYISO's market participants include generators, transmission owners, financial institutions, traditional local utilities, electric co-ops, and industrials.

Membership and Governance

NYISO is governed by an independent 10-member board of directors, ISO management, and the business issues and operating committees. Each committee oversees its own set of working groups or subcommittees. These committees comprise transmission owners, generation owners and other suppliers, consumers, public power, and environmental entities. Tariff revisions on market rules and operating procedures filed with FERC are largely developed through consensus by these committees. The members of the board, as well as all employees, must not be directly associated with any market participant or stakeholder.

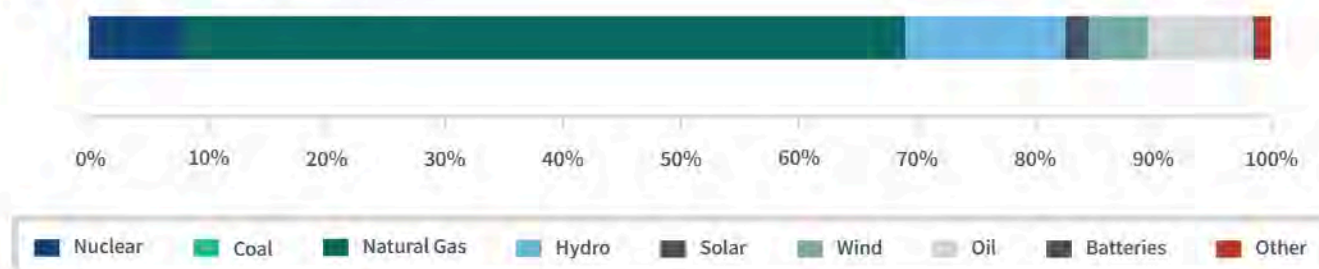
Transmission Owners

NYISO's largest transmission owners include:

- Central Hudson Gas & Electric Corp.
- Consolidated Edison Co. of New York
- Long Island Power Authority (LIPA)

¹⁴⁸ New York Independent System Operator, Gold Book, 2022 Load & Capacity Data Report 67 (April 2022), <https://www.nyiso.com/documents/20142/2226333/2022-Gold-Book-Final-Public.pdf/cd2fb218-fd1e-8428-7f19-df3e0cf4df3e.pdf>.

Figure 2-19: NYISO Capacity Mix



Source: EIA Form 860-M¹⁴⁹

- New York Power Authority (NYPA)
- New York State Electric and Gas Corp. (NYSEG)
- National Grid
- Orange & Rockland Utilities
- Rochester Gas and Electric Corp.

Chronic Constraints

The chronic transmission constraints in NYISO are in the southeastern portion of the state, leading into New York City and Long Island. As a result of their dense populations, New York City and Long Island are the largest consumers of electricity. Consequently, energy flows from the west and the north towards these two large markets, frequently requiring transmission facilities to operate near their limits. This results in transmission constraints in several key areas, often resulting in higher prices in the New York City and Long Island markets.

Transmission Planning

NYISO conducts a biennial transmission planning process with stakeholders that includes both short-term and long-term projects as part of its Comprehensive System Planning Process. This work evaluates the adequacy and security of the bulk power system in New York over a ten-year study period. Reliability needs are addressed through the development of a reliability plan. Planning focuses on congestion on the bulk power system and possible projects to alleviate the congestion.

A component of NYISO's transmission planning includes evaluating proposals to meet transmission needs driven by public policy requirements identified by the New York Public Service Commission.

Supply Resources

The total capacity in NYISO is over 43 GW and is predominately composed of natural gas-fired, hydroelectric, nuclear and oil-fired generators, as shown in the bar chart below. The region's hydroelectric capacity is particularly important and includes the Niagara Falls and St. Lawrence facilities.

Demand Response

NYISO has four demand-response programs: the emergency demand-response program (EDRP), the installed capacity (ICAP) special case resources program (SCR), the Day-Ahead Demand-Response Program (DADRP) and the Demand-Side Ancillary Services Program (DSASP).

Both the emergency and special case programs can be deployed in energy shortage situations to maintain the reliability of the bulk power grid. The participants in these programs are paid by NYISO for reducing energy consumption when asked to do so and reductions are voluntary for EDRP participants. However, SCR participants are required to reduce power usage as part of their agreement and are compensated for this obligation.

149 Installed nameplate capacity is assessed through December 2021 and captures Operating and Standby resources available. Note that these estimates do not imply that generation output will match the nameplate capacity of a resource type. Derived from EIA, *Preliminary Monthly Electric Generator Inventory* (based on Form EIA-860M) (February 2022), <https://www.eia.gov/electricity/data/eia860m/>.

NYISO's DADRP program allows energy users to bid their load reductions into the day-ahead market and offers that are determined to be economic are paid the market clearing price. Under day-ahead demand-response, flexible loads may effectively increase the amount of supply in the market and moderate prices.

The DSASP provides retail customers that can meet telemetry and other qualifications with the ability to bid their load curtailment capability into either the day-ahead market or real-time market to provide reserves and regulation service. Accepted offers are paid the market clearing price for the supplied reserves or regulation services.

MARKET FEATURES

Energy Markets

NYISO operates day-ahead and real-time markets, generally consistent with the discussion in the RTO/ISO Features section of this report. In the real-time market, NYISO uses 5-minute intervals. Market participants can offer imports or request exports of electricity from neighboring control areas with at least one hour's notice throughout the day. NYISO refers to LMPs as locational-based marginal prices, or LBMPs.

NYISO's real-time market also offers an hour-ahead feature. The hour-ahead market allows buyers and sellers of electricity to balance unexpected increases or decreases of electricity consumption after the day-ahead market closes. Bids and offers are submitted an hour ahead of time and prices are set based on those bids and offers, generally for use in matching generation and load requirements, but those prices are advisory only. Hour-ahead scheduling is completed at least 45 minutes prior to the beginning of the dispatch hour after NYISO reviews transmission outages, the load forecast, reserve requirements and hour-ahead generation and firm transaction bids, among other things.

Ancillary and Other Services

NYISO co-optimizes ancillary services with the energy through its markets. Operating reserves and regulation are typically provided by generators, but NYISO also

allows demand-side providers to participate in these markets.

Ancillary services are those functions performed by electric generating, transmission and system-control equipment to support the transmission of electric power from generating resources to load. RTOs procure or direct the supply of ancillary services to maintain the reliability of the transmission system.

Market Power Mitigation

ISO-NE conducts automatic market power mitigation in its day-ahead and real-time markets. This automated mitigation performs conduct and impact tests and applies mitigation where it deems appropriate. The categories of conduct that may warrant mitigation by NYISO include physical withholding, economic withholding, and uneconomic production by a generator or transmission facility to obtain benefits from a transmission constraint. NYISO does not impose mitigation unless the conduct causes or contributes to a material change in prices, or substantially increases guarantee payments to participants.

Generators in New York City are subject to automated market power mitigation procedures because New York City is frequently separated by transmission congestion from other parts of New York. Additionally, generators in New York City have been deemed to have market power. These automated procedures determine whether any day-ahead or real-time energy bids, including start-up cost bids and minimum generation bids, but excluding ancillary services bids, exceed the tariff's thresholds for economic withholding. The protocols also determine whether such bids would cause material price effects or changes in guaranteed payments. If these two tests are met, mitigation is imposed automatically, and the applicable reference level is substituted for the entity's actual bid to determine the clearing price.

Capacity Markets

NYISO's capacity market requires LSEs to procure capacity through installed-capacity (ICAP) auctions, self-supply or bilateral arrangements based on their forecasted peak

load plus a margin. New York has capacity requirements for four zones: New York City, Long Island, Lower Hudson Valley, and New York-Rest of State. NYISO conducts auctions for three time periods: the capability period auction (covering six months), the monthly auction and the spot market auction. The resource requirements do not change in the monthly auctions and spot market auctions relative to the capability period auction. The shorter monthly auctions are designed to account for incremental changes in LSEs' load forecasts.

Under the NYISO capacity auction rules, entities that offer capacity into an auction that is subsequently purchased by load are required to offer that amount of capacity into the day-ahead energy market. This rule ensures that capacity sold through the capacity auctions is actually delivered into the market.

Capacity for New York City is subject to offer caps and floors. Offer caps in New York City are based on the projected clearing price for capacity in the spot market.¹⁵⁰ Capacity from generators within New York City must be offered in each ICAP spot market auction, unless that capacity has been exported out of New York or sold to meet ICAP requirements outside New York City.¹⁵¹

Special Provisions for Essential Resource Retirements

Generation owners within New York that seek to retire or suspend a generator must first obtain approval from state regulators. After an assessment, if the generator is found to be necessary for reliability purposes, the local transmission owner can be compelled to reach a contract with the generator that includes compensation

to support continued operation of the plant until the reliability need is resolved.

Financial Transmission Rights

The NYISO refers to FTRs as Transmission Congestion Contracts (TCCs). A TCC is an instrument that entitles the holder to a payment for the costs that arise with transmission congestion over a selected path, or source-and-sink pair of locations (or nodes) on the grid. The TCC also requires its holder to pay a charge for those hours when congestion is in the opposite direction of the selected source-and-sink pair. The payment, or charges, are calculated relative to the difference in congestion prices in the day-ahead market across the specified FTR transmission path.

Virtual Transactions

NYISO's market includes a virtual transaction feature that allows a participant to buy or sell power in the day-ahead market without requiring physical generation or load. Virtual trading in NYISO takes place on a zonal level, not a nodal level.

Credit Requirements

NYISO's tariff includes credit requirements that assist in mitigating the effects of defaults that would otherwise be borne among all market participants. NYISO assesses and calculates the required credit dollar amounts for the segments of the market in which an entity requests to participate. The market participant may request an unsecured credit allowance subject to certain restrictions. NYISO must review the entity's request relative to various creditworthiness-related specifications such as investment grade or equivalency rating and payment history.

150 New York Independent System Operator, Inc., NYISO MST - Market Administration and Control Area Services Tariff (MST) - 23MST Att H - ISO Market Power Mitigation Measures - 23.2 MST Att H Conduct Warranting Mitigation at 625 (accessed October 6, 2022), <https://nyisoviewer.etariff.biz/ViewerDocLibrary/MasterTariffs/9FullTariffNYISOMST.pdf>; New York Independent System Operator, Inc., NYISO MST - Market Administration and Control Area Services Tariff (MST) - 23 MST Att H - ISO Market Power Mitigation Measures - 23.4.5 MST Att Installed Capacity Market Mitigation Measures - 23.4.5.2 MST Att H at 705 (accessed October 6, 2022), <https://nyisoviewer.etariff.biz/ViewerDocLibrary/MasterTariffs/9FullTariffNYISOMST.pdf>.

151 New York Independent System Operator, Inc., NYISO MST - Market Administration and Control Area Services Tariff (MST) - 23 MST Att H - ISO Market Power Mitigation Measures - 23.4.5 MST Att Installed Capacity Market Mitigation Measures - 23.4.5.4 MST Att H at 708 (accessed October 6, 2022), <https://nyisoviewer.etariff.biz/ViewerDocLibrary/MasterTariffs/9FullTariffNYISOMST.pdf>.

PJM

MARKET PROFILE

PJM centrally dispatches generation and coordinates the movement of wholesale electricity in all or part of 13 states (Delaware, Illinois, Indiana, Kentucky, Maryland, Michigan, New Jersey, North Carolina, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Tennessee, Virginia and West Virginia) and the District of Columbia. PJM operates two fully functional dispatch centers at Valley Forge and Milford, Pennsylvania. The control rooms operate simultaneously with parallel operations. PJM operates a competitive wholesale electricity market and manages the reliability of its transmission grid. PJM provides open access to the transmission system it manages and performs long-term planning. PJM's markets include energy (day-ahead and real-time), capacity and ancillary services.

PJM was founded in 1927 as a power pool of three utilities serving customers in Pennsylvania and New Jersey. In 1956, with the addition of two Maryland utilities, it became the Pennsylvania-New Jersey-Maryland Interconnection, or PJM. PJM became a fully functioning ISO in 1996 and, in 1997, it introduced markets with bid-based pricing and locational market pricing. PJM was designated an RTO in 2001.

Peak Demand

PJM's all-time peak demand was 165.6 GW in summer 2006.¹⁵²

Imports and Exports

PJM has interconnections with MISO and the NYISO. PJM also has direct interconnections with TVA, Progress Energy Carolinas and the VACAR, among other systems. PJM market participants import energy from, and export energy to, external regions continuously. PJM is a primarily a net exporter of electricity, but occasionally is a net importer during periods of system stress.

Market Participants

PJM's market participants include power generators,

Figure 2-20: The PJM Interconnection



Source: Hitachi Energy, Velocity Suite

transmission owners, electric distributors, power marketers, large consumers, and financial traders.

Membership and Governance

PJM has a two-tiered governance model consisting of a board of managers and the members committee. PJM is governed by a 10-member board, nine of whom PJM members elect. The board appoints the tenth, the president and CEO, to supervise day-to-day operations. The board is generally responsible for oversight of system reliability, operating efficiency and short- and long-term planning. The board ensures that no member or group of members exerts undue influence. The members committee, which advises the board, is composed of five voting sectors representing power generators, transmission owners, electric distributors, power marketers and large consumers.

Transmission Owners

PJM transmission owners eligible to vote in PJM

152 PJM Interconnection, PJM 2021 Annual Report, Summer Performance by the Numbers, <https://services.pjm.com/annualreport2021/operations/>.

stakeholder proceedings include:

- Appalachian Power Company, AEP Subsidiary¹⁵³
- AMP Transmission, LLC
- Dayton Power & Light Company, AES Subsidiary
- Duke Energy Business Services, LLC¹⁵⁴
- Duquesne Light Company
- East Kentucky Power Cooperative, Inc.
- Exelon Business Services Company, LLC¹⁵⁵
- ITC Interconnection LLC
- Linden VFT LLC
- Monongahela Power d/b/a Allegheny Power, First Energy Subsidiary¹⁵⁶
- Neptune Regional Transmission System, LLC¹⁵⁷
- PPL Electric Utilities Corporation, d/b/a PPL Utilities¹⁵⁸
- Public Service Electric and Gas Company
- Rockland Electric Company
- Virginia Electric and Power Company

Chronic Constraints

The most severe constraints occur on 230 kV transmission facilities moving power south from Pennsylvania and New Jersey to Maryland, Delaware, and Virginia. Local congestion also occurs on low-voltage lines near load centers in northern Illinois, New Jersey, eastern Pennsylvania, central and eastern Maryland, northern Virginia, the District of Columbia, and Delaware.

Transmission Planning

PJM's Regional Transmission Expansion Plan identifies transmission system additions and improvements needed to keep electricity flowing within PJM. Studies are conducted to test the transmission system against

national and regional reliability standards. These studies look forward to identify future transmission overloads, voltage limitations, and other reliability standards violations. PJM then develops transmission plans to resolve violations that could otherwise lead to overloads and blackouts.

Supply Resources

The total capacity in PJM is over 219 GW and is predominately comprised of natural gas, coal, and nuclear generators, as shown in the bar chart below. Much of PJM's gas-fired capacity is located near the Marcellus and Utica shale formations. Of note, 40.6 gigawatts of coal-fired capacity are projected to retire in PJM between 2011 and 2026.¹⁵⁹

Demand Response

End-use customers providing demand response have the opportunity to participate in PJM's energy, capacity, synchronized reserve, and regulation markets. PJM's demand response programs can be grouped into emergency or economic programs. The emergency program compensates end-use customers who reduce their usage during emergency conditions on the PJM system. Participation in the emergency program may be voluntary or mandatory and payments may include energy payments, capacity payments or both.

The economic program allows end-use customers to reduce electricity consumption in the energy markets and receive a payment when LMPs are high. Under this program, all hours are eligible and all participation is voluntary. Participation in the program takes three forms: submitting an offer into the day-ahead market

153 Transmission Companies represented: AEP Appalachian Transmission, AEP Energy Partners, AEP Energy, AEP Indiana Michigan Transmission, AEP Kentucky Transmission, AEP Ohio Transmission, AEP West Virginia Transmission, Appalachian Power, Indiana Michigan Power, Kentucky Power, Kingsport Power, Ohio Power, Ohio Valley Electric, PATH West Virginia Transmission, Transource Energy, Wheeling Power.

154 Transmission Companies represented: Duke Energy Kentucky, Duke Energy Ohio.

155 Transmission Companies represented: Commonwealth Edison, PECO Energy, Baltimore Gas and Electric.

156 Transmission Companies represented: American Transmission Systems, Jersey Central Power & Light, Mid-Atlantic Interstate Transmission, PATH Allegheny Transmission, Potomac Edison, Trans-Allegheny Interstate Line, West Penn Power.

157 Transmission Companies represented: Hudson Transmission Partners.

158 Transmission companies represented: Louisville Gas and Electric, Kentucky Utilities.

159 Monitoring Analytics, 2022 Quarterly State of the Market Report, January Through June, Section 12, p. 673 (https://www.monitoringanalytics.com/reports/PJM_State_of_the_Market/2022/2022q2-som-pjm-sec12.pdf).

Figure 2-21: PJM Capacity Mix



Source: EIA Form 860-M¹⁶¹

that clears; submitting an offer into the real-time market that is dispatched; and self-scheduling load reductions while providing notification to PJM. End-use customers participate in demand response in PJM through members called curtailment service providers who act as agents for the customers. Curtailment service providers aggregate the demand of retail customers, register that demand with PJM, submit the verification of demand reductions for payment by PJM and receive the payment from PJM.

MARKET FEATURES

Energy Markets

Energy Markets: PJM operates day-ahead and real-time markets, generally consistent with the discussion in the RTO/ISO Features section of this report. In the real-time market, PJM uses 5-minute intervals. Generators that are available but not selected in the day-ahead scheduling may alter their offers for use in the real-time market during the generation rebidding period from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m.; otherwise, their original day-ahead market offers remain in effect for the real-time market.

Ancillary and Other Services

Ancillary services, described in the Electricity Supply and Delivery section, are services that support the grid and reliability. PJM procures most ancillary services via its energy markets. Blackstart service and reactive power are compensated on a cost-of-service basis.

Market Power Mitigation

PJM caps offers for any hour in which there are three or fewer generation suppliers available for redispatch that are jointly pivotal, meaning they have the ability to increase the market price above the competitive level. This is called the Three Pivotal Supplier Test. When this occurs, generator offers are adjusted to price levels reflecting short-run marginal cost.

Capacity Markets

PJM's capacity market is called the Reliability Pricing Model (RPM). The RPM market was implemented in 2007 and is designed to ensure the future availability of capacity resources, including demand-resources and energy-efficiency resources that will be needed to keep the regional power grid operating reliably. The RPM market design is based on three-year, forward-looking annual obligations for locational capacity, under which supply offers are cleared against a downward-sloping demand curve, called the variable resource requirement (VRR) curve. The VRR curve establishes the amount of capacity that PJM requires its LSE customers to purchase, and the price for that capacity, in each capacity zone (locational deliverability area or LDA). Under RPM, when an LDA is transmission-constrained in the auction (limited in the amount of generation that can be imported into those areas), capacity prices generally rise in that area relative to the overall PJM footprint.

160 Installed nameplate capacity is assessed through December 2021 and captures Operating and Standby resources available. Note that these estimates do not imply that generation output will match the nameplate capacity of a resource type. Derived from EIA, *Preliminary Monthly Electric Generator Inventory* (based on Form EIA-860M) (released February 2022), <https://www.eia.gov/electricity/data/eia860m/>.

Annual auctions are referred to as Base Residual Auctions (BRA). LSEs that are able to fully supply their own capacity needs can choose not to participate in the auctions. The largest amounts of capacity in PJM are procured through the BRA, with lesser quantities procured through self-supply and contracted (bilateral) resources.

Market power mitigation in PJM's capacity market includes rules delineating a must-offer requirement, offer caps, minimum offer prices, exceptions for competitive entry, among others. Demand resources and energy efficiency resources may be offered into RPM auctions and receive the clearing price without mitigation.

Specific RPM rules, termed Capacity Performance, provide performance incentives for power plants, demand response, and energy efficiency resources to provide electricity at peak demand regardless of extreme weather events and system emergencies. Capacity Performance rules provide performance bonus payments for resources that over-perform during system emergencies, and severe financial penalties for resources that do not perform during such events.

Existing generation that qualifies as a capacity resource must be offered into RPM auctions, except for resources owned by entities that elect the fixed resource requirement option. The fixed resource option allows LSEs to meet their supply obligation outside PJM's capacity market, using, for example, resources they own.¹⁶¹ Intermittent and capacity storage resources, including hydro, and demand response and energy efficiency, are also exempt from must-offer requirements. An administratively determined demand curve defines scarcity pricing levels and, with the supply curve derived from capacity offers, determines market prices in each BRA. Participation by load-serving entities is mandatory, except for those entities that elect the fixed resource requirement option. Also, any generator that has a commitment from the capacity market must submit an offer into the day-ahead energy market.

Special Provisions for Essential Resource Retirements

A generator owner who wishes to retire a unit must request permission from PJM to deactivate the unit at least 90 days in advance of the planned date. The request includes an estimate of the amount of project investment necessary to keep the unit in operation. PJM, in turn, analyzes if the retirement would lead to a reliability issue. Additionally, PJM estimates the period of time it would take to complete transmission upgrades necessary to alleviate the reliability issue.

If PJM requests the unit to operate past the desired deactivation date, the generator owner may file with FERC for cost recovery associated with operating the unit until it may be deactivated. Alternatively, the owner may choose to receive avoided cost compensation calculated according to PJM's tariff.

Financial Transmission Rights

PJM conducts auctions for selling and buying FTRs made available for the PJM transmission system. Proceeds from the auctions are paid to Auction Revenue Right (ARR) holders, where the ARRs are allocated to firm transmission service customers. PJM conducts its auctions on a long-term, annual, and monthly basis. In PJM, market participants are able to acquire financial transmission rights in the form of options or obligations. The RTO includes a secondary market for its FTRs, which facilitates bilateral trading of existing FTRs between PJM members through an internet-based computer application.

Virtual Transactions

PJM's market includes a virtual transaction feature that allows a participant to buy or sell power in the day-ahead market without requiring physical generation or load. In addition to the types of transaction discussed above, PJM offers Up to Congestion (UTC) transactions, a spread bid. In a UTC transaction, a market participant submits an offer to simultaneously inject energy at a specified source and withdraw the same megawatt

161 PJM, *Securing Fixed Resources*, (accessed December 2, 2022), <https://pjm.com/-/media/about-pjm/newsroom/fact-sheets/securing-resources-through-fixed-resource-requirement-fact-sheet.ashx>.

quantity at a specified sink in the day-ahead market and specifies the maximum difference in locational marginal prices (LMP) at the transaction's source and sink that the market participant is willing to pay. PJM accepts the bid if the day-ahead LMP differential, i.e., the difference in day-ahead LMPs at the sink and the source, does not exceed the participant's UTC transaction bid. UTC positions are liquidated in the real-time energy market.

Credit Requirements

PJM's tariff includes credit requirements that a market participant needs to meet in order to participate in the market. The credit requirements assist in mitigating the effects of defaults that would otherwise be borne among all market participants. The RTO assesses and calculates the required credit amounts for the segments of the market in which an entity requests to participate. The market participant may request an unsecured credit allowance subject to certain restrictions. The RTO must review the entity's request relative to various creditworthiness-related specifications such as tangible net worth and credit scores.

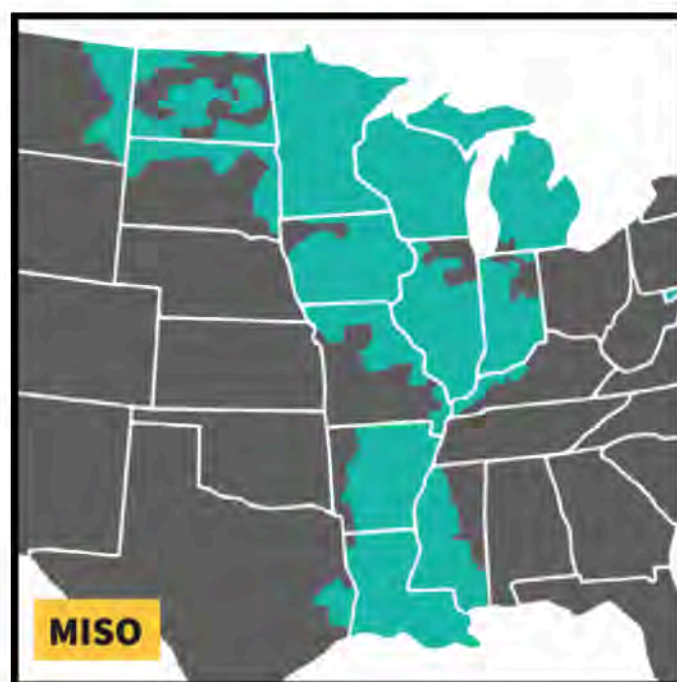
Midcontinent Independent System Operator (MISO)

MARKET PROFILE

MISO operates the transmission system and a centrally dispatched market in portions of 15 states in the Midwest and the South, extending from Michigan and Indiana to Montana and from the Canadian border to the southern areas of Louisiana and Mississippi. The system is operated from three control centers: Carmel, Indiana; Egan, Minnesota; and Little Rock, Arkansas. MISO also serves as the reliability coordinator for additional systems outside of its market area, primarily to the north and northwest of the market footprint.

MISO was not a power pool before organizing as an ISO in December 2001. It began market operations in April 2005.

Figure 2-22: Midcontinent Independent System Operator



Source: Hitachi Energy, Velocity Suite

In January 2009, MISO implemented a market redesign that added auctioned and optimized ancillary services along with energy. As part of the market update, MISO combined its 24 separate balancing areas into a single balancing area. In 2013, the RTO began operations in the MISO South region, including the utility footprints of Entergy, Cleco, and South Mississippi Electric Power Association, among others, in parts of Arkansas, Mississippi, Louisiana, and Texas.

Peak Demand

MISO's all-time peak demand was 127 GW in summer 2011.¹⁶²

Imports and Exports

MISO has interconnections with the PJM and SPP RTOs. It is also directly connected to Southern Company, TVA, the electric systems of Manitoba and Ontario, and several smaller systems. MISO is a net importer of power overall, but the interchange with some areas can flow

162 MISO, Corporate Fact Sheet, at 1 (June 2022), <https://www.misoenergy.org/about/media-center/corporate-fact-sheet>.

in either direction, depending on the relative loads and prices in the adjoining regions. Manitoba Hydro supplies a large part of MISO's load with its excess capacity, particularly in the summer.

Market Participants

MISO includes approximately 56 transmission owners, whose assets define the MISO market area. MISO's market participants include generators, power marketers, transmission-dependent utilities and load-serving entities.¹⁶³

Membership and Governance

An independent board of directors of ten members, including the CEO, governs MISO. Directors are elected by the MISO membership from candidates provided by the board.¹⁶⁴

MISO relies upon a stakeholder process that works to find collaborative solutions to problems faced by the RTO. These entities have an interest in MISO's operation and include state regulators, consumer advocates, transmission owners, independent power producers, power marketers and brokers, municipal and cooperative utilities and large-volume customers.

Transmission Owners

MISO's largest transmission owners include:

- American Transmission Co.
- Ameren (Missouri and Illinois)
- American Transmission Systems
- Duke
- Cleco
- Entergy
- Indianapolis Power and Light
- ITC
- Michigan Public Power Agency
- NSP Companies (Xcel)
- Northern Indiana Public Service Co.

- Otter Tail Power
- MidAmerican Energy

Chronic Constraints

MISO has certain pathways that are more likely to become congested, but the likelihood and pattern of congestion in any area is subject to weather patterns, wind production, and interchange with external regions. When load is high in the eastern part of MISO and to the east in PJM, constraints occur on pathways from the Minnesota and Wisconsin areas through Chicago and across Indiana. A particular congestion point with this pattern is northern Indiana. When colder weather occurs in Minnesota and the Dakotas, there is often congestion in the northern direction, particularly in Iowa. Higher wind production can cause localized constraints in some areas and can cause congestion in pathways from southern Minnesota and western Iowa moving eastward. New Orleans and East Texas are two constrained areas in MISO South. Additionally, constraints frequently arise between MISO Midwest and MISO South.

Transmission Planning

The main vehicle MISO uses for transmission planning is the MISO Transmission Expansion Plan developed by the MISO planning department in collaboration with transmission owners and other stakeholders who form the planning advisory committee. The plan is updated annually. Once approved by the board, the plan becomes the responsibility of the transmission owners.

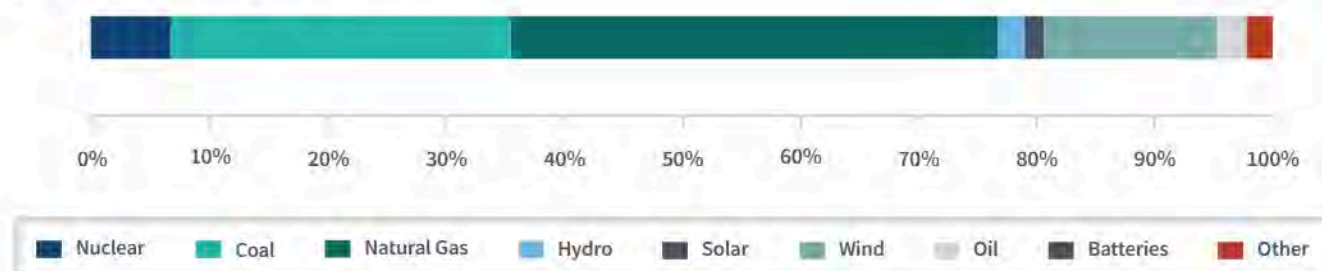
Supply Resources

The total capacity in MISO is over 197 GW and is predominately composed of coal and natural gas-fired generators, providing roughly 70 percent of the total capacity combined, as shown in the bar chart below. Nuclear and wind are also important resources for the region.

¹⁶³ *Id.*

¹⁶⁴ MISO, *Principals of Corporate Governance*, at 3, <https://cdn.misoenergy.org/Principles%20of%20Corporate%20Governance110859.pdf>.

Figure 2-23: MISO Capacity Mix



Source: EIA Form 860-M¹⁶⁵

Demand Response

MISO has more than 12.2 GW of demand response resources, including behind-the-meter generation. A number of these resources are operated through local utility programs and are not under the direct control of MISO. MISO has provisions allowing demand-side resources to participate in the energy and reserve markets, but participation is a small part of demand response. Some of the demand response under MISO's direct control is only available under emergency conditions.¹⁶⁶

MARKET FEATURES

Energy Markets

MISO operates day-ahead and real-time markets, generally consistent with the discussion in the RTO/ISO Features section of this report. MISO's real-time market operates for 5-minutes intervals.

Ancillary and Other Services

Ancillary services, described in the Electricity Supply and Delivery section, are services that support the grid and reliability. MISO procures ancillary services via the co-optimized energy and ancillary services market.

In addition to ancillary services, MISO has implemented a ramping product that provides capacity that can

increase output rapidly to help offset shifts in generation or load, known as the Ramp Capability Product (RCP).

Market Power Mitigation

When congestion occurs, there may be limits on the number of generators that can satisfy load in some areas, so that they may be able to exercise market power. In response, MISO may impose mitigation for those generators whose offers are significantly higher than their costs and have a significant impact on one or more LMPs. When these conditions are met, MISO reduces the generator's offer to an offer that is consistent with a competitive result.

Capacity Markets

MISO maintains an annual capacity requirement on all LSEs based on the load forecast plus reserves. LSEs are required to specify to MISO what physical capacity, including demand-side resources, they have designated to meet their load forecast. This capacity can be acquired either through an annual capacity auction, bilateral purchase, or self-supply. For the capacity market, MISO is divided into 10 zones whose forecast demand must be met by internal generation, demand-side resources, or deliverable external capacity.

¹⁶⁵ Installed nameplate capacity is assessed through December 2021 and captures Operating and Standby resources available. Note that these estimates do not imply that generation output will match the nameplate capacity of a resource type. Derived from EIA, *Preliminary Monthly Electric Generator Inventory (based on Form EIA-860M)* (released February 2022), <https://www.eia.gov/electricity/data/eia860m/>.

¹⁶⁶ Potomac Economics, *2021 State of the Market Report for the MISO Electricity Markets*, at 100 (June 2022), https://www.potomaceconomics.com/wp-content/uploads/2022/06/2021-MISO-SOM_Report_Body_Final.pdf.

Resources used to meet LSEs' annual capacity requirements must offer that capacity into MISO's energy markets and, when qualified, into the ancillary services markets, for each hour of each day for the entire planning year. Must-offer requirements support MISO's mitigation process by providing an objective measure with which to identify physical withholding.

Special Provisions for Essential Resource Retirements

Power plant owners that seek to retire or suspend a generator must first obtain approval from MISO. The RTO evaluates plant retirement or suspension requests against reliability needs, and System Support Resource (SSR) designations are made where reliability is threatened. Once an agreement has been reached, SSRs receive compensation associated with remaining online and available.

Financial Transmission Rights

MISO holds FTR auctions to allow market participants the opportunity to acquire FTRs, sell FTRs that they currently hold, or to convert ARR to FTRs. ARRs provide LSEs, and entities who make transmission upgrades, with a share of the revenues generated in the FTR auctions. MISO allocates ARRs to transmission customers relative to historical usage, or upgraded capability, of the transmission system. MISO FTRs are monthly and annual products.

Virtual Transactions

MISO's market includes a virtual transaction feature that allows a participant to buy or sell power in the day-ahead market without requiring physical generation or load. Virtual transactions allow for more participation in the day-ahead, price-setting process, allow participants to manage risk, and promote price convergence between the day-ahead and real-time markets.

These transactions are a component of the day-ahead market where the bids and offers are included in the determination of the LMP along with physical resource offers and actual load bids. Market participants, whose virtual transactions clear in the day-ahead market, have their positions cleared in the real-time market at the

real-time price. Virtual bids and offers are allowed in MISO at any pricing node or aggregate of pricing nodes.

Credit Requirements

MISO's tariff includes credit requirements that a market participant needs to meet in order to participate in the market. The credit requirements assist in mitigating the effects of defaults that would otherwise be borne among all market participants. The RTO assesses and calculates the required credit dollar amounts for the segments of the market in which an entity requests to participate. The market participant may request an unsecured credit allowance subject to certain restrictions. The RTO must review the entity's request relative to various creditworthiness-related specifications such as tangible net worth and credit scores.

Southwest Power Pool (SPP)

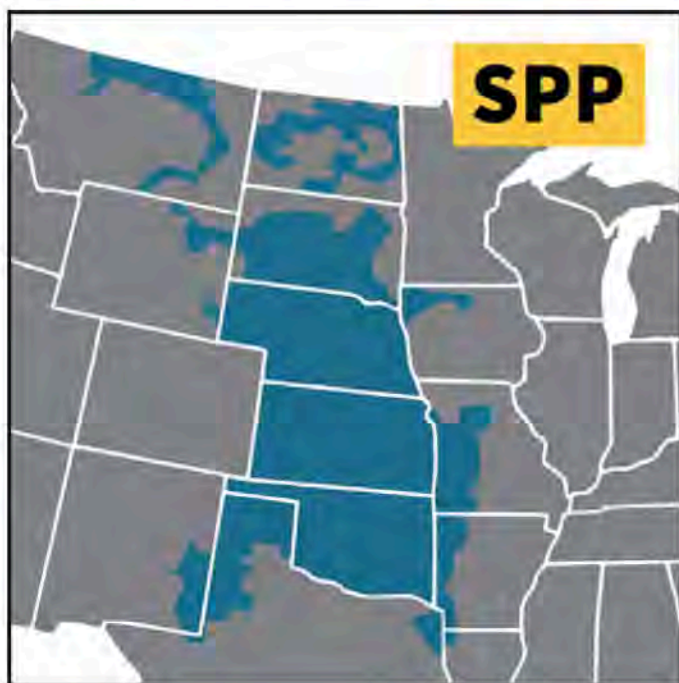
MARKET PROFILE

SPP's RTO manages transmission in fourteen states: Arkansas, Iowa, Kansas, Louisiana, Minnesota, Missouri, Montana, Nebraska, New Mexico, North Dakota, Oklahoma, South Dakota, Texas, and Wyoming. Founded as an 11-member tight power pool in 1941, SPP achieved RTO status in 2004, ensuring reliable power supplies, adequate transmission infrastructure, and competitive wholesale electricity prices for its members. SPP operates through its control center in Little Rock, Ar.

SPP began operating its real-time Energy Imbalance Service (EIS) market in 2007. In the same year, SPP became a FERC-approved Regional Entity. The SPP Regional Entity serves as the reliability coordinator for the NERC region, overseeing compliance with reliability standards.

SPP implemented its Integrated Marketplace in March 2014 which includes a day-ahead energy market, a real-time energy market, and an operating reserve market. SPP's Integrated Marketplace also includes a market for Transmission Congestion Rights. The SPP Integrated Marketplace co-optimizes the deployment of energy and operating reserves to dispatch resources on a least-cost basis.

Figure 2-24: Southwest Power Pool



Source: Hitachi Energy, Velocity Suite

SPP expanded its footprint in 2015, incorporating the Western Area Power Administration – Upper Great Plains region, the Basin Electric Power Cooperative, and the Heartland Consumers Power District. The expansion nearly doubled SPP’s service territory by square miles, adding more the 5 GW of peak demand and over 7 GW of generating capacity.¹⁶⁷

SPP also operates a real-time energy imbalance market in the Western Interconnect, which is described further below.

Peak Demand

SPP’s all-time peak demand of 53 GW occurred in summer 2022.¹⁶⁸

Imports and Exports

SPP has interties with MISO, TVA, and other systems. Additionally, SPP has two DC interties with ERCOT

and seven DC interties to the Western Interconnection through New Mexico, Colorado, Nebraska, South Dakota and Montana. At times, SPP is both a net importer and net exporter of electricity at times.

Market Participants

SPP’s market participants include investor-owned utilities, generation and transmission cooperatives, independent power producers, municipal utilities, state authorities, independent transmission companies, power marketers, financial participants, and a federal power marketing administration.

Membership and Governance

SPP is governed by a board of directors representing and elected by its members. Supporting the board is the members committee, which provides non-binding input. The members’ committee is composed of representatives from each sector of SPP’s membership. The SPP Regional State Committee represents retail regulatory commissions from state agencies and provides input on matters of regional importance related to the development and operation of bulk electric transmission.

Transmission Owners

SPP’s largest transmission owners include:

- American Electric Power
- Oklahoma Gas and Electric
- Westar Energy
- Southwestern Public Service (Xcel Energy)
- Great Plains Energy
- Kansas City Power & Light
- Omaha Public Power District
- Nebraska Public Power District
- Tri-State Generation and Transmission
- Empire District Electric
- Western Area Power Administration – Upper Great Plains
- Western Farmers Electric Cooperative

¹⁶⁷ Southwest Power Pool, *Western, Basin, Heartland join Southwest Power Pool*, at 1 (October 2015), <https://www.spp.org/about-us/newsroom/western-basin-heartland-join-southwest-power-pool/>.

¹⁶⁸ Southwest Power Pool, *Fast Facts*, <https://www.spp.org/about-us/fast-facts/>.

Chronic Constraints

SPP has certain pathways that are more likely to become congested, based on the physical characteristics of the transmission grid and associated transfer capability, the geographic distribution of load, and the geographic differences in fuel costs. The eastern side of the SPP footprint has a higher concentration of load and congestion can occur when wind-powered generation from the west tries to travel across limited connections to the east. The most significant congestion has typically occurred in the Oklahoma and Texas Panhandle region.¹⁶⁹

Transmission Planning

SPP conducts its transmission planning according to its Integrated Transmission Planning process, which is a three-year planning process that includes 20-year, 10-year, and near-term assessments designed to identify transmission solutions that address both near-term and long-term transmission needs. The Integrated Transmission Planning process focuses on identifying cost-effective regional transmission solutions, which are identified in an annual SPP Transmission Expansion Plan report.

Supply Resources

The total capacity in SPP is approximately 94 GW and is predominately composed of natural gas and coal-fired

generators, as shown in the bar chart below. Wind is an important and growing resource in the region.

Demand Response

SPP allows demand response resources to register in its market.¹⁷⁰ As of December 31, 2021, 102 demand resources participated in SPP's markets, representing 176 MW of nameplate capacity. While the demand response resources can participate in SPP's markets, they are rarely dispatched.

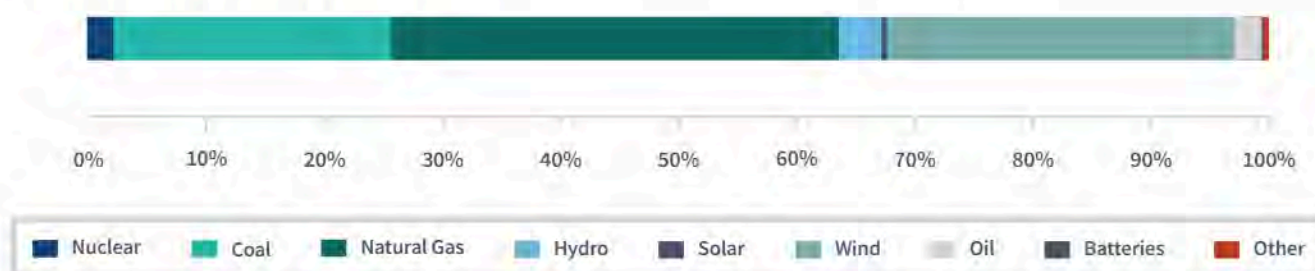
SPP allows Market Participants to register two types of demand response resources: Block Demand Response (BDR) resources and Dispatchable Demand Response (DDR) resources. BDR resources can participate in SPP's markets by providing energy and reserves in 60-minute blocks. DDR resources can participate in SPP's markets by providing energy, regulation, and reserves in 5-minute blocks.

MARKET FEATURES

Energy Markets

SPP operates day-ahead and real-time markets, generally consistent with the discussion in the RTO/ISO Features section of this report. SPP's real-time market operates in 5-minute intervals.

Figure 2-25: SPP Capacity Resources



Source: EIA Form 860-M¹⁷¹

¹⁶⁹ See Southwest Power Pool Market Monitoring Unit, *State of the Market 2022* (May 2022), at 202, <https://www.spp.org/documents/67104/2021%20annual%20state%20of%20the%20market%20report.pdf>.

¹⁷⁰ SPP Market Monitor, *State of the Market 2021* (May 10, 2021), at 49, <https://www.spp.org/documents/67104/2021%20annual%20state%20of%20the%20market%20report.pdf>.

¹⁷¹ Installed nameplate capacity is assessed through December 2021 and captures Operating and Standby resources available. Note that these estimates do not imply that generation output will match the nameplate capacity of a resource type. Derived from EIA, *Preliminary Monthly Electric Generator Inventory* (based on Form EIA-860M) (released February 2022), <https://www.eia.gov/electricity/data/eia860m/>.

Ancillary and Other Services

Ancillary services, described in the Electricity Supply and Delivery section, are services that support the grid and reliability. SPP procures ancillary services via the co-optimized energy and ancillary services market. Separately, SPP has a ramping product to procure capacity that can quickly increase output to offset both anticipated and unforeseen future changes in generation or load within the hour, known as the Ramp Capability Product. SPP launched this ramp product in March 2022.

Market Power Mitigation

SPP applies a set of behavioral and market outcomes tests to determine if the local market is competitive and if generator offers should be adjusted to approximate short-run marginal costs. SPP's mitigation test includes a local market power test, a conduct test, and a market impact test. Where mitigation measures are triggered by the tests, SPP generates a mitigated resource offer that the RTO then uses for dispatch, commitment, and settlement purposes.

Capacity Markets

SPP does not offer a capacity market. However, it requires each Load Responsible Entity (LRE) to have sufficient energy supply (capacity) to cover its energy obligations. SPP develops and implements policies and processes necessary to ensure resource adequacy and determines the amount of capacity each LRE must have available to meet its energy obligations.¹⁷²

Special Provisions for Essential Resource Retirements

A generator owner who wishes to retire a unit must request that SPP study the retirement of the resource no less than one year from the expected retirement date. SPP will then conduct studies to examine the potential effects of the resource retirement including the need for transmission network upgrades, if any.

Otherwise, SPP prepares annual reliability studies as part of its system planning responsibilities. In the

event that the studies reveal a potential constraint on SPP's ability to deliver power to a local area on the transmission system, SPP works with regional stakeholders to find alternate transmission, operating procedure, or generation solutions for the constraint and thus maintain grid reliability. The SPP parties then determine an appropriate sharing of the costs, and, if unable to reach agreement, SPP will submit a proposed cost-sharing arrangement to FERC for approval.

Financial Transmission Rights

SPP refers to FTRs as Transmission Congestion Rights (TCR). A TCR is an instrument that entitles the holder to receive compensation, or requires the holder to pay a charge, for costs that arise from transmission congestion over a selected path, or source-and-sink pair of locations on the grid. A TCR provides the holder with revenue, or charges, equal to the difference in congestion prices in the day-ahead market across the selected TCR transmission path. SPP TCRs include monthly and annual products, as well as a long-term instrument called Long-Term Congestion Rights.

A related product, ARRs, provide their holders with a share of the revenue generated in the TCR auctions. In general, ARRs are allocated based on firm transmission rights. As with TCRs, ARRs provide transmission owners and eligible transmission service customers an offset or hedge against transmission congestion costs in the day-ahead market.

Virtual Transactions

SPP's market includes a virtual transaction feature that allows a participant to buy or sell power in the day-ahead market without requiring physical generation or load. In SPP, virtual bids are sometimes used in the day-ahead market as a placeholder or hedge for wind generation expected in the real-time market.

Credit Requirements

SPP's tariff includes credit requirements that a market participant needs to meet in order to participate in the

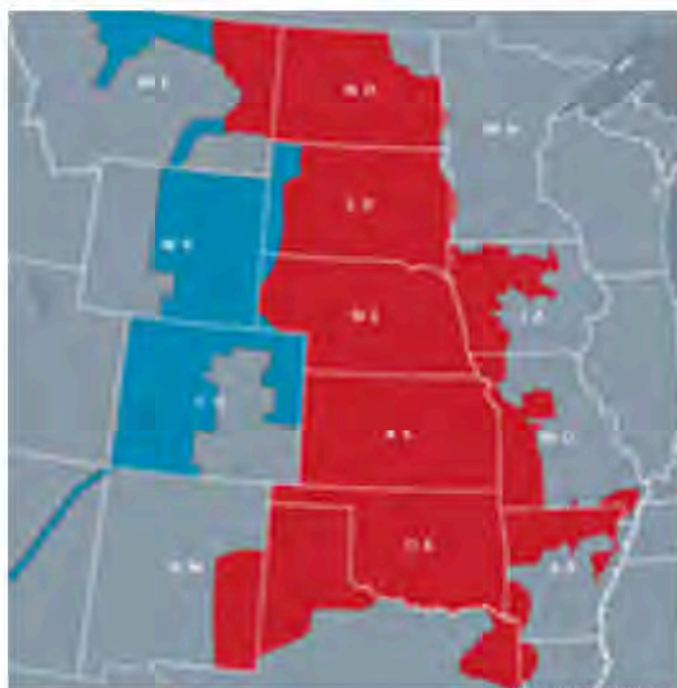
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market. The credit requirements assist in mitigating the effects of defaults that would otherwise be borne among all market participants. The RTO assesses and calculates the required credit amounts for the segments of the market in which an entity requests to participate. The market participant may request an unsecured credit allowance subject to certain restrictions. SPP must review the entity's request relative to various creditworthiness-related specifications such as tangible net worth and various financial measures.

Western Energy Imbalance Service (WEIS)

SPP launched its WEIS market in February 2021. The WEIS market balances generation and load regionally in real time for participants in the Western Interconnection. SPP's WEIS market centrally dispatches generation from participating resources every five minutes using the lowest-cost resource available to meet demand. As of August 2022, ten entities participate or plan to participate in the WEIS Market with three more anticipated to join in April 2023: Basic Electric Power Cooperative, BlackHills Energy (April 2023), Colorado Springs Utilities, Deseret Power Electric Cooperative, Guzman Energy, Municipal Energy Agency of Nebraska, Platte River Power Authority (April 2023), Tri-State Generation and Transmission Association, WAPA (Upper Great Plains West, Rocky Mountain, and Colorado River Storage Projects regions), and Xcel Energy (April 2023). The following map shows SPP's footprint in red and the WEIS in blue.

Figure 2-26: Western Energy Imbalance Service



Source: SPP website

electric generators. In managing the grid, CAISO provides open access to the transmission system and performs long-term transmission planning. It manages energy and ancillary markets in day-ahead and real-time markets and is responsible for regional reliability. CAISO also operates a real-time energy imbalance market, the Western Energy Imbalance Market (WEIM), which is discussed further below. CAISO operates its grid out of its main control center in Folsom, CA.

Peak Demand

CAISO's all-time peak demand was 52 GW in summer 2022.¹⁷³

Imports and Exports

Up to about one-third of CAISO's energy is supplied by imports, principally from the Southwest (Arizona, Nevada, and New Mexico) and the Pacific Northwest (Oregon, Washington, and British Columbia). Imports from the Pacific Northwest generally increase in the

California Independent System Operator (CAISO)

MARKET PROFILE

CAISO operates an ISO serving most of California and part of Nevada. CAISO is a California nonprofit public benefit corporation started in 1998 when the state restructured its electric power industry. CAISO manages wholesale electricity markets, centrally dispatching

¹⁷³ California ISO, *California ISO Peak Load History 1998 through 2022*, at 1 (n.d.), <http://www.caiso.com/documents/californiaisopeakloadhistory.pdf>.

late spring when hydroelectric production peaks from increases in winter snowmelt and runoff.

Market Participants

CAISO's market participants include load-serving investor-owned utilities, load-serving municipal utilities, generators, power marketers, utility customers, and financial entities.

Membership and Governance

The CAISO has a board of governors that consists of five members appointed by the governor and confirmed by the California Senate. The board provides corporate direction, reviews and approves management's annual strategic plans, and approves CAISO's operating and capital budgets.

CAISO uses an informal stakeholder process to propose solutions to problems that may ultimately require a filing at FERC. Unlike other RTOs, which have a formal committee structure, CAISO's stakeholder process generally consists of rounds of dialogue with stakeholders on major policy issues.

Transmission Owners

CAISO's largest transmission owners include:

- Pacific Gas and Electric
- Southern California Edison
- San Diego Gas and Electric
- Valley Electric Association
- Municipal utilities such as Vernon, Anaheim, and Riverside

Chronic Constraints

CAISO has several locally constrained areas, typically near population centers and where transmission lines have relatively low voltage (115 kV and below). The locally constrained areas that have local capacity requirements include the Greater Bay Area, Greater Fresno, Sierra, Humboldt, Los Angeles Basin, San Diego, and North Coast/North Bay.

Transmission Planning

CAISO conducts an annual transmission planning

Figure 2-27: California Independent System Operator



Source: Hitachi Energy Velocity Suite

process with stakeholders that includes both short-term and long-term projects.

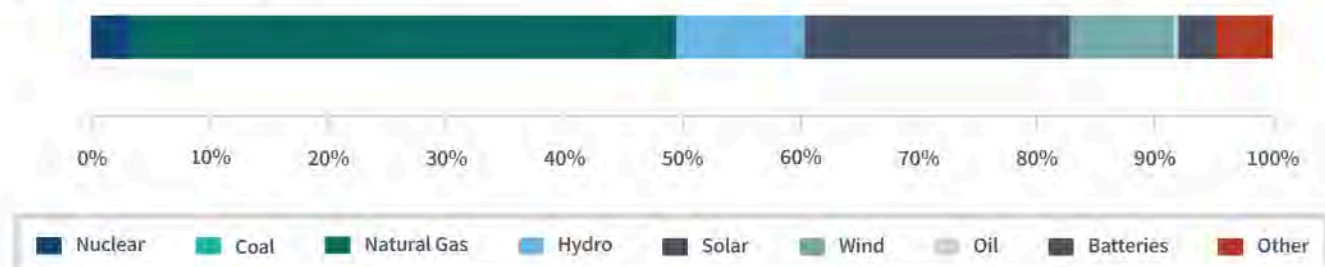
Supply Resources

The total capacity in CAISO is over 70 GW and is predominately composed of natural gas-fired and hydroelectric generators, as shown in the bar chart below. CAISO also has substantial renewable resources, including roughly half of the installed solar capacity in the U.S.

Demand Response

Demand response participation in the wholesale energy market includes programs entitled Proxy Demand Response, Reliability Demand Response Resources, and CAISO's Participating Load program. Proxy Demand Response allows for customer loads, aggregated by LSEs or third-party providers, to offer load reduction into CAISO's day-ahead, real-time, and ancillary services markets in return for compensation. Reliability Demand Response Resources allows customer loads, also aggregated by LSEs or third-party providers, to reduce load for compensation when triggered for

Figure 2-28: CAISO Capacity Mix



Source: EIA Form 860-M¹⁷⁵

reliability-related events. Reliability Demand Response Resources can also offer into the day-ahead market. The Participating Load program allows the CAISO operators to directly curtail end-users' load, rather than through aggregators. This is a relatively small program that is primarily composed of the power demand from California's water pumping projects. Other demand response in California consists of programs for managing peak summer demands operated by the state's electric utilities. In general, activation of the utility demand response programs is based on criteria that are internal to the utility or when CAISO issues a Flex Alert. Flex Alerts also inform consumers of how and when to conserve electricity usage.

MARKET FEATURES

Energy Markets

CAISO operates day-ahead and real-time markets, generally consistent with the discussion in the RTO/ISO Features section of this report. CAISO operates a 15-minute market to adjust schedules from those determined in the day-ahead market, then a 5-minute market to balance supply and load in real-time. Real-time bids can be submitted up to 75 minutes before the start of the operating hour.

CAISO also procures capacity in the real-time market to provide upward and downward ramping of generation in order to accommodate changes in net load with the Flexible Ramping Product.¹⁷⁵ This service provides compensation to the generators selected to provide the desired flexible ramping capability.¹⁷⁶

Ancillary and Other Services

Ancillary services, described in the Electricity Supply and Delivery section, are services that support the grid and reliability. CAISO procures ancillary services via its co-optimization of energy and ancillary services in its energy markets

In addition to ancillary services, CAISO has implemented a ramping product to procure capacity that can quickly increase output to offset changes in generation or load, known as the Flexible Ramping Product.

Market Power Mitigation

CAISO applies a set of behavioral and market outcome tests to determine if the local market is competitive and if generator offers should be adjusted to approximate price levels that would be seen in a competitive market – close to short-run marginal costs.

¹⁷⁴ Installed nameplate capacity is assessed through December 2021 and captures Operating and Standby resources available. Note that these estimates do not imply that generation output will match the nameplate capacity of a resource type. Derived from EIA, *Preliminary Monthly Electric Generator Inventory (based on Form EIA-860M)* (released February 2022), <https://www.eia.gov/electricity/data/eia860m/>.

¹⁷⁵ Net load in CAISO is total market demand minus generation output from solar and wind resources.

¹⁷⁶ CAISO describes ramping capability as a resource's ability to move from one energy output to a higher (upward ramp) or lower (downward ramp) energy output; *California Independent System Operator Corp.*, 156 FERC ¶ 61,226, at P 2 (2016).

Figure 2-29: Western Energy Imbalance Market



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Capacity Markets

CAISO does not operate a formal capacity market, but it does have a mandatory resource adequacy (RA) requirement. The program requires LSEs to procure 115 percent of their aggregate system load on a monthly basis, unless a different reserve margin is mandated by the LSE's local regulatory authority. The program provides deliverability criteria that each LSE must meet, as well as system and local capacity requirements and flexibility requirements.

The CAISO market rules also include must-offer provisions pertaining to resources procured as RA resources. These resources must make themselves available to the CAISO day-ahead and real-time markets for the capacity for which they were counted.

Special Provisions for Essential Resource Retirements

CAISO employs RMR contracts to assure that it has the ability to reliably serve load in local import-constrained areas. RMR contracts also help to mitigate any local market power that one or more units may have. Over time, CAISO has been able to significantly decrease its RMR designations in much of the system. Remaining generators with RMR contracts are located primarily near the San Francisco and Los Angeles areas.

Financial Transmission Rights

In California, FTRs are referred to as Congestion Revenue Rights (CRR). A CRR is an instrument that entitles the CRR holder to a payment for costs that arise with transmission congestion over a selected path, or source-and-sink pair of locations on the grid. The CRR also requires its holder to pay a charge for those hours when congestion occurs in the opposite direction of the selected source-and-sink pair. CRRs are monthly or quarterly products. CRRs can be bought at auction or allocated by CAISO. Allocated CRRs receive the congestion value for a specific path, similar to a converted FTR. CAISO also allocates open market CRR auction revenues to LSEs, based on their physical participation in the market, similar to an ARR in other markets.

Virtual Transactions

CAISO's market includes a virtual transactions feature, termed convergence bidding. CAISO's convergence bidding includes both virtual supply and virtual demand transactions.

Credit Requirements

CAISO's tariff includes credit requirements that a market participant needs to meet in order to participate in the market. The credit requirements assist in mitigating the effects of defaults that would otherwise be absorbed by all market participants. CAISO assesses and calculates the required credit dollar amounts for the segments of the market in which an entity requests to participate. The market participant may request an unsecured credit allowance subject to

certain restrictions – CAISO must review the entity’s request relative to various creditworthiness-related specifications such as tangible net worth, net assets, and credit rating.

Western Energy Imbalance Market (WEIM)

On Nov. 1, 2014, CAISO began operation of an energy imbalance market (EIM) with PacifiCorp’s two BAAs, PacifiCorp East and PacifiCorp West. The EIM is an extension of the CAISO’s real-time market into other BAAs in the Western Interconnection. The market dispatches resources inside the participating entities’ BAAs to meet intra-hour changes in their energy demand and supply. The EIM’s imbalance energy helps the BAAs meet their energy demand in real-time. Overall, EIM energy represents about two to three percent of the energy used to meet load in the participating BAAs. With the balancing authorities in the Pacific Northwest, the EIM integrates low-cost hydroelectric power generation with the significant amount of solar and wind generation capacity in CAISO.

The EIM is a voluntary market where the participating balancing authorities can choose which resources to include in the market. The market participants have the flexibility to add and remove capacity from the EIM on an hourly basis. The transmission system operators for each participating BAA preserve the responsibility and flexibility to respond to events such as a sudden large imbalance between load and supply caused by a loss of a power plant or transmission line.

As of November 2022, the EIM consisted of the following LSEs and their respective BAAs: BPA, Puget Sound Energy, Portland General Electric, PacifiCorp West, PacifiCorp East, Idaho Power, NV Energy, Tucson Electric Power, Avista, NorthWestern Energy, Los Angeles Department of Water & Power, Public Service

Company of New Mexico, Turlock Irrigation District, Salt River Project, Seattle City Light, Balancing Authority of Northern California, Idaho Power Company, Portland General Electric, Puget Sound, NV Energy, Arizona Public Service, and CAISO. Additionally, Powerex (the marketing arm of the Canadian utility, BC Hydro) joined the EIM, providing contributions of generation and load imbalance (the difference between generation supply and demand schedules).¹⁷⁷ Other balancing authorities have expressed interest in becoming EIM Entities.

The EIM provides a market mechanism for dispatching generation resources to meet imbalance energy needs along with a limited amount of power flows between the participating BAAs. The market dispatches generation based on the relative cost of the resources, resulting in cost savings for the participants. Before the EIM, a balancing authority such as PacifiCorp West or PacifiCorp East resolved imbalances between energy demand and supply in real-time by dispatching its resources and using ancillary services (mainly regulation). Under the EIM, by contrast, the market automates the dispatch of enough resource capacity within the BAAs, along with transmission flows between BAAs, to resolve energy imbalances.¹⁷⁸ The automated EIM sets LMPs at both 15-minute and 5-minute intervals.

Along with dispatch cost savings, the EIM also helps integrate renewable generation resources. Prior to the EIM, CAISO imported power from outside its service territory to balance load throughout most hours of the day. However, with the growth of solar and wind generation, particularly in California, there were periods when these resources were forced to curtail because there was too much energy offered into the market. Now, with the EIM, any excess power can be exported throughout the participating BAAs. In some hours, this results in power exports from CAISO to other BAAs.¹⁷⁹

177 Powerex (BC Hydro) also makes transmission rights available to the EIM, providing its power to the EIM at the British Columbia-U.S. border

178 The EIM software calculates dispatch solutions for the EIM market area as a whole. Consequently, participating balancing authorities need not maintain high levels of reserves.

179 See Department of Market Monitoring – California ISO, *2017 Annual Report on Market Issues & Performance*, at 118 (June 2018), <http://www.caiso.com/Documents/2017AnnualReportonMarketIssuesandPerformance.pdf>.

As the independent system operator of the EIM, CAISO addresses local market power mitigation at 5-minute and 15-minute intervals across the EIM area, which includes the non-CAISO balancing authority areas. CAISO also procures a Flexible Ramp Product to

provide upward and downward flexible capacity to meet energy ramp requirements. In these respects, CAISO's operator responsibilities have grown in the EIM as enhancements to the market design have been implemented.

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Exhibit 47
MISO Schedule 53 Class Averages



Planning Year 2026-2027
Preliminary Schedule 53 Class Averages

MISO has identified preliminary class averages for Schedule 53 and non-Schedule 53 resources. **This is a preliminary posting only and subject to change ahead of finalization of ISAC values for all Schedule 53 units by February 15, 2026.**

Non-Schedule 53 resource class averages have been posted in the [LOLE Modeling Data](#) Slide 7; this file will be focusing on **Schedule 53 resources only**.

Only new Schedule 53 resources or resources that have less than 60 days of RAR/non-exempt hours within an individual season over the 3-year lookback period would receive the Schedule 53 class average per Schedule 53 Tariff language.

Resource categories with less than 30 individual contributing resources will not have class average values published or utilized due to data integrity and confidentiality. If you have a resource that falls into one of these categories it will be granted the Fleetwide Schedule 53 class average for that season.

These class averages are applied to the unit's ICAP (lesser of GVTC or Interconnection Service) to determine the ISAC value. The UCAP/ISAC ratio per season will then be applied to identify the final SAC per season.

The following Schedule 53 class averages are preliminary and will be updated prior to use in the upcoming 26-27 Planning Year:

Resource Categories	Summer ISAC/ICAP	Fall ISAC/ICAP	Winter ISAC/ICAP	Spring ISAC/ICAP	Count of Units
Combined Cycle	91.4%	85.7%	89.1%	84.0%	122
Combustion Turbine 0-50MW	90.1%	88.5%	82.3%	89.7%	149
Combustion Turbine 50+MW	93.7%	90.1%	76.9%	89.0%	169
Diesels	93.4%	91.1%	89.3%	92.6%	84
Fluidized Bed Combustion					5
Fossil Steam 0-400MW	85.5%	81.4%	79.4%	80.3%	54
Fossil Steam 400-1000MW	85.2%	80.7%	80.9%	77.9%	110
Hydro 0-30MW					7
Hydro 30+MW					7
Nuclear					16
Fleetwide Schedule 53 ISAC/ICAP	90.3%	86.8%	82.4%	86.1%	723

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Exhibit 48
Utility Dive, *MISO begins reviewing*
6.1 GW — 70% of it gas — in fast-track interconnection study
(Dec. 2, 2025)



MISO begins reviewing 6.1 GW — 70% of it gas — in fast-track interconnection study

The grid operator's Expedited Resource Addition Study process has grown to 11.2 GW, with an additional 18 GW seeking to join the initiative.

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The 620-MW, gas-fired Fox Energy Center, owned by Wisconsin Public Service, in Wrightstown, Wis. The Midcontinent Independent System Operator is studying 4.1 GW in gas-fired projects in its latest fast-track interconnection review process cycle, the grid operator said on Dec. 1, 2025. [The image by chaddavis.photography](#) is licensed under [CC BY-SA 2.0](#)

About 6.1 GW of potential projects have entered into the Midcontinent Independent System Operator's fast-track interconnection review process' second cycle, bringing the total capacity under review to about 11.2 GW, the grid operator said Monday.

Gas-fired generation in the Expedited Resource Addition Study's second study cycle totals 4.3 GW, or 70% of the total capacity in the cycle, according to a summary of the pending ERAS projects. Battery projects totaled 800 MW in network interconnection capacity, followed by wind projects at 580 MW and solar at 475 MW.

"Cycle 2 builds on the momentum of Cycle 1 and reflects the continued demand for timely, reliable interconnection solutions," Aubrey Johnson, MISO's vice president of system planning, said in

a news release. “These projects are essential to meeting near-term reliability needs and ensuring new resource additions are online to meet load growth.”

Three Cycle 1 projects have executed generator interconnection agreements and MISO said it expects the seven remaining projects in the cycle will complete interconnection agreements this month.

MISO said it has accepted or is reviewing 51 projects totaling almost 30 GW into ERAS, which aims to bring power supplies online quickly to meet near-term grid needs. The process allows planned resources that meet eligibility criteria to sidestep MISO’s standard interconnection queue reviews.

Under the ERAS process, MISO is studying up to 15 projects per quarter on a first-come, first-served basis. MISO will study up to 68 projects before the program ends on Aug. 31, 2027.

Last month, public interest groups sued to overturn the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission approval of MISO’s fast-track interconnection review program, along with that of the Southwest Power Pool, arguing in part that they give the reviewed projects an unfair advantage over projects in the grid operators’ standard interconnection queues.

MISO fast-track queue grows to 11.2 GW

Gas-fired generation makes up most of the capacity in the ERAS review process.

Interconnection Customer	Request Status	State	Study Cycle	Summer MW
Alliant Energy / IPL	Active	IA	1	798 MW
Alliant Energy / IPL	Active	IA	1	360 MW
Alliant Energy / WPL	Active	MN	2	162 MW
Ameren Missouri	Active	MO	2	258 MW
Ameren Missouri	Active	MO	1	310 MW
Benton Solar II	Active	MN	2	106 MW
DTE Electric	Active	MI	2	432 MW
DTE Electric	Active	MI	2	180 MW
DTE Electric	Active	MI	2	213 MW
Entergy Louisiana	Active	LA	2	478 MW
Entergy Louisiana	Done	LA	1	1,640 MW
Entergy Mississippi	Active	MS	2	820 MW
Entergy Mississippi	Active	MS	2	820 MW
Entergy Texas	Active	TX	2	820 MW
Indiana Municipal Power Agency	Active	IN	2	268 MW
Invenergy Cannon Falls	Active	MN	2	428 MW
Invenergy Clean Power Dev.	Active	WI	2	1,211 MW
Lincoln Capital Land	Active	IL	1	128 MW
MidAmerican Energy	Active	IA	1	265 MW
Minn. Municipal Power Agency	Done	MN	1	394 MW
Minnesota Power	Active	MN	1	27 MW

Minnesota Power	Active	MN	1	87 MW	
NextEra Energy Resources	Active	LA	2	208 MW	
Otter Tail Power	Active	MN	1	91 MW	
Red Butte Wind	Active	ND	2	457 MW	
Red Oak Ridge Energy Center	Done	WI	1	1,211 MW	

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Exhibit 49
2025 Energy Innovation Dataset

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State	Increase in Coal Power Cost By State (\$/MWh)	Weighted Avg Cost of Coal Power by State in 2024 (\$/MWh)
AL	37.93393999	7.480297212
AR	41.90122231	5.944721732
AZ	56.51554642	14.08344442
CA		
CO	39.33535838	10.30820944
CT		
DC		
DE	221.8761029	127.3387759
FL	53.50549995	5.689998956
GA	66.71100175	19.00841935
IA	38.63343192	9.725805912
ID		
IL	38.81721467	7.571739858
IN	58.81188822	14.90842856
KS	42.54800667	9.509355837
KY	46.35093349	9.308201802
LA	63.2739221	18.79729695
MA		
MD	73.70844799	17.10580366
ME		
MI	45.07020455	10.30771609
MN	41.18833898	5.034647863
MO	34.34030065	5.707797427
MS	60.76349909	15.46149471
MT	41.0604362	7.122524784
NC	68.01818431	19.01343787
ND	34.53581284	6.265181942
NE	27.86386333	4.19594737
NH	202.3922844	94.96768747
NJ		
NM	61.31310294	8.548435411
NV	79.4294835	28.32650169
NY		
OH	48.82266897	13.98484121
OK	53.95115581	16.43031007
OR		
PA	60.74068094	17.62564958
RI		
SC	54.28073668	7.077291056
SD	46.0068521	9.695183185
TN	53.30676073	12.71282206
TX	39.11171011	6.261700769
UT	58.53091529	23.6707588

VA	89.18327645	31.34968258
VT		
WA	46.8715898	8.836472222
WI	40.58935338	5.864332044
WV	50.24364994	14.67356958
WY	33.81029024	4.901115837

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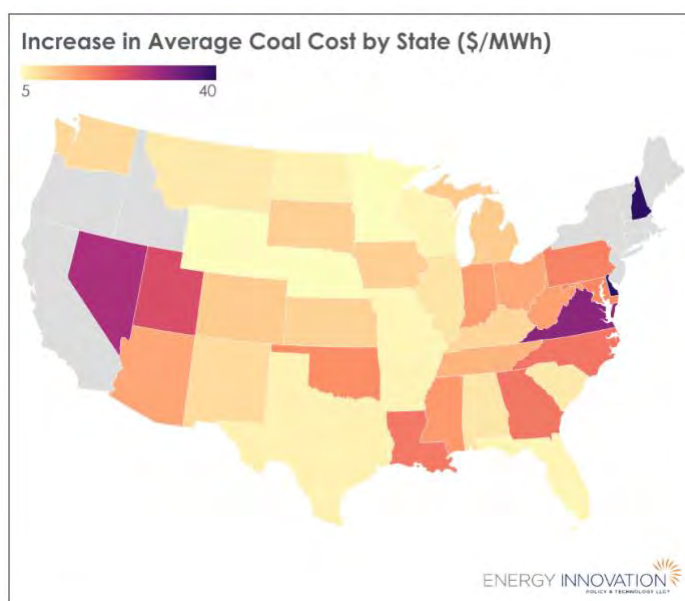
Exhibit 50
2025 Energy Innovation Coal Cost Report

COAL POWER 28 PERCENT MORE EXPENSIVE IN 2024 THAN IN 2021

Since 2021, the cost to generate coal power in the United States has increased faster than inflation, on average, meaning that coal is putting further inflationary pressure on American electricity consumers. This updated analysis on coal costs shows that in 2024, coal power was 28 percent more expensive than in 2021, costing consumers \$6.2 billion more to generate power via coal than it would have cost in 2021.

Coal power is declining across the United States, largely because of these poor economics. Total coal power use peaked in 2007 and has fallen ever since, generating barely 15 percent at the beginning of 2025. Between 2021 and the beginning of 2025, nearly 50 plants retired or are no longer burning coal, and over a third of the remaining fleet is expected to retire by 2030.¹

This reality sits in stark contrast to U.S. federal power policy. The Trump administration issued a series of executive orders in April 2025 aiming to keep coal plants running despite their impact on electricity consumers. These include orders to reduce the number of plants subject to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's Mercury and Air Toxics Standards,² and to keep uneconomic plants running long-term using short-term emergency powers.³ This has already resulted in a plant ordered to remain open – the J.H Campbell plant owned by Consumers Energy in Michigan which was scheduled to close May 31.⁴

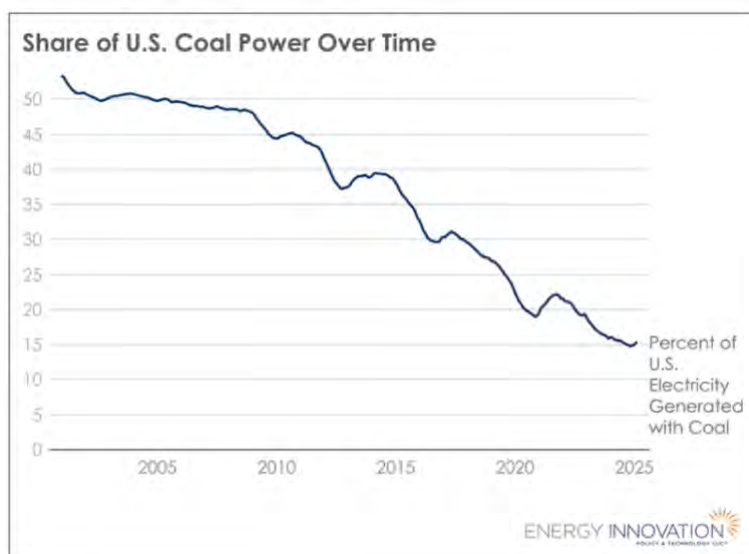


¹ <https://ieefa.org/resources/nowhere-go-down-us-coal-capacity-generation>

² https://www.whitehouse.gov/presidential-actions/2025/04/rregulatory-relief-for-certain-stationary-sources-to-promote-american-energy/?utm_source=chatgpt.com

³ <https://www.whitehouse.gov/presidential-actions/2025/04/strengthening-the-reliability-and-security-of-the-united-states-electric-grid/>

⁴ <https://apnews.com/article/michigan-power-plant-coal-trump-aa6244ce5e7cca4326e582c849e0bc98>



Source: U.S. Energy Information Administration

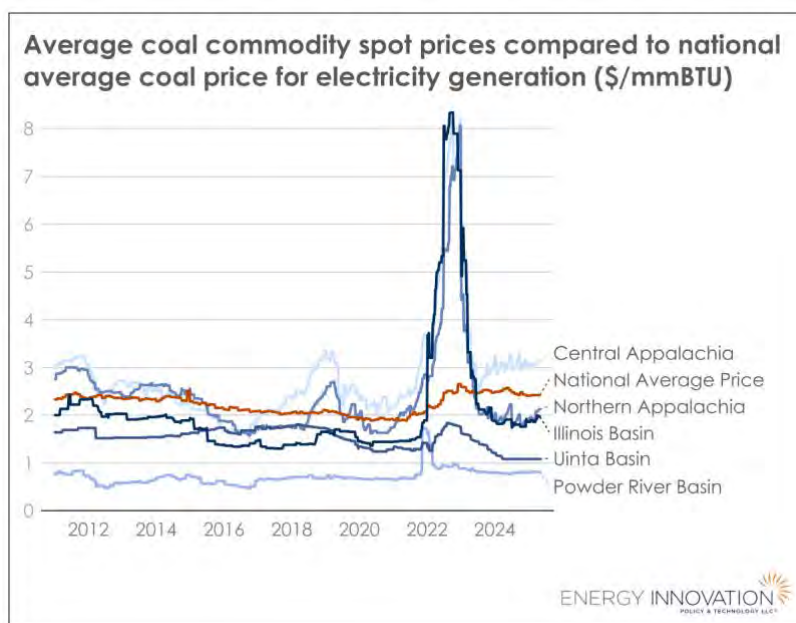
But these orders ignore the economic fundamentals underpinning coal's decline: wind, solar, batteries, natural gas, and efficiency are simply cheaper than coal power. Previous Energy Innovation research showed that 99 percent of coal plants were more expensive to continue operating compared to replacement with local wind or solar.⁵ Attempts to keep coal running beyond plants' economic lifetime will force Americans to pay higher electricity bills.

As the new analysis detailed here shows, coal plants have only gotten more expensive since our last analysis based on the 2021 coal fleet, which largely followed the trends of the overall cost of coal for fuel.

Prices spiked in 2022, after Russia invaded Ukraine. This event increased all fossil fuel prices. While coal fuel prices fell after 2022, they remained elevated over 2021 levels in most regions of the country, and the national average price of coal delivered to the electricity sector remained elevated, too.

These higher prices are seen most acutely in the Appalachian coal producing regions, where coal has been more expensive for years due to the depth of coal within the mines, a problem that only becomes more acute with more mining.⁶

Our updated analysis uses the same methodology as detailed in the Coal Cost Crossover 3.0 for calculation of coal costs,⁷ and shows coal's economic decline has continued.



Source: U.S. Energy Information Administration

⁵ <https://energyinnovation.org/report/the-coal-cost-crossover-3-0/>

⁶ <https://www.eia.gov/energyexplained/coal/prices-and-outlook.php>

⁷ This methodology does not account for any increases in cost due to very large capital expenditures such as those required to comply with air pollutant regulations. Any pollution upgrades would significantly increase the costs of plants beyond what is calculated here.

KEY FINDINGS

Power generated by coal in 2024 was 28 percent more expensive on average than in 2021

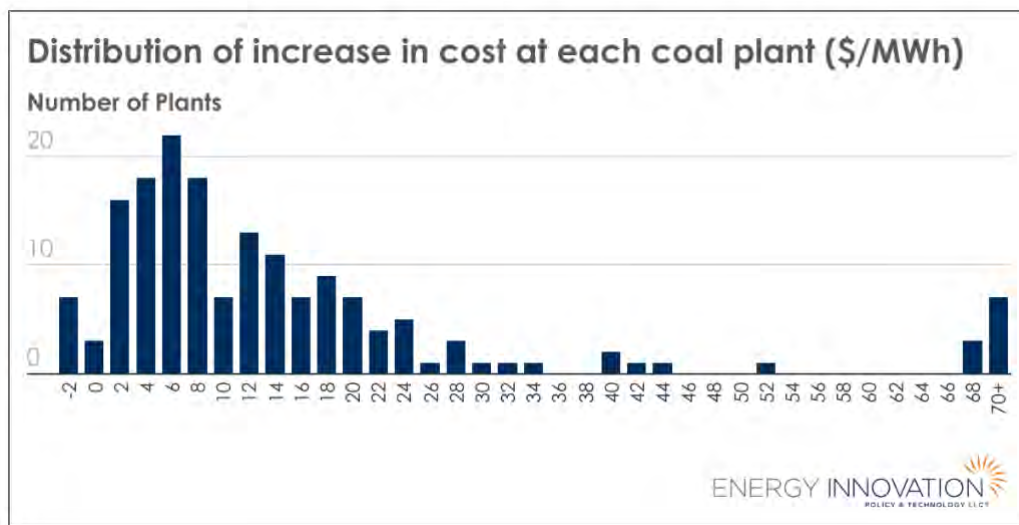
In 2021, the weighted average cost of a megawatt-hour (MWh) of power generated by coal-fired power plants was \$36/MWh, while in 2024, this number rose to \$46/MWh, or a 28 percent increase across the U.S. coal fleet. The Consumer Price Index, a proxy for inflation, increased by 16 percent from 2021 to 2024,⁸ which means the cost of power generated by coal grew significantly faster than inflation.

Factors contributing to this increase include a rise in the cost of fuel for plants, as well as increased operations and maintenance costs and capital costs due to aging plants and inflation. Plants also ran less on average, which drives up their cost in dollars per MWh, with our analysis showing that the average coal plant capacity factors dropped to 38 percent in 2024 from 46 percent in 2021.

With 622 million megawatt hours of power generated by coal in 2024, this means coal plant owners spent over \$6.2 billion more than they would have spent for that same amount of electricity generated by coal in 2021, costs that are directly passed onto consumers through electricity rates.

95 percent of remaining coal plants generated power at a higher cost than they did in 2021

We analyzed 162 plants, consisting of 181 GW of capacity, that were still operating at the beginning of 2025. Almost every plant saw costs increase but increases ranged widely between plants. 95 percent of plants were more expensive, and 76 percent of plants (142 GW) saw costs rise faster than inflation since 2021. Nearly half of these saw cost increases double the rate of inflation over this period.

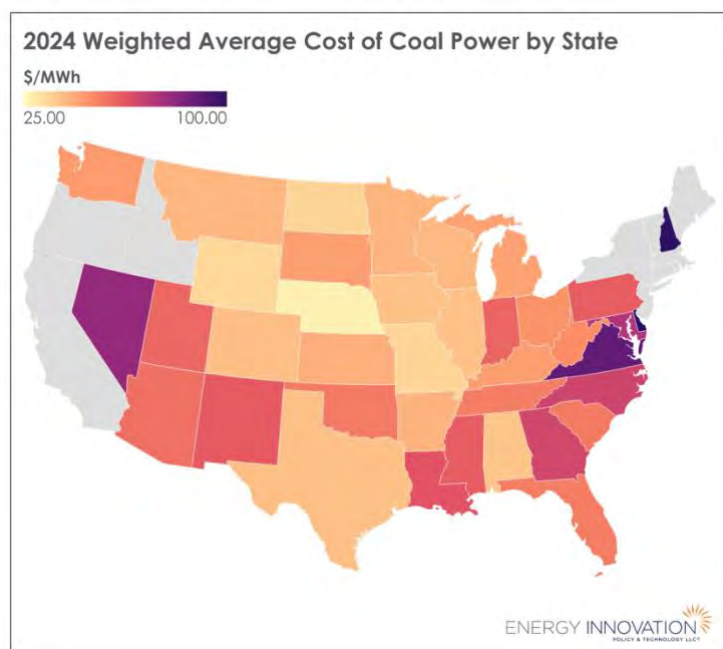


⁸ <https://www.minneapolisfed.org/about-us/monetary-policy/inflation-calculator/consumer-price-index-1913->

The cost of coal was highest in the Mid-Atlantic, Southeast, and Southwest

Delaware and New Hampshire saw the highest coal costs on average in 2024. Each state has only one plant still in operation, and plans to shut these plants down are imminent, with Delaware's scheduled for retirement in 2026 and New Hampshire's in 2028. Outside of these two, the states with the highest coal cost were Georgia, Louisiana, Maryland, Mississippi, Nevada, New Mexico, North Carolina, and Virginia.

Many of the most expensive coal-burning states source coal from the most expensive mines, with states east of the Mississippi generally seeing more expensive average costs than those in the West.



Despite these high costs, states like Georgia and South Carolina have extended the lives of several plants, including Plant Bowen and Williams. Plant Bowen was originally scheduled for retirement in 2028, but Georgia Power has recently extended its life to 2035.⁹ Its costs increased by \$26/MWh, from \$46/MWh to \$72/MWh. Williams, a 659 MW plant in South Carolina has had its retirement pushed from 2028 to 2031 or even later in Dominion Energy's recent integrated resource plan. This delay comes even as this analysis shows the plant has increased in cost by \$27/MWh, or over 50 percent.¹⁰

States in the West were not insulated from cost increases. Cost increases in Utah were particularly high, largely due to the Hunter and Huntington plants, which were

previously scheduled for retirement in 2032, but instead are now planned to stay online indefinitely. The cost increase is largely due to issues with the mine that supplies coal to these plants, the Lila Coal Mine, which caught on fire in 2022, was declared "idled indefinitely" at the end of 2023 and all 150 workers laid off.¹¹ Costs to run these two plants nearly doubled from around \$30/MWh to over \$60/MWh. Even plants that have functioning dedicated mines in the cheapest coal region of the country, the Powder River Basin, have still seen significant increases in coal costs.

⁹<https://georgiarecorder.com/briefs/two-georgia-power-coal-plants-among-the-dozens-now-exempt-from-biden-era-pollution-rule/>

¹⁰<https://www.wfyi.org/news/articles/duke-energy-plans-to-delay-gibson-coal-plant-retirement-activists-say-its-a-step-backward>

¹¹<https://www.sierraclub.org/press-releases/2025/04/dominion-energy-keeps-south-carolina-s-coal-plants-operating-2025-irp-update#:~:text=Dominion%20has%20already%20pushed%20back,potentially%20as%20late%20as%202034.>

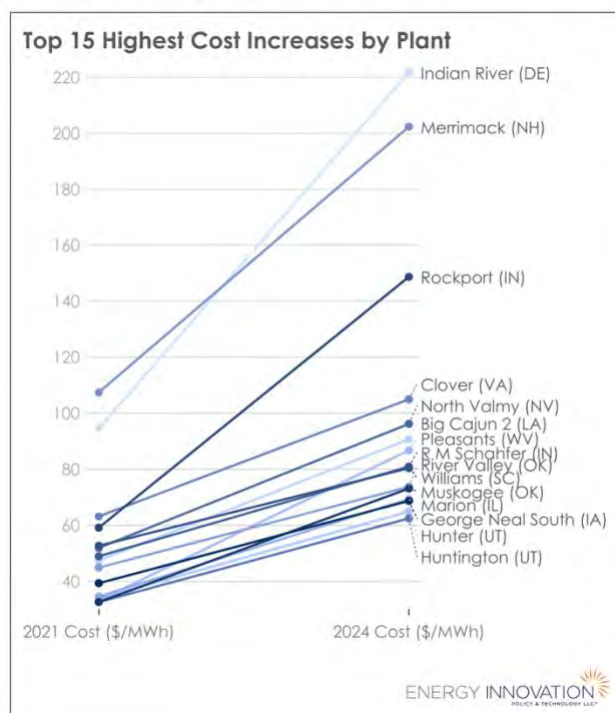
ACTIONS TO PROTECT CONSUMERS FROM RISING COSTS

Because the cost of coal power is increasing faster than inflation, the Trump administration's executive orders and attempts to keep coal-fired power plants running will increase the cost of electricity.

Coal-fired power increases its cost burden on customers year after year, and the period from 2021 to 2024 was no different. With costs increasing across America's entire fleet, states that continue to rely on coal, like Kentucky and West Virginia, have unsurprisingly suffered electric rates climbing faster than even those coal-heavy states that have begun to incorporate renewable power.¹² Even as this coal reliance has harmed electricity customers and neighboring states have declined cost recovery for upgrades, regulators in West Virginia have required plants to stay online. Meanwhile, residential electricity rates in West Virginia have risen 24 percent since 2021.

While keeping coal power online longer to meet growing load may seem like an attractive option, continuing to rely on these aging plants with high fuel costs will likely continue harming those captive customers whose policymakers force expensive plants to stay online, even as cheaper options are available. Strategies like moving new generation and battery storage through interconnection queues more quickly,¹³ getting more out of the grid by upgrading transmission lines¹⁴ and utilizing surplus interconnection capacity,¹⁵ and deploying demand response and efficiency¹⁶ can help ensure America has the capacity needed to meet growing load while protecting consumers from paying the price to subsidize uneconomic coal.

Comprehensive planning and competitive procurement are also essential to ensuring that electricity customers pay the cheapest price for power. Using best practices in integrated resource planning will make sure that least-cost resource portfolios are selected. These include inclusive stakeholder processes with technical experts participating, developing model inputs and cost estimates that align with real-world data and high quality forecasts, and analyzing multiple scenarios and sensitivities.¹⁷



¹²<https://kentuckylantern.com/2025/04/10/heavy-reliance-on-coal-has-eroded-a-ky-economic-advantage-can-trump-reverse-the-trend/>

¹³<https://collaborative.evergreenaction.com/memos/approving-clean-energy-projects-faster-could-save-consumers-505-a-year-in-these-13-states-16>

¹⁴ <https://www.2035report.com/reconductoring/>

¹⁵ <https://www.utilitydive.com/news/surplus-interconnection-gridlab-berkeley-report/740262/>

¹⁶ <https://energyinnovation.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/03/MEETING-GROWING-ELECTRICITY-DEMAND-WITHOUT-GAS.pdf>

¹⁷ <https://emp.lbl.gov/publications/best-practices-integrated-resource>

Beyond good planning, all-source competitive procurement, or the process by which all technologies are fairly considered to meet grid needs, can make sure that the cheapest plans turn into the cheapest projects built.¹⁸

Common-sense policies can also help reduce the impact of expensive coal plants on consumers. For instance, in many states, coal plants are permitted to run even when they are not the cheapest resource to meet the need. This is called “uneconomic dispatch,” costs consumers over \$2 billion annually, and is most prevalent in the Southeast and West where the lack of regional transmission operator reduces pricing transparency. Where full electricity markets are not implemented, moving towards day ahead or real time energy markets that are coordinated by a centralized entity is key to ensuring consumers pay a fair price, and utility regulators can push for better operational practices to save customers money.¹⁹

Electricity planners have options to keep the lights on, but electricity consumers generally have little to no choice in the price they pay for power. As costs continue to rise, now is not the time to double down on coal. It is up to the regulators and policymakers overseeing the coal fleet to protect consumers, and find cheaper, cleaner options to help Americans thrive.

¹⁸<https://energyinnovation.org/report/making-the-most-of-the-power-plant-market-best-practices-for-all-source-procurement-of-electric-generation/>

¹⁹ <https://rmi.org/how-utilities-can-save-customers-billions-of-dollars/>

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Exhibit 51
2023 Energy Innovation Coal Cost Report

Coal Cost Crossover 3.0: Local Renewables Plus Storage Create New Opportunities for Customer Savings and Community Reinvestment

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The cost of operating existing coal power plants in the United States continues to increase while coal jobs, generation, and mining all decrease.ⁱ New coal retirement announcements seem to happen faster, even as natural gas prices skyrocket, and renewable energy prices keep dropping.

The Inflation Reduction Act (IRA), which extended and expanded clean energy tax credits, along with new funding to guarantee loans for refinancing fossil assets and reinvesting in clean energy infrastructure, has shifted the economic scale even further toward wind and solar. But it also creates thoughtful new investment opportunities in areas burdened by existing coal plants with a 10 percent tax credit boost for projects located in nearby communities.

These factors underpin the third iteration of our Coal Cost Crossover analysis, which shows wind and solar energy are unequivocally cheaper than coal-fired generation across the country. This study finds 99 percent of all coal-fired power plants in the U.S. are more expensive to operate on a forward-

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looking basis than the all-in cost of replacement renewable energy projects, and 97 percent are more expensive than renewable energy projects sited within 45 kilometers (approximately 30 miles), a significant acceleration from our two previous analyses. For more than three quarters of U.S. coal capacity, the all-in cost per MWh of the cheapest renewable option is at least a third cheaper than the going-forward costs for the coal it would replace.

In this report we compare the cost of operating each continental U.S. coal plant in 2021, totaling 220 gigawatts (GW) of coal capacity across the country, to the estimated costs of building new wind and solar generation. We consider the wind and solar costs within two geographic scopes: local to the coal plants (within 45 kilometers) and regionally (roughly within the utility balancing area), finding that nearly all existing coal plants have multiple lower-cost clean energy replacement options.

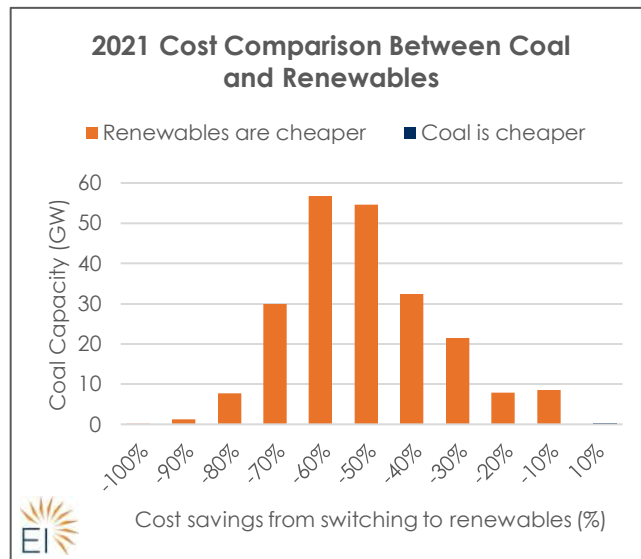
This research shows all but one of the country's 210 coal plants are more expensive to operate than either new wind or new solar. If the IRA's new energy community tax credit is included in the equation, 199 of the 210 plants are more expensive to operate compared to local solar resources sited within 45 kilometers of the plant. Local wind resources are also cost-effective and readily available, with 104 plants having cheaper wind resources within 45 kilometers.

Altogether, 205 plants have local renewable options that would be cheaper than coal-fired electricity. This potential to replace existing coal plants with cheap, local clean energy generation creates significant economic benefits for community transition. Our analysis finds replacing these plants with local solar or wind would drive \$589 billion in local capital investment that could support economic diversification, job creation, and tax revenue.

These local wind and solar resources could also help solve the problem of long interconnection queues—a significant barrier to renewables deployment. Renewable projects built near a retiring coal plant could use the existing plant's interconnection, helping to further lower costs. If more policymakers consider this dynamic, they can streamline economic replacement and anticipate coal retirements, which are accelerating due to the cost dynamics analyzed in this report.

While solar and wind replacement resources provide significant low-cost energy and reliability value to the grid, savings generated by switching from more expensive coal to cheaper clean energy can finance other resources to provide additional energy and reliability value.

We find that the savings generated by shifting to local solar could fund the addition of 137 GW of four-hour batteries across all plants, and 80 percent or more of the capacity at a third of existing coal plants—the economics of replacing coal with renewables are so favorable that they could fund a massive battery storage buildout to add reliability value along with emissions reductions. However, it is important to remember reliability is a system attribute—replacement renewable



portfolios need not bear sole responsibility for replacing the reliability services of individual coal plants.

While the economic case is clear and virtually universal, barriers remain to replacing coal with clean energy, and policymakers must act to unlock the cost savings and human health benefits for coal communities while reducing climate pollution.

Several policies can enable a faster coal-to-clean transition. Specifically:

- **To prepare the way for coal transition, regulators and system operators should:**
 - Improve methods to assess reliability and resource adequacy reflecting the reliability value of renewable portfolios and valuing the reliability attributes of a high-renewables grid.
 - Update interconnection study rules to leveraging existing coal plant interconnection rights to speed grid connection processes for local renewable replacement resources.
- **To proactively pursue the transition, regulators should:**
 - Encourage utilities to utilize IRA financing programs available through the Departments of Energy and Agriculture to remove financial barriers to coal community economic transition and investment.
 - Enable competitive resource procurement.
 - Require re-assessment of any utility investment plan, including integrated resource plans and market-based solicitations for renewable supply, completed prior to IRA as renewables costs are now out of date.
- **To create a just transition for affected communities, state legislatures and energy offices should:**
 - Plan for and fund a coal community-centered economic transition, where local clean energy resources are the anchor for a more expansive economic transition plan.

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INTRODUCTION

The U.S. power sector is in transition, with coal-fired power generation falling to 55 percent of its 2007 peak in 2021. This transition is also decreasing the number of coal mines, power plants, and workers. Over the same period, utility-scale solar and wind generation have increased more than

18,000 percent and 1,000 percent, respectively, as costs declined by 90 percent for solar and 72 percent for wind.^{1,ii}

In 2019, Energy Innovation Policy & Technology LLC® partnered with Vibrant Clean Energy to compile and analyze a 2018 dataset of capital, operations and maintenance, and fuel costs for coal, wind, and solar. Our first Coal Cost Crossover report found that 62 percent of existing coal capacity was uneconomic compared to producing the same amount of energy with new local wind or solar. To make this comparison, we evaluated the marginal cost of running each coal plant with the levelized cost of new wind and solar, where the levelized cost of energy (LCOE) is the cost of building and operating a new resource divided by its energy production over its lifetime. The analysis projected that by 2025, more than 80 percent of the coal fleet would be unable to compete against new renewables or would be retired, even without federal incentives.²

In 2021, we completed a similar analysis of 2019 data that considered the National Renewable Energy Laboratory's (NREL) 2018 Annual Technology Baseline (ATB) forecast showing steep cost declines for solar and wind energy, as well as an extension of the federal investment tax credit for solar coupled with a continued production tax credit for wind. The Coal Cost Crossover 2.0 report found that the coal crossover had significantly expanded, with 72 percent of coal capacity and 80 percent of plants already more expensive to run compared to either new solar or wind, including tax credits in effect.³

This Coal Cost Crossover 3.0 report uses new 2021 data to reevaluate the coal crossover economic dynamic. Since our 2.0 report, solar and wind costs continued fall, coal prices kept rising, and coal plant capacity factors continued decreasing, all continuing the trends observed between 2017-2019.ⁱⁱⁱ

Now, new federal tax credits in the IRA make the economic case for replacing coal with clean energy unequivocal. IRA incentive bonuses for clean energy projects located near retired coal infrastructure offer new, additional savings and reinvestment opportunities. This report combines elements of the previous two studies, analyzing both regional and local renewable resources, but now accounts for the new incentives.⁴ Given the IRA's expanded tax credits, we find all coal plants but one are more costly to run compared to new wind and solar energy, and all but five are more expensive than wind or solar sited within a 45 kilometer (km) radius.

Of course, examining relative economics using levelized cost faces limitations. The overall value of these power plants depends on much more than just cost. While the coal cost crossover describes a scenario in which renewable resources replace coal generation on a one-to-one basis, the reality is that coal retirement is a complex process that depends on the reliability needs of the local and

ⁱⁱ Coal generation decreased from 2,016,455 gigawatt-hours (GWh) in 2007 to 875,885 GWh in 2021. Solar generation increased from only 612 GWh in 2007 to 115,258 GWh in 2021. Wind generation increased from 34,449 GWh in 2007 to 378,196 GWh in 2021. In total, coal generation was still higher in 2021 than wind and solar in the U.S. by 382 GWh.

ⁱⁱⁱ Renewable costs continued to fall through 2021, the year we used for this analysis. Costs across the energy industry rose in 2022 due to supply chain constraints but are expected to fall again as supply issues ease.

regional electricity grid, which in turn, depends on the entire resource portfolio's dynamics. For example, in some regions one-to-one replacement with a combination of wind and solar resources may not adversely affect reliability. In others it may, depending on what other resources are serving the power grid.

Many communities also depend on coal plants for jobs and tax revenue. In addition to reliability value, policymakers must consider the potential of replacement energy resources to provide similar economic value. The new IRA incentives to locate replacement resources in the same communities where coal plants sit can contribute to a sustainable, economic transition. As we show in this report, these incentives fundamentally improve the prospect for coal communities to benefit from new clean energy resource development.

This report traces the shifting role of coal in the U.S. power sector and identifies key changes in the economics of coal-fired electricity generation due to the IRA's passage. We explain our coal cost crossover calculations, including how we compiled the coal dataset using publicly available data, and how we calculated the LCOE for both local and regional wind and solar using open-source modeling tools developed by NREL.

Four scenarios compare new renewable generation costs to marginal coal costs: regional wind, regional solar, local wind, and local solar, effectively assessing the replacement of every unit of energy produced by the coal plants. For the local solar scenario, we also analyze the economics of adding four hours of battery storage capacity to the solar resources. This analysis demonstrates a clean alternative to coal generation with added reliability value and an opportunity for local investment and economic diversification.

Finally, we provide policy recommendations to help policymakers successfully transition away from polluting, higher cost coal power to cheaper, clean energy. Because the IRA aligns the aims of least-cost electricity planning and procurement with an economic transition for coal communities, we highlight the opportunity for gradual economic transition centered around replacing coal generation with local renewables and storage. Local replacement also has the advantage of potentially being able to leverage existing grid interconnection rights. We describe how utilities can directly take advantage of key IRA provisions, as well as how policymakers can ensure utilities account for the changing economic landscape in their planning and procurement. We also explain how just transition planning, accurate reliability assessments, and transmission buildout can speed up and smooth out coal's phaseout in the U.S.

COAL'S ROLE IN THE U.S. POWER SECTOR

Coal-fired power was the bedrock of a reliable, affordable U.S. power sector for nearly a century. But since 2010, coal generation has declined 52 percent, and renewable power generation exceeded coal generation for the first time in 2020. In 2011, the U.S. had 317.6 GW of coal-fired

electricity generation capacity,⁵ but that number fell to 221 GW in 2021. Nearly a quarter of the remaining fleet is slated for retirement by 2029.⁶

Several factors explain this decline, including pollution control standards requiring costly retrofits, cheap natural gas and renewable power, state clean energy policies, and improved building and industrial efficiency.⁷ Coal's decline has been accompanied by a precipitous fall in coal industry employment.⁸ But even as employment fell, reduced pollution from coal plants dramatically improved public health. Annual deaths attributed to air pollution from coal plants fell from 30,000 deaths in 2000 to less than 3,000 in 2019.⁹

Coal's role in electricity system reliability has shrunk considerably. Coal-fired power plants operate as part of an integrated power system where supply and demand must remain in constant balance. The decline in coal-fired generation and capacity, and replacement by a more diverse portfolio of gas and renewable power plants with vastly different operational characteristics indicates that coal is not necessary for reliable power systems. For example, the United Kingdom reliably operated its grid without any coal generation for two straight months in 2020.¹⁰

The role of coal plants and their operation in the electricity system has also changed over time. Historically, coal plants operated as “baseload” power plants, relying on a relatively low-cost fuel supply to run at a constant, high output. But now markets are pushing coal plants to operate more variably, ramping up and down as the economics and availability of renewable energy fluctuate throughout the day and over a season.¹¹ Coal plants in our dataset had an average capacity factor of 46 percent, which means they ran, on average, only 46 percent of the time. This on-again, off-again operation increases wear and tear on coal plants designed for a different operating paradigm.

Displacement by cheaper gas and renewables means baseload operation is increasingly unprofitable for existing coal—operating at high output when plentiful clean energy resources operate at zero marginal cost is a waste of fuel. According to RMI, since 2012 utilities could have saved customers \$1–\$2 billion per year by turning down coal and relying on lower-cost, less polluting resources. This is partially due to self-scheduling, a practice through which monopoly utilities uneconomically run their coal plants in wholesale markets and charge captive customers the difference.¹²

Replacing coal with clean energy is not a one-to-one exercise. System operators and utilities only gain confidence that coal retirements won't adversely affect system reliability by evaluating the reliability of the entire energy portfolio. A recent North American Electric Reliability Corporation (NERC) assessment highlighted the need to build new generation before retiring old generation when reliability risks are present.¹³ But recent studies such as the 2030 Report, which found an 80 percent clean, coal-free electricity system to be both reliable and affordable, confirm we can maintain a dependable electricity system without coal.¹⁴

The U.S. will continue relying on coal plants for reliability until we add enough new clean resources (including demand-side resources and transmission) to replace their reliability and energy services.

The Coal Cost Crossover 3.0 analysis highlights opportunities to economically displace coal-fired generation and replace those services in part. With the IRA's passage, the economic case for shifting from coal to renewables is stronger than ever.

INFLATION REDUCTION ACT IMPACTS ON U.S. ENERGY ECONOMICS

The IRA will significantly affect the relative economics of coal and clean power in the U.S. In this analysis, the IRA's extended and improved tax credits, along with a pair of refinancing programs, have the greatest effect on the cost of coal compared to renewables.

Tax Credits

Clean energy tax credits have arguably been the most important federal climate policies to date, driving nationwide solar and wind growth. The IRA builds upon this successful policy to make the clean energy transition cost effective for the long term, with earlier Energy Innovation® analysis finding the credits to be the most impactful IRA provision for electricity sector decarbonization.¹⁵

The production tax credit (PTC) and investment tax credit (ITC) are the IRA's two key tax credits for new clean electricity resources. Historically, the PTC has primarily supported wind energy resources, and at its full value paid approximately \$26 per megawatt-hour (MWh) in 2022 dollars over the first 10 years of a wind project's commercial operations.¹⁶ The ITC has largely supported solar resources, and at its full value offered a tax credit for 30 percent of total system cost, paid out when it is first placed in service. Prior to the IRA's passage, the PTC had expired, and the ITC had begun phasing out with a value of 26 percent for projects starting construction in 2022.¹⁷ The IRA created long-term certainty for these tax credits, with the extension lasting through 2032 or until electricity sector greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions fall 75 percent below 2022 levels, whichever is later.

The IRA also immediately revived a long-expired option for solar projects placed in service in 2022 or later to elect the PTC instead of the ITC, which ensures that tax credits will stay impactful as solar capital costs continue to fall. In addition, the IRA provides an ITC for stand-alone energy storage technologies placed in service in 2022 or later, removing prior restrictions that required storage to be co-located with and charged primarily from solar energy resources.

Beyond the extension and increased flexibility, the IRA created several human impact bonuses that increase the value of the tax credit. To qualify for the full credit, a project must meet prevailing wage and apprenticeship requirements. Additionally, a project can earn a 10 percent boost for meeting domestic content requirements and an additional 10 percent for locating the project in an energy community (which includes census tracts in which coal-fired power plants have been retired since 2009 and adjacent census tracts, as defined by the IRA, see Figure 1).^{iv}

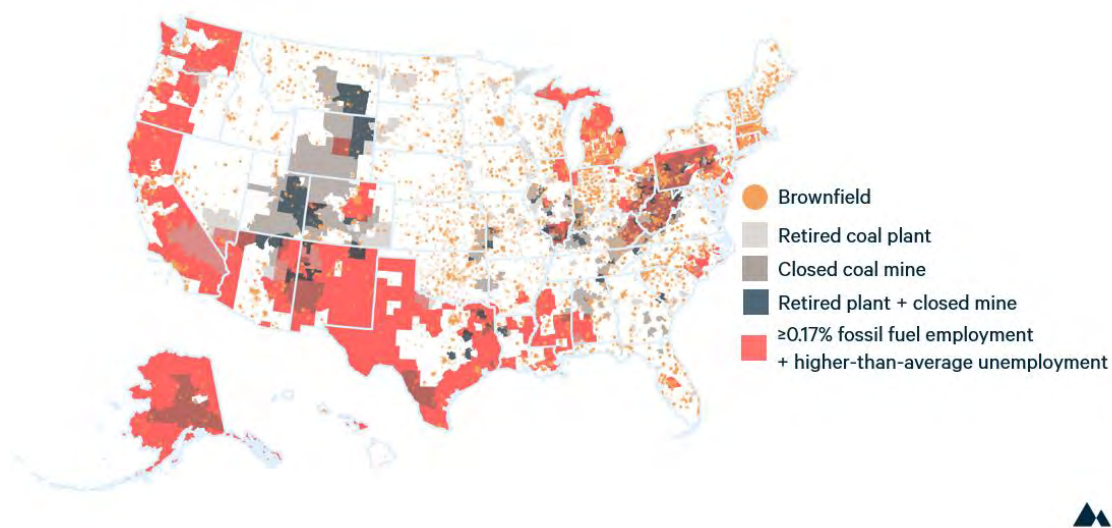


Figure 1. Map of probable energy communities, as defined by the IRA. Source: Resources for the Future.¹⁸

The combined impacts of energy community, labor, and domestic content bonuses reshape solar economics in coal communities. The median cost of new solar in these communities is about \$24/MWh with low variance, while the median marginal cost of coal is \$36/MWh with higher variance (see Figure 2). As discussed later in this report, this cost differential provides significant headroom for additional battery storage, which can also qualify for energy community bonuses.

^{iv} The 10 percent credit boost for siting projects in energy communities works slightly differently for the ITC and PTC, providing a 10-percentage point ITC bonus and a 10 percent bonus on the PTC credit value.

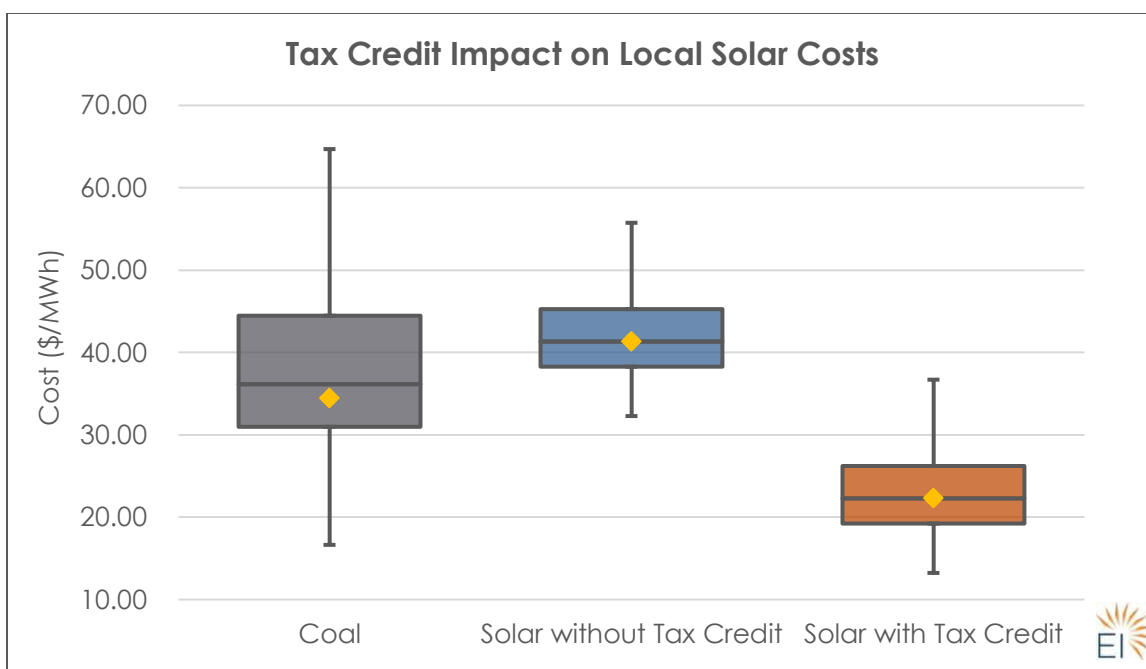


Figure 2. Impact of tax credits on local solar LCOEs in our analysis, including the energy community bonus. The yellow diamond indicates the average cost of each resource (weighted by generation). With the IRA, the economic case for local solar becomes unequivocal.

Reinvestment Financing

The PTC and ITC play the crucial role of decreasing the cost of developing clean electricity resources, but upfront cost is far from the only barrier to moving from coal generation to clean alternatives. One of the biggest hurdles to this transition is the rate impacts of adding large capital investments to utility rates when billions are still owed to debtors and investors on uneconomic coal assets. But a new IRA financing program to invest in clean energy infrastructure in current or former coal communities can overcome this hurdle. As the program only lasts until 2026, time is of the essence.

Most U.S. coal capacity is owned and operated by monopoly utilities, which collectively hold at least \$176 billion in unpaid fossil plant balances^v—accounting ledgers that represent the debt and equity capital structures utilities used to finance these plants over time. Utilities include this capital cost in electricity rates, typically recovered over the plant’s entire lifetime in a financial arrangement somewhat similar to a conventional 30-year mortgage (albeit one that is continuously extended as new capital is invested at coal plants). As long as the plant remains in operation or

until the investment is fully depreciated, customers are generally obligated to continue to cover these costs, which include substantial returns for utility shareholders. Without a change to this structure, monopoly utilities have little to gain from early coal plant retirement and they may perceive retirement or partial replacement as putting cost recovery at risk.

New IRA programs provide flexible, low-cost financing to clean up utility balance sheets by reducing the cost of investing in new local clean energy infrastructure, including wind, solar, batteries, transmission infrastructure, and reuse of the coal plant itself. Utilities and other power plant operators, such as independent power producers, can access low-cost government-backed loans to reduce the rate impacts associated with large capital expenditures required to transition from coal to clean and stimulate local economic development. The IRA created two novel programs to support utilities in transition:

First, the IRA appropriated \$5 billion to the U.S. Department of Energy's (DOE) Loan Programs Office (LPO) via the Energy Infrastructure Reinvestment (EIR) program to support \$250 billion in loan-making authority to facilitate refinancing and reinvestment in capital projects at fossil infrastructure sites, using below-market interest rates. Funds can be used flexibly to “re-tool, re-power, re-purpose, or replace” fossil infrastructure across the entire energy industry (including non-utilities), reducing the cost of replacement resources and creating numerous pathways for community diversification and redevelopment. The financing provisions are flexible enough to work for all parties—utilities, consumers, and communities. These stakeholders can use the financing to reduce the near-term rate impacts of capital transition, allowing new investment to arrive sooner in these communities that sorely need it as aging fossil plants ramp down.

Second, the IRA authorized a \$9.7 billion program specifically for rural electric cooperatives through the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA). Rural electric cooperatives provide electricity to more than 40 million people. Their power supply is particularly coal-heavy, with coal accounting for 28 percent of generation in 2020 compared to 19 percent nationwide.¹⁹ This means surrounding rural communities bear a disproportionate burden of coal-related pollution, while member-owned cooperative customers remain tethered to coal debt. While members may want to transition to clean energy to capture pollution and cost savings, this debt holds them back. Furthermore, simply shutting down cooperative coal plants could impact communities that rely on relatively high-paying jobs where economic opportunities are sparse. To address these challenges, the IRA funds USDA to provide direct grants or loans for rural electric cooperatives to procure clean energy, with an express purpose of reducing GHG emissions.

METHODOLOGY

As in the previous two coal cost crossover studies, this report compares the marginal cost of energy (MCOE) for existing coal plants across the U.S. with the LCOE for solar and wind. We compare the same coal costs to four different cost scenarios for renewables. Scenarios vary by resource type

(wind or solar) and by geographic scope (regional or local). For the first two scenarios, regional solar and regional wind, we separately examine the costs of solar and wind located within the same region as a given coal plant, calculating the LCOE to replace each plant's annual generation within a nearby region that corresponds roughly to the utility's service territory.^{vi}

For the last two scenarios, local solar and local wind, we look at local costs for solar and wind separately, calculating the cost if all replacement renewables are sited within a 45 km radius of the existing coal plant. Local solar and wind projects get the additional energy community tax credit bonuses in the IRA, which helps to offset losses in power resource quality due to the local siting constraint. A more detailed explanation of our methodology is available in this report's Appendix.

Coal Economics

To calculate the MCOE at each coal plant, we sum three cost components: the cost of fuel, the fixed and variable costs of operations and maintenance, and the going-forward routine capital expenditure costs, each calculated on a per-MWh basis. Using 2021 U.S. Energy Information Administration (EIA) data, we calculate the total going-forward marginal cost for all coal plants operated by utilities or independent power producers in the continental U.S., excluding plants that are used for co-generation of heat. These costs appropriately comprise marginal cost because they would not be paid if the coal plant retired. By contrast, we do not include unpaid capital balances as part of the MCOE because their payment does not depend on whether the plant retires.^{vii}

Renewable Economics

We used NREL's Regional Energy Deployment System (ReEDS) model to calculate solar and wind LCOE values, which are all-in estimates of the cost of energy output in MWh, taking into account all capital expenditure, operations, and maintenance costs. We used the 2021 actual cost values from the 2022 NREL ATB.

The ReEDS model uses solar and wind resource potential values at around 50,000 sites across the country, accounting for comprehensive exclusion criteria, including land cover, elevation, slope, environmentally sensitive areas, and local siting regulations. The model also provides annual capacity factors at each of these sites. The site-specific LCOE is then calculated based on capacity factor, as well as a comprehensive list of parameters including capital costs, fixed operation and maintenance costs, equity costs, interest rates, construction costs by location, construction period,

^{vi} We use regions defined by NREL's Regional Energy Deployment System model, explained in detail in the appendix.

^{vii} These remaining balances are the primary target of the reinvestment programs created by the IRA. Though we don't include the balances in our cost calculations, the potential to refinance and replace with clean energy is another path toward reducing coal generation beyond operating costs.

IRA tax credits, and depreciation. We calculate the LCOE after accounting for both the ITC and PTC 2022 tax credit values, using the cheaper of the two.

Renewables key assumptions

Across the four renewable scenarios, we make several key assumptions:

- Regional solar and wind costs include new grid interconnection costs, while local resources do not.
- All renewable resources qualify for the prevailing wage and apprenticeship hour tax credit bonus.
- All wind resources qualify for the full domestic content bonus, while 42 percent of solar resources qualify for the domestic content tax credit bonus based on current domestic content levels.²⁰
- Storage does not qualify for the domestic content credit bonus.
- All tax credits are reduced by 10 percent to account for transfer losses.

Regional renewables scenarios

For the two regional renewable cost scenarios, regional wind and regional solar, we start by finding the LCOE for regional wind and solar that could replace each plant's 2021 annual generation. The region we study for each plant is based on the ReEDS balancing area (of which there are 134, see Appendix) in which the plant is located, corresponding roughly to the utility territory. For each coal plant, we sort the wind and solar sites available in that region by LCOE and choose the best sites based on capacity factor to replace the coal generation. For selected sites within each region, we capacity-weight the site-level LCOEs to estimate the weighted average regional LCOE. Interconnection costs associated with transmission lines that connect the project to the grid are also added into these LCOEs, while we make no assumption about broader grid impacts.

Local renewables scenarios

For the local wind and local solar scenarios, we first determine the viability of the local wind or solar replacements for each coal plant. Using the plant's latitude and longitude as the center, we create concentric circles around each coal plant, starting with a radius of 5 km and moving up to 45 km in 5 km increments. We identify the solar and wind sites that fall within each of these concentric circles and separately estimate the site-level capacity and annual generation potential for solar and wind resources. We then estimate the minimum radius needed to replace the annual generation from each coal power plant with solar or wind resources.

If there is enough generation found within the 45 km radius, we then determine the local LCOE by capacity-weighting the site-level LCOEs for the maximum radius needed to match the existing

plant's generation. For solar, nearly all plants meet the generation requirement within a 20 km radius while for wind, the average radius is much larger and there are many plants without enough wind generation within 45 km because of the more site-specific nature of wind energy potential and the larger land footprint (see Figure 3).

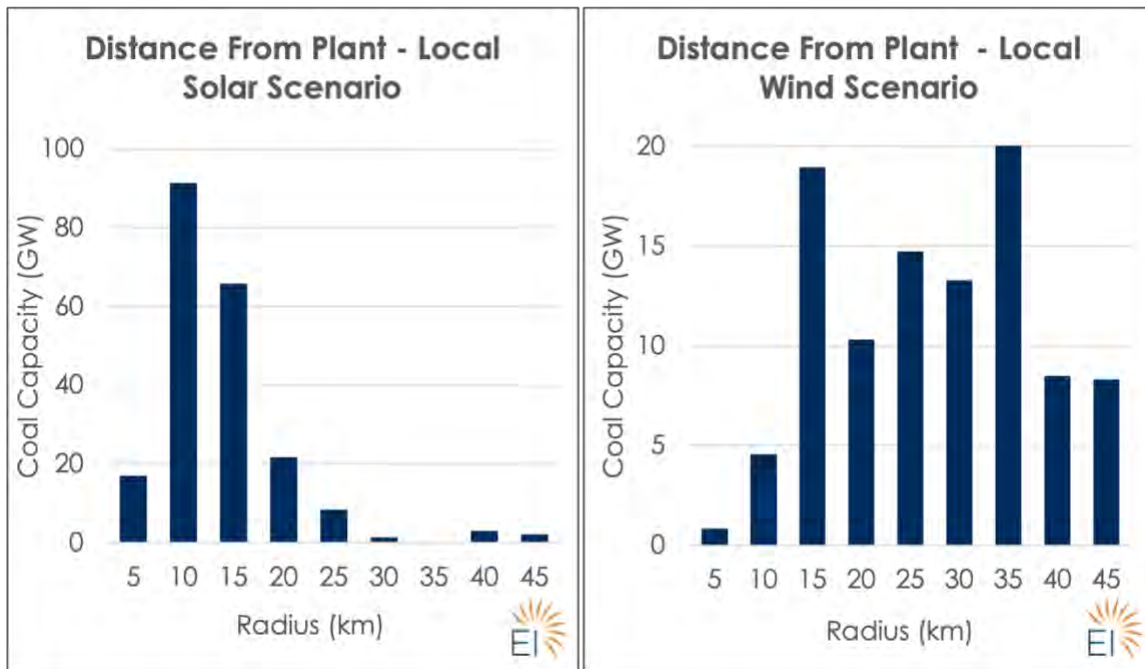


Figure 3. This figure plots the radius needed to match each plant's generation, while still being cheaper than coal, for both local solar and local wind. The majority of coal capacity has enough solar potential within a 20 km radius to meet the plant's entire annual generation in our local analysis and still provide cheaper energy than coal. While many plants have sufficient and cost-effective local wind nearby, less potential is available in close proximity for local wind.

For the local scenarios, we assume that all projects sited within 45 km of the plant will receive the IRA's 10 percent energy community bonus tax credit, given that both the census tract and neighboring census tract to any retiring coal plant fit the IRA's definition of an energy community. For these scenarios, interconnection costs are not included in the LCOEs as we assume that the new resources can utilize the existing plant's interconnection infrastructure.

Storage analysis

For the local solar scenario, we also analyze the economic feasibility of installing four-hour battery storage capacity along with the solar to provide additional reliability services to the grid. For this analysis, we start with a \$330 per kilowatt-hour (kWh) price for the storage,^{viii} and we include a 36

^{viii} This price is based on the 2021 actual storage costs in the NREL 2022 ATB.

percent ITC (the full credit plus the energy community bonus, minus transferability losses). After calculating the savings from replacing the coal generation with local solar generation, we then determine how much battery capacity those cost savings would fund. Due to uncertainty in the battery price going forward, we calculate the battery capacity funded for storage prices ranging from \$100 to \$400/kWh.

RESULTS & DISCUSSION

Main findings:

1. >99 percent of plants studied are more expensive to run than to replace with new renewable wind or solar energy.
2. >97 percent of plants studied are more expensive to run than to replace with either local solar or local wind energy within 45 km (approximately 30 miles) of the coal plant.
3. Replacing coal generation with local solar resources could drive up to \$589 billion in clean energy investment in energy communities across the U.S.
4. Replacing coal generation with local renewable resources could save enough to finance installation of 137 GW of four-hour battery storage—62 percent of the coal fleet's nameplate capacity.

Overall comparison between coal and renewable costs

For this report we combined elements of the two previous Coal Cost Crossover reports: We looked at replacing coal power with regional wind or solar resources *and* at replacing coal power with local wind or solar resources close enough to a plant to take advantage of its transmission connection and the energy community bonus tax credit. Across these four scenarios, we found that:

- 199 plants are more expensive to run than to replace with regional wind.
- 190 plants are more expensive to run than to replace than regional solar.
- 104 plants are more expensive to run than to replace than local wind.
- 199 plants are more expensive to run than to replace than local solar.

Analyzing these scenarios together, we found all but a single coal plant^{ix} in the dataset of U.S. coal plants to be more expensive (lower renewable LCOE than coal MCOE) compared to replacement by at least one of these renewable options. Between local solar and local wind, 205 out of 210 plants had at least one cost-effective local renewable option. Of these, 98 had *both* local solar and local wind options that were cheaper than coal (see Figure 4). This represents a sharp acceleration

^{ix} The single coal plant is the Dry Forks Station in Wyoming. It is the newest and among the cleanest coal plants in the U.S. coal fleet and is still only \$0.32/MWh cheaper to operate than available regional wind. It is also a testbed for carbon capture use and storage (see <https://www.powermag.com/dry-fork-a-model-of-modern-u-s-coal-power/>). A similar plant built today would include capital costs and would not be competitive with new renewables.

in the previously observed trend in our coal cost crossover reports (see Figure 5). The full results of all four scenarios can be viewed in the accompanying [spreadsheet](#).

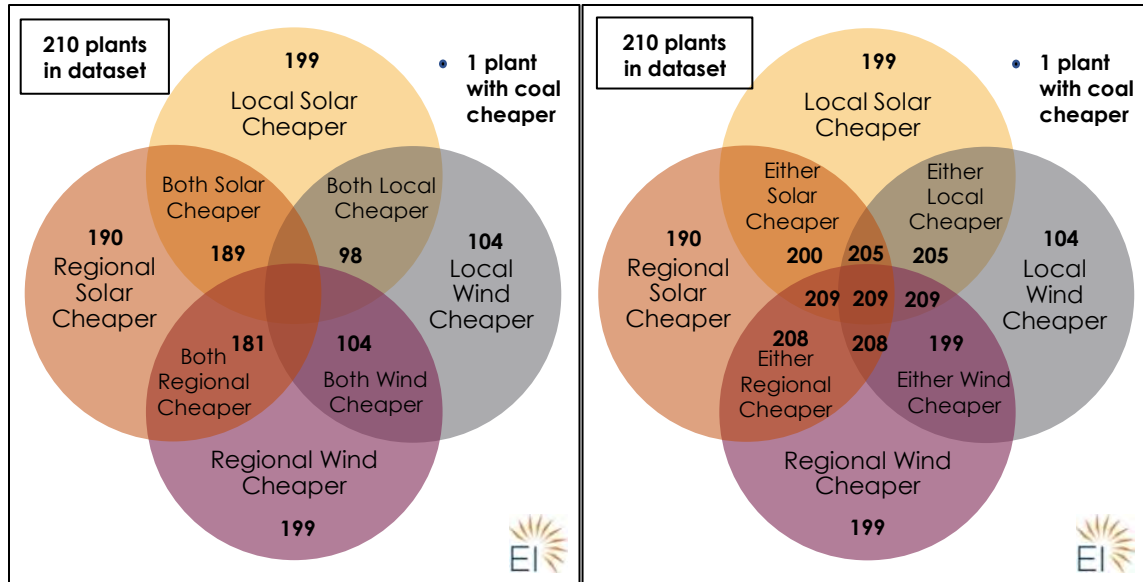


Figure 4. A closer look at the 210 coal plants in our data set based on the specific comparison with renewables that was made. The Venn diagram on the right looks at inclusive intersections (either resource is cheaper than coal) while the one on the left looks at exclusive intersections (both resources are cheaper than coal). We did not analyze any hybrid combinations of wind and solar, although this is clearly a possibility in the local context (98 plants) and the regional context (181 plants).

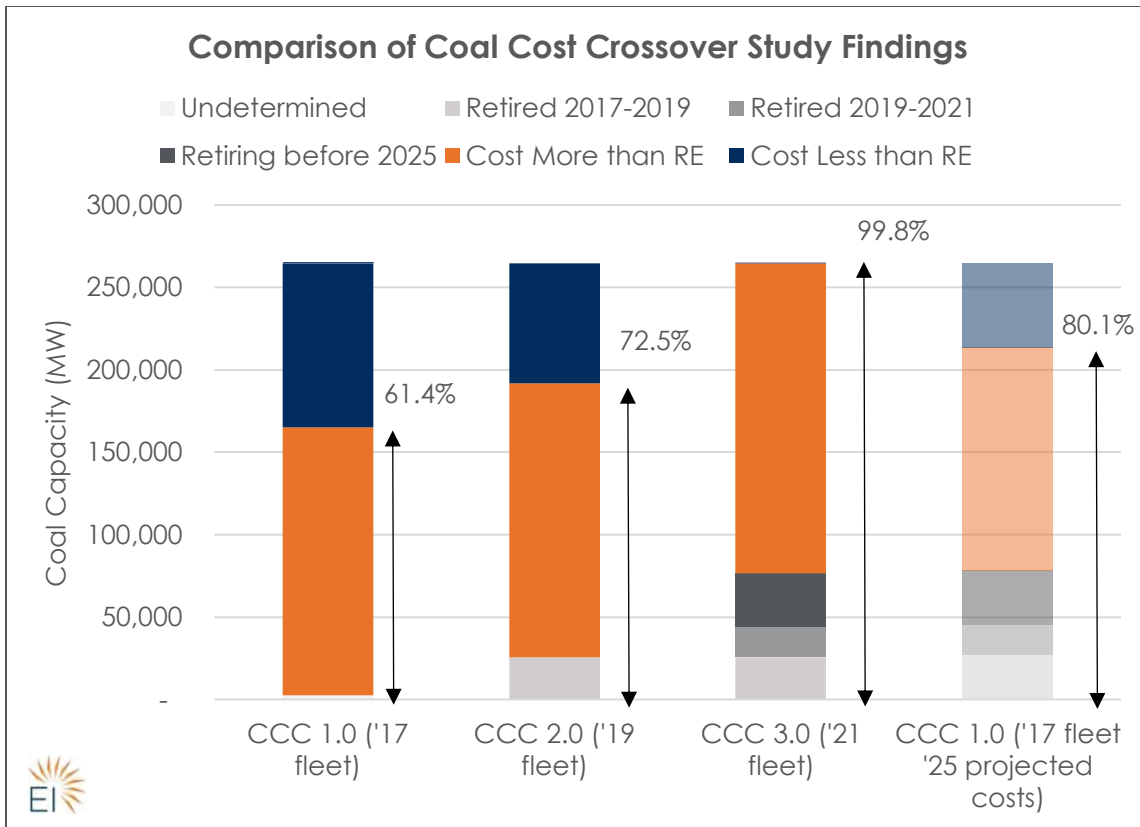


Figure 5. Comparison of our two original analyses of renewables and coal cost-competitiveness. The first included a 2025 projection for renewable costs to compare with 2017 coal going-forward costs. This comparison highlights how much the trend for coal being uneconomic compared to replacement by renewables has accelerated since the first report published in 2019.

Comparison between coal and cheapest available wind or solar resource

For the plants that were uneconomic, multiple renewable options were less expensive than coal generation, but regional wind and local solar were most frequently the cheapest overall resources (see Figure 6 and Figure 7). Regional wind was the cheapest option for 117 plants, while the most economic resource was local solar for 75 plants, local wind for 13, and regional solar for only four.

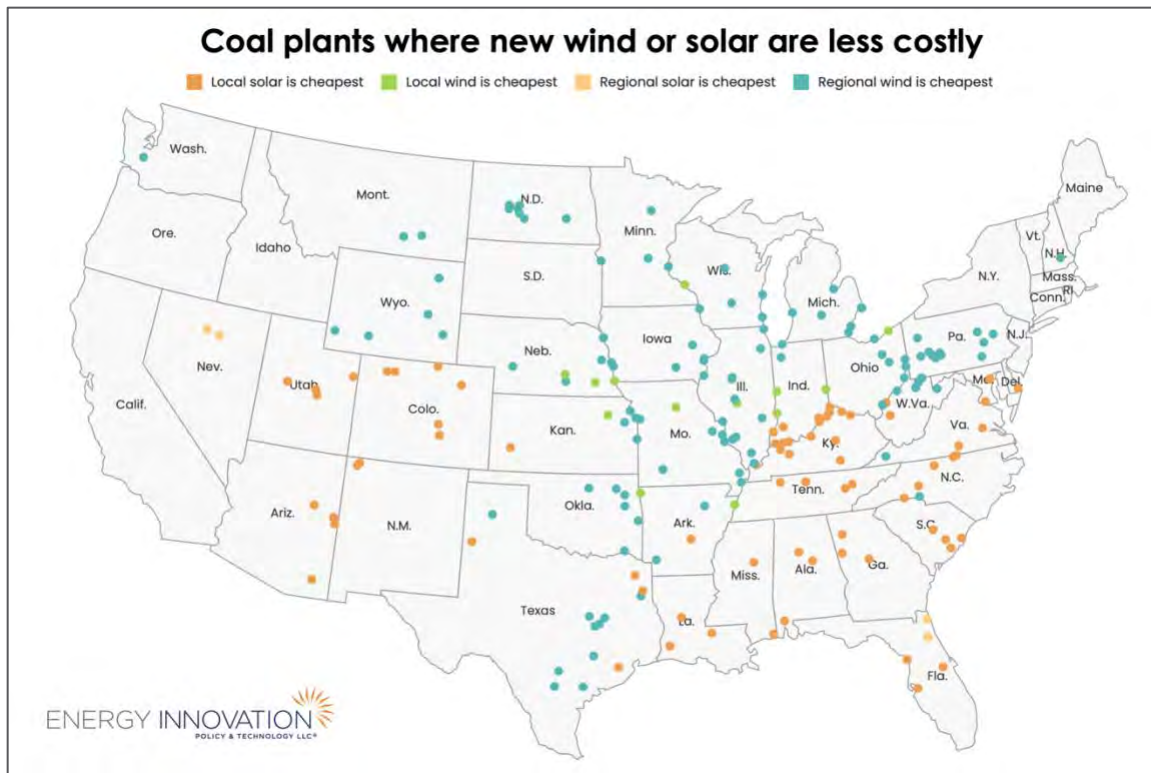


Figure 6. While most plants have multiple cheaper renewable options, the overall cheapest renewable resource varies by geography.

Notably, for solar, local replacement is cheaper than regional replacement in many cases due to low regional cost variability, lower transmission spur line costs,^x and IRA energy community bonuses. For regional versus local wind, however, regional resources tend to be cheaper even with the added costs due to higher variation in resource quality for wind—going further from the plant often yields significantly better wind energy sites.

^x A “spur line” is the transmission line that connects a renewable project to the bulk system at a point of interconnection. In this analysis, we do not make assumptions about interconnection costs beyond the cost of building the spur line. In this limited respect, we anticipate that local wind and solar costs would be lower than regional renewables, because local renewables are adjacent to the coal plant’s point of interconnection. We recognize that interconnection costs for renewables have been increasing for a variety of reasons as they sit in ever-growing interconnection queues around the country, but also hypothesize that some renewables could reuse existing coal plant interconnection rights with very low interconnection costs. See <https://emp.lbl.gov/news/pjm-data-show-substantial-increases>.

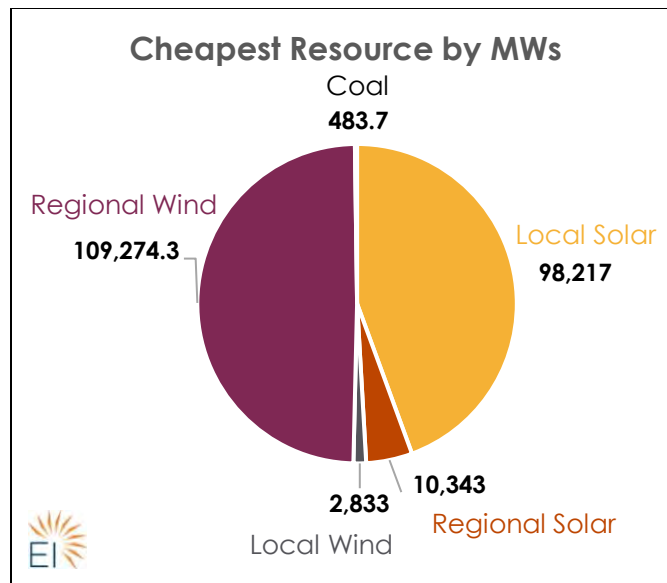


Figure 7. This chart shows the cheapest renewable resource option for each MW of coal capacity studied in this report. Local solar and regional wind are the cheapest renewable resources for nearly all plants.

We still see a wide range in the relative economics between existing coal and new wind or solar, with the all-in costs for the cheapest renewable option anywhere from zero (for one plant) up to 80 percent cheaper than the going-forward costs for coal, absent a few edge cases. Typically, the least economic plants have low capacity factors that result in very high fixed marginal costs per MWh or very high fuel costs.

For more than three-quarters of U.S. coal capacity, the all-in cost per MWh of the cheapest renewable option is at least a third cheaper than the going-forward costs for the coal it would replace (see Figure 8).

The substantial cost savings from replacing coal with renewables indicates the potential to invest in additional resources that provide complementary services like flexibility and transmission, without raising costs. Policymakers should consider a portfolio of clean resources that together provides adequate value and any needed reliability services. These resources could include storage,

regional or interregional transmission upgrades, demand-side resources, and complementary portfolios of wind and solar.

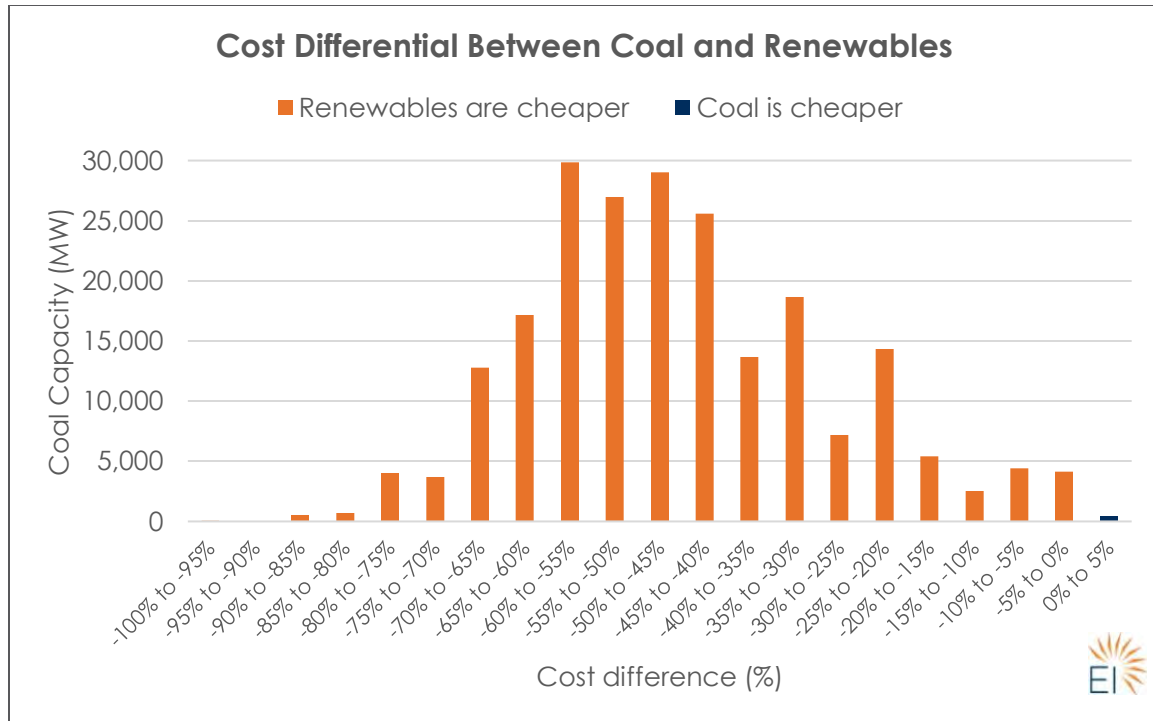


Figure 8. Aggregated plant capacity shown as percent difference between renewables LCOE and coal going-forward cost. The orange bars indicate capacity where renewables are cheaper than coal and coal is deemed "uneconomic." The one blue bar indicates the sole plant that is still cheaper to operate than replace with renewables.

Local replacement of coal

Local solar and wind

For 199 of the 210 plants studied we find that local solar replacement is more economic than coal, based on energy generation alone, and for 75 plants it is the cheapest option entirely. Local wind is also a viable option for many plants, with 104 plants having cost-effective local wind resources and 13 having local wind as the cheapest option. For 98 plants, both local wind and local solar were

cheaper than coal. While we did not study any combinations of the two, this result indicates that a portfolio that includes both local wind and local solar would likely be a viable option with additional reliability value near many plants.

In these local replacement scenarios, we looked at replacing all the annual electricity generated by a given coal plant with either local wind or local solar within 45 km of the plant. This allowed us to assume lower interconnection costs^{xi} (a significant barrier for new projects)²¹ while taking advantage of the IRA's energy community tax credit bonus. In nearly all cases we studied, the reduced interconnection costs and added tax credit compensates for potentially lower resource quality when restricting site selection in areas close to the plant. We find particularly good resource quality in the local solar scenario, where 191 plants have sufficient sites nearby such that their generation can be replaced within 20 km.

Local replacement offers three other benefits. First, local replacement can help preserve livelihoods and tax revenue for surrounding communities through the energy transition.^{xii} Second, local resource replacement falls into the category of projects that can qualify for loans via the DOE's

Solar plus storage stepping in at North Valmy

In Nevada, NV Energy has already realized the cost and community benefits of using solar plus storage in place of the 567 MW North Valmy Generating Station, near Winnemucca. Two new solar plus storage facilities located within the same county will replace this plant when they are completed by 2025. The two replacement projects will provide 250 MW solar capacity plus 200 MW of storage, and 350 MW of solar plus 280 MW of storage. These projects will also create several hundred construction jobs, and the storage will help shift the solar generation to the times of day it is most needed, serving the reliability needs of the area. This is consistent with our analysis, which finds that it would be cheaper to use solar plus storage up to the full plant's capacity than to continue to run the coal plant. Plants across the country can now follow Valmy's example and effectively decarbonize with solar plus storage.

^{xi} In our modeling, we use ReEDS spur line costs as a proxy for interconnection costs of regional renewables. For local renewables, we assume no interconnection costs because the point of interconnection already exists at the coal plant. This is a simplification—each site will be different and will require an interconnection study or transmission plan to ascertain the interconnection costs.

^{xii} New renewable energy installations are only one piece of the puzzle when it comes to community transition as they typically do not provide as many jobs or as much tax revenue as a coal plant. While local energy replacement can contribute, further community re-development and economic diversification is needed, as discussed further in the policy recommendations section.

EIR program, as the projects would be a direct reinvestment in energy infrastructure. Our analysis shows investment in local solar resources could drive \$589 billion in capital investment to energy communities across the country (see Figure 9).

Third, siting renewables in proximity to plants creates the possibility that these new resources could use the existing plant's grid interconnection. Recent analysis of PJM's interconnection process shows that the median interconnection cost from 2020 to 2022 grew ten-fold over the costs from 2017 to 2019, largely due to transmission network upgrade costs.²² While we considered reduced interconnection costs for local resources, the advantage of local replacement could be even more considerable as the cost of the line is only a part of the problem. For clean energy projects across the country, long interconnection wait times are also a major hurdle to overcome.

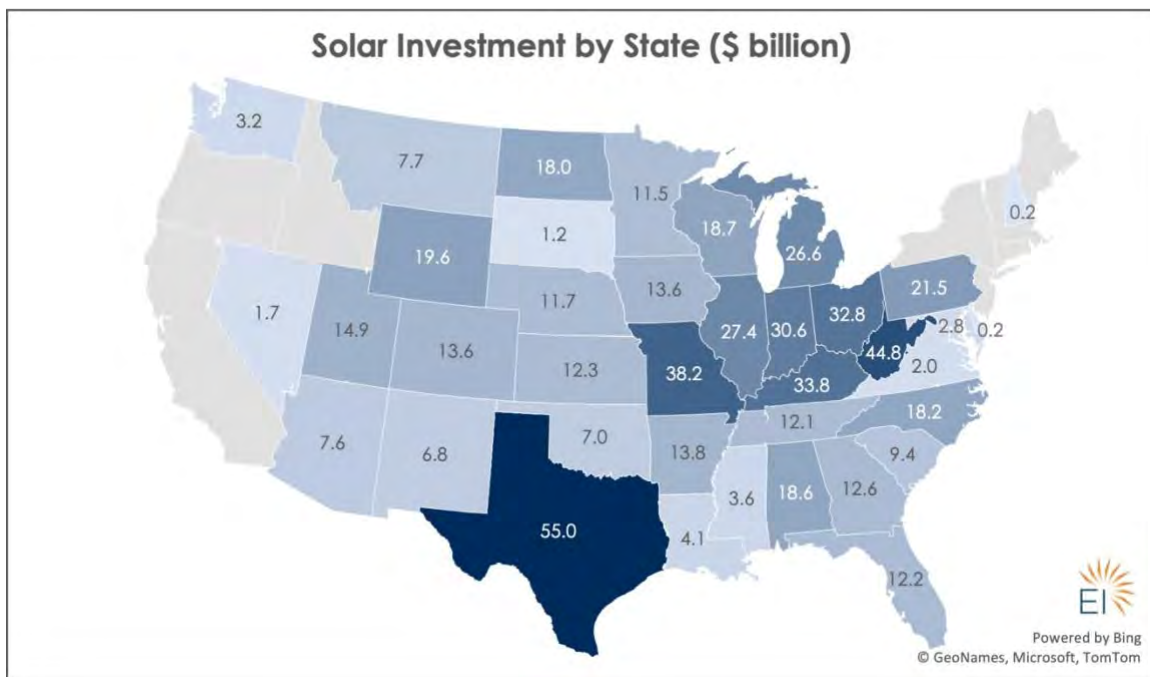


Figure 9. The solar capacity needed to provide enough energy to make up for coal generation across the country would drive hundreds of billions in investment. States with no investment number had no plants in our data set.

Local solar plus storage

We followed up on our local solar scenario by looking at a solar plus storage replacement option for each plant that includes local solar energy plus four-hour batteries to provide additional capacity value and higher market profitability in some cases. We find that the savings available from switching from coal generation to local solar generation can finance 137 GW of four-hour battery capacity at a price of \$330/kWh across the coal fleet.

For more than a third of the coal capacity studied, we find that in addition to energy generation replacement with local solar, 80 percent or more of the plant's capacity can be replaced with four-hour batteries at a combined levelized cost that is still less than the going forward cost of the plant. For the remaining plants, the percentage of capacity that can be economically replaced is still quite significant: We find that savings from renewable generation could fund storage at more than 50 percent plant capacity at 136 plants.

Renewable options cheaper than expensive upgrades at Mitchell plant

In 2021, American Electric Power determined it would likely be more cost-effective to retire West Virginia's Mitchell Power Plant than pay for expensive pollution control upgrades required by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). However, the West Virginia Public Service Commission (PSC) ruled that the utility had to keep the plant open, and that WV ratepayers must pay for the upgrades. At the same time, in Kentucky and Virginia, who were also receiving power from the plant declined to make their state's customers pay, leaving West Virginians to shoulder a \$448 million price tag. Our analysis shows taking advantage of regional wind resources would be 48 percent cheaper than continuing to run this polluting plant. Replacement with local solar and battery storage would be 50 percent cheaper and would provide the reliability the PSC seeks while saving ratepayers hundreds of dollars every year.

This local solar plus storage arrangement has at least three advantages:

First, solar plus storage provides resources with a significant capacity and ancillary service value at the same place on the power grid, addressing in part possible reliability concerns that may be associated with coal plant retirement.

Second, the new storage ITC means batteries do not need to be co-located with renewables to take advantage of the tax credit. This means that while local renewables may need to be sited a short distance from the plant, storage can be placed directly at the coal plant site and use existing electrical infrastructure to act as a central collection site for renewables. This arrangement also bolsters economic development opportunities in coal communities.

Third, combining solar and storage empowers a gradual coal phase-out, benefiting communities and grid reliability. Electricity generated from coal can be reduced, while keeping the coal boiler and generator available for emergencies. If needed, the generator can eventually be transformed into a piece of grid regulation hardware requiring no boiler, and batteries can store and release renewable energy to make the whole system available at times of highest grid demand. Renewable energy can

be a part of an economic diversification package that may include other re-purposing of the site, such as a plant in Michigan that was re-developed into an insurance company's headquarters.²³

The reliability implications of coal plant retirement should be evaluated for each specific plant. A one-to-one replacement is often not necessary given the capabilities of the remaining power plant fleet. For example, the battery capacity necessary to take over the reliability burden of any given coal plant is varied, depending on the role of the plant and broader resource mix, and it is not needed at all in many cases. Wind and solar (especially in a complementary combination) already tend to provide a measure of capacity value to the regional grid. Other assets like faster, more flexible gas units or behind-the-meter resources may already be carrying more of the regional reliability burden, and transmission expansion can help reduce the need for dispatchable generation for resource adequacy as well. Therefore, coal capacity is not always necessary for reliability depending on the resource adequacy in each region as determined by the balancing authority.²⁴

Figure 10 shows the percentage of battery capacity at each plant that can be funded by coal replacement with local solar, providing a range of options for combining renewables with storage.

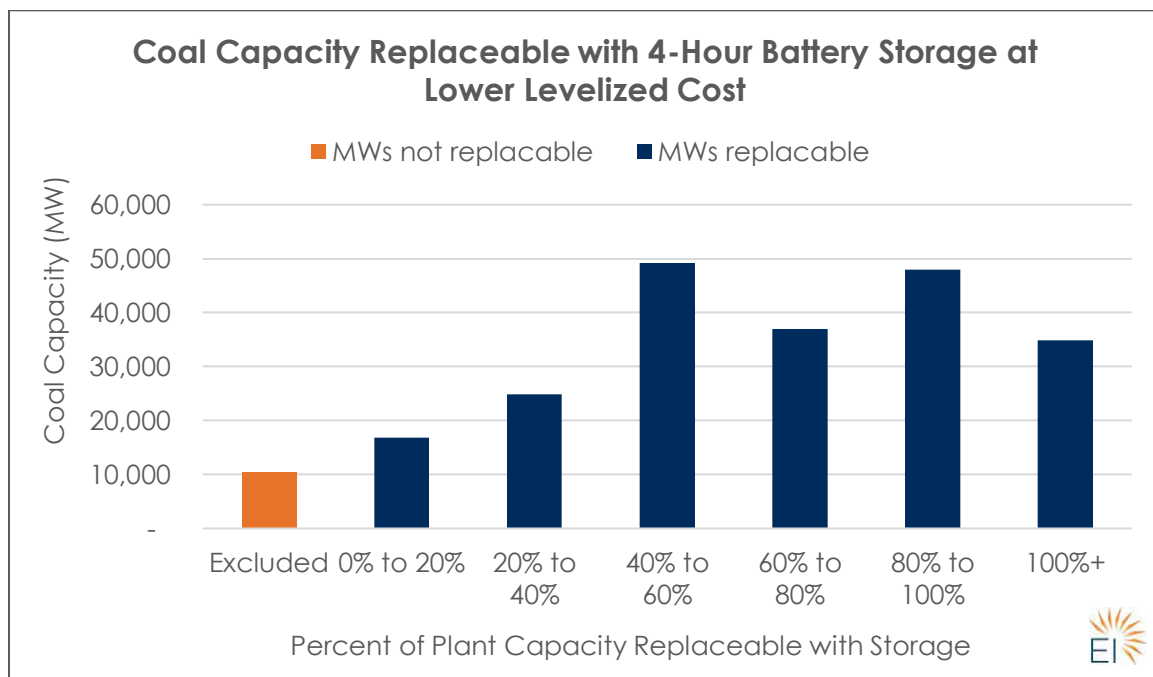


Figure 10. Coal plant capacity (in MW) by the percentage that can be replaced using only coal crossover savings. "Excluded" indicates plants for which local solar generation was available but was not cheaper than coal.

The economics of battery replacement for capacity are highly dependent on battery costs. For the analysis above, we used \$330/kWh as the cost of storage, which is the 2021 cost for storage in the NREL 2022 ATB.²⁵ Our cost accounted for the new standalone storage ITC and energy community tax credit. To study the sensitivity of these findings to battery prices, we evaluated the potential for capacity replacement across prices ranging from \$100/kWh to \$400/kWh (see Figure 10).

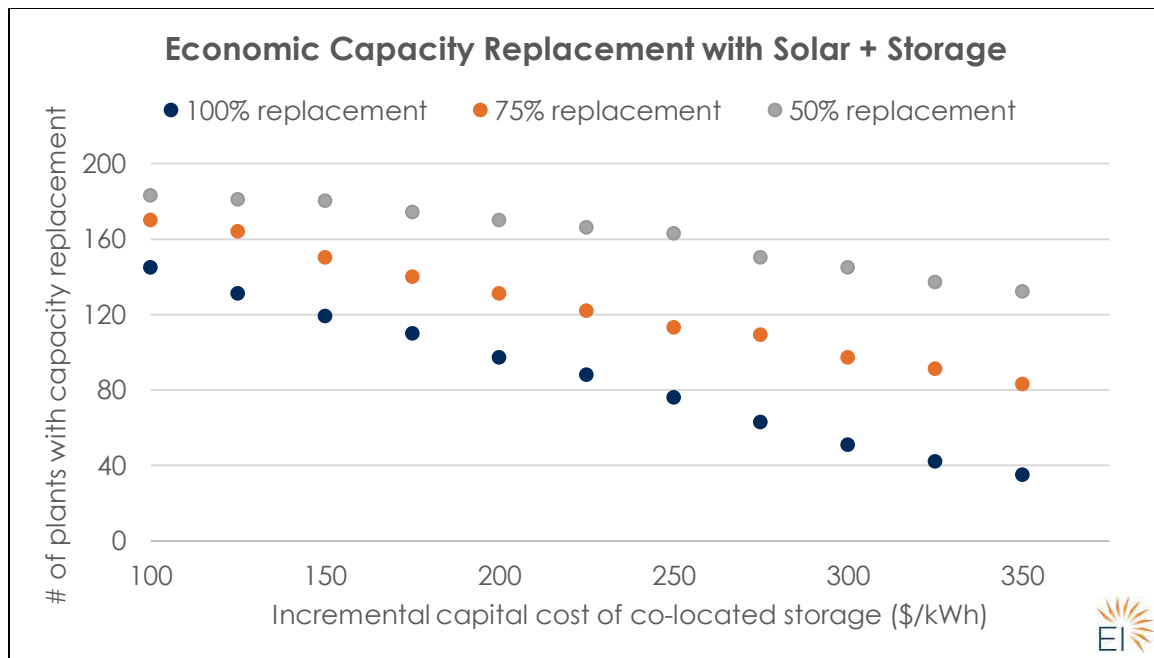


Figure 11. Economic battery capacity relative to battery price by percent capacity that can be replaced at each plant.

Utilizing additional financing to fund local resources: Ameren’s Rush Island Plant

It is important to note, however, that fuel savings are not the only source of savings that could help finance replacement batteries in a coal-to-local renewables swap.

For example, Ameren’s Rush Island power plant in Missouri is not a strong candidate for financing batteries solely with savings from switching to local renewables. Yet by also accounting for needed upgrades, the plant’s remaining balance, and reliability concerns, the case for financing batteries for reliability value becomes stronger.

Ameren was planning to retire the 1,195 MW coal plant in September 2022 partially due to the expense of adding court-ordered selective catalytic reduction (SCR) to address air pollution

noncompliance, with a price tag of \$310 million^{xiii} to \$1 billion.²⁶ Unfortunately, because early retirement could cause severe voltage stability problems leading to cascading power outages, the Midcontinent Independent System Operator (MISO) sought to keep the plant online and received Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) approval for a 12-month system support resource agreement to be renewed annually.^{xiv} According to the grid operator, potential renewable energy additions or possible demand-response programs wouldn't adequately address the location-specific voltage problem. However, due to the geographic nature of the potential voltage instability, local renewables coupled with batteries could go a long way toward mitigating this concern without waiting for the transmission upgrades MISO deemed necessary.

Our initial analysis finds that switching to renewables could generate savings to pay for replacing replacement of only 4 percent of the plant's capacity with batteries. However, the IRA now creates new possibilities. Because Ameren faces capital expenditures in the \$300 million to \$1 billion range, and already holds an estimated \$600 million for the plant in its rate-base (interest on which is paid by its customers at standard utility rate of return), existing state public utility commission securitization authority could be used to refinance this obligation in combination with the EIR program, generating much greater customer savings.^{xv} Investing these savings in four-hour battery storage could match 85 to 165 percent of the plant's capacity. Furthermore, batteries would only be necessary if the local renewables on their own were not sufficient to provide voltage support or if the proposed transmission solutions proved too slow or expensive.^{xvi}

New IRA financing and tax credits make replacing coal plants with a combination of local wind and solar power supported by batteries an attractive option for most coal plants in the U.S. Such replacement can be done with a minimum of disruption to the grid while keeping jobs in affected communities—not to mention the great improvements to public health from reduced pollution.

POLICY RECOMMENDATIONS

Our analysis makes it clear the comprehensive the IRA tax incentives have created a favorable policy environment for the coal-to-clean transition. However, the transition can be made even more cost-effective if utilities harness the IRA's loan and grant programs and use best practices to assess cost-saving replacement options.

^{xiii} Assuming \$250/kW all-in costs. See <https://www.powermag.com/estimating-scr-installation-costs/>.

^{xiv} MISO identified four transmission upgrades that are needed to maintain voltage on the grid, with the last one expected online by June 2025, according to the grid operator. See <https://www.utilitydive.com/news/ameren-missouri-coal-rush-island-miso-ferc/630226/>.

^{xv} The interest rate on the securitized loans or government-backed loans through EIR are assumed to be 2.95 percent, or the average of the 20-treasury yield across the last 10 years plus 0.375 percent. Missouri law already allows for coal plant securitization.

^{xvi} While MISO investigated replacement of the plant with renewable energy, it does not appear that MISO considered renewables in geographic proximity to the plant.

Planners and policymakers should make sure they are not caught unprepared by a wave of retirements, and that replacement renewables and complementary flexible resources can be deployed in a timely manner. Advocates and policymakers interested in capturing the economic and public policy benefits of shifting away from coal can take several actions to ensure that power plant operators take advantage of the moment by requiring utilities to account for IRA incentives and funding programs in planning and procurement. Finally, our analysis suggests that IRA provisions designed to encourage a just transition for coal communities are well positioned to spur

new investment in generation and grid balancing resources in the immediate vicinity of existing plants, but experience has shown that a just transition will only happen with the careful attention of legislators and regulators alongside local communities.

Reliability assessment keeping expensive Indian River plant online

Delaware's only remaining coal plant, Indian River Generating Station, was planned for retirement by June 2022—until the grid operator, PJM, requested it remain open until 2026. PJM had determined that transmission upgrades would be needed to stabilize the grid before the plant could be taken offline. The plant, which only has one remaining unit, is historically the worst polluter in Delaware and also the eighth most expensive plant we analyzed due to low capacity factor and high estimated fuel costs. Local replacement of this plant could assuage reliability concerns by providing generation and capacity needs at the same location on the grid. Our local analysis finds that 246 MW of storage could be funded via savings. At over 50 percent of the plant's capacity, this is a good candidate for re-assessment of reliability needs.

Preparing the way for coal transition

Improving interconnection and transmission processes

The Rush Island Power Station example discussed above is not unique and blocking retirement of uneconomic plants due to broader system stability concerns and transmission requirements harms customers. To move forward while maintaining reliability, independent system operators (ISOs) and regional transmission organizations (RTOs) should proactively study solutions that can enable plant retirements. The alternative—overriding utility retirement plans and requiring FERC approval for expensive stopgap payments to keep high-cost plants running—is not good for utilities or their customers.

Our analysis shows that post-IRA, almost every coal plant has reached its economic tipping point. As pollution standards and clean energy policies continue to worsen coal

plant economics, ISO/RTOs will increasingly encounter situations where innovative resource

portfolios will be needed to economically and reliably replace coal plants, including transmission. As neutral arbiters of just and reasonable rates, system operators must be ready to enable cheaper electricity and public policy goals by allowing utilities to retire uneconomic plants. Proactive transmission planning and deployment, alongside improvements to interconnection processes are both crucial to prepare for uneconomic plant replacement.

Absent regulators stepping in, retiring a plant is much easier than building a new renewable project. Price signals may induce coal retirements before new renewable projects can be approved and built to take their place. The growing interconnection queue backlog is of particular concern here. As of 2022, the two largest power markets in the U.S., MISO and PJM, had about three times more renewables capacity waiting in the queue than they had existing coal capacity.

For PJM, this backlog was deemed insurmountable. While PJM works through its existing interconnection requests, it will not review new requests until early 2026. It is clear that additional measures to improve the interconnection process, including better regional transmission planning, are needed to avoid similarly extreme measures in the future.²⁷ FERC is currently considering interconnection policy changes, but state public utility commissions can also help by examining their state's queue and assessing whether proactive transmission buildout could connect cost-effective clean energy. In states outside an ISO/RTO, states hold sole responsibility for proactive transmission and planning process reform to reduce wait times and hasten the pace of in-state clean energy investment.

Building local: accelerating deployment while maintaining reliability

Action from FERC and other policymakers on interconnection reform and transmission buildout cannot come too soon. A recent brief from Lawrence Berkeley National Lab (LBNL) analyzing interconnection costs in the PJM region finds that, alongside the tremendous lengthening of the interconnection queue, interconnection costs have increased substantially in recent years.²⁸ The main driver behind these increases has been broader network upgrade costs, reflecting system changes due to the influx of renewables and the fact that optimal renewable sites are often far from the coal they might replace.

There is no doubt that variable renewable resources are fundamentally different from dispatchable fossil generators, but variability does not imply unreliability. Studies are clear: A coal-free U.S. electricity system can be dependable.²⁹ Yet renewables do require a different resource adequacy framework, which makes resource diversity, energy sufficiency, regional and interregional transmission, and demand response more important. As system operators design new resource adequacy metrics, regulators should support them by defining minimum resource adequacy requirements and soliciting cost information.³⁰

In a high-renewables environment, interregional electricity transfer can help manage local weather variation, providing higher reliability at lower cost. RTOs and regulators can enable interregional

coordination by expanding planning areas or subsidizing transmission lines that provide for specific reliability needs. Finally, regulators and state legislatures can require resources that bolster reliability like energy storage has become a cost-effective way to integrate renewables, as this report shows. However, storage still lags in investment. A legislative storage mandate, like the one passed in California in 2013 can help accelerate storage deployment.³¹

Ultimately, building out the network to include and adapt to some of the best available renewable resources, evolving the bulk power system’s resource adequacy framework, and improving inter-regional coordination supports a least-cost, reliable electricity system given the new IRA incentives. But, as is evidenced by the delays described above, all this takes time. Building local resources closer to or at the same site as coal plants could dramatically accelerate clean energy deployment while providing significant incremental reliability value.

Prior to the IRA, local replacement was not always economic on an annual generation cost basis relative to the cost of maintaining a coal plant. However, to support a just transition, the IRA includes additional incentives for building new clean resources near coal plants or “energy communities.” Our analysis shows that local wind or local solar plus storage could create a cheaper electricity portfolio than nearly every plant, while delivering the same amount of electricity and providing significant reliability value. Even if a coal plant weren’t completely shut down, it could work in tandem with cleaner, cheaper resources fed through the same point of interconnection to deliver cheaper, cleaner electricity without materially affecting the transmission system and system operations (it might even improve these). Utilities, ISO/RTOs, and state and federal regulators should move swiftly to develop standard templates that allow for coal plant hybridization or replacement with clean portfolios. These templates would have to be generically robust enough to satisfy system reliability and stability concerns under a variety of conditions to replace coal without a lengthy interconnection process.^{xvii}

Proactively pursuing transition

Re-evaluation of integrated resource plans and improving competitive procurement

While measures to proactively plan for and better accommodate new renewable projects are necessary to capture the huge economic benefits of transitioning expensive coal plants to cheaper renewables, they are not sufficient. Utility integrated resource plans routinely overestimate new renewable costs, and the IRA programs will likely make these overestimations even higher. Any

^{xvii} There may be concerns about undermining competition if some resources are allowed to skip ahead of the line, but presumably standard templates will involve costlier investments than what might be proscribed in a more specific interconnection study. In any case, it makes sense to recognize that providing replacement resources at or near an existing resource is easier and simpler for the network, and the benefits of just transition and accelerated deployment should be balanced against competition concerns.

investment plan or market-based solicitation for renewable contracts completed before August 2022 is now out of date. Regulators can expect independent power producers to offer lower bids for just about any clean energy technology. Under their authority to set just and reasonable rates, PUCs should insist that utilities redo integrated resource plans and resource solicitations, despite the procedural complexity. For example, advocates have already submitted evidence to the North Carolina Utility Commission that such a re-examination would be prudent for Duke Energy's Integrated Resource Plan and Carbon Plan.³²

In addition to cost updates, integrated resource plans should account for the benefits of location-based procurement to replace coal generation. In New Mexico, the Energy Transition Act required the Public Service Company of New Mexico to site some of the replacement resources for the San Juan Generating Station in the nearby school district to replace lost tax revenue.³³ Because of location-specific tax credit bonuses, traditional regulatory requirements to minimize consumer costs now require an examination of local investment in replacement wind, solar, and battery resources.

FERC and NERC should work with the ISO/RTOs to create standardized approaches to gradual replacement with local resources and eventual development of reliable resource portfolios that include renewables, transmission, and emerging technologies like power electronics and synchronous condensers.

In addition to accurately assessing renewables during planning processes, enabling competitive procurement is crucial to getting steel in the ground. Even before the IRA, unsubsidized renewables were the cheapest new resource in most of the country. However, regulators can have difficulty discerning the true cost of clean energy or comparing variable clean resources with dispatchable fossil power providing different services. Such assessments generally depend on limited utility information.

All-source procurement is a way around this—it is a well-established but underutilized process that requires the utility to provide assessments of resource need, then bid these services to the market. For example, Xcel Energy Colorado achieved record-low wind, solar, and storage prices that shocked the electricity world with an all-source procurement in 2018, avoiding costly investments in gas and accelerating coal retirement.³⁴ PUCs should establish all-source procurement rules that link these solicitations as inputs to integrated resource planning processes that ultimately result in resource procurement—a key part of the Colorado planning process.³⁵ These solicitations also provide the opportunity to assess and define needed system reliability attributes after coal plants retire and allow supply-side, demand-side, transmission expansion, and regional market resources all compete to fill that need.³⁶

Utilizing IRA funding and financing programs

Our comparison of the going-forward costs of existing coal plants with regional or local renewables doesn't capture all the economic advantages of such a transition. The IRA also includes measures that facilitate savings from lower cost financing.

First, the IRA created a \$9.7 billion fund for rural electric cooperatives to reduce GHG emissions via a myriad of methods. With cooperative assets highly tied up in coal and without the same access to capital as investor-owned utilities, the transition to cheaper clean resources can be particularly challenging. To take advantage of these funds as soon as possible, co-ops should develop clear plans that use new clean energy and coal generation replacement to achieve deep GHG emissions reductions, in accordance with the IRA's statutory language.³⁷ For their part, states should provide resources to support the planning and application processes. With nearly 18 GW of plants in this analysis majority-owned by cooperatives, this program, if used to its greatest potential, could spur billions in rural economic development.

In addition to rural cooperative funding, the IRA provides substantial debt refinancing potential, when paired with reinvestment in new clean energy infrastructure. While we find all but one plant are uneconomic when compared to replacement with new wind and solar, many plants have large debt burdens that hamper the customer savings available from clean energy replacement. Some states have explicitly allowed utilities to refinance these remaining balances via securitization, but now all power plant owners have access to flexible low-cost capital to finance new clean energy projects reusing coal-

Cleaning up coal ash at the G G Allen Steam Plant

In 2014, the now-retired Dan River Power Station leaked 39,000 tons of coal ash into the Dan River—leaving residents without drinking water for years and requiring a \$3 million clean-up. It also kicked off an investigation of Duke Energy in North Carolina that found all 14 coal plants in the state were leaking coal ash. G G Allen has the largest amount of coal ash on site out of all the plants with 19 million tons of that need to be removed. In addition to this high pollution impact, it is also the second most expensive coal plant to run in the U.S. according to our analysis. But it needn't be this way. North Carolinians can have clean air and water with cheaper clean energy. All four renewable scenarios in our analysis were cheaper than running the G G Allen plant. In addition to clean energy replacement, the use of a DOE loan guarantee could save ratepayers even more by using low-cost financing for replacement infrastructure including the coal ash remediation.

plant infrastructure via the DOE's new loan program.³⁸ PUCs should require utilities to update prior investment and coal retirement plans to reflect the low-cost capital now available for reinvestment in communities.

Particularly for independent power producers, which own 23 percent of the coal capacity we studied, these DOE loans will be significantly cheaper than those without government backing. The

loan guarantee must be used to reduce GHG emissions and reinvest in that same community.³⁹ Funds can be used for a wide range of applications including partial or full coal replacement with renewable resources, transmission and storage, and even remediation of former fossil fuel sites, improving environmental conditions and serving as another source of job creation for the local community. Given the flexibility of the program, this is far from an exhaustive list. To smooth community transition, loans need not require immediate plant retirement, but instead could support projects that gradually reduce coal while increasing renewable generation and diversifying the community's economy.⁴⁰ The local renewable replacement plus storage scenario we study fits this approach.

Just transition in Colorado

In 2019, the Colorado legislature passed a bill creating the first Office of Just Transition (OJT), and just in time. With six coal mines and seven coal-fired power plants still operating, small communities, particularly in Western Colorado, risked near-total economic collapse. Since the legislation passed, the OJT created a Just Transition Action Plan to support economic diversification and job retraining. The town of Nucla illustrates how this plan can work. When their coal plant shut down three years ahead of schedule, it was the largest employer. The plant also provided nearly half the tax revenue that supported the whole region—including the fire department and school district. Residents were rightfully concerned, but Nucla has worked with OJT to transition their economy to focus on tourism and small businesses. Nucla still has a way to go and more funding is needed, but Nucla shows how pre-emptive planning can help ease the sting of coal closures. Now, newly appropriated OJT funds will continue to help Nucla restructure while preparing other Colorado coal communities.

Just transition for affected communities

State PUCs, legislatures, and state energy offices all have a role to play ensuring a just transition for coal communities. New IRA funding mechanisms mean traditional, least-cost utility planning practices now require reinvestment in communities whose economic prosperity depends on coal plants and coal mining. Assessing and including reinvestment in

these places is now essential to “least cost, best fit” resource planning.

Of course, the nuances of community needs are more complex than simple economics, and fully considering viable transition strategies in integrated resource plans is not possible unless state regulators and utilities seek input from affected communities at the beginning of the planning process. Seeking community input is not typically part of existing integrated resource planning processes, and it can be challenging for resource-constrained PUCs or utilities to incorporate new, innovative approaches to stakeholder engagement and ultimately community transition.⁴¹

State legislation should require PUCs and utilities to plan for community transition and assess the value of federal loan guarantees and tax credits for community transition, starting with outreach in an investigatory proceeding that provides access by holding commission forums in those communities. With this input, utility investment plans can better meet community economic needs, which can include tax revenue, workforce development, infrastructure investment, pollution clean-up, and community ownership models like community solar.

While the IRA has several reinvestment programs, energy communities cannot rely on clean energy alone to fully replace coal jobs and tax revenue. However, local clean energy can provide the opportunity for additional industrial development if new data centers or industrial facilities like synthetic fuel producers seek direct on-site access to low-cost clean energy. Proactive diversification of local economies is another path for success, which would benefit from state resources. The transition can even begin before the plant retires—gradual replacement and interconnection could ramp up in anticipation of the plant’s eventual retirement, growing jobs and reducing pollution along the way.

Legislators should consider creating and funding a just transition office, following Colorado’s example, to help coal communities develop transition plans. In addition to these legislative actions, PUCs can consider putting community transition funding into rates or creating ratepayer and shareholder cost sharing arrangements, similar to the arrangement made following closure of the coal plant in Colstrip, Montana.⁴²

CONCLUSION

The economic case for replacing highly polluting and expensive coal-fired generation with clean energy is stronger than ever. Our new analysis, based on 2021 data, already surpasses our previous projection for 2025, finding that 99 percent of all U.S. coal plants are more expensive to run compared to new clean energy generation. Local replacement is more attractive than ever due to the IRA’s new incentive and funding programs. Including battery storage along with local renewable generation can be an economic way to bolster the reliability value that these renewable projects provide to the grid. Building new wind or solar before completely retiring existing coal can be a recipe for success, a paradigm supported by the DOE’s new loan authority. The near-complete crossover of coal economics versus renewables makes the imperative to transition clearer than

ever before, but policymakers, utilities, consumers, and coal-dependent communities must recognize the benefits and seize this moment.

APPENDIX: DETAILED METHODOLOGY

Coal Costs

Our goal was to develop an accurate estimate of the going-forward cost of running U.S. coal plants using publicly available data from EIA, FERC, and EPA. In assembling a master list of U.S. coal plants, we restricted ourselves to plants running mostly coal (excluding wood waste and petroleum coke burning units) operated by utilities and independent power-producers (sectors 1 and 2, in EIA parlance), excluding plants used for combined heat and power, for which the economics are more complicated because these plants receive other revenues from providing heat.

As a matter of convenience, we limited ourselves to coal plants in the lower 48 states and excluded a few plants for various practical reasons like corrupted or unavailable data. The companion spreadsheet to this report lists these in detail. In any case, these cuts did not materially reduce the number of GWs of capacity we covered. Finally, we grouped boilers and generating units together at one location as single plants, while excluding boilers and generating units fueled mostly with natural gas. The final master list of 210 coal plants is available in the companion spreadsheet to this report.

The going-forward cost for each coal plant in our master list comprises three principal components

- The cost of fuel on a per MWh of coal generation basis.
- The operation and maintenance cost of each plant levelized over the total generation from each included boiler and generating unit.
- The average annual going-forward costs for capital investments needed to replace and upgrade part of the power plant levelized over the total generation from each included boiler and generating unit.

This Appendix reviews our methodology for each of these three elements in more detail.

Cost of Fuel

Our principal method for calculating fuel cost for any given coal plant comes from first computing its cost of energy inputs in dollars per million British Thermal Units (\$/mmBTU). We need a heat rate in mmBTU/MWh to convert this input into a cost of delivered energy in \$/MWh. The heat rate is a number particular to any given plant that varies according to any number of contextual factors (e.g., fuel-type, technology, age, outside temperature, capacity factor). As a matter of simple expediency, we use a heat rate for each power plant defined by the sum of BTUs from all non-

natural gas fuels burned at that plant in 2021 divided by all the net-generation from these fuels as defined in the first page of EIA Form 923. We used this to convert input fuel costs into output electricity fuel costs.

We then used EIA data on fuel contracts paid by the plant; listed on page 5, “Fuel Receipts and Costs,” of EIA Form 923. The EIA 923 spreadsheet lists fuel contracts with heat contents (mmBTU per fuel unit) and price paid in cents per mmBTU. From these contracts we can establish an mmBTU-weighted cost per mmBTU for coal, which we use as an input cost for that plant. Note that this does not include fuel processing costs that might be covered in values reported to FERC. Probably the most important example of fuel processing comes from plants that report burning so-called “refined coal” on one part of Form 923 while at the same time reporting direct purchases of other coal, e.g., bituminous coal, on another part of the form. This discrepancy is due to the fact that “refined coal” involves processing purchased coal (usually by spraying it with certain chemical agents) to reduce emissions from the smokestack. It is hard to know how much this extra processing costs on a per mmBTU basis, but we understand that the economic rationale for doing so is driven mostly by a tax credit. Historical trend analysis of some plants that burn “refined coal” shows that they sometimes choose to apply this processing and sometimes not reflecting, in our opinion, the likelihood that there is only a small impact on fuel costs to “refining” after netting out processing costs and tax credit income.

For plants that do not report input fuel costs to a regulator, however, other less plant-specific sources of information were required. In these cases, instead of specifically reported plant data, we used state-based data on the average cost of coal from EIA. To accurately reflect the diversity of coal types and relative mix of types that various plants consume, we used a combination of total plant coal consumption and state average coal costs from EIA as well as historical fuel consumption trends at the plant to estimate source coal type and marginal fuel costs. We used the following procedure:

Step 1: Extract the various mmBTU quantities of coal by type used by the boilers in each coal plant of interest from the 2021 EIA Form 923.

Step 2: Link each coal type with a state benchmark input fuel price in \$/mmBTU. We establish that benchmark price by combining information on electric power sector coal prices by coal type and plant state from EIA’s Coal Data Browser with coal heat content (mmBTU/ton) by state and coal type, also from EIA’s Coal Data Browser (if heat content for a given coal type was unavailable for the 2021 reporting year, we used the most recent year).

Step 3: Tag “refined coal.” One type of coal that appears in boiler consumption figures but not price tables is “refined coal.” To price this type of consumption, we assigned each instance of “refined coal” to a coal sub-type. Depending on the plant, the source coal for “refined coal” might be bituminous, sub-bituminous, or lignite. With some painstaking work, we were able to infer from other nearby plants and historical fuel consumption trends at the plant which coal type was being refined with high confidence.

Step 4: Combine coal types to get a plant fuel cost. We combined price and consumption levels at each plant to get a weighted fuel input cost in \$/mmBTU. We then converted this to \$/MWh using the heat rate—just like the plants that report their input fuel costs.

Operation and Maintenance Costs

We used plant-by-plant operation and maintenance estimates obtained from the Electricity Market Module (EMM) in EIA’s North American Energy Modeling Systems (NEMS). For some plants, no NEMS value for operation and maintenance was available and we used a national average value.

Going forward capital costs — National Energy Modeling System (NEMS)

The third element in our overall coal going-forward cost estimate is the going-forward capital cost. For this element we used a fairly simple method. We started by taking the average age (weighted by generator capacity) of a given coal power plant and compared it to the EIA NEMS table found in Figure 12. From this NEMS table and the average age of the plant, we obtained a per kW-year going-forward cost, which we multiplied by the overall capacity of the plant. We then divided by the total net MWh output from the plant (defined by the included set of generators) as reported on EIA Form 923. This includes any natural gas-fueled generation and results in a \$/MWh, which then factors into the complete coal going-forward cost.

Age	Annual Capital Investment Requirement (\$/kW-yr)
0 - 10 years	\$ 17.16
10 - 20 years	\$ 18.42
20 - 30 years	\$ 19.68
30 - 40 years	\$ 20.94
40 - 50 years	\$ 22.20
50 - 60 years	\$ 23.46
60 - 70 years	\$ 24.72
70 - 80 years	\$ 25.98

Figure 12. NEMS estimates of going forward capital costs by age of plant.

Renewables Costs

Identifying Renewable Energy Sites

We use NREL’s ReEDS model that provides high spatial resolution solar and wind potential datasets in the U.S. The solar and wind potential numbers in ReEDS are, in turn, taken from the Renewable Energy Potential (ReV) model, which assesses the wind and solar energy potential at 11.2 km x 11.2 km spatial resolution after applying comprehensive exclusion criteria, including land cover, elevation, slope, environmentally sensitive areas, local siting regulations, etc. Across the continental U.S., ReV and ReEDS identify nearly 50,000 individual solar sites totaling a potential of 96,000 GW, and around 50,000 individual wind sites totaling a potential of 6,600 GW. The ReEDS model also provides annual capacity factors at each of these sites, which are estimated using the wind speed, solar irradiance, temperature, and other weather parameters from the Wind

Integration National Dataset (WIND) and National Solar Radiation Database (NSRDB). More information on this can be found in ReEDS documentation.

Technology Costs

We run the ReEDS model using technology costs from ATB 2022 and IRA incentives and estimate the wind and solar LCOE at each of the 50,000 sites. ReEDS uses a comprehensive list of parameters to estimate a site-specific LCOE including capital costs, fixed operation and maintenance costs, equity costs, interest rates, construction costs differentiated by location across the U.S., construction period, ITC and PTC incentives per IRA, tax equity haircuts, depreciation, and taxes (see Figure 13). Additional details on LCOE estimation could be found in ReEDS documentation.

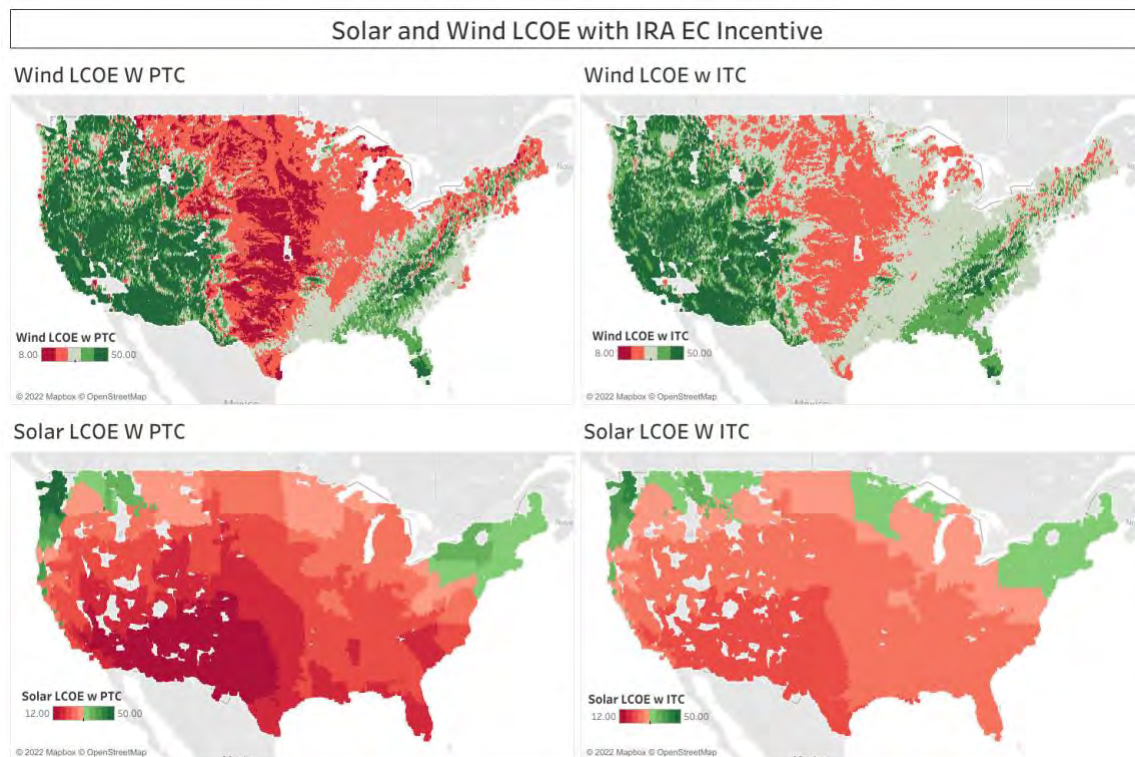


Figure 13. Wind and Solar LCOE including IRA incentives (including energy community) at each of the individual 50,000 sites across the U.S.

Assessing Hyperlocal Potential and LCOEs

The objective of this exercise is to assess the physically closest (hyperlocal) solar or wind resources that could replace the generation from each coal power plant in the country. We start with the location (latitude and longitude) of each of the 210 coal plants in the US. We then create concentric circles around each coal plant with radiuses starting from 5 km up to 45 km in increments of 5 km. Within each of these concentric circles, we identify the solar and wind sites that fall within that circle and estimate the site-level capacity and annual generation potential for solar and wind resources separately, using the high-resolution solar and wind datasets available from ReEDS, as described earlier. We then estimate the minimum circle radius (“hyperlocal circle”) needed to replace the annual generation from each coal power plant with solar or wind resources. Within each hyperlocal circle, we assume that the solar and wind projects get the Energy Community Tax Credit per IRA and will not incur any interconnection costs since they could continue using the coal plant interconnection. We weight the site-level LCOEs within each hyperlocal circle by the site-level capacity potential to arrive at a weighted average hyperlocal LCOE to replace the generation from each coal power plant.

We find that annual generation at almost all coal power plants can be cost-effectively replaced by solar resources within a 20 km radius. The minimum radius for wind is much higher.

Regional LCOEs

In addition to the hyperlocal LCOEs, we also estimate the regional LCOEs in the regions where coal plants are located. The ReEDS model divides the contiguous U.S. into 134 regions which are generally aligned with the utility territories (see Figure 14). These regions never cross state boundaries

The rationale for estimating the regional LCOEs in addition to the hyperlocal LCOEs is that the higher-quality resources might not be available in the near vicinity of the coal plants but slightly farther away, and so from the perspective of the developer, it might make sense to move further from the coal plants to access the higher quality resource. This is more important for wind as wind speeds can vary significantly over short distances. As compared to wind, solar is more energy dense, as we can get almost 10 times the capacity of solar in the same amount of land as wind.

The methodology used for estimating regional LCOEs is very similar to that of hyperlocal LCOEs. For each coal plant, we sort the wind and solar sites available in that region (i.e., ReEDS balancing area) by LCOE and choose the best sites to replace the coal generation. For selected sites within each region, we capacity-weight the site-level LCOEs to estimate the weighted average regional LCOE. For the regional LCOE, we do not account for the Energy Community tax credit available in IRA. We also add the interconnection costs to the LCOEs as we assume that these sites may not be able to access the existing coal power plant interconnection.

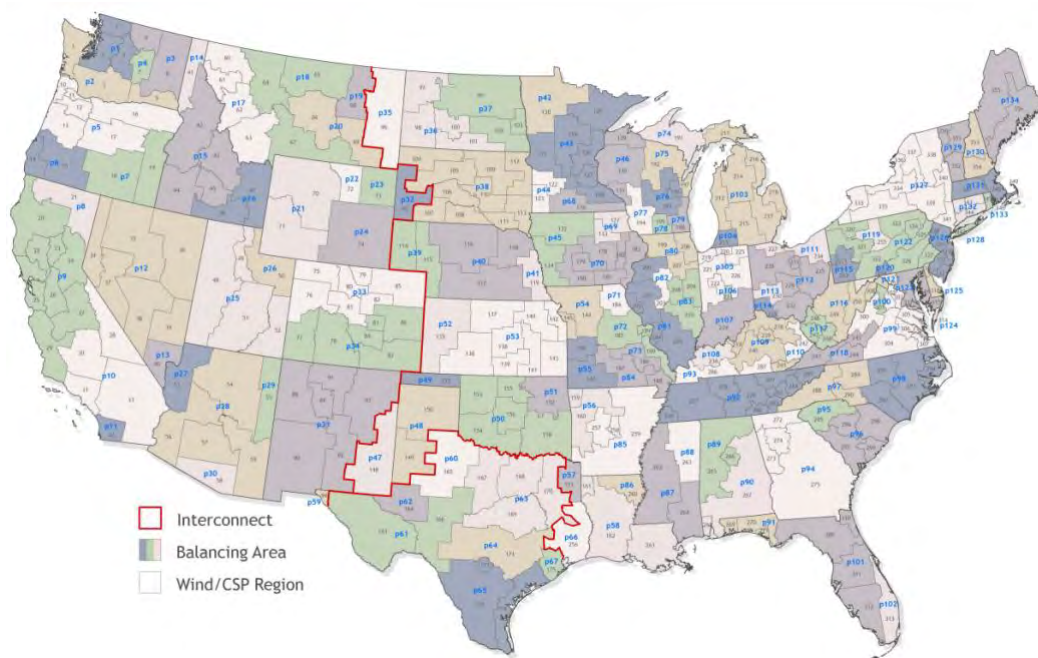


Figure 14. ReEDS balancing areas, used for our regional analysis and roughly corresponding to utility service territories, are highlighted by the different colors in this map. Source: National Renewable Energy Laboratory.

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Exhibit to
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Exhibit 52
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Grid Deployment Office

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Order Authorizing Electricity Exports to Canada

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I. BACKGROUND

The Department of Energy (DOE or Department) regulates electricity exports from the United States to a foreign country in accordance with Federal Power Act (FPA) § 202(e) (16 U.S.C. § 824a(e)) and regulations thereunder (10 C.F.R. §§ 205.300 *et seq.*). This authority was transferred to DOE under §§ 301(b) and 402(f) of the DOE Organization Act (42 U.S.C. §§ 7151(b) and 7172(f)). On April 10, 2023, this authority was delegated to the DOE’s Grid Deployment Office (GDO) by Redelegation Order No. S3-DEL-GD1-2023.

An entity that seeks to export electricity must obtain an order from DOE authorizing it to do so. Under FPA § 202(e), DOE “shall issue such order upon application unless, after opportunity for hearing, it finds that the proposed transmission would impair the sufficiency of electric supply within the United States or would impede or tend to impede the coordination in the public interest of facilities subject to the jurisdiction of [DOE].” 16 U.S.C. § 824a(e). DOE has discretion to condition the order as necessary or appropriate; the Department “may by its order grant such application in whole or in part, with such modifications and upon such terms and conditions as [DOE] may find necessary or appropriate, and may from time to time, after opportunity for hearing and for good cause shown, make such supplemental orders in the premises as it may find necessary or appropriate.” *Id.*

A. Application for Export Authorization

Research Power Corporation (the Applicant) is a power marketer seeking renewal of its authorization to export electric energy to Canada, which was originally granted in Order No. EA-365-A on June 29, 2015, and subsequently renewed (EA-365-B) on April 29, 2020. On December 26, 2024, Centre Lane filed an application with DOE (Application or App.) requesting renewal of its export authority for a five-year term. App. at 1. On July 7, 2025, the Applicant notified DOE of its corporate name change from Centre Lane Trading Ltd. to Research Power Corporation.

According to the Application, Research Power Corporation (formerly known as Centre Lane Trading Ltd.) “is a Canadian Corporation with its principal place of business in Toronto, Ontario” that is “organized under the *Business Corporations Act* of the Province of Ontario, Canada.” *Id.* The Applicant states that it “does not own, operate or control any generation or transmission facilities in any region, nor is it affiliated with any entity that owns, operates or controls generation or transmission facilities, and is not affiliated with any franchised public utility.” *Id.* at 1-2. The applicant further represents that it is a “[Federal Energy Regulatory Commission]-authorized power marketer engaging in the purchase and sale of physical and/or

virtual energy in the Day-ahead and Real-time Markets of various Independent System Operators and Regional Transmission Organizations.” App at 2.

Research Power Corporation represents that it “has no electric power supply system on which the proposed exports could have a reliability, fuel use system or stability impact.” App. at 3. The Applicant states that it “has no obligation to serve native load usually associated with a franchised service area, and, thus, the exports proposed by [Research Power Corporation] will not impair its ability to meet current and prospective power supply obligations.” *Id.* The Applicant further affirms that it “will purchase power to be exported from a variety of sources such as power marketers, independent power producers, or U.S. electric utilities and federal power marketing entities as those terms are defined in Sections 3(22) and 3(19) of the FPA” and that “such power is surplus to the system of the generator and, therefore, the electric power that [Research Power Corporation] will export on either a firm or interruptible basis will not impair the sufficiency of the electric power supply within the U.S.” *Id.*

The applicant states that it “will make all necessary commercial arrangements and will obtain any and all other regulatory approvals required in order to schedule and deliver power exports.” *Id.* The Applicant further states that it will “schedule its transactions with the appropriate balancing authority areas in compliance with the reliability criteria standards and guidelines established by the North American Electric Reliability Corporation[.]” *Id.* Research Power Corporation also attests to not exceed the export limits for the facilities, or otherwise cause a violation of the terms and conditions set forth in the export authorizations for each. App at 4.

B. Procedural History

On December 26, 2024, Centre Lane filed a renewal application with DOE for export authority for a five-year term. *Id.* at 1. On June 16, 2025, DOE published notice of Centre Lane’s Application in the Federal Register (90 Fed. Reg. 25252) and asked for any interested parties to submit comments on the Application by July 16, 2025. On July 7, 2025, DOE received notice of Centre Lane’s corporate name change to Research Power Corporation.

C. Public Comments

No public comments were received.

II. DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

DOE is statutorily obligated under FPA § 202(e) to grant requests for export authorization unless the Department finds that the proposed export would negatively impact either: (i) the sufficiency of electric supply, or (ii) the coordination of the electric grid. Regarding the first exception criterion, DOE shall approve an electricity export application “unless, after opportunity for hearing, it finds that the proposed transmission would impair the sufficiency of electric supply within the United States” 16 U.S.C. § 824a(e). DOE has interpreted this criterion to mean that sufficient generating capacity and electric energy must exist such that the export could be made without compromising the energy needs of the exporting region, including

serving all load obligations in the region while maintaining appropriate reserve levels. *See, e.g., BP Energy Co.*, Order No. EA-314, at 1-2 (Feb. 22, 2007), *renewed*, Order No. EA-314-A, at 2 (May 3, 2012), Order No. EA-314-B, at 2 (Feb. 28, 2017), *renewed*, Order No. EA-314-C, at 4 (Dec. 20, 2021).

Under the second exception criterion, DOE shall approve an electricity export application “unless, after opportunity for hearing, it finds that the proposed transmission would ... impede or tend to impede the coordination in the public interest of facilities subject to the jurisdiction of [DOE].” 16 U.S.C. § 824a(e). DOE has interpreted this criterion primarily as an issue of the operational reliability of the domestic electric transmission system. Accordingly, the export must not compromise transmission system security and reliability. *See, e.g., Order No. EA-314-C*, at 4.

A. Research Power Corporation Will Not Impair the Sufficiency of the Electric Supply in the United States

Sufficiency of supply, the first exception criterion, addresses whether regional electricity needs are met in the current market. DOE has analyzed this issue from both an economic and a reliability perspective. The economic perspective concerns the supply available to wholesale market participants. The reliability perspective focuses on preventing problems that could result from inadequate supplies. Taken together, DOE examines whether existing electric supply is available via market mechanisms, and whether potential reliability issues linked to supply problems are mitigated by reliability enforcement mechanisms.

From an economic perspective, DOE finds that the wholesale energy markets are sufficiently robust to make supplies available to exporters and other market participants serving United States regions along the Canadian and Mexican borders. Following enactment of the Energy Policy Act of 1992, Pub. L. No. 102-486, which encouraged the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) to foster competition in the wholesale energy markets through open access to transmission facilities, energy markets developed across the United States to provide opportunities for a more efficient availability of supply. Subsequently, the Energy Policy Act of 2005, Pub. L. No. 109-58, reaffirmed the Government’s commitment to competition in wholesale energy markets as national policy. FERC has continued to encourage the expansion of wholesale energy markets through its orders to remove barriers¹ and to ensure that these markets are functioning properly.² As a result, market participants have access to traditional bilateral contracts, as well as organized electricity markets run by regional transmission organizations (RTOs) or independent system operators (ISOs). FERC oversees these interstate wholesale electricity markets across most of the lower 48 states. Absent an indication in the record that the geographic markets relevant to this export authorization analysis are flawed and result in

¹ *See, e.g., Preventing Undue Discrimination and Preference in Transmission Service*, Order No. 890, 72 Fed. Reg. 12,266 (Mar. 15, 2007), FERC Stats. & Regs. ¶ 31,241, *order on reh’g*, Order No. 890-A, FERC Stats. & Regs. ¶ 31,261 (2007), *order on reh’g*, Order No. 890-B, 123 FERC ¶ 61,299 (2008), *order on reh’g*, Order No. 890-C, 126 FERC ¶ 61,228 (2009).

² *See, e.g., Wholesale Competition in Regions with Organized Electric Markets*, Order No. 719, FERC Stats. & Regs. ¶ 31,281 (2008), *as amended*, 126 FERC ¶ 61,261, *order on reh’g*, Order No. 719-A, FERC Stats. & Regs. ¶ 31,292, *reh’g denied*, Order No. 719-B, 129 FERC ¶ 61,252 (2009).

uneconomic exports that jeopardize regional supply, DOE finds that the proposed transmission for export does not impair the sufficiency of electric supply within the United States.

From a reliability perspective,³ DOE focuses on the prevention of cascading outages and other problems that could result from inadequate resources.⁴ Reliability oversight is addressed by the authority granted to FERC through the Energy Policy Act of 2005. That Act added section 215 to the FPA, which directed FERC to certify an electric reliability organization and develop procedures for establishing, approving, and enforcing mandatory electric reliability standards. 16 U.S.C. § 824o. FERC certified the North American Electric Reliability Corporation (NERC) in 2006 to develop and enforce reliability standards for the bulk-power system in the United States. *Order Certifying NERC as the Electric Reliability Organization and Ordering Compliance Filing*, FERC Docket No. RR06-1-000, 116 FERC ¶ 61,062 (July 20, 2006). FERC approves these standards, at which point they become mandatory and enforceable. NERC Reliability Standards address areas such as resource and demand balancing, critical infrastructure protection, communications, emergency preparedness and operations, facilities design, transmission operations, transmission planning, modelling, nuclear, personnel performance and training, protection and controls, voltage and reactive, interchange scheduling and coordination, and interconnection reliability operations and coordination.

NERC Reliability Standards are enforceable throughout the continental United States, most of Canada south of the 60th parallel, and the Mexican state of Baja California Norte. Through enforcement by FERC, NERC, and six Regional Entities overseen by NERC,⁵ all bulk-power system owners, operators, and users are held responsible for complying with reliability standards. The reliability standards are structured so that many entities have overlapping responsibility for the electric grid, thereby resulting in several layers of reliability monitoring. Entities such as reliability coordinators and balancing authorities coordinate power generation and transmission among multiple utilities to serve demand within an integrated regional wholesale market. One of the principal functions of these entities is to schedule adequate generating and reserve capacity. This allows them to serve demand at the regional level and to ensure that there is sufficient power supply to maintain system reliability. Reliability Standard IRO-001-4 “establish[es] the responsibility of Reliability Coordinators to act or direct other entities to act.”⁶ Requirement R1 states that “[e]ach Reliability Coordinator shall act to address the reliability of its Reliability Coordinator Area via direct actions or by issuing Operating Instructions.”⁷ Reliability oversight is designed through coordinated efforts amongst Reliability Coordinators to preserve the benefits of interconnected operations and ensure that operations in one area will not adversely impact other areas.⁸ Reliability Standard IRO-014-3 R1 provides that “[e]ach Reliability Coordinator shall have and implement Operating Procedures, Operating

³ A related reliability analysis follows in the next section of this Order.

⁴ This focus should not be confused with resource adequacy planning and capacity requirements that have traditionally been the domain of state regulatory commissions, NERC-certified Regional Entities, and RTOs/ISOs.

⁵ The six entities are the Midwest Reliability Organization, Northeast Power Coordinating Council, ReliabilityFirst Corporation, SERC Reliability Corporation, Texas Reliability Entity, and Western Electricity Coordinating Council.

⁶ Standard IRO-001-4 (Reliability Coordination – Responsibilities), at ¶ A.3.

⁷ *Id.* ¶ B.R1.

⁸ See Standard IRO-014-3 (Coordination Among Reliability Coordinators), at ¶ A.3.

Processes, or Operating Plans, for activities that require notification or coordination of actions that may impact adjacent Reliability Coordinator Areas, to support Interconnection reliability.”⁹

DOE finds that NERC’s FERC-approved comprehensive enforcement mechanism ensures that bulk-power system owners, operators, and users have a strong incentive both to maintain system resources and to prevent reliability problems that could result from movement of electric supplies through export. As a result of this reliability oversight, DOE finds that the sufficiency of supply is not impaired by Research Power Corporation’s proposed export authorization.

DOE’s sufficiency of supply findings are further supported by the fact that power marketers, such as Research Power Corporation, do not have an obligation to serve a franchised territory. Before the current role of power marketers emerged in the industry, the FPA § 202(e) inquiry into sufficiency of supply had a narrower focus and was designed for an applicant that was a vertically integrated utility¹⁰ with an obligation to serve native load. Under that traditional scenario, the inquiry regarding sufficiency of supply logically sought to confirm that exports would be surplus to the needs of a vertically-integrated utility’s native load obligations and reserve margins. As explained in DOE’s notice of the first application by a power marketer for export authorization, the sufficiency of supply inquiry became unnecessary when applied to power marketers:

The Applicant also is required to demonstrate that it would have sufficient generating capacity to sustain the proposed export under the terms and conditions of its export agreement, while still complying with any established reserve criteria.

Since marketers generally could not be seen as having any “native load” requirements, the latter criterion of maintaining sufficient reserve margins appears inappropriate and unnecessary in this instance.

59 Fed. Reg. 54900 (Nov. 2, 1994). Power marketers do not have franchised service areas and, consequently, do not have native load obligations like a traditional local distribution utility that could be impaired by exports.

In sum, market mechanisms and reliability oversight protect against the possibility that Research Power Corporation’s exports would jeopardize domestic sufficiency of supply. Therefore, an export by Research Power Corporation would not trigger the first exception criterion of FPA § 202(e) regarding the sufficiency of electric supply within the United States.

⁹ *Id.* ¶ B.R1.

¹⁰ The Supreme Court of the United States has explained: “In 1935, when the FPA became law, most electricity was sold by vertically integrated utilities that had constructed their own power plants, transmission lines, and local delivery systems...[M]ost operated as separate, local monopolies subject to state or local regulation. Their sales were ‘bundled,’ meaning that consumers paid a single charge that included both the cost of the electric energy and the cost of its delivery. Competition among utilities was not prevalent.” *New York v. FERC*, 535 US 1, 5 (2002).

B. Research Power Corporation's Requested Authorization Will Not Adversely Affect Either the Reliability or the Security of the United States Electric Transmission System

Reliability, the second exception criterion under FPA § 202(e), addresses operational reliability and security of the domestic electric transmission system. In evaluating the operational reliability impacts of export proposals, DOE has used a variety of methodologies and information, including established industry guidelines, operating procedures, and technical studies where available and appropriate. When determining these impacts, it is convenient to separate the export transaction into two parts: (i) moving the export from the source to a border system that owns the international transmission connection, and (ii) moving the export through that border system and across the border.

Moving Electricity to a Border System. Moving electricity for export to a border system necessarily involves the use of the bulk-power system. As noted in the preceding section, bulk-power system reliability concerns are addressed under the FPA by FERC and NERC and involve the enforcement of mandatory reliability standards. These standards ensure that all owners, operators, and users of the bulk-power system have an obligation to maintain system security and reliability. The standards are structured so that there are always entities with broader responsibilities than the applicant, such as reliability coordinators and balancing authorities, to keep a constant watch over the domestic transmission system.

To deliver the export from the source to a border system, the applicant must make the necessary commercial arrangements and obtain sufficient transmission capacity to wheel the exported energy to the border system. The applicant would be expected to follow FERC orders regarding open transmission access and to schedule delivery of the export with the appropriate RTO, ISO, and/or balancing authority (formerly the control area operator).

It is the responsibility of the RTO, ISO, and/or balancing authority to schedule the delivery of the export consistent with established and mandatory operational reliability criteria. During each step of the process of obtaining transmission service, the owners and/or operators of the transmission facilities will evaluate the impact on the system and schedule the movement of the export *only* if it would not violate established operating reliability standards. As a failsafe, the reliability coordinator in each region has the authority and responsibility to curtail, cancel, or deny scheduled flows to avoid shortages or to restore necessary energy and capacity reserves. Reliability Standard EOP-011-1 R2 provides that “[e]ach Balancing Authority shall develop, maintain, and implement one or more Reliability Coordinator-reviewed Operating Plan(s) to mitigate Capacity Emergencies and Energy Emergencies within its Balancing Authority Area.”¹¹

Specifically, the reliability coordinator has the authority to suspend exports if the electric energy would be needed to support the regional power grid. *See* Reliability Standard IRO-001-4 R1 (“Each Reliability Coordinator shall act to address the reliability of its Reliability Coordinator Area via direct actions or by issuing Operating Instructions”), R2 (“Each Transmission Operator, Balancing Authority, Generator Operator, and Distribution Provider shall comply with its Reliability Coordinator’s Operating Instructions unless compliance with the

¹¹ EOP-011-1 (Emergency Operations), at ¶ B.R2.

Operating Instructions cannot be physically implemented or unless such actions would violate safety, equipment, regulatory, or statutory requirements”), and R3 (“Each Transmission Operator, Balancing Authority, Generator Operator, and Distribution Provider shall inform its Reliability Coordinator of its inability to perform the Operating Instruction issued by its Reliability Coordinator in Requirement R1”).

DOE has determined that the existing industry procedures for obtaining transmission capacity on the domestic transmission system (described above) provide adequate assurance that any export will not cause an operational reliability problem. Therefore, Research Power Corporation’s export authorization has been conditioned to ensure that the export will not cause operational issues on regional transmission systems to fall outside of established industry reliability criteria, or cause or exacerbate a transmission operating problem on the United States’ electric power supply system (*see* Order below, Section VII, paragraphs C, D, and I).

Moving Electricity Through a Border System. The second part of DOE’s reliability inquiry, addressing the transmission of the export through a border system and across the border, is a question of whether the border system is reliable and secure. To a large extent, this question is addressed by the jurisdiction of NERC. NERC and Regional Entities—including the Midwest Reliability Organization, the Northeast Power Coordinating Council, and the Western Electricity Coordinating Council—oversee the United States-Canadian border system and a significant part of the United States-Mexican border system. Those border systems are generally subject to the same reliability standards as domestic systems. *See, e.g.,* <http://www.ieso.ca/sector-participants/system-reliability/reliability-standards-framework>.

DOE also relies on the System Impact Studies submitted in conjunction with an application for a DOE-issued Presidential permit¹² to construct a new international transmission line. As DOE has previously reviewed System Impact Studies submitted with Presidential permit applications,¹³ DOE does not need to perform additional impact assessments here, provided the maximum rate of transmission for all exports through a border system does not exceed the authorized limit of the system (*see* Order below, Section VII, paragraph (A)). In its application, Research Power Corporation committed to complying with all reliability limits on border facilities. *See* App. at 3. The second part of the reliability inquiry is therefore satisfied by DOE regulatory oversight, in addition to NERC’s reliability enforcement.

III. FINDINGS AND DECISION

A. Research Power Corporation Meets the Statutory Requirements to Export Electric Energy to Canada

¹² DOE issues Presidential permits pursuant to Executive Order 10,485, as amended by Executive Order 12,038. *See* 10 C.F.R. §§ 205.320-205.329.

¹³ *See, e.g., AEP Tex. Cent. Co.*, Order No. PP-317, at 2-3 (Jan. 22, 2007); *Mont. Alta. Tie Ltd.*, Order No. PP-305, at 2-4 (Nov. 17, 2008).

As explained above, DOE has assessed the impact that the proposed export would have on the reliability of the United States electric power supply system. DOE has determined that the export of electric energy to Canada by Research Power Corporation, as ordered below, would not impair the sufficiency of electric power supply within the United States and would not impede or tend to impede the coordination in the public interest of facilities within the meaning of FPA § 202(e).

B. Research Power Corporation Qualifies for a NEPA Categorical Exclusion for Exports of Electric Energy

Research Power Corporation's Application qualifies for DOE's categorical exclusion for exports of electric energy under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, as amended (NEPA), 42 U.S.C. § 4321 *et seq.* DOE's NEPA [Implementing](#) Procedures (June 2025) set forth this categorical exclusion, codified as "B4.2," as follows:

Export of electric energy as provided by Section 202(e) of the Federal Power Act over existing transmission lines or using transmission system changes that are themselves categorically excluded.

10 C.F.R. Part 1021, App. B, § B4.2.

DOE has determined that actions in this category do not normally have a significant effect on the human environment and that, therefore, neither an environmental assessment nor an environmental impact statement normally is required. 10 C.F.R. § 1021.102(a).

To invoke this categorical exclusion, DOE must determine that, in relevant part, "[t]here are no extraordinary circumstances related to the proposal that may affect the significance of the environmental effects of the proposal." 10 C.F.R. § 1021.102(b)(2). "Extraordinary circumstances" include "unique situations" such as "scientific controversy about the environmental effects of the proposal; uncertain effects or effects involving unique or unknown risks; and unresolved conflicts concerning alternative uses of available resources." *Id.* DOE finds that granting Research Power Corporation's request for export authorization does not present such extraordinary circumstances. Research Power Corporation seeks to deliver electricity over existing international electric transmission facilities, which fits squarely within the B4.2 categorical exclusion. For these reasons, DOE will not require more detailed NEPA review in connection with this Application.

C. Conclusion

DOE grants Research Power Corporation's request for export authorization. Research Power Corporation is authorized to export electricity to Canada over any authorized international transmission facility that is appropriate for open access transmission by third parties, subject to the limitations and conditions described in this Order. The authorization shall be effective for a five (5) year term consistent with DOE's standard term for new electricity export authorizations.

IV. DATA COLLECTION AND REPORTING REQUIREMENTS

The responsibility for the data collection and reporting under orders authorizing electricity exports to a foreign country currently rests with the U.S. Energy Information Administration (EIA) within DOE. The Applicant is instructed to follow EIA instructions in completing this data exchange. Questions regarding the data collection and reporting requirements can be directed to EIA by email at EIA4USA@eia.gov or by phone at 1-855-342-4872.

Additionally, any change to the tariff of an entity with an export authorization must be provided to DOE's Grid Deployment Office via email at electricity.exports@hq.doe.gov. 10 C.F.R. § 205.308(b).

V. COMPLIANCE

Obtaining a valid order from DOE authorizing the export of electricity under FPA § 202(e) is a necessary condition before engaging in the export. Failure to obtain such an order or continuing to export after the expiration of such an order may result in a denial of authorization to export in the future and subject the exporter to sanctions and penalties under the FPA. DOE expects transmitting utilities owning border facilities and entities charged with the operational control of those border facilities, such as ISOs, RTOs, or balancing authorities, to verify that companies seeking to schedule an electricity export have the requisite authority from DOE to export such energy.

DOE expects Research Power Corporation to abide by the terms and conditions established for its authority to export electric energy to Canada, as set forth below. DOE intends to monitor Research Power Corporation compliance with these terms and conditions, including the requirement in paragraph G of this Order that Research Power Corporation create and preserve full and complete records and file reports with EIA as discussed above.

A violation of any of these terms and conditions, including the failure to submit timely and accurate reports, may result in the loss of authority to export electricity and subject Research Power Corporation to any applicable sanctions and penalties under the FPA.

VI. OPEN ACCESS POLICY

An export authorization issued under FPA § 202(e) does not impose a requirement on transmitting utilities to provide service. However, DOE expects transmitting utilities that own border facilities to provide open access transmission service across the border in accordance with the principles of comparable open access and non-discrimination contained in the FPA and articulated in FERC Order No. 888 (Promoting Wholesale Competition Through Open Access Non-Discriminatory Transmission Services by Public Utilities, FERC Statutes and Regulations ¶ 31,036 (1996)), as amended. The actual rates, terms, and conditions of transmission service should be consistent with the non-discrimination principles of the FPA and the transmitting utility's Open-Access Transmission Tariff on file with FERC.

All recipients of export authorizations, including owners of border facilities for which Presidential permits have been issued, are required by their export authorization to conduct operations in accordance with the applicable principles of the FPA and any pertinent rules, regulations, directives, policy statements, and orders adopted or issued thereunder, including the comparable open access provisions of FERC Order No. 888, as amended. Cross-border electric trade ought to be subject to the same principles of comparable open access and non-discrimination that apply to transmission in interstate commerce. *See Enron Power Mktg., Inc. v. El Paso Elec. Co.*, 77 FERC ¶ 61,013 (1996), *reh'g denied*, 83 FERC ¶ 61,213 (1998). Thus, DOE expects owners of border facilities to comply with the same principles of comparable open access and non-discrimination that apply to the domestic, interstate transmission of electricity.

VII. ORDER

Accordingly, pursuant to FPA § 202(e) and the Rules and Regulations issued thereunder (10 C.F.R. §§ 205.300-309), it is hereby ordered that Research Power Corporation is authorized to export electric energy to Canada under the following terms and conditions:

- (A) The electric energy exported by Research Power Corporation pursuant to this Order may be delivered to Canada over any authorized international transmission facility that is appropriate for open access transmission by third parties in accordance with the export limits authorized by DOE.

(1) The following international transmission facilities located at the United States border with Canada are currently authorized by Presidential permit and available for open access transmission:^{14, 15}

<u>Owner</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Voltage</u>	<u>Permit No.</u> ¹⁶
Bangor Hydro-Electric Company	Baileyville, ME	345 kV	PP-89
Basin Electric Power Cooperative	Tioga, ND	230 kV	PP-64
Bonneville Power Administration (BPA)	Blaine, WA	2x 500 kV	PP-10
	Nelway, WA	230 kV	PP-36
	Nelway, WA	230 kV	PP-46
CHPE, LLC	Champlain, NY	±230 kV DC	PP-481 ¹⁷

¹⁴ This Order authorizes the export of electricity over any “authorized international transmission facility,” which is intended to include both large transmission lines and smaller distribution lines that have received a Presidential permit. However, the list in subparagraph (A)(1) of current facilities only includes transmission lines.

¹⁵ The Applicant submitted a list identifying currently authorized transmission facilities (Attachment 1 of the Application). However, as information about some of those facilities may have changed since the Application was submitted, the table of transmission facilities in this Order may differ from the Applicant’s submission to reflect those changes.

¹⁶ These Presidential permit numbers refer to the generic DOE permit number and are intended to include any subsequent amendments to the permit authorizing the facility.

¹⁷ Currently under construction and not yet operational as of September 2025.

Eastern Maine Electric Cooperative	Calais, ME	69 kV	PP-32
International Transmission Company	Detroit, MI	230 kV	PP-230
	Marysville, MI	230 kV	PP-230
	St. Claire, MI	230 kV	PP-230
	St. Claire, MI	345 kV	PP-230
Lake Erie Connector Transmission, LLC	Erie County, PA	320 kV	PP-412 ¹⁸
Long Sault, Inc.	Massena, NY	2x 115 kV	PP-24
Maine Electric Power Company	Houlton, ME	345 kV	PP-43
Minnesota Power, Inc.	International Falls, MN	115 kV	PP-78
Minnesota Power, Inc.	Roseau County, MN	500 kV	PP-398
Minnkota Power Cooperative	Roseau County, MN	230 kV	PP-61
Montana Alberta Tie Ltd.	Cut Bank, MT	230 kV	PP-399
NECEC Transmission LLC	Beattie Twp, ME	±320 kV	PP-438 ¹⁹
New York Power Authority	Massena, NY	765 kV	PP-56
	Massena, NY	2x 230 kV	PP-25
	Niagara Falls, NY	2x 345 kV	PP-74
	Devils Hole, NY	230 kV	PP-30
Niagara Mohawk Power Corp.	Devils Hole, NY	230 kV	PP-190
Northern States Power Company	Red River, ND	230 kV	PP-45
	Roseau County, MN	500 kV	PP-63
	Rugby, ND	230 kV	PP-231
Sea Breeze Olympic Converter LP	Port Angeles, WA	±450 kV DC	PP-299 ²⁰
TDI New England	Alburgh, VT	±320 kV DC	PP-400 ²¹

¹⁸ These transmission facilities have been authorized but not yet constructed or placed into operation.

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Vermont Electric Power Co.	Derby Line, VT	120 kV	PP-66
Vermont Electric Transmission Co.	Norton, VT	±450 kV DC	PP-76
Vermont Transco LLC	Highgate, VT	120 kV	PP-82
Versant Power	Fort Fairfield, ME	69 kV	PP-497
	Madawaska, ME	138 kV	PP-498
	Easton, ME	7.2 kV	PP-499
	Baileyville, ME	345kV	PP-500

(2) The following are the authorized export limits for the international transmission lines listed above in subparagraph (A)(1):

- (a) Exports by Research Power Corporation made pursuant to this Order shall not cause the total exports on facilities authorized by Presidential Permit PP-64 (issued to Basin Electric Power Coop.) to exceed an instantaneous transmission rate of 150 megawatts (MW). The gross amount of energy that Research Power Corporation may export over the PP-64 facilities shall not exceed 900,000 megawatt-hours (MWH) during any consecutive 12-month period.
- (b) Exports by Research Power Corporation made pursuant to this Order shall not cause the total exports on the facilities authorized by Presidential Permit PP-32 (issued to Eastern Maine Electric Coop.) to exceed an instantaneous transmission rate of 15 MW. The gross amount of energy that Research Power Corporation may export over the PP-32 facilities shall not exceed 7,500 MWH annually.
- (c) Exports by Research Power Corporation made pursuant to this Order shall not cause the total exports on a combination of the facilities authorized by Presidential Permit PP-481-2 (issued to CHPE, LLC) to exceed an instantaneous transmission rate of 1,250 MW.
- (d) Exports by Research Power Corporation made pursuant to this Order shall not cause the total exports on a combination of the facilities authorized by Presidential Permit PP-230 (issued to International Transmission Company) to exceed a coincident, instantaneous transmission rate of 2.2 billion volt-amperes (2,200 MVA).
- (e) Exports by Research Power Corporation made pursuant to this Order shall not cause the total exports on a combination of the facilities authorized by Presidential Permit PP-412-1 (issued to Lake Erie Connector Transmission, LLC) to exceed an instantaneous transmission rate of 1,000 MW.
- (f) Exports by Research Power Corporation made pursuant to this Order shall not cause the scheduled rate of transmission over a combination of facilities

authorized by Presidential Permits PP-43 (issued to Maine Electric Power Company) and PP-500 (issued to Bangor Hydro-Electric) to exceed 550 MW.

- (g) Exports by Research Power Corporation made pursuant to this Order shall not cause the total exports on the combination of facilities authorized by Presidential Permits PP-497 and PP-498 (issued to Versant Power) to exceed a coincident, instantaneous transmission rate of 134 MW.
- (h) Exports by Research Power Corporation made pursuant to this Order shall not cause total exports on the facilities authorized by Presidential Permit PP-78-1 (issued to Minnesota Power, Inc.) to exceed an instantaneous transmission rate of 100 MW. Exports by Research Power Corporation may cause total exports on the PP-78-1 facilities to exceed 100 MW only when total exports between the Mid-Continent Area Power Pool (MAPP) and Manitoba Hydro are below maximum transfer limits and/or whenever operating conditions within the MAPP system permit exports on the PP-78-1 facilities above the 100-MW level without violating established MAPP reliability criteria. However, under no circumstances shall exports by Research Power Corporation cause the total exports on the PP-78-1 facilities to exceed 150 MW.
- (i) Exports made by Research Power Corporation pursuant to this Order shall not cause total exports on the facilities authorized by Presidential Permit PP-398 (issued to Minnesota Power, Inc.) to exceed an instantaneous transmission rate of 750 MW.
- (j) Exports by Research Power Corporation made pursuant to this Order shall not cause total exports on a combination of the international transmission lines authorized by Presidential Permits PP-45 and PP-63 (issued to Northern States Power Company), PP-61 (issued to Minnkota Power), and PP-231 (issued to Northern States Power Company, d/b/a Excel Energy Inc. (Xcel)), to exceed an instantaneous transmission rate of 700 MW on a firm basis and 1,050 MW on a non-firm basis.
- (k) Exports by Research Power Corporation made pursuant to this Order shall not cause the total exports on the facilities authorized by Presidential Permit PP-66 (issued to Vermont Electric Power Co.) to exceed an instantaneous transmission rate of 50 MW. The gross amount of energy that Research Power Corporation may export over the PP-66 facilities shall not exceed 50,000 MWH annually.
- (l) Exports by Research Power Corporation made pursuant to this Order shall not cause the total exports on the facilities authorized by Presidential Permit PP-56 (issued to NYPA) to exceed an instantaneous transmission rate of 1,000 MW.
- (m) Exports by Research Power Corporation made pursuant to this Order shall not cause: (a) the total exports on the facilities authorized by Presidential Permits PP-25, PP-30, PP-74 (issued to NYPA), and PP-190 (issued to Niagara Mohawk Power Corp.) to exceed a combined instantaneous transmission rate of 1,650

MW; and (b) the total exports on the 115-kV facilities authorized by Presidential Permit PP-24 (issued to Long Sault, Inc.) to exceed an instantaneous transmission rate of 100 MW. In addition, the gross amount of energy that Research Power Corporation may export over the PP-24 facilities shall not exceed 300,000 MWH annually.

- (n) Exports by Research Power Corporation made pursuant to this Order shall not cause total exports on the two 500-kV lines authorized by Presidential Permit PP-10, the 230-kV line authorized by Presidential Permit PP-36, and the 230-kV line authorized by Presidential Permit PP-46 (issued to BPA) to exceed the following limits:

Condition	PP-36 & PP-46 Limit	PP-10 Limit	Total Export Limit
All lines in service	400 MW	1500 MW	1900 MW
1-500 kV line out	400 MW	300 MW	700 MW
2-500 kV lines out	400 MW	0 MW	400 MW
1-230 kV line out	400 MW	1500 MW	1900 MW
2-230 kV line out	0 MW	1500 MW	1500 MW

- (o) Exports by Research Power Corporation made pursuant to this Order shall not cause a violation of the following conditions as they apply to exports over the facilities authorized by Presidential Permit PP-76-1, as amended (issued to the Vermont Electric Transmission Company):

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Exports Through	Load Condition	Export Limit
Comerford converter	Summer, Heavy	650 MW
Comerford converter	Winter, Heavy	660 MW
Comerford converter	Summer, Light	690 MW
Comerford converter	Winter, Light	690 MW
Comerford & Sandy Pond converters	All	2,000 MW

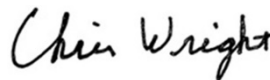
- (p) Exports by Research Power Corporation made pursuant to this Order over the international transmission facilities authorized by Presidential Permit PP-399 (issued to Montana Alberta Tie Ltd.) shall not exceed an instantaneous transmission rate of 300 MW.
- (q) Exports by Research Power Corporation made pursuant to this Order over the international transmission facilities authorized by Presidential Permit PP-438 (issued to NECEC Transmission LLC) shall not exceed an instantaneous transmission rate of 1,200 MW.
- (r) Exports by Research Power Corporation made pursuant to this Order over the international transmission facilities authorized by Presidential Permit PP-299

(issued to Sea Breeze Olympic Converter LP) shall not exceed an instantaneous transmission rate of 550 MW.

- (s) Exports by Research Power Corporation made pursuant to this Order shall not cause the total exports on a combination of the facilities authorized by Presidential Permit PP-400 (issued to TDI-New England) to exceed an instantaneous transmission rate of 1,000 MW.
 - (t) Exports by Research Power Corporation made pursuant to this Order shall neither cause the total exports on the facilities authorized by Presidential Permit PP-82-6 (issued to Vermont Transco LLC) to exceed an instantaneous transmission rate of 250 MW.
- (B) Changes by DOE to the export limits in other orders shall result in a concomitant change to the export limits contained in subparagraph (A)(2) of this Order. Changes to the export limits contained in subparagraphs (A)(2)(l), (m), and (n) will be made by DOE after submission of appropriate information demonstrating a change in the transmission transfer capability between the electric systems in New York State and Ontario and New York State and Quebec, and between BPA and BC Hydro or BPA and West Kootenay Power. Notice of these changes will be provided to Research Power Corporation.
- (C) Research Power Corporation shall obtain any and all other Federal and state regulatory approvals required to execute any power exports to Canada. The scheduling and delivery of electricity exports to Canada shall comply with all reliability criteria, standards, and guidelines of NERC, reliability coordinators, Regional Entities, RTOs, ISOs or balancing authorities, or their successors, as appropriate, on such terms as expressed therein, and as such criteria, standards, and guidelines may be amended from time to time.
- (D) Exports made pursuant to this authorization shall be conducted in accordance with the applicable provisions of the FPA and any pertinent rules, regulations, directives, policy statements, and orders adopted or issued thereunder, including the comparable open access provisions of FERC Order No. 888, as amended.
- (E) The authorization herein granted may be modified from time to time or terminated by further order of DOE. In no event shall such authorization to export over a particular transmission facility identified in subparagraphs (A)(1) and (2) extend beyond the date of termination of the Presidential permit or treaty authorizing such facility.
- (F) This authorization shall be without prejudice to the authority of any state or state regulatory commission for the exercise of any lawful authority vested in such state or state regulatory commission.
- (G) Research Power Corporation shall make and preserve full and complete records with respect to the electric energy transactions between the United States and Canada. Research Power Corporation shall collect and submit the data to EIA as required by and in accordance with the procedures of Form EIA-111, "Quarterly Electricity Imports and Exports Report," and all successor forms.

- (H) In accordance with 10 C.F.R. § 205.305, this export authorization is not transferable or assignable, except in the event of involuntary transfer by operation of law. Provided written notice of the involuntary transfer is given to DOE within 30 days, this authorization shall remain in effect temporarily. The authorization shall terminate unless an application for a new export authorization has been received by DOE within 60 days of the involuntary transfer. Upon receipt by DOE of such an application, this existing authorization shall continue in effect pending a decision on the new application. In the event of a proposed voluntary transfer of this authority to export electricity, the transferee and the transferor shall file a joint application for a new export authorization, together with a statement of the reasons for the transfer.
- (I) Nothing in this Order is intended to prevent the transmission system operator from being able to reduce or suspend the exports authorized herein, as necessary and appropriate, whenever a continuation of those exports would cause or exacerbate a transmission operating problem or would negatively impact the security or reliability of the transmission system.
- (J) Research Power Corporation has a continuing obligation to give DOE written notification as soon as practicable of any prospective or actual changes of a substantive nature in the circumstances upon which this Order was based, including but not limited to changes in authorized entity contact information or NERC compliance registry status.
- (K) This authorization shall be effective as of October 21, 2025 and shall remain in effect for a period of five (5) years from that date. Application for renewal of this authorization may be filed within six (6) months prior to its expiration. Failure to provide DOE with at least one hundred and twenty (120) days to process a renewal application and provide adequate opportunity for public comment may result in a gap in Research Power Corporation's authority to export electricity.

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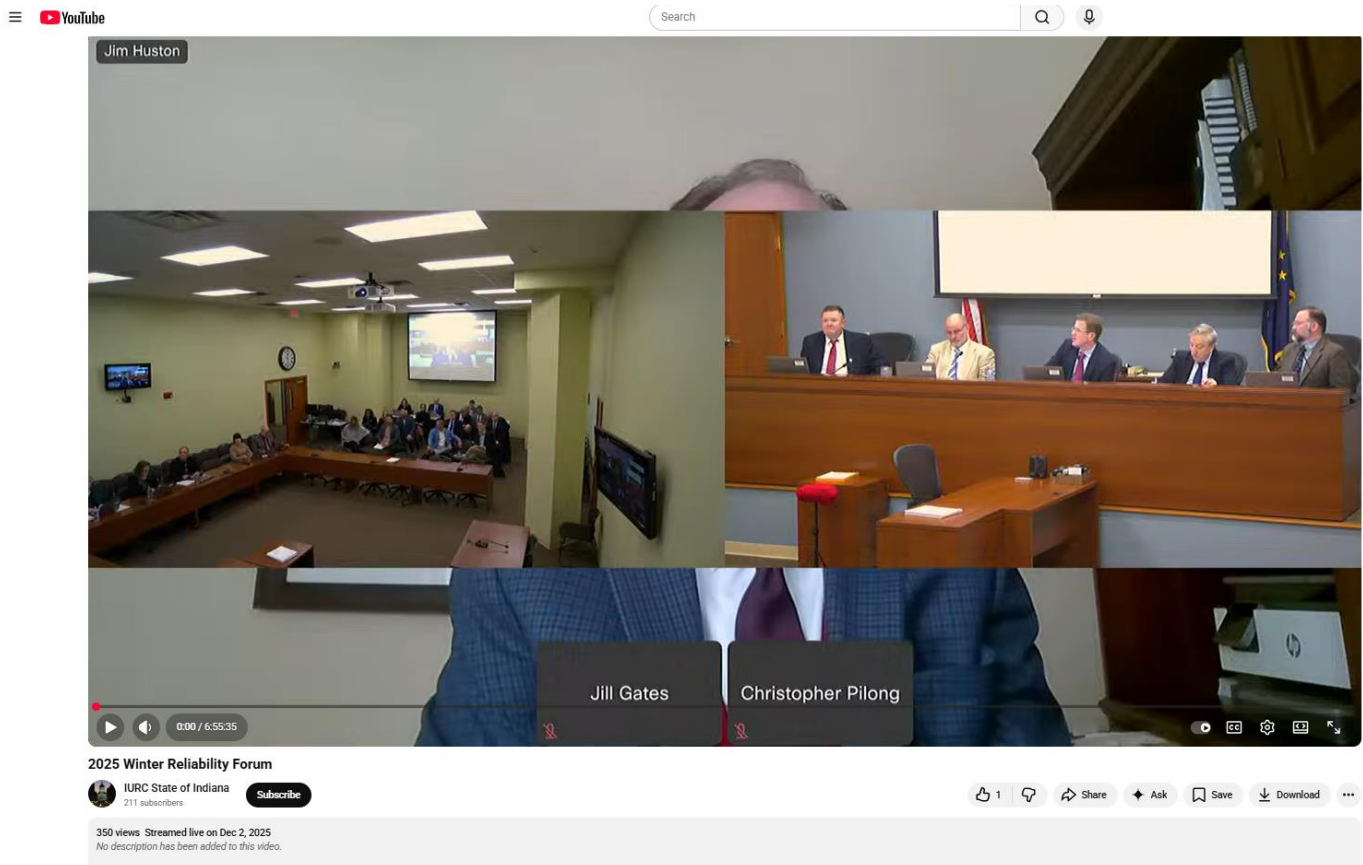
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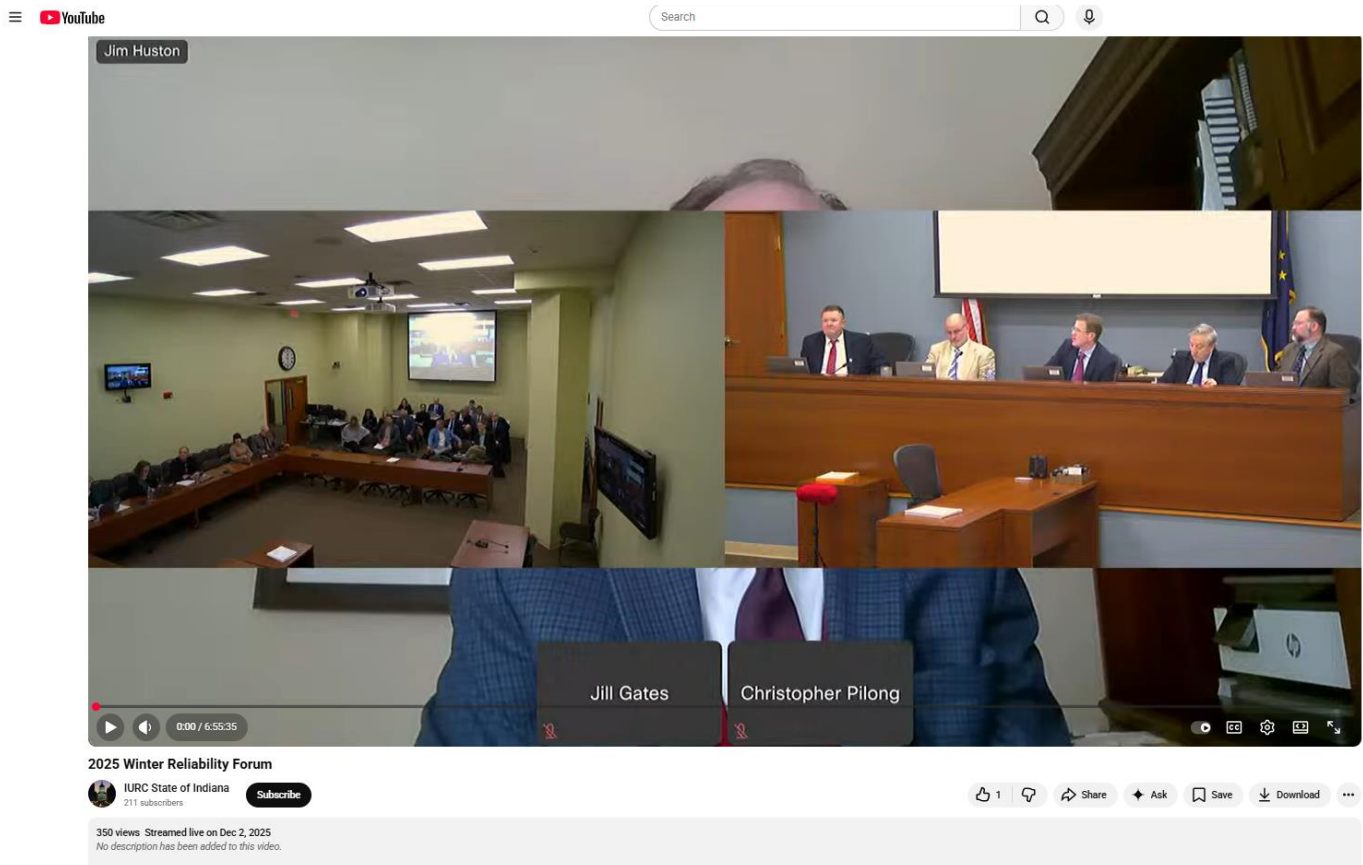
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NARUC Coal Report



Recent Changes to U.S. Coal Plant Operations and Current Compensation Practices

National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners | January 2020

Phillip Graeter, Energy Ventures Analysis, Inc.

Seth Schwartz, Energy Ventures Analysis, Inc.



**EXHIBIT 15: TYPICAL STARTUP AND CYCLING COSTS FOR A
MEDIUM-SIZED COAL-FIRED POWER PLANT (\$2019)¹⁹**

Type of Start	Cost category	Cost estimates (\$/MW)		
		Expected	Low	High
Hot Start (1–23 h offline)	Maintenance and capital	\$ 128	\$ 102	\$ 162
	Forced outage	\$ 60	\$ 48	\$ 76
	Start-up fuel	\$ 20	\$ 14	\$ 30
	Auxiliary power	\$ 11	\$ 8	\$ 13
	Efficiency loss from low and variable load operation	\$ 5	\$ 4	\$ 8
	Water chemistry cost and support	\$ 1	\$ 1	\$ 2
	Total cycling cost	\$ 225	\$ 178	\$ 291
Warm Start (24 - 120 h offline)	Maintenance and capital	\$ 137	\$ 109	\$ 170
	Forced outage	\$ 65	\$ 51	\$ 80
	Start-up fuel	\$ 43	\$ 30	\$ 57
	Auxiliary power	\$ 23	\$ 18	\$ 28
	Efficiency loss from low and variable load operation	\$ 6	\$ 5	\$ 9
	Water chemistry cost and support	\$ 6	\$ 4	\$ 9
	Total cycling cost	\$ 277	\$ 217	\$ 351
Cold Start (> 120 h offline)	Maintenance and capital	\$ 205	\$ 162	\$ 255
	Forced outage	\$ 96	\$ 76	\$ 120
	Start-up fuel	\$ 64	\$ 45	\$ 24
	Auxiliary power	\$ 29	\$ 23	\$ 36
	Efficiency loss from low and variable load operation	\$ 6	\$ 5	\$ 10
	Water chemistry cost and support	\$ 17	\$ 13	\$ 21
	Total cycling cost	\$ 417	\$ 325	\$ 465
Load follow down to 36% of Capacity	Maintenance and capital	\$ 20	\$ 12	\$ 31
	Forced outage	\$ 9	\$ 6	\$ 15
	Efficiency loss from low and variable load operation	\$ 1	\$ 1	\$ 2
	Mill cycle gas	\$ 2	\$ 19	\$ 50
	Total cycling cost	\$ 32	\$ 19	\$ 50

As shown in **Exhibit 15**, expected costs for cold starts can be almost double the startup cost for a hot start when the remaining temperature in the boiler and turbine system are still significantly higher. However, even hot starts can range from \$89,000 to \$145,500 per start for a 500 MW coal-fired EGU. These costs can also vary significantly between coal units based on differences in boiler size and design (subcritical vs. supercritical). The highest cost

¹⁹ Source: Lefton S A, Hilleman D (2011). *Make your plant ready for cycling operations*.
<http://www.powermag.com/make-your-plant-ready-for-cycling-operations/>

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Exhibit 55
IEA Flexibility Report

Increasing the flexibility of coal-fired power plants

Colin Henderson

September 2014

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4 Increasing flexibility – turbine and water-steam systems

There is much that can be done to make these areas of a plant more durable, able to respond faster and suffer less efficiency losses. Examples are given in this chapter.

4.1 Reducing stresses during start-up

Start-up, especially from cold, places particularly large stresses on many parts of a coal-fired plant. The turbine is no exception in this regard. Very rapid temperature changes need to be kept to the minimum, while component designs can be adapted to suit. Lindsay and Dragoon (2010) have collected together data from published sources on start-up times for different plant conditions. They found that, generally, coal plants required approximately 12 hours to cold start, 4 hours to warm start, and 1 hour to hot start. There was considerable variation, and this was believed to stem from how hot, warm, and cold starts were defined, and whether those times were actually equipment-limited or not.

One of the requirements for flexibility in the turbine is that the very small clearances between stationary and moving components remain almost constant during output changes. This requires careful design, advanced sealing (*see also* Henderson, 2013) and measures for ensuring uniform thermal loading and applies especially during cold start-up operations (Quinkertz and others, 2008).

Turbine bypass systems are a necessity in plants designed for two-shift (on/off) and other flexible forms of operation. They allow all or part of the steam to bypass the HP turbine or LP turbine so that the rate of steam temperature change in the turbine can be managed as the boiler is starting up and shutting down. This allows thermal stresses in the turbine to be reduced (Lindsay and Dragoon, 2010). This is not to be confused with another type of bypass (HP stage bypass), that can be installed for frequency control in new plants and is described later.

The very high temperature and pressure conditions of USC systems necessitate use of thick-walled components so that they possess adequate strength. Unfortunately, this can limit the rate of temperature change consistent with reducing thermal fatigue to acceptable levels. In the turbine, one means used to counter this is steam cooling of the outer casing to keep its temperature 30–40°C lower than that of the inner casing at the corresponding position along the turbine during load changes. The steam for this is bled radially from points along the inner casing. The steam reduces temperature extremes in the outer casing and allows its thickness to be reduced. The result is that cold start-up time is reduced by almost 50% (Almstedt and others, 2007).

4.2 Load following using sliding pressure operation

While, traditionally, throttling has been used to vary output from a turbine while keeping the pressure constant (Lindsay and Dragoon, 2010), sliding pressure operation has become a commonly applied system in modern supercritical once-through systems (Henderson, 2004). A critical constraint on ramping operation is matching steam and turbine metal temperatures, and more rapid output changes can be achieved using sliding pressure. Sliding pressure also offers advantages over throttle control

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Exhibit 56
Bradford Coal Inventory Testimony

**SOUTHERN INDIANA GAS AND ELECTRIC COMPANY
d/b/a CENTERPOINT ENERGY INDIANA SOUTH
(CEI SOUTH)**

IURC CAUSE NO. 38708 FAC 149

**DIRECT TESTIMONY
OF
F. SHANE BRADFORD
VICE PRESIDENT OF INDIANA ELECTRIC
ON
PURCHASED POWER AND COAL INVENTORY**

SPONSORING ATTACHMENT FSB-1

DIRECT TESTIMONY OF F. SHANE BRADFORD

1 **INTRODUCTION**

2

3 **Q. Please state your name and business address.**

4 A. My name is F. Shane Bradford. My business address is 211 NW Riverside Drive,
5 Evansville, Indiana 47708.

6

7 **Q. By whom are you employed?**

8 A. I am employed by Southern Indiana Gas and Electric Company d/b/a CenterPoint
9 Energy Indiana South ("CEI South," "Petitioner," or "Company"), which is an indirect
10 subsidiary of CenterPoint Energy, Inc.

11

12 **Q. On whose behalf are you submitting this direct testimony?**

13 A. I am submitting testimony on behalf of CEI South.

14

15 **Q. What is your role with respect to Petitioner CEI South?**

16 A. I am the Vice President of Indiana Electric.

17

18 **Q. Please describe your educational background.**

19 A. I received a Bachelor of Science in Civil Engineering (1992) from the University of
20 Dayton and a Master in Business Administration (2002) from Indiana State University.

21

22 **Q. Please describe your professional experience.**

23 A. My career in the utility industry began at Dayton Power and Light Co., where I worked
24 in maintenance and production roles within electric generation from 1992 to 1999. I
25 then joined Cinergy's electric generation division until 2003, when I became a plant
26 manager for one of Cinergy's subsidiaries, Trigen Cinergy Solutions LLC. In 2004, I
27 joined CEI South¹ as Power Plant Director, overseeing safe, reliable, and

¹ For the sake of clarity, my testimony refers to CEI South, even though in certain situations, I may be referring to Southern Indiana Gas and Electric Company operating under a prior assumed business name.

1 environmentally responsible electric generation. By 2021, I transitioned to Director of
2 Power Supply Service, focusing on Wholesale Power Marketing, Market Settlements,
3 and Market Development. In January 2023, I was promoted to Vice President of Power
4 Generation Operations, managing budgeting, operations, maintenance, and
5 personnel decisions for CEI South's generation fleet. In that role, I had responsibility
6 for ensuring customer demand is met sustainably and affordably while complying with
7 environmental regulations. I also oversaw cost inputs for the Integrated Resource Plan
8 ("IRP") process and managed commercial negotiations with generation resources. I
9 assumed my current position in July 2024.

10
11 **Q. Please describe your present duties and responsibilities as CEI South's Vice-**
12 **President, Indiana Electric.**

13 A. I am responsible for all operations within CEI South's electric utility sector in Indiana,
14 alongside managing the Company's Generation Transition Plan, as outlined in the
15 2019/2020 IRP and the 2022/2023 IRP, the latter of which was submitted to the
16 Indiana Utility Regulatory Commission (the "IURC" or "Commission") in May 2023. My
17 responsibilities include the oversight of operations and maintenance ("O&M"), capital
18 budgets, transmission and distribution operations, engineering, generation,
19 development of new renewable projects, and construction of natural gas generation
20 projects to complement renewables.

21
22 **Q. Have you previously testified before the Indiana Utility Regulatory Commission**
23 **("Commission")?**

24 A. Yes. I have testified before the Commission on behalf of CEI South for a certificate of
25 public convenience and necessity ("CPCN") in Cause Nos. 45501, 45564, 45754,
26 45836, 45847, and 45903. Similarly, I've testified for approval of Power Purchase
27 Agreements ("PPAs") in Cause Nos. 46058 and 46218. Additionally, I have testified
28 on behalf of CEI South in its Fuel Adjustment Clause ("FAC") proceedings and the
29 FAC 137 sub docket under Cause No. 38708; its Clean Energy Cost Adjustment
30 ("CECA") under Cause No. 44909; its Environmental Cost Adjustment ("ECA") under
31 Cause No. 45052; the Midcontinent Independent System Operator ("MISO") Cost and
32 Revenue Adjustment ("MCRA") under Cause No. 43354; and Reliability Cost and

Revenue Adjustment ("RCRA") under Cause No. 43406. I also provided testimony before the Commission in Cause No. 45990 in support of CEI South's electric rate case and in Cause No. 46140 in support of CEI South's request for approval of a disposal agreement to effectuate the sale of CEI South's interest in the Warrick Unit 4 Generating Unit.

Q. What is the purpose of your testimony in this proceeding?

A. The purpose of my testimony is to provide information regarding CEI South's power purchases and related costs as a participant in the MISO Energy Market, CEI South's fuel supply, and to sponsor Attachment FSB-1, which consists of schedules that present the calculations of the MISO components included in fuel costs, the calculations of the daily benchmark prices applicable to purchased power for June 2025 through August 2025 (the "Reconciliation Period"), and information about over-benchmark purchased power costs that are reasonable and recoverable under the applicable settlement. Lastly, I will also present an update to the 2025 coal plan.

MISO

Q. Are you generally familiar with the operations of MISO, including MISO Day 2 Market Initiative and Day 3 Ancillary Services Market ("ASM")?

A. Yes, I am.

Q. Have you reviewed the Commission's June 1, 2005, Order in Cause No. 42685 ("42685 Order") and June 30, 2009, Phase II Order in Cause No. 43426 ("ASM Phase II Order")?

A. Yes.

Q. Is CEI South's proposed recovery of costs for the Reconciliation Period consistent with your understanding of the Commission's 42685 Order and ASM Phase II Order?

A. Yes, CEI South's FAC 149 filing is consistent with my understanding of those Commission Orders.

1 **Q. Please summarize your understanding of the impact of MISO Day 2 on CEI**
2 **South's operations.**

3 A. MISO's implementation of the Day 2 Market Initiative resulted in operational changes
4 for CEI South. MISO Day 2 features a wide-area security constrained centralized
5 dispatch across a significant geographic footprint spanning 36 Local Balancing
6 Authorities across fifteen states and Manitoba. Through centralized dispatch, this
7 market brings about an integration of system operations and market operations unlike
8 what existed in this region prior to the start of Day 2. This caused both changes to
9 existing operating procedures and the creation of new operational infrastructure.
10 These operational changes result in costs and cost structures that differ in form from
11 those that previously existed.
12

13 As a result of the existence of the Day 2 market, the cost for CEI South to serve its
14 native load customers now includes both its own generation and MISO dispatched
15 economic energy purchases.
16

17 **Q. Briefly describe the MISO costs and revenues that CEI South is seeking to**
18 **include in this FAC proceeding.**

19 A. Consistent with the 42685 Order, CEI South is requesting that fuel-related MISO costs
20 and revenues track through its current FAC. Attachment FSB-1, Schedule 1, contains
21 a summary of the determination of MISO Components of Fuel Costs, exclusive of
22 purchased power costs, for the Reconciliation Period. In addition, CEI South is
23 requesting recovery of projected MISO costs for the period of February through April
24 2026 ("FAC Period"). These projected costs include the estimated level of the net
25 effect of delta Locational Marginal Pricing ("LMPs"), Day Ahead and Reliability
26 Assessment Commitment ("RAC") recovery of unit commitment costs, Financial
27 Transmission Right ("FTR") revenue and expenses, and Real Time Marginal Loss
28 Surplus credits.
29

30 **Q. Are costs associated with MISO's ASM included in the amounts for which you**
31 **are seeking recovery in this FAC?**

A. Yes. Consistent with the Commission's Phase I Order in Cause No. 43426, dated August 13, 2008, CEI South has included for recovery in the FAC those costs for charge types identified as "modified" under the ASM and which were previously recovered in the FAC. Additionally, the Commission issued its ASM Phase II Order on June 30, 2009, that authorized CEI South to include certain new MISO charges and credits as a cost of fuel for recovery in its FAC proceedings.

Q. Did the ASM Phase II Order contain any reporting requirements?

A. Yes. In compliance with the Phase II Order, CEI South must report the monthly average ASM Cost Distribution average dollar per megawatt hours ("MWh") paid for Regulation, Spinning, Supplemental, and Short-Term Reserves. The amounts for the Reconciliation Period are as follows:

	Regulation	Spinning	Supplemental	Short-Term
June 2025	\$0.0778	\$0.0475	\$0.0029	\$0.1073
July 2025	\$0.0568	\$0.0449	\$0.0354	\$0.2900
August 2025	\$0.0516	\$0.0342	\$0.0206	\$0.2759

Q. Given the centralized MISO economic dispatch structure of the Day 2 market, how does CEI South explicitly identify the quantity of purchased power and wholesale sales in each hour?

A. If in a given hour CEI South withdraws more MWh from the grid at its load zone than CEI South generating units inject to the grid, those excess MWh withdrawn are purchased power amounts. Conversely, if in a given hour CEI South generating units inject more MWh to the grid than CEI South withdraws from the grid at its load zone, those excess MWh injected are allocated to wholesale sale amounts.

Q. Is the proposed pass through of Revenue Sufficiency Guarantee ("RSG") amounts in this Cause consistent with your understanding of the Commission's July 16, 2008, Order in Cause No. 43475?

A. Yes.

Q. Are MISO fuel components also included in this FAC?

A. Yes. All the requested MISO components qualify for recovery in this FAC pursuant to

the Commission's Orders in Cause Nos. 42685, 43475, 43426, and 38708 FAC 73. In addition, as a result of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission ("FERC") Order 719 (issued on October 17, 2008) and FERC Order 745 (issued on March 15, 2011) additional charge types have been included for recovery. These charge types were effective June 12, 2012, and discussed in FAC 96 and FAC 97.

PURCHASED POWER RECOVERY

Q. Please describe the mechanism in place for recovery of the cost of energy purchased in MISO Energy Markets.

A. Pursuant to an approved settlement, the cost associated with each purchase is calculated for a given hour as the product of the number of MW purchased for that hour and the purchase price for that hour. To assist in the FAC review of the reasonableness of power purchases, the settlement provides that a benchmark price is applied to purchases and any purchases made in the course of MISO's economic dispatch regime to meet jurisdictional retail load are a cost of fuel and are fully recoverable in the FAC up to the benchmark.

Above-benchmark purchases are also recoverable, so long as the purchases can be shown to be reasonable based on an evaluation conducted with factors set forth in the settlement. As explained by the Commission in Cause No. 41363:

Our March 10, 1999, Docket Entry was clear that we contemplated that a benchmark would merely be a triggering mechanism-that is, if a benchmark is exceeded the utility would have the opportunity to submit additional evidence demonstrating the reasonableness of its power purchases for cost recovery purposes. Every electric generating utility should have the opportunity to request recovery of and justify the reasonableness of purchased power costs above the benchmark. In the event a utility exceeds the benchmark, the standard to be used to review such purchases will be of the reasonableness of the decisions under the circumstances which were known (or which reasonably should have been known) at the time the purchases were made, not an after the fact focus using hindsight judgment.

(IURC Order, Aug. 18, 1999, p. 11).

1 **Q. What is CEI South's benchmark for purchased power costs?**

2 A. In Cause No. 43414, the Commission approved the establishment of daily
3 benchmarks. The daily benchmarks are established based upon a generic Gas
4 Turbine ("GT"), using a generic GT heat rate of 12,500 Btu/kWh, and using the NYMEX
5 Henry Hub Gas Day Ahead price plus \$0.60/MMBtu gas transport charge for a generic
6 gas-fired GT. Changes were approved in Cause No. 43414 to the parameters used to
7 determine amounts over the daily benchmarks.

8

9 **Q. Is a Schedule showing the Daily Benchmarks for purchased power for the**
10 **Reconciliation Period included in this Cause?**

11 A. Yes. Attachment FSB-1, Schedule 2, presents the Daily Benchmark amounts for each
12 day in the Reconciliation Period.

13

14 **Q. What are the amounts of purchased power in excess of the Daily Benchmarks**
15 **incurred by CEI South during the Reconciliation Period?**

16 A. As shown on Attachment FSB-1, Schedule 3, CEI South determined that purchased
17 power costs exceeded the Daily Benchmarks during the Reconciliation Period as
18 follows: June 2025, \$2,596,988.28; July 2025, \$3,604,233.44; and August 2025,
19 \$1,556,991.21. These costs were incurred pursuant to MISO's security constrained
20 economic dispatch across its footprint because MISO elected to utilize other
21 generation when CEI South needed additional power.

22

23 **Q. Are all over-benchmark purchases during the Reconciliation Period determined**
24 **to be recoverable?**

25 A. No. Applying the criteria established by the Benchmark Settlement, CEI South has
26 determined that \$159,908.71 of the \$7,758,212.93 over benchmark purchases are
27 non-recoverable. The remaining \$7,598,304.22 over benchmark purchases are
28 recoverable. Attachment FSB-1, Schedule 3 provides the reason each purchase was
29 made. As contemplated by the Commission in its Order in Cause No. 42770, all these
30 purchases were within "the utility's reasonably expected cost of purchased power
31 under an economic dispatch regime." CEI South acted appropriately in the operation
32 of its generation and its participation in MISO to maintain safe, adequate, and reliable

1 service to its retail customers. The beneficiaries of these purchases were CEI South's
2 retail customers. Without these purchases, CEI South could not have met the
3 demands of its retail customers while complying with MISO dispatch instructions.
4 Recovery of these purchased power costs only makes CEI South whole for costs
5 incurred to meet the demand of retail customers.
6

7 **Q. Why does MISO at times choose to instruct CEI South to purchase from the**
8 **market rather than operate generation internal to its control area?**

9 A. Since the 42685 Order, MISO has dispatched generation. MISO first considers its
10 security constrained economic dispatch model to determine what generation is
11 necessary to meet the next day's system demand with the lowest total cost. If this
12 evaluation shows that the total daily cost is predicted to be less using market
13 purchases rather than calling for CEI South's internal generation, then that is the MISO
14 directive CEI South will be given for the Day Ahead market. Additional consideration
15 will be given to the potential impact to system congestion, which is impacted by market
16 purchases versus CEI South peaking generation operation. The summation of these
17 variables is that every day's evaluation has a different set of conditions and inputs
18 which can only be evaluated by MISO on a regional basis. Thus, like any generator,
19 CEI South is sometimes required by MISO to make economic purchases at the lowest
20 cost reasonably possible. With the influx of new generation sources such as wind, and
21 the dramatic reduction in gas prices, other generation sources now are available in the
22 market at competitive prices. Some of these sources, like wind, are so inexpensive in
23 off peak hours that they are selected in the Day Ahead market. The reasonable
24 purchase costs reflected in the FAC are the product of MISO's economic dispatch.
25

26 **Q. Does CEI South ever deviate from MISO dispatch in order to operate its gas**
27 **peaking generation?**

28 A. Generally, CEI South follows instructions from MISO on when to operate gas peaking
29 generation. CEI South's on-duty system generation operators are provided plans from
30 MISO, and they follow those dispatch plans. Most often, MISO will call on peaking
31 units in the Real Time (intra-day) market but will on occasion also call for a Peaker
32 through the Day Ahead market. The system generation operators will generally vary

1 from these MISO plans only when notified by local transmission system operators that
2 there is a local distribution or transmission constraint that would be eliminated by the
3 use of peaking generation.
4

5 In terms of determining whether to operate the peaking units for purely economic
6 reasons, CEI South's system generation operator evaluates the Real Time Market
7 price of power and compares it to the alternative of starting a natural gas peaking unit
8 for a brief period. The operator monitors the five-minute price signals to determine if
9 they believe the hourly market price will integrate high enough to justify starting a gas
10 turbine. This determination is made knowing that the next five-minute price signal will
11 likely change. A higher price often exists due to an event on the system that sends a
12 price signal for generators to increase production. Once generation is increased, the
13 price will drop; therefore, given these conditions the operator will almost always
14 choose to follow the MISO dispatch signal rather than betting on a sustained higher
15 price.
16

17 In addition, when evaluating the operation of a specific gas turbine, the operator must
18 consider, among other things, (1) the time it takes to bring the unit on line, (2) the
19 actual cost of fuel consumed during the period of time from initial firing until the unit is
20 synchronized to the system, as well as the cost of gas used during controlled unit shut
21 down, and (3) the likelihood that the unit will run at a reduced capacity factor, which
22 increases the heat rate, adding to run costs. These must be spread over the total cost
23 of the MWh produced by the machine. These are reasons why the cost of production
24 during short periods often exceeds the price of power purchased from the economic
25 marketplace.
26

27 Moreover, failure to comply with MISO's dispatch directive would result in assessment
28 of uninstructed deviation charges of unknown amounts to CEI South. Given these cost
29 and price risks, absent unusual market conditions, it is unlikely CEI South will ignore
30 MISO dispatch and operate its peaking units for economic reasons.

1 **Q. Are any purchases from the Benton County Wind Farm ("BCWF") and Fowler**
2 **Ridge II ("FRII") included in this FAC?**

3 A. Yes. Pursuant to the approval received in Cause No. 43259, CEI South began
4 receiving power from BCWF on May 7, 2008, when the facility began commercial
5 operation. CEI South's Renewable Energy Purchase Agreement ("REPA") with FRII
6 was approved in Cause No. 43635 on June 17, 2009, and FRII began commercial
7 operation on December 16, 2009. Consistent with the order in Cause No. 43635, CEI
8 South has included in this FAC those charges or credits related to the REPA that are
9 treated by the Commission as components of fuel.

10
11 **Q. Are there any amounts shown as purchased power from BCWF and FRII**
12 **included in the monthly work papers?**

13 A. Yes. The details of power purchased from BCWF and FRII are included in the
14 confidential work papers provided to the OUCC.

15
16 **Q. How has CEI South estimated the generation received from BCWF in this FAC?**

17 A. In response to the fluctuations in CEI South's share of generation of BCWF, CEI
18 South's projections reflect recent historical output from BCWF. CEI South has created
19 an output profile for BCWF that is based on CEI South's monthly average actual share
20 of generation received from BCWF since March 2013 when BCWF was designated a
21 Dispatchable Intermittent Resource ("DIR"). CEI South will update this output profile
22 and its estimates for BCWF in each future FAC based on recent historical data.

23
24 **Q. Have negative LMPs from BCWF or FRII been experienced?**

25 A. Yes. LMPs can be negative whenever there is congestion on a node. MISO uses
26 negative pricing to rein in a bottleneck, which can occur with wind energy. For the FAC
27 period there were 103 hours when the LMP was negative at BCWF, and 10 hours
28 when the LMP was negative at FRII. This resulted in total charges of \$10,626.28.

29
30 **Q. Please describe how CEI South uses the DIR designation.**

31 A. MISO has attempted to address the operational challenges associated with the
32 variable nature of wind power by allowing these resources to participate fully in MISO's

1 economic dispatch under a DIR resource designation. After consulting with MISO
2 regarding requirements and stipulations around registering wind farms, CEI South was
3 notified that it was required to register BCWF as a DIR. The registration was completed
4 in December 2012, and BCWF became a DIR on March 1, 2013. CEI South is not
5 required to register FRIL as a DIR because it meets an exception through its firm
6 transmission into MISO.

7

8 **Q. How has DIR impacted CEI South and its customers?**

9 A. Generally, since BCWF was registered as a DIR in March of 2013, generation output
10 for CEI South customers has been reduced.

11

12 **Q. Does CEI South have new power purchase agreement ("PPA") resources**
13 **anticipated to become available in the next 12 months? If so, please provide the**
14 **resource type, installed capacity, and the anticipated commercial operation date**
15 **("COD").**

16 A. Yes, CEI South has three (3) renewable PPA resources with an anticipated COD in
17 the next 12 months:

18 1. Salt Creek Wind PPA (170 MW) – anticipated COD of Q1 2026.

19 2. Wheatland Solar PPA (150 MW) – anticipated COD of Q1 2026.

20 3. Galesburg Wind PPA (147 MW) – anticipated COD of Q3 2026.

21

22 **SALES OF RENEWABLE ENERGY CERTIFICATES**

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24 **Q. Did CEI South include sales of Renewable Energy Certificates ("RECs") in this**
25 **FAC?**

26 A. Yes. Sales of RECs were recorded in the Reconciliation Period. The net amounts of
27 those sales are included, as reductions to the cost of purchased power, in the
28 calculation of purchased power costs for the respective months. For the Reconciliation
29 Period, purchased power costs have been reduced by the net REC sales proceeds of
30 \$(792,086.90).

FUEL FOR GENERATION

Q. What sources of fuel does CEI South use for generating purposes, and what costs are incurred?

A. CEI South utilizes coal and natural gas for electric generation and incurs the costs of purchasing those fuels, including fuel-related transportation and storage costs. In addition, CEI South has solar, wind, battery storage, and landfill gas as part of the electric generation portfolio.

Q. Please describe CEI South's coal purchasing practices.

A. CEI South utilizes Indiana coal as its primary fuel source for electric generation. Coal is purchased primarily under a multi-year contract to maintain a reliable source of coal.

Q. Has CEI South made every reasonable effort to provide power as economically as possible?

A. Yes. CEI South's generating units are offered into the MISO Day Ahead and Real Time markets and are dispatched by the MISO on an economic basis. CEI South has contracted through competitive processes to purchase its coal requirements from a nearby mine at a reasonable market price. Purchasing from a mine in close proximity to CEI South's generating stations helps minimize transportation costs while providing a reliable, reasonably priced fuel supply.

COAL INVENTORY AND CULLEY UNIT 3 UPDATE

Q. What is the status of CEI South's coal inventory?

A. As of October 31, 2025, coal inventory at CEI South's coal-fired generating plant(s) stood at approximately 354,195 tons. This is an increase of 66,158 tons from the inventory level reported in FAC 148.

1 **Q. Please provide the month-ending coal inventory level for Culley Generating**
2 **Station.**

3 A. The following table shows the month-ending coal inventory for 2025.

Month	Culley
January	226,197 ⁴
February	241,106
March	307,436 ⁵
April	327,859
May	284,583
June	307,345
July	288,037
August	289,218
September	317,183
October	354,195
November	
December	

6 **Q. What is the contributing factor for the increased coal inventory in recent**
7 **months?**

8 A. Culley Unit 3 started its scheduled major turbine overhaul outage in early September.
9 The outage is scheduled to last into late November; however, an unexpected delay
10 with the turbine overhaul may push the unit return into early December. In addition,
11 Culley Unit 2 operation is limited during the Culley Unit 3 scheduled outage due to
12 National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System ("NPDES") wastewater permitting
13 requirements.

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15 **Q. Does CEI South have an inventory target to assure reliability?**

16 A. Yes. CEI South's target inventory is driven in part by the risk CEI South is willing to
17 take regarding deliveries being suspended due to a mine issue (safety, Mine Safety
18 and Health Administration, productivity issues, employee retention or strike, etc.), or
19 truck transportation issues (equipment issues or employee retention or strikes), and
20 how long these supply interruptions might reasonably be expected to last. The target
21 inventory also attempts to account for the carrying costs for holding the inventory.
22 Considering these various factors of mine risks, transportation risks, and carrying
23 costs, CEI South generally targets a reserve inventory of about 60 days $\pm$ 30 days
24 dependent on contractual commitment. The level of burn can vary, and therefore,

1 target inventory should fall within a range. For CEI South's operating purposes,
 2 inventory of approximately [REDACTED] tons is considered a reasonable target.

3

4 **Q. What is a contributing factor for the increased coal inventory over CEI South's**
 5 **target range?**

6 A. Culley Unit 3 experienced a main transformer failure forced outage on February 15,
 7 2025, due to an external electrical system disturbance believed to be a lightning strike.
 8 Culley Unit 3 remained offline for approximately 9 weeks to replace the main
 9 transformer. Culley Unit 3 returned to service on April 18, 2025. Also, as mentioned
 10 above, Culley Unit 2 operation was limited during the Culley Unit 3 forced outage due
 11 to NPDES wastewater permitting requirements. The combination of Culley Unit 3
 12 forced outage and Culley Unit 2 operational limitations caused the coal inventory to
 13 increase.

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15 **COAL SUPPLY PLAN**

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17 **Q. Please summarize CEI South's 2025 coal supply to include delivery options with**
 18 **[REDACTED] [REDACTED].**

19 A. CEI South entered 2025 with 263,321 tons of coal in inventory. For 2025, CEI South
 20 has in place coal deliveries priced under one contract previously reviewed by the
 21 Commission. Because CEI South negotiated the ability to adjust the contract amount
 22 in any given year, CEI South can reduce the total 2025 specified contract volume of
 23 [REDACTED] tons to a firm commitment of [REDACTED] tons or increase the firm commitment
 24 to [REDACTED] tons. The table below shows the contract, and the [REDACTED]
 25 [REDACTED] associated with each.

2025 Contract	Contracted Volume	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
[REDACTED] Contract	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]

26 The following table shows the contract [REDACTED] that can be
 27 exercised.

2025 Contract	Contracted Volume	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
[REDACTED] Contract	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]

The [REDACTED] must be decided by [REDACTED] of the year prior to the actual year the coal is taken or, in this case, by [REDACTED] for coal to be taken in 2025. [REDACTED] CEI South decided to exercise the [REDACTED] to decrease the contract volume by [REDACTED].

[REDACTED] must be decided [REDACTED] before the beginning of each calendar quarter. CEI South did not choose to exercise the first [REDACTED] 2025 [REDACTED] to adjust the contract [REDACTED]. For the second 2024 [REDACTED], CEI South chose to decrease the contract by [REDACTED]. [REDACTED]

Q. Please provide an update to the 2025 coal plan.

A. The following table shows the 2025 starting inventory, forecasted contractual deliveries, projected coal burn, total available inventory, and ending inventory in 2025 – making the 2025 year-end inventory [REDACTED] than the target range stated above.

2024 Ending Inventory	[REDACTED]
2025 Projected Contractual Deliveries	[REDACTED]
2025 Projected Coal Burn	[REDACTED]
2025 Projected Year-end Inventory	[REDACTED]

Q. Can CEI South manage contractual obligations without creating a Culley coal pile inventory concern?

A. Yes. CEI South and the coal supplier have agreed [REDACTED] [REDACTED] which should avoid exceeding Culley's coal pile maximum limitation.

SOLAR GENERATION

Q. What was the total Troy Solar field generation for the Reconciliation Period?

A. Production for the Reconciliation Period from the Troy Solar field was 34,888 MWh. "Solar Generation" production estimates for the FAC Period are included on Petitioner's Exhibit 2, Attachment BKA-2, Schedule 1, Line 6.

1 **Q. What was the total Posey Solar field generation for the Reconciliation Period?**

2 A. Production for the Reconciliation Period from the Posey Solar field was 140,483 MWh.
3 "Solar Generation" production estimates for the FAC Period are included on
4 Petitioner's Exhibit 2, Attachment BKA-2, Schedule 1, Line 6.
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6 **CONFIDENTIALITY**
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8 **Q. What portions of this testimony is CEI South requesting to be treated as**
9 **confidential information?**

10 A. CEI South's confidentiality request relates to the pricing for winter gas procurement,
11 [REDACTED] with some coal supply contracts as well as other
12 contractual terms, re-pricing of coal contracts and other concessions, tonnage figures
13 calculated using such optionality, and other details related to costs ("Confidential
14 Provisions"). Confidentiality also relates to rail transportation rates, fuel surcharges,
15 competitive bids, and minimum requirements.
16

17 **Q. Why has CEI South requested that such information be treated as confidential?**

18 A. These Confidential Provisions of the testimony contain pricing for gas procurement
19 and [REDACTED] and other confidential terms that were negotiated
20 between CEI South and its natural gas and coal suppliers. If the pricing and optionality
21 became generally known or readily ascertainable to the other parties with whom CEI
22 South is negotiating or to other utilities with whom CEI South would compete, this
23 knowledge would provide considerable economic value to such parties. In effect,
24 knowledge of pricing and optionality provisions by other suppliers would establish a
25 floor in future negotiations, thereby limiting the potential terms and benefits that could
26 accrue to ratepayers, shareholders, and CEI South. Knowledge of the pricing and
27 optionality provisions by potential coal suppliers could enable them to gain an unfair
28 advantage in future competitive situations and negotiate a lower price and optionality
29 provision than would otherwise be possible. The lower optionality provisions would
30 diminish the flexibility available to CEI South's operations to the disadvantage of CEI
31 South and its customers. Further, disclosure of the coal suppliers' optionality
32 provisions would be of significant value to the coal suppliers' competitors, which could

1 prove harmful to the coal suppliers. In addition, CEI South requests that coal
2 transportation rates, competitive bids, and contract terms remain confidential to protect
3 supplier's confidential information as well as the economic value competitive parties
4 could gain from this information in an open energy market. CEI South is requesting
5 that, pursuant to Indiana Code § 5-14-3-4(a)(4), the Commission find that the
6 Confidential Provisions of the Contract contain "trade secrets" as that term is defined
7 in Indiana Code § 24-2-3-2 and are thereby exempt from public access.
8

9 **Q. Has CEI South taken any steps to maintain the confidentiality of this**
10 **information?**

11 A. Yes. In accordance with Indiana Code § 24-2-3-2, the information contained in the
12 Confidential Provisions of the testimony has been the subject of efforts that are
13 reasonable under the circumstances to maintain its secrecy. Within CEI South, this
14 information will be disclosed only to those people directly involved with negotiating
15 coal supply contracts. Outside of CEI South, this information will be disclosed only to
16 individuals who have signed a confidentiality agreement.
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18 **CONCLUSION**
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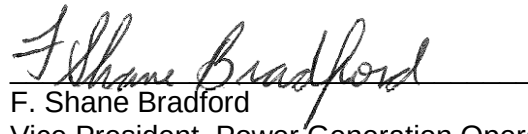
20 **Q. Does this conclude your direct testimony?**

21 A. Yes, at the present time.

VERIFICATION

I affirm under penalties for perjury that the foregoing representations are true to the best of my knowledge, information, and belief.

SOUTHERN INDIANA GAS AND ELECTRIC
COMPANY D/B/A CENTERPOINT ENERGY
INDIANA SOUTH

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "F. Shane Bradford", is written over a horizontal line.

F. Shane Bradford
Vice President, Power Generation Operations

November 17, 2025

Date

CENTERPOINT ENERGY INDIANA SOUTH
Determination of MISO Components of Fuel Cost
June, July and August 2025

Line No.	Energy Market & ASM FAC Adjustment Components	Actual June 2025	Actual July 2025	Actual August 2025
1	Delta LMP	\$ (148,004.48)	\$ (810,518.54)	\$ (1,460,922.32)
2	DA Virtuals Bids and Offers for Load	-	-	-
3	DA RSG 1st Pass Distribution Amount	14,735.60	15,696.67	10,650.97
4	DA RSG Make Whole Payment	(17,738.24)	(3,472.15)	(5,518.77)
5	DA Regulation Amount	(46,774.60)	(46,558.86)	(52,063.49)
6	DA Spinning Reserve Amount	(12,880.90)	(16,700.30)	(7,672.89)
7	DA Supplemental Reserve Amount	(10.47)	(1,002.58)	(165.95)
8	DA Ramp Capability Amount	(29,591.63)	(5,130.38)	(4,280.58)
9	DA Short-Term Reserve Amount	(43,785.31)	(122,243.92)	(86,526.39)
10	RT Marg. Loss Surplus Credit	(96,308.32)	(402,602.04)	(272,635.05)
11	RT Virtuals Bids and Offers for Load	-	-	-
12	RT RSG 1st Pass Distribution Amount	18,413.41	8,903.88	13,494.89
13	RT RSG Make Whole Payment Amount	(53,153.73)	(12,687.61)	(6,272.18)
14	RT Price Volatility Make Whole Payment Amount	(8,754.24)	(16,332.68)	(13,287.85)
15	RT Net Inadvertent Energy	8,426.37	(14,481.99)	2,601.68
16	RT Revenue from Uninstructed Deviation	-	-	-
17	RT Uninstructed Deviation	-	-	-
18	RT Demand Response Allocation Uplift Charge	0.16	7.65	4,148.79
19	RT Regulation Amount	13,020.53	17,984.74	14,483.09
20	RT Spinning Reserve Amount	180.68	8,783.55	(2,736.80)
21	RT Supplemental Reserve Amount	(408.30)	(299.94)	(358.87)
22	RT Regulation Cost Distribution Amount	39,843.63	31,988.92	25,767.78
23	RT Spinning Reserve Cost Distribution Amount	24,314.05	25,309.90	17,066.59
24	RT Supplemental Reserve Cost Distribution Amount	1,498.98	19,949.36	10,292.90
25	RT Excessive Deficient Energy Deployment Charge Amount	28,392.67	20,018.03	24,891.66
26	RT Contingency Reserve Deployment Failure Charge Amount	1,328.18	-	-
27	RT Net Regulation Adjustment Amount	4,073.61	(95.76)	42.52
28	RT Ramp Capability Amount	(3,067.22)	(4,095.23)	(2,312.12)
29	RT Short-Term Reserve Amount	(10,969.70)	(5,995.22)	(10,890.58)
30	Short-Term Reserve Cost Distribution Amount	54,911.01	163,387.11	137,736.53
31	Short-Term Reserve Deployment Failure Charge Amount	-	-	-
32	FTR (Revenue) / Expenses	(405.96)	-	-
33	ARR (Revenue) / Expenses	178,618.30	178,618.30	178,618.30
34	Subtotal	(84,095.92)	(971,569.09)	(1,485,848.14)
35	Plus: Residual Load Adjustment Volume Changes	-	-	-
36	Plus: MISO Charges (above) on sales billed to IMPA	-	-	-
37	Total (To BKA-2, Sch 5, line 23)	<u>\$ (84,095.92)</u>	<u>\$ (971,569.09)</u>	<u>\$ (1,485,848.14)</u>

Negative amount is a credit to expense (payment from MISO)
Positive amount is a debit to expense (payment to MISO)

CENTERPOINT ENERGY INDIANA SOUTH
Calculation of Daily Benchmark
Based on NYMEX Henry Hub Day Ahead Natural Gas Price

June 2025						July 2025						August 2025					
	Day Ahead Cost	Transportation	Allowed Gas Price	Heat Rate	Daily Benchmark		Day Ahead Cost	Transportation	Allowed Gas Price	Heat Rate	Daily Benchmark		Day Ahead Cost	Transportation	Allowed Gas Price	Heat Rate	Daily Benchmark
Date	\$/MMBtu	\$/MMBtu	\$/MMBtu	Btu/kWh	\$/MWh	Date	\$/MMBtu	\$/MMBtu	\$/MMBtu	Btu/kWh	\$/MWh	Date	\$/MMBtu	\$/MMBtu	\$/MMBtu	Btu/kWh	\$/MWh
06/01/25	2.800	0.60	3.40	12,500	42.50	07/01/25	3.280	0.60	3.88	12,500	48.50	08/01/25	2.950	0.60	3.55	12,500	44.38
06/02/25	2.800	0.60	3.40	12,500	42.50	07/02/25	3.140	0.60	3.74	12,500	46.75	08/02/25	2.990	0.60	3.59	12,500	44.88
06/03/25	2.980	0.60	3.58	12,500	44.75	07/03/25	3.130	0.60	3.73	12,500	46.63	08/03/25	2.990	0.60	3.59	12,500	44.88
06/04/25	2.820	0.60	3.42	12,500	42.75	07/04/25	3.220	0.60	3.82	12,500	47.75	08/04/25	2.990	0.60	3.59	12,500	44.88
06/05/25	2.815	0.60	3.42	12,500	42.69	07/05/25	3.220	0.60	3.82	12,500	47.75	08/05/25	2.865	0.60	3.47	12,500	43.31
06/06/25	2.850	0.60	3.45	12,500	43.13	07/06/25	3.220	0.60	3.82	12,500	47.75	08/06/25	2.975	0.60	3.58	12,500	44.69
06/07/25	2.675	0.60	3.28	12,500	40.94	07/07/25	3.220	0.60	3.82	12,500	47.75	08/07/25	3.020	0.60	3.62	12,500	45.25
06/08/25	2.675	0.60	3.28	12,500	40.94	07/08/25	3.240	0.60	3.84	12,500	48.00	08/08/25	3.045	0.60	3.65	12,500	45.56
06/09/25	2.675	0.60	3.28	12,500	40.94	07/09/25	3.200	0.60	3.80	12,500	47.50	08/09/25	3.040	0.60	3.64	12,500	45.50
06/10/25	3.090	0.60	3.69	12,500	46.13	07/10/25	3.080	0.60	3.68	12,500	46.00	08/10/25	3.040	0.60	3.64	12,500	45.50
06/11/25	2.750	0.60	3.35	12,500	41.88	07/11/25	3.110	0.60	3.71	12,500	46.38	08/11/25	3.040	0.60	3.64	12,500	45.50
06/12/25	2.735	0.60	3.34	12,500	41.69	07/12/25	3.210	0.60	3.81	12,500	47.63	08/12/25	3.010	0.60	3.61	12,500	45.13
06/13/25	2.895	0.60	3.50	12,500	43.69	07/13/25	3.210	0.60	3.81	12,500	47.63	08/13/25	2.930	0.60	3.53	12,500	44.13
06/14/25	2.640	0.60	3.24	12,500	40.50	07/14/25	3.210	0.60	3.81	12,500	47.63	08/14/25	2.915	0.60	3.52	12,500	43.94
06/15/25	2.640	0.60	3.24	12,500	40.50	07/15/25	3.225	0.60	3.83	12,500	47.81	08/15/25	2.770	0.60	3.37	12,500	42.13
06/16/25	2.640	0.60	3.24	12,500	40.50	07/16/25	3.295	0.60	3.90	12,500	48.69	08/16/25	2.970	0.60	3.57	12,500	44.63
06/17/25	2.890	0.60	3.49	12,500	43.63	07/17/25	3.425	0.60	4.03	12,500	50.31	08/17/25	2.970	0.60	3.57	12,500	44.63
06/18/25	2.895	0.60	3.50	12,500	43.69	07/18/25	3.500	0.60	4.10	12,500	51.25	08/18/25	2.970	0.60	3.57	12,500	44.63
06/19/25	3.475	0.60	4.08	12,500	50.94	07/19/25	3.505	0.60	4.11	12,500	51.31	08/19/25	2.960	0.60	3.56	12,500	44.50
06/20/25	3.475	0.60	4.08	12,500	50.94	07/20/25	3.505	0.60	4.11	12,500	51.31	08/20/25	2.860	0.60	3.46	12,500	43.25
06/21/25	3.100	0.60	3.70	12,500	46.25	07/21/25	3.505	0.60	4.11	12,500	51.31	08/21/25	2.805	0.60	3.41	12,500	42.56
06/22/25	3.100	0.60	3.70	12,500	46.25	07/22/25	3.470	0.60	4.07	12,500	50.88	08/22/25	2.880	0.60	3.48	12,500	43.50
06/23/25	3.100	0.60	3.70	12,500	46.25	07/23/25	3.205	0.60	3.81	12,500	47.56	08/23/25	2.790	0.60	3.39	12,500	42.38
06/24/25	3.515	0.60	4.12	12,500	51.44	07/24/25	3.070	0.60	3.67	12,500	45.88	08/24/25	2.790	0.60	3.39	12,500	42.38
06/25/25	3.305	0.60	3.91	12,500	48.81	07/25/25	3.115	0.60	3.72	12,500	46.44	08/25/25	2.790	0.60	3.39	12,500	42.38
06/26/25	3.255	0.60	3.86	12,500	48.19	07/26/25	3.090	0.60	3.69	12,500	46.13	08/26/25	2.755	0.60	3.36	12,500	41.94
06/27/25	3.230	0.60	3.83	12,500	47.88	07/27/25	3.090	0.60	3.69	12,500	46.13	08/27/25	2.820	0.60	3.42	12,500	42.75
06/28/25	3.225	0.60	3.83	12,500	47.81	07/28/25	3.090	0.60	3.69	12,500	46.13	08/28/25	2.875	0.60	3.48	12,500	43.44
06/29/25	3.225	0.60	3.83	12,500	47.81	07/29/25	3.125	0.60	3.73	12,500	46.56	08/29/25	2.895	0.60	3.50	12,500	43.69
06/30/25	3.225	0.60	3.83	12,500	47.81	07/30/25	3.075	0.60	3.68	12,500	45.94	08/30/25	2.895	0.60	3.50	12,500	43.69
						07/31/25	2.975	0.60	3.58	12,500	44.69	08/31/25	2.895	0.60	3.50	12,500	43.69

Total (To BKA-2, Sch 5, line 21)

CenterPoint Energy Indiana - South Market Settlements Group Purchased Power Over Benchmark Explanations - Cause No. 38708 FAC 149																		
S55's through 06/30									Test for Outages and Derates									
Jun Benchmark	Trade Date	HE	Cost of Purchased Power	Purchases Volume	Price	Purchases Volume @ Benchmark \$	Amount Over Benchmark \$	Reason for Purchasing Power	Available Capacity of Units Not Selected	MISO Economic Dispatch / Purchased MWs above Capacity	Purchase Power Costs at Risk	MWs Out of Service	11% of Summer Rated Capacity 791	Are Unit MWs Out of Service > 11% Summer Capacity?	Recoverable @ 0%, 85%, or 100%	MWs Subject to 85%-15%	Over Benchmark Price	Total Unrecoverable Dollars
42.50	06/01/2025	19	\$ 12,046.33	239.520	\$ 50.29	\$ 10,179.60	\$ 1,866.73	Brown 3, Brown 4, and Culley 2 were on Reserve Shutdown	330.145	-	\$ -	12.000	87.01	NO	85	-	\$ 7.79	\$ -
42.50	06/01/2025	20	\$ 8,661.13	168.800	\$ 51.31	\$ 7,174.00	\$ 1,487.13		286.127	-	\$ -	12.000	87.01	NO	85	-	\$ 8.81	\$ -
42.50	06/01/2025	21	\$ 6,764.67	149.100	\$ 45.37	\$ 6,336.75	\$ 427.92		302.000	-	\$ -	12.000	87.01	NO	85	-	\$ 2.87	\$ -
42.50	06/02/2025	17	\$ 4,258.60	99.500	\$ 42.80	\$ 4,228.75	\$ 29.85	Brown 3, Brown 4, and Culley 2 were on Reserve Shutdown	376.737	-	\$ -	12.000	87.01	NO	85	-	\$ 0.30	\$ -
42.50	06/02/2025	18	\$ 6,468.80	136.300	\$ 47.46	\$ 5,792.75	\$ 676.05		366.000	-	\$ -	12.000	87.01	NO	85	-	\$ 4.96	\$ -
42.50	06/02/2025	19	\$ 8,929.06	161.000	\$ 55.46	\$ 6,842.50	\$ 2,086.56		344.000	-	\$ -	12.000	87.01	NO	85	-	\$ 12.96	\$ -
42.50	06/02/2025	20	\$ 12,630.60	233.900	\$ 54.00	\$ 9,940.75	\$ 2,689.85		272.975	-	\$ -	12.000	87.01	NO	85	-	\$ 11.50	\$ -
42.50	06/02/2025	21	\$ 11,350.16	250.500	\$ 45.31	\$ 10,646.25	\$ 703.91		260.938	-	\$ -	12.000	87.01	NO	85	-	\$ 2.81	\$ -
44.75	06/03/2025	16	\$ 6,313.44	136.330	\$ 46.31	\$ 6,100.77	\$ 212.67	Brown 3, Brown 4, and Brown 6 were on Outage	75.441	60.89	\$ 94.99	413.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 1.56	\$ -
44.75	06/03/2025	17	\$ 7,547.45	135.990	\$ 55.50	\$ 6,085.55	\$ 1,461.90		31.850	104.14	\$ 1,119.51	413.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 10.75	\$ -
44.75	06/03/2025	18	\$ 9,813.47	155.720	\$ 63.02	\$ 6,968.47	\$ 2,845.00		24.425	131.30	\$ 2,398.76	426.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 18.27	\$ -
44.75	06/03/2025	19	\$ 15,865.30	235.740	\$ 67.30	\$ 10,549.37	\$ 5,315.94		0.625	235.12	\$ 5,301.84	446.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 22.55	\$ -
44.75	06/03/2025	20	\$ 18,364.76	286.100	\$ 64.19	\$ 12,802.98	\$ 5,561.79		5.454	280.65	\$ 5,455.76	446.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 19.44	\$ -
44.75	06/03/2025	21	\$ 16,125.00	293.930	\$ 54.86	\$ 13,153.37	\$ 2,971.63		6.398	287.53	\$ 2,906.95	446.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 10.11	\$ -
44.75	06/03/2025	22	\$ 12,277.23	273.070	\$ 44.96	\$ 12,219.88	\$ 57.35		17.583	255.49	\$ 53.65	446.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 0.21	\$ -
42.75	06/04/2025	19	\$ 1,547.11	22.910	\$ 67.53	\$ 979.40	\$ 567.71	Brown 3 was on Reserve Shutdown, all other units online	77.000	-	\$ -	19.000	87.01	NO	85	-	\$ 24.78	\$ -
42.75	06/04/2025	20	\$ 3,196.25	48.590	\$ 65.78	\$ 2,077.22	\$ 1,119.03		83.417	-	\$ -	19.000	87.01	NO	85	-	\$ 23.03	\$ -
42.75	06/04/2025	21	\$ 5,708.93	94.550	\$ 60.38	\$ 4,042.01	\$ 1,666.92		92.833	1.72	\$ 30.27	19.000	87.01	NO	85	1.72	\$ 17.63	\$ 4.54
42.75	06/04/2025	22	\$ 8,392.62	164.400	\$ 51.05	\$ 7,028.10	\$ 1,364.52		159.971	4.43	\$ 36.76	19.000	87.01	NO	85	4.43	\$ 8.30	\$ 5.51
42.69	06/05/2025	6	\$ 2,737.81	49.580	\$ 55.22	\$ 2,116.47	\$ 621.34	All units online, load greater than generation	146.625	-	\$ -	59.000	87.01	NO	85	-	\$ 12.53	\$ -
42.69	06/05/2025	17	\$ 3,492.02	79.800	\$ 43.76	\$ 3,406.50	\$ 85.52		150.117	-	\$ -	19.000	87.01	NO	85	-	\$ 1.07	\$ -
42.69	06/05/2025	18	\$ 90.10	1.600	\$ 56.31	\$ 68.30	\$ 21.80		76.183	-	\$ -	19.000	87.01	NO	85	-	\$ 13.62	\$ -
42.69	06/05/2025	19	\$ 2,072.86	34.200	\$ 60.61	\$ 1,459.93	\$ 612.93		65.825	-	\$ -	19.000	87.01	NO	85	-	\$ 17.92	\$ -
42.69	06/05/2025	20	\$ 4,138.02	71.100	\$ 58.20	\$ 3,035.12	\$ 1,102.90		94.892	-	\$ -	19.000	87.01	NO	85	-	\$ 15.51	\$ -
42.69	06/05/2025	21	\$ 5,957.52	114.700	\$ 51.94	\$ 4,896.31	\$ 1,061.21		158.262	-	\$ -	19.000	87.01	NO	85	-	\$ 9.25	\$ -
42.69	06/05/2025	22	\$ 10,817.69	221.700	\$ 48.79	\$ 9,463.93	\$ 1,353.76		191.137	30.56	\$ 186.63	19.000	87.01	NO	85	30.56	\$ 6.11	\$ 27.99
42.69	06/05/2025	24	\$ 4,685.97	77.840	\$ 60.20	\$ 3,322.83	\$ 1,363.14		184.033	-	\$ -	19.000	87.01	NO	85	-	\$ 17.51	\$ -
43.13	06/06/2025	8	\$ 4,519.46	84.400	\$ 53.55	\$ 3,639.75	\$ 879.71	All units online, load greater than generation	173.875	-	\$ -	25.000	87.01	NO	85	-	\$ 10.42	\$ -
43.13	06/06/2025	10	\$ 6,142.80	119.500	\$ 51.40	\$ 5,153.44	\$ 989.36		170.497	-	\$ -	25.000	87.01	NO	85	-	\$ 8.28	\$ -
43.13	06/06/2025	12	\$ 90.76	2.100	\$ 43.22	\$ 90.56	\$ 0.20		169.475	-	\$ -	25.000	87.01	NO	85	-	\$ 0.09	\$ -
43.13	06/06/2025	15	\$ 2,448.01	51.200	\$ 47.81	\$ 2,208.00	\$ 240.01		65.667	-	\$ -	25.000	87.01	NO	85	-	\$ 4.69	\$ -
43.13	06/06/2025	16	\$ 5,976.17	119.690	\$ 49.93	\$ 5,161.63	\$ 814.54		65.825	53.87	\$ 366.57	25.000	87.01	NO	85	53.87	\$ 6.81	\$ 54.99
43.13	06/06/2025	17	\$ 3,128.90	64.500	\$ 48.51	\$ 2,781.56	\$ 347.34		72.658	-	\$ -	25.000	87.01	NO	85	-	\$ 5.39	\$ -
43.13	06/06/2025	18	\$ 3,417.94	68.100	\$ 50.19	\$ 2,936.81	\$ 481.13		79.563	-	\$ -	25.000	87.01	NO	85	-	\$ 7.07	\$ -
43.13	06/06/2025	19	\$ 4,101.92	83.700	\$ 49.01	\$ 3,609.56	\$ 492.36		97.417	-	\$ -	25.000	87.01	NO	85	-	\$ 5.88	\$ -
43.13	06/06/2025	20	\$ 4,669.81	99.400	\$ 46.98	\$ 4,286.63	\$ 383.19		129.517	-	\$ -	25.000	87.01	NO	85	-	\$ 3.85	\$ -
43.13	06/06/2025	21	\$ 4,638.10	103.900	\$ 44.64	\$ 4,480.69	\$ 157.41		172.950	-	\$ -	25.000	87.01	NO	85	-	\$ 1.52	\$ -
43.13	06/06/2025	22	\$ 110.57	2.240	\$ 49.36	\$ 96.60	\$ 13.97		179.917	-	\$ -	25.000	87.01	NO	85	-	\$ 6.24	\$ -
40.94	06/07/2025	17	\$ 4,727.13	109.780	\$ 43.06	\$ 4,494.17	\$ 232.96	Brown 3 and Culley 2 were on Reserve Shutdown	212.250	-	\$ -	27.000	87.01	NO	85	-	\$ 2.12	\$ -
40.94	06/07/2025	18	\$ 5,509.15	119.660	\$ 46.04	\$ 4,898.64	\$ 610.51		189.775	-	\$ -	27.000	87.01	NO	85	-	\$ 5.10	\$ -
40.94	06/07/2025	19	\$ 5,186.10	116.150	\$ 44.65	\$ 4,754.95	\$ 431.15		188.208	-	\$ -	27.000	87.01	NO	85	-	\$ 3.71	\$ -
40.94	06/07/2025	20	\$ 7,386.08	172.250	\$ 42.88	\$ 7,051.57	\$ 334.51		229.833	-	\$ -	27.000	87.01	NO	85	-	\$ 1.94	\$ -
40.94	06/08/2025	19	\$ 5,584.31	121.240	\$ 46.06	\$ 4,963.32	\$ 620.99	Brown 3, Brown 4, and Culley 2 were on Reserve Shutdown	250.088	-	\$ -	29.000	87.01	NO	85	-	\$ 5.12	\$ -
40.94	06/08/2025	20	\$ 8,437.10	184.700	\$ 45.68	\$ 7,561.25	\$ 875.85		245.583	-	\$ -	29.000	87.01	NO	85	-	\$ 4.74	\$ -
40.94	06/08/2025	21	\$ 8,830.50	210.300	\$ 41.99	\$ 8,609.26	\$ 221.24		289.079	-	\$ -	29.000	87.01	NO	85	-	\$ 1.05	\$ -
40.94	06/09/2025	19	\$ 6,105.52	144.100	\$ 42.37	\$ 5,899.17	\$ 206.35	Brown 3, Brown 4, and Culley 2 were on Reserve Shutdown	366.392	-	\$ -	43.000	87.01	NO	85	-	\$ 1.43	\$ -
40.94	06/09/2025	20	\$ 11,832.44	231.440	\$ 51.13	\$ 9,474.69	\$ 2,357.75		322.117	-	\$ -	43.000	87.01	NO	85	-	\$ 10.19	\$ -
40.94	06/09/2025	21	\$ 9,275.31	173.500	\$ 53.46	\$ 7,102.74	\$ 2,172.57		336.717	-	\$ -	43.000	87.01	NO	85	-	\$ 12.52	\$ -
46.13	06/10/2025	19	\$ 5,002.43	101.100	\$ 49.48	\$ 4,663.24	\$ 339.19	Brown 3 and Brown 4 were on Reserve Shutdown	253.967	-	\$ -	33.000	87.01	NO	85	-	\$ 3.36	\$ -
46.13	06/10/2025	20	\$ 6,173.97	116.600	\$ 52.95	\$ 5,378.18	\$ 795.80		222.862	-	\$ -	33.000	87.01	NO	85	-	\$ 6.83	\$ -
41.88	06/11/2025	19	\$ 1,696.38	35.480	\$ 47.81	\$ 1,485.73	\$ 210.66	Brown 3 was on Reserve Shutdown, all other units online	116.000	-	\$ -	37.000	87.01	NO	85	-	\$ 5.94	\$ -
41.88	06/11/2025	20	\$ 7,266.06	111.000	\$ 65.46	\$ 4,648.13	\$ 2,617.94		133.208	-	\$ -	37.000	87.01	NO	85	-	\$ 23.59	\$ -
41.88	06/11/2025	21	\$ 8,597.47	162.800	\$ 52.81	\$ 6,817.25	\$ 1,780.22		260.084	-	\$ -	37.000	87.01	NO	85	-	\$ 10.94	\$ -
41.69	06/12/2025	13	\$ 1,294.92	29.310	\$ 44.18	\$ 1,221.88	\$ 73.04	Brown 3 and Culley 2 were on Reserve Shutdown	442.000	-	\$ -	45.000	87.01	NO	85	-	\$ 2.49	\$ -
41.69	06/12/2025	14	\$ 4,818.64	107.200	\$ 44.95	\$ 4,468.95	\$ 349.69		344.884	-	\$ -	45.000	87.01	NO	85	-	\$ 3.26	\$ -

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Jun Benchmark Costs	Trade Date	HE	Cost of Purchased Power	Purchases Volume	Price	Purchases Volume @ Benchmark \$	Amount Over Benchmark \$	Reason for Purchasing Power	Are Unit MWs										
									MWs Out of Service				11% of Summer Rated Capacity	Out of Service > 11% Summer Capacity?	Recoverable @ 0%, 85%, or 100%	MWs Subject to 85%-15%	Over Benchmark Price	Total Unrecoverable Dollars	
41.69	06/12/2025	23	\$ 553.70	7,610	\$ 72.76	\$ 317.25	\$ 236.45		472.000	-	\$ -	45.000	87.01	NO	85	-	\$ 31.07	\$ -	
43.69	06/13/2025	17	\$ 16,439.73	355.300	\$ 46.27	\$ 15,522.35	\$ 917.38	Brown 3, Brown 4, Brown 6, and Culley 2 were on Reserve Shutdown	458.000	-	\$ -	43.000	87.01	NO	85	-	\$ 2.58	\$ -	
40.50	06/14/2025	19	\$ 14,666.12	333.700	\$ 43.95	\$ 13,514.85	\$ 1,151.27	Brown 3, Brown 4, Brown 6, and Culley 2 were on Reserve Shutdown	452.483	-	\$ -	49.000	87.01	NO	85	-	\$ 3.45	\$ -	
40.50	06/14/2025	20	\$ 15,848.52	381.800	\$ 41.51	\$ 15,462.90	\$ 385.62		454.546	-	\$ -	49.000	87.01	NO	85	-	\$ 1.01	\$ -	
40.50	06/15/2025	17	\$ 5,322.41	118.460	\$ 44.93	\$ 4,797.63	\$ 524.78	Brown 3, Brown 4, and Culley 2 were on Reserve Shutdown	345.154	-	\$ -	45.000	87.01	NO	85	-	\$ 4.43	\$ -	
40.50	06/15/2025	18	\$ 7,074.72	136.000	\$ 52.02	\$ 5,508.00	\$ 1,566.72			382.154	-	\$ -	45.000	87.01	NO	85	-	\$ 11.52	\$ -
40.50	06/15/2025	19	\$ 9,268.97	166.200	\$ 55.77	\$ 6,731.10	\$ 2,537.87			369.258	-	\$ -	45.000	87.01	NO	85	-	\$ 15.27	\$ -
40.50	06/15/2025	20	\$ 12,383.35	215.400	\$ 57.49	\$ 8,723.70	\$ 3,659.65			356.833	-	\$ -	45.000	87.01	NO	85	-	\$ 16.99	\$ -
40.50	06/15/2025	21	\$ 10,486.15	200.500	\$ 52.30	\$ 8,120.25	\$ 2,365.90			337.350	-	\$ -	45.000	87.01	NO	85	-	\$ 11.80	\$ -
40.50	06/15/2025	22	\$ 11,239.54	251.500	\$ 44.69	\$ 10,185.75	\$ 1,053.79			372.292	-	\$ -	45.000	87.01	NO	85	-	\$ 4.19	\$ -
40.50	06/16/2025	14	\$ 2,805.22	69.060	\$ 40.62	\$ 2,796.93	\$ 8.29	Brown 3, Brown 4, and Culley 2 were on Reserve Shutdown	449.000	-	\$ -	52.000	87.01	NO	85	-	\$ 0.12	\$ -	
40.50	06/16/2025	15	\$ 14,256.41	339.600	\$ 41.98	\$ 13,753.80	\$ 502.61			434.000	-	\$ -	52.000	87.01	NO	85	-	\$ 1.48	\$ -
40.50	06/16/2025	16	\$ 13,697.55	262.950	\$ 52.09	\$ 10,649.48	\$ 3,048.08			251.000	11.95	\$ 138.52	52.000	87.01	NO	85	11.95	\$ 11.59	\$ 20.78
40.50	06/16/2025	17	\$ 7,372.47	144.700	\$ 50.95	\$ 5,860.35	\$ 1,512.12			305.917	-	\$ -	52.000	87.01	NO	85	-	\$ 10.45	\$ -
40.50	06/16/2025	18	\$ 9,010.50	165.300	\$ 54.51	\$ 6,694.65	\$ 2,315.85			302.917	-	\$ -	52.000	87.01	NO	85	-	\$ 14.01	\$ -
40.50	06/16/2025	19	\$ 14,235.00	266.070	\$ 53.50	\$ 10,775.84	\$ 3,459.17			250.308	15.76	\$ 204.92	52.000	87.01	NO	85	15.76	\$ 13.00	\$ 30.74
40.50	06/16/2025	20	\$ 17,315.18	289.600	\$ 59.79	\$ 11,728.80	\$ 5,586.38			306.775	-	\$ -	52.000	87.01	NO	85	-	\$ 19.29	\$ -
40.50	06/16/2025	21	\$ 13,192.79	258.530	\$ 51.03	\$ 10,470.47	\$ 2,722.33			289.604	-	\$ -	52.000	87.01	NO	85	-	\$ 10.53	\$ -
43.63	06/17/2025	13	\$ 339.38	7.300	\$ 46.49	\$ 318.46	\$ 20.92	All units online, load greater than generation	165.133	-	\$ -	33.000	87.01	NO	85	-	\$ 2.87	\$ -	
43.63	06/17/2025	16	\$ 126.42	2.100	\$ 60.20	\$ 91.61	\$ 34.81			98.817	-	\$ -	54.000	87.01	NO	85	-	\$ 16.58	\$ -
43.63	06/17/2025	18	\$ 291.99	6.370	\$ 45.84	\$ 277.89	\$ 14.10			86.754	-	\$ -	66.000	87.01	NO	85	-	\$ 2.21	\$ -
43.63	06/17/2025	19	\$ 4,118.37	12.070	\$ 341.21	\$ 526.55	\$ 3,591.82			49.537	-	\$ -	66.000	87.01	NO	85	-	\$ 297.58	\$ -
43.63	06/17/2025	20	\$ 8,538.66	117.340	\$ 72.77	\$ 5,118.96	\$ 3,419.70			76.908	40.43	\$ 1,178.33	66.000	87.01	NO	85	40.43	\$ 29.14	\$ 176.75
43.63	06/17/2025	21	\$ 13,497.20	102.910	\$ 131.16	\$ 4,489.45	\$ 9,007.75			62.909	40.00	\$ 3,501.30	66.000	87.01	NO	85	40.00	\$ 87.53	\$ 525.20
43.63	06/17/2025	22	\$ 5,331.88	96.400	\$ 55.31	\$ 4,205.45	\$ 1,126.43			81.254	15.15	\$ 176.98	66.000	87.01	NO	85	15.15	\$ 11.68	\$ 26.55
43.63	06/17/2025	23	\$ 644.44	13.040	\$ 49.42	\$ 568.87	\$ 75.57			231.175	-	\$ -	66.000	87.01	NO	85	-	\$ 5.80	\$ -
43.69	06/18/2025	6	\$ 1,081.19	6.020	\$ 179.60	\$ 263.00	\$ 818.19	Culley 3 was on outage, all other units online	374.167	-	\$ -	321.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 135.91	\$ -	
43.69	06/18/2025	7	\$ 219.79	1.090	\$ 201.64	\$ 47.62	\$ 172.17			375.083	-	\$ -	321.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 157.95	\$ -
43.69	06/18/2025	13	\$ 3,105.47	69.420	\$ 44.73	\$ 3,032.82	\$ 72.65			165.724	-	\$ -	321.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 1.05	\$ -
43.69	06/18/2025	14	\$ 12,465.16	279.300	\$ 44.63	\$ 12,202.06	\$ 263.10			140.221	139.08	\$ 131.01	321.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 0.94	\$ -
43.69	06/18/2025	15	\$ 16,905.13	359.720	\$ 47.00	\$ 15,715.45	\$ 1,189.68			114.075	245.65	\$ 812.41	321.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 3.31	\$ -
43.69	06/18/2025	16	\$ 15,354.64	305.140	\$ 50.32	\$ 13,330.96	\$ 2,023.68			125.119	180.02	\$ 1,193.90	321.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 6.63	\$ -
43.69	06/18/2025	17	\$ 13,201.00	248.700	\$ 53.08	\$ 10,865.21	\$ 2,335.79			141.625	107.08	\$ 1,005.65	321.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 9.39	\$ -
43.69	06/18/2025	18	\$ 15,893.83	298.700	\$ 53.21	\$ 13,049.61	\$ 2,844.22			140.833	157.87	\$ 1,503.21	326.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 9.52	\$ -
43.69	06/18/2025	19	\$ 17,963.25	308.700	\$ 58.19	\$ 13,486.49	\$ 4,476.76			144.558	164.14	\$ 2,380.39	326.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 14.50	\$ -
43.69	06/18/2025	20	\$ 19,377.40	346.520	\$ 55.92	\$ 15,138.77	\$ 4,238.63	Culley 3 was on outage, Culley 2, Brown 3, Brown 4, and Brown 6 were on Reserve Shutdown	112.621	233.90	\$ 2,861.05	326.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 12.23	\$ -	
43.69	06/18/2025	21	\$ 19,147.44	361.000	\$ 53.04	\$ 15,771.37	\$ 3,376.07			125.208	235.79	\$ 2,205.13	326.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 9.35	\$ -
50.94	06/19/2025	17	\$ 14,877.24	268.300	\$ 55.45	\$ 13,666.67	\$ 1,210.57	Culley 3 was on outage, all other units online	182.867	85.43	\$ 385.48	325.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 4.51	\$ -	
50.94	06/19/2025	18	\$ 16,346.87	280.200	\$ 58.34	\$ 14,272.83	\$ 2,074.04			157.075	123.13	\$ 911.37	325.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 7.40	\$ -
50.94	06/19/2025	19	\$ 18,543.00	262.500	\$ 70.64	\$ 13,371.23	\$ 5,171.78			101.534	160.97	\$ 3,171.35	325.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 19.70	\$ -
50.94	06/19/2025	20	\$ 21,602.16	328.500	\$ 65.76	\$ 16,733.13	\$ 4,869.03			84.291	244.21	\$ 3,619.67	325.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 14.82	\$ -
50.94	06/19/2025	21	\$ 19,937.57	368.600	\$ 54.09	\$ 18,775.75	\$ 1,161.82		171.983	196.62	\$ 619.73	325.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 3.15	\$ -	
50.94	06/20/2025	17	\$ 36,912.81	669.560	\$ 55.13	\$ 34,106.05	\$ 2,806.76	Culley 3 was on outage, Culley 2, Brown 3, Brown 4, and Brown 6 were on Reserve Shutdown	440.000	229.56	\$ 962.30	321.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 4.19	\$ -	
50.94	06/20/2025	18	\$ 36,624.41	676.660	\$ 54.13	\$ 34,467.71	\$ 2,156.70			440.000	236.66	\$ 754.30	321.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 3.19	\$ -
50.94	06/20/2025	19	\$ 33,277.92	635.560	\$ 52.36	\$ 32,374.16	\$ 903.76			440.000	195.56	\$ 278.09	321.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 1.42	\$ -
46.25	06/21/2025	11	\$ 967.45	16.060	\$ 60.24	\$ 742.78	\$ 224.68	Culley 2 was on Reserve Shutdown, and Culley 3 was on outage	448.000	-	\$ -	313.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 13.99	\$ -	
46.25	06/21/2025	12	\$ 1,754.45	16.860	\$ 104.06	\$ 779.78	\$ 974.68			448.000	-	\$ -	313.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 57.81	\$ -
46.25	06/21/2025	13	\$ 2,859.20	35.860	\$ 79.73	\$ 1,658.53	\$ 1,200.68			448.000	-	\$ -	313.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 33.48	\$ -
46.25	06/21/2025	14	\$ 6,180.18	54.660	\$ 113.07	\$ 2,528.03	\$ 3,652.16			448.000	-	\$ -	313.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 66.82	\$ -
46.25	06/21/2025	17	\$ 11,786.72	248.560	\$ 47.42	\$ 11,495.90	\$ 290.82			89.950	158.61	\$ 185.58	313.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 1.17	\$ -
46.25	06/21/2025	18	\$ 17,722.24	318.860	\$ 55.58	\$ 14,747.28	\$ 2,974.97			150.417	168.44	\$ 1,571.57	313.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 9.33	\$ -
46.25	06/21/2025	19	\$ 23,300.08	398.360	\$ 58.49	\$ 18,424.15	\$ 4,875.93			167.832	230.53	\$ 2,821.66	313.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 12.24	\$ -
46.25	06/21/2025	20	\$ 26,233.41	410.860	\$ 63.85	\$ 19,002.28	\$ 7,231.14			97.000	313.86	\$ 5,523.94	313.000	87.01	YES	100	0.86	\$ 17.60	\$ 2.27
46.25	06/21/2025	21	\$ 24,910.33	484.260	\$ 51.44	\$ 22,397.03	\$ 2,513.31			157.890	326.37	\$ 1,693.86	313.00						

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155's through 06/30										Test for Outages and Derates									
Jun Benchmark	Trade Date	HE	Cost of Purchased Power	Purchases Volume	Price	Purchases Volume @ Benchmark \$	Amount Over Benchmark \$	Reason for Purchasing Power	Available Capacity of Units Not Selected	MISO Economic Dispatch / Purchased MWs above Capacity	Purchase Power Costs at Risk	MW's Out of Service	11% of Summer Rated Capacity	Out of Service > 11% Summer Capacity?	Recoverable @ 0%, 85%, or 100%	MW's Subject to 85%-15%	Over Benchmark Price	Total Unrecoverable Dollars	
46.25	06/22/2025	22	\$ 23,627.02	421.610	\$ 56.04	\$ 19,499.46	\$ 4,127.56		76.942	344.67	\$ 3,374.30	314.000	87.01	YES	100	30.67	\$ 9.79	\$ 45.04	
46.25	06/23/2025	9	\$ 22,273.64	455.680	\$ 48.88	\$ 21,075.20	\$ 1,198.44	Culley 3 was on outage, all other units online	353.208	102.47	\$ 269.50	314.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 2.63	\$ -	
46.25	06/23/2025	10	\$ 16,455.98	294.910	\$ 55.80	\$ 13,639.59	\$ 2,816.39		184.542	110.37	\$ 1,054.02	314.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 9.55	\$ -	
46.25	06/23/2025	11	\$ 17,140.84	257.370	\$ 66.60	\$ 11,903.36	\$ 5,237.48		103.783	153.59	\$ 3,125.49	314.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 20.35	\$ -	
46.25	06/23/2025	12	\$ 22,772.50	234.970	\$ 96.92	\$ 10,867.36	\$ 11,905.14		28.767	206.20	\$ 10,447.61	314.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 50.67	\$ -	
46.25	06/23/2025	13	\$ 28,626.38	241.300	\$ 118.63	\$ 11,160.13	\$ 17,466.26		0.000	241.30	\$ 17,466.26	287.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 72.38	\$ -	
46.25	06/23/2025	14	\$ 34,957.54	252.290	\$ 138.56	\$ 11,668.41	\$ 23,289.13		0.067	252.22	\$ 23,282.94	287.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 92.31	\$ -	
46.25	06/23/2025	15	\$ 47,465.84	296.220	\$ 160.24	\$ 13,700.18	\$ 33,765.67		16.000	280.22	\$ 31,941.85	287.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 113.99	\$ -	
46.25	06/23/2025	16	\$ 58,213.08	258.640	\$ 225.07	\$ 11,962.10	\$ 46,250.98		3.234	255.41	\$ 45,672.66	287.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 178.82	\$ -	
46.25	06/23/2025	17	\$ 71,408.02	270.690	\$ 263.80	\$ 12,519.41	\$ 58,888.61		1.971	268.72	\$ 58,459.82	287.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 217.55	\$ -	
46.25	06/23/2025	18	\$ 77,069.97	282.380	\$ 272.93	\$ 13,060.08	\$ 64,009.90		3.550	278.83	\$ 63,205.18	282.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 226.68	\$ -	
46.25	06/23/2025	19	\$ 93,526.86	318.780	\$ 293.39	\$ 14,743.58	\$ 78,783.29		0.625	318.16	\$ 78,628.82	282.000	87.01	YES	100	36.16	\$ 247.14	\$ 1,340.30	
46.25	06/23/2025	20	\$ 120,796.68	405.290	\$ 298.05	\$ 18,744.66	\$ 102,052.02		0.000	405.29	\$ 102,052.02	283.000	87.01	YES	100	122.29	\$ 251.80	\$ 4,618.89	
46.25	06/23/2025	21	\$ 107,832.39	426.450	\$ 252.86	\$ 19,723.31	\$ 88,109.08		4.750	421.70	\$ 87,127.68	302.000	87.01	YES	100	119.70	\$ 206.61	\$ 3,709.69	
46.25	06/23/2025	22	\$ 80,231.68	474.620	\$ 169.04	\$ 21,951.18	\$ 58,280.51		72.558	402.06	\$ 49,370.82	304.000	87.01	YES	100	98.06	\$ 122.79	\$ 1,806.21	
46.25	06/23/2025	23	\$ 42,702.86	423.010	\$ 100.95	\$ 19,564.21	\$ 23,138.65		74.209	348.80	\$ 19,079.42	308.000	87.01	YES	100	40.80	\$ 54.70	\$ 334.77	
46.25	06/23/2025	24	\$ 28,322.35	409.460	\$ 69.17	\$ 18,937.53	\$ 9,384.83		123.216	286.24	\$ 6,560.71	308.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 22.92	\$ -	
51.44	06/24/2025	1	\$ 23,999.89	358.850	\$ 66.88	\$ 18,458.53	\$ 5,541.36	Culley 3 was on outage, all other units online	154.005	204.85	\$ 3,163.22	302.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 15.44	\$ -	
51.44	06/24/2025	7	\$ 16,877.33	276.270	\$ 61.09	\$ 14,210.78	\$ 2,666.55		161.771	114.50	\$ 1,105.14	302.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 9.65	\$ -	
51.44	06/24/2025	8	\$ 13,977.08	216.330	\$ 64.61	\$ 11,127.58	\$ 2,849.50		128.205	88.13	\$ 1,160.78	302.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 13.17	\$ -	
51.44	06/24/2025	9	\$ 13,003.77	187.780	\$ 69.25	\$ 9,659.03	\$ 3,344.74		100.346	87.43	\$ 1,557.38	302.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 17.81	\$ -	
51.44	06/24/2025	10	\$ 15,288.02	202.760	\$ 75.40	\$ 10,429.57	\$ 4,858.45		72.171	130.59	\$ 3,129.12	302.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 23.96	\$ -	
51.44	06/24/2025	11	\$ 14,777.79	155.180	\$ 95.23	\$ 7,982.15	\$ 6,795.64		7.071	148.11	\$ 6,485.99	302.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 43.79	\$ -	
51.44	06/24/2025	12	\$ 24,404.55	187.850	\$ 129.92	\$ 9,662.63	\$ 14,741.92		0.000	187.85	\$ 14,741.92	302.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 78.48	\$ -	
51.44	06/24/2025	13	\$ 42,708.38	226.020	\$ 188.96	\$ 11,626.02	\$ 31,082.36		0.000	226.02	\$ 31,082.36	281.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 137.52	\$ -	
51.44	06/24/2025	14	\$ 49,881.26	261.320	\$ 190.88	\$ 13,441.78	\$ 36,439.48		0.000	261.32	\$ 36,439.48	281.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 139.44	\$ -	
51.44	06/24/2025	15	\$ 54,867.37	283.240	\$ 193.71	\$ 14,569.30	\$ 40,298.07		0.000	283.24	\$ 40,298.07	281.000	87.01	YES	100	2.24	\$ 142.28	\$ 47.80	
51.44	06/24/2025	16	\$ 90,702.02	365.940	\$ 247.86	\$ 18,823.22	\$ 71,878.80		0.000	365.94	\$ 71,878.80	281.000	87.01	YES	100	84.94	\$ 196.42	\$ 2,502.62	
51.44	06/24/2025	17	\$ 126,785.23	409.210	\$ 309.83	\$ 21,048.94	\$ 105,736.29		0.000	409.21	\$ 105,736.29	280.000	87.01	YES	100	129.21	\$ 258.39	\$ 5,008.01	
51.44	06/24/2025	18	\$ 113,275.24	361.590	\$ 313.27	\$ 18,599.47	\$ 94,675.77		10.417	351.17	\$ 91,948.27	280.000	87.01	YES	100	71.17	\$ 261.83	\$ 2,795.30	
51.44	06/24/2025	19	\$ 121,062.44	349.680	\$ 346.21	\$ 17,986.84	\$ 103,075.60		10.000	339.68	\$ 100,127.89	281.000	87.01	YES	100	58.68	\$ 294.77	\$ 2,594.58	
51.44	06/24/2025	20	\$ 100,687.16	350.460	\$ 287.30	\$ 18,026.96	\$ 82,660.20		0.000	350.46	\$ 82,660.20	279.000	87.01	YES	100	71.46	\$ 235.86	\$ 2,528.20	
51.44	06/24/2025	21	\$ 71,901.80	371.970	\$ 193.30	\$ 19,133.39	\$ 52,768.41		4.000	367.97	\$ 52,200.96	301.000	87.01	YES	100	66.97	\$ 141.86	\$ 1,425.07	
51.44	06/24/2025	22	\$ 50,246.94	427.910	\$ 117.42	\$ 22,010.83	\$ 28,236.11		84.100	343.81	\$ 22,686.68	302.000	87.01	YES	100	41.81	\$ 65.99	\$ 413.83	
51.44	06/24/2025	23	\$ 31,446.02	390.510	\$ 80.53	\$ 20,087.05	\$ 11,358.97		109.408	281.10	\$ 18,176.56	302.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 29.09	\$ -	
51.44	06/24/2025	24	\$ 22,253.32	375.520	\$ 59.26	\$ 19,316.00	\$ 2,937.32		145.539	229.98	\$ 1,798.91	302.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 7.82	\$ -	
48.81	06/25/2025	1	\$ 23,886.29	448.570	\$ 53.25	\$ 21,896.05	\$ 1,990.24	Culley 3 was on outage, all other units online	245.498	203.07	\$ 901.00	304.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 4.44	\$ -	
48.81	06/25/2025	7	\$ 19,985.66	392.800	\$ 50.88	\$ 19,173.75	\$ 811.91		256.292	136.51	\$ 282.16	304.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 2.07	\$ -	
48.81	06/25/2025	8	\$ 15,998.06	310.100	\$ 51.59	\$ 15,136.91	\$ 861.15		232.245	77.86	\$ 216.20	304.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 2.78	\$ -	
48.81	06/25/2025	9	\$ 15,338.75	274.200	\$ 55.94	\$ 13,384.52	\$ 1,954.23		248.862	25.34	\$ 180.58	304.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 7.13	\$ -	
48.81	06/25/2025	10	\$ 16,290.68	292.000	\$ 55.79	\$ 14,253.40	\$ 2,037.28		202.000	90.00	\$ 627.93	304.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 6.98	\$ -	
48.81	06/25/2025	11	\$ 23,635.03	329.500	\$ 71.73	\$ 16,083.88	\$ 7,551.15		91.943	237.56	\$ 5,444.09	304.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 22.92	\$ -	
48.81	06/25/2025	12	\$ 19,841.88	259.100	\$ 76.58	\$ 12,647.45	\$ 7,194.43		86.254	172.85	\$ 4,799.42	304.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 27.77	\$ -	
48.81	06/25/2025	13	\$ 38,849.41	350.860	\$ 110.73	\$ 17,126.53	\$ 21,722.88		13.916	336.94	\$ 20,861.30	283.000	87.01	YES	100	53.94	\$ 61.91	\$ 500.98	
48.81	06/25/2025	14	\$ 38,501.08	349.790	\$ 110.07	\$ 17,074.30	\$ 21,426.78		1.013	348.78	\$ 21,364.73	283.000	87.01	YES	100	65.78	\$ 61.26	\$ 604.39	
48.81	06/25/2025	15	\$ 41,419.76	412.400	\$ 100.44	\$ 20,130.48	\$ 21,289.28		11.000	401.40	\$ 20,721.43	283.000	87.01	YES	100	118.40	\$ 51.62	\$ 916.82	
48.81	06/25/2025	16	\$ 40,715.76	389.700	\$ 104.48	\$ 19,022.43	\$ 21,693.33		8.000	381.70	\$ 21,248.00	283.000	87.01	YES	100	98.70	\$ 55.67	\$ 824.15	
48.81	06/25/2025	17	\$ 67,927.35	440.060	\$ 154.36	\$ 21,480.65	\$ 46,446.70		0.000	440.06	\$ 46,446.70	283.000	87.01	YES	100	157.06	\$ 105.55	\$ 2,486.57	
48.81	06/25/2025	18	\$ 68,933.08	426.120	\$ 161.77	\$ 20,800.20	\$ 48,132.88		0.000	426.12	\$ 48,132.88	283.000	87.01	YES	100	143.12	\$ 112.96	\$ 2,424.94	
48.81	06/25/2025	19	\$ 65,341.80	439.740	\$ 148.59	\$ 21,465.03	\$ 43,876.77		1.746	437.99	\$ 43,702.56	283.000	87.01	YES	100	154.99	\$ 99.78	\$ 2,319.77	
48.81	06/25/2025	20	\$ 65,116.89	509.510	\$ 127.80	\$ 24,870.71	\$ 40,246.18		6.000	503.51	\$ 39,772.24	283.000	87.01	YES	100	220.51	\$ 78.99	\$ 2,612.71	
48.81	06/25/2025	21	\$ 47,234.72	520.350	\$ 90.77	\$ 2													

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S55's through 06/30										Test for Outages and Derates									
Jun Benchmark		HE	Cost of Purchased Power	Purchases Volume	Price	Purchases Volume @ Benchmark \$	Amount Over Benchmark \$	Reason for Purchasing Power	Available Capacity of Units Not Selected	MISO Economic Dispatch / Purchased MWs above Capacity	Purchase Power Costs at Risk	MWs Out of Service	Are Unit MWs Out of Service > 11% Summer Capacity?		Recoverable @ 0%, 85%, or 100%	MWs Subject to 85%-15%	Over Benchmark Price	Total Unrecoverable Dollars	
Costs	Trade Date												11% of Summer Rated Capacity	11% Summer Capacity?					
48.19	06/26/2025	23	\$ 28,897.10	509.200	\$ 56.75	\$ 24,537.33	\$ 4,359.77		257.267	251.93	\$ 2,157.05	304.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 8.56	\$ -	
48.19	06/26/2025	24	\$ 23,784.99	486.500	\$ 48.89	\$ 23,443.46	\$ 341.53		267.517	218.98	\$ 153.73	304.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 0.70	\$ -	
47.88	06/27/2025	11	\$ 20,489.21	379.500	\$ 53.99	\$ 18,168.56	\$ 2,320.65		248.987	130.51	\$ 798.09	304.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 6.12	\$ -	
47.88	06/27/2025	12	\$ 25,118.62	423.300	\$ 59.34	\$ 20,265.49	\$ 4,853.13		216.930	206.37	\$ 2,366.03	304.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 11.46	\$ -	
47.88	06/27/2025	13	\$ 22,049.94	321.100	\$ 68.67	\$ 15,372.66	\$ 6,677.28		86.000	235.10	\$ 4,888.91	283.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 20.80	\$ -	
47.88	06/27/2025	14	\$ 22,753.62	298.800	\$ 76.15	\$ 14,305.05	\$ 8,448.57		56.000	242.80	\$ 6,865.17	283.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 28.28	\$ -	
47.88	06/27/2025	15	\$ 30,279.26	404.140	\$ 74.92	\$ 19,348.20	\$ 10,931.06		55.000	349.14	\$ 9,443.43	283.000	87.01	YES	100	66.14	\$ 27.05	\$ 268.34	
47.88	06/27/2025	16	\$ 30,978.56	429.670	\$ 72.10	\$ 20,570.45	\$ 10,408.11	Culley 3 was on outage, all other units online	55.000	374.67	\$ 9,075.82	283.000	87.01	YES	100	91.67	\$ 24.22	\$ 333.09	
47.88	06/27/2025	17	\$ 28,004.79	331.300	\$ 84.53	\$ 15,860.99	\$ 12,143.80		56.000	275.30	\$ 10,091.12	283.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 36.66	\$ -	
47.88	06/27/2025	18	\$ 27,314.78	328.500	\$ 83.15	\$ 15,726.94	\$ 11,587.84		55.000	273.50	\$ 9,647.72	283.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 35.28	\$ -	
47.88	06/27/2025	19	\$ 33,826.12	363.800	\$ 92.98	\$ 17,416.93	\$ 16,409.20		55.000	308.80	\$ 13,928.42	283.000	87.01	YES	100	25.80	\$ 45.10	\$ 174.56	
47.88	06/27/2025	20	\$ 36,950.34	468.200	\$ 78.92	\$ 22,415.08	\$ 14,535.27		55.000	413.20	\$ 12,827.79	283.000	87.01	YES	100	130.20	\$ 31.04	\$ 606.31	
47.88	06/27/2025	21	\$ 34,466.25	487.500	\$ 70.70	\$ 23,339.06	\$ 11,127.19		200.408	287.09	\$ 6,552.87	304.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 22.83	\$ -	
47.88	06/27/2025	22	\$ 26,568.41	531.900	\$ 49.95	\$ 25,464.71	\$ 1,103.70		245.144	286.76	\$ 595.02	304.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 2.08	\$ -	
47.81	06/28/2025	5	\$ 1,082.87	20.080	\$ 53.93	\$ 960.09	\$ 122.78		393.669	-	\$ -	314.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 6.11	\$ -	
47.81	06/28/2025	10	\$ 3,699.62	58.000	\$ 63.79	\$ 2,773.15	\$ 926.47		377.058	-	\$ -	314.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 15.97	\$ -	
47.81	06/28/2025	11	\$ 3,268.03	56.300	\$ 58.05	\$ 2,691.87	\$ 576.16		375.700	-	\$ -	314.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 10.23	\$ -	
47.81	06/28/2025	13	\$ 2,722.40	53.800	\$ 50.60	\$ 2,572.34	\$ 150.06		376.117	-	\$ -	314.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 2.79	\$ -	
47.81	06/28/2025	15	\$ 25,229.88	526.500	\$ 47.92	\$ 25,173.54	\$ 56.34	Brown 3 was on Reserve Shutdown, Culley 3 was on outage, all other units online	361.292	165.21	\$ 17.68	314.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 0.11	\$ -	
47.81	06/28/2025	16	\$ 16,009.95	313.000	\$ 51.15	\$ 14,965.47	\$ 1,044.48		264.921	48.08	\$ 160.44	314.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 3.34	\$ -	
47.81	06/28/2025	17	\$ 19,379.63	363.800	\$ 53.27	\$ 17,394.37	\$ 1,985.26		180.075	183.73	\$ 1,002.59	314.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 5.46	\$ -	
47.81	06/28/2025	18	\$ 17,681.90	283.500	\$ 62.37	\$ 13,554.99	\$ 4,126.91		154.675	128.83	\$ 1,875.31	314.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 14.56	\$ -	
47.81	06/28/2025	19	\$ 30,370.84	446.200	\$ 68.07	\$ 21,334.16	\$ 9,036.68		111.879	334.32	\$ 6,770.85	314.000	87.01	YES	100	20.32	\$ 20.25	\$ 61.73	
47.81	06/28/2025	20	\$ 31,375.51	449.400	\$ 69.82	\$ 21,487.16	\$ 9,888.35		100.678	348.72	\$ 7,673.09	314.000	87.01	YES	100	34.72	\$ 22.00	\$ 114.60	
47.81	06/28/2025	21	\$ 24,899.15	427.600	\$ 58.23	\$ 20,444.84	\$ 4,454.31		209.125	218.48	\$ 2,275.86	314.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 10.42	\$ -	
47.81	06/29/2025	10	\$ 3,818.11	68.500	\$ 55.74	\$ 3,275.19	\$ 542.92		393.000	-	\$ -	314.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 7.93	\$ -	
47.81	06/29/2025	13	\$ 12,291.93	250.600	\$ 49.05	\$ 11,981.94	\$ 309.99		179.741	70.86	\$ 87.65	314.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 1.24	\$ -	
47.81	06/29/2025	14	\$ 13,251.05	263.860	\$ 50.22	\$ 12,615.94	\$ 635.11		157.200	106.66	\$ 256.73	314.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 2.41	\$ -	
47.81	06/29/2025	15	\$ 12,904.99	244.830	\$ 52.71	\$ 11,706.06	\$ 1,198.93		140.000	104.83	\$ 513.35	314.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 4.90	\$ -	
47.81	06/29/2025	16	\$ 15,062.04	240.800	\$ 62.55	\$ 11,513.37	\$ 3,548.67		120.479	120.32	\$ 1,773.17	314.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 14.74	\$ -	
47.81	06/29/2025	17	\$ 21,698.72	301.280	\$ 72.02	\$ 14,405.10	\$ 7,293.62	Culley 3 was on outage, all other units online	48.096	253.18	\$ 6,129.27	314.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 24.21	\$ -	
47.81	06/29/2025	18	\$ 23,953.14	268.560	\$ 89.19	\$ 12,840.66	\$ 11,112.48		25.224	243.34	\$ 10,068.76	314.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 41.38	\$ -	
47.81	06/29/2025	19	\$ 25,499.18	261.530	\$ 97.50	\$ 12,504.53	\$ 12,994.65		13.000	248.53	\$ 12,348.71	314.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 49.69	\$ -	
47.81	06/29/2025	20	\$ 30,356.38	295.900	\$ 102.59	\$ 14,147.87	\$ 16,208.51		26.000	269.90	\$ 14,784.31	314.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 54.78	\$ -	
47.81	06/29/2025	21	\$ 23,509.17	312.830	\$ 75.15	\$ 14,957.34	\$ 8,551.83		43.492	269.34	\$ 7,362.89	314.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 27.34	\$ -	
47.81	06/29/2025	22	\$ 26,414.30	386.400	\$ 68.36	\$ 18,474.94	\$ 7,939.36		143.178	243.22	\$ 4,997.48	314.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 20.55	\$ -	
47.81	06/29/2025	23	\$ 21,939.91	414.900	\$ 52.88	\$ 19,837.61	\$ 2,102.30		249.192	165.71	\$ 839.64	314.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 5.07	\$ -	
47.81	06/30/2025	9	\$ 22,740.83	462.400	\$ 49.18	\$ 22,108.73	\$ 632.10		381.650	80.75	\$ 110.38	314.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 1.37	\$ -	
47.81	06/30/2025	10	\$ 34,440.64	570.000	\$ 60.42	\$ 27,253.41	\$ 7,187.23		352.000	218.00	\$ 2,748.80	314.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 12.61	\$ -	
47.81	06/30/2025	11	\$ 21,439.36	395.390	\$ 54.22	\$ 18,904.78	\$ 2,534.58		187.742	207.65	\$ 1,331.09	314.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 6.41	\$ -	
47.81	06/30/2025	12	\$ 20,679.28	324.330	\$ 63.76	\$ 15,507.19	\$ 5,172.09		153.696	170.63	\$ 2,721.10	314.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 15.95	\$ -	
47.81	06/30/2025	13	\$ 12,311.27	168.740	\$ 72.96	\$ 8,067.97	\$ 4,243.30		83.592	85.15	\$ 2,141.22	314.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 25.15	\$ -	
47.81	06/30/2025	14	\$ 11,876.72	169.160	\$ 70.21	\$ 8,088.05	\$ 3,788.67		75.000	94.16	\$ 2,108.90	314.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 22.40	\$ -	
47.81	06/30/2025	15	\$ 16,109.41	230.860	\$ 69.78	\$ 11,038.11	\$ 5,071.30		78.000	152.86	\$ 3,357.88	314.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 21.97	\$ -	
47.81	06/30/2025	16	\$ 18,354.64	259.760	\$ 70.66	\$ 12,419.90	\$ 5,934.74	Culley 3 was on outage, all other units online	75.000	184.76	\$ 4,221.21	314.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 22.85	\$ -	
47.81	06/30/2025	17	\$ 20,763.25	290.030	\$ 71.59	\$ 13,867.20	\$ 6,896.05		47.000	243.03	\$ 5,778.53	314.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 23.78	\$ -	
47.81	06/30/2025	18	\$ 18,593.14	229.460	\$ 81.03	\$ 10,971.17	\$ 7,621.97		12.250	217.21	\$ 7,215.06	314.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 33.22	\$ -	
47.81	06/30/2025	19	\$ 27,979.47	353.710	\$ 79.10	\$ 16,911.94	\$ 11,067.53		43.396	310.31	\$ 9,709.68	314.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 31.29	\$ -	
47.81	06/30/2025	20	\$ 30,419.00	380.000	\$ 80.05	\$ 18,168.94	\$ 12,250.06		112.283	267.72	\$ 8,630.39	314.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 32.24	\$ -	
47.81	06/30/2025	21	\$ 30,940.18	450.140	\$ 68.73	\$ 21,522.54	\$ 9,417.64		67.942	382.20	\$ 7,996.18	314.000	87.01	YES	100	68.20	\$ 20.92	\$ 214.02	
47.81	06/30/2025	22	\$ 30,199.20	520.050	\$ 58.07	\$ 24,865.15	\$ 5,334.05		174.709	345.34	\$ 3,542.09	314.000	87.01	YES	100	31.34	\$ 10.26	\$ 48.22	
47.81	06/30/2025	23	\$ 1,792.94	33.740	\$ 53.14	\$ 1,613.21	\$ 179.73		330.858	-	\$ -	314.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 5.33	\$ -	
47.81	06/30/2025	24	\$ 2,884.22	53.650	\$ 53.76	\$ 2,565.17	\$ 319.05		372.550	-	\$ -	314.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 5.95	\$ -	
Total			\$ 5,659,219.15	65,237.190		\$ 3,062,231.00	\$ 2,596,988.28		40,547.153	37,530.399	\$ 2,241,404.46	54,377.000				3,762.762		\$ 54,409.75	

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Jul Benchmark Costs	Trade Date	HE	Cost of Purchased Power	Purchases Volume	Price	Purchases Volume @ Benchmark \$	Amount Over Benchmark \$	Reason for Purchasing Power	MWs Out of Service				11% of Summer Rated Capacity	Are Unit MWs Out of Service > 11% Summer Capacity?		Recoverable @ 0%, 85%, or 100%	MWs Subject to 85%-15%			
48.50	07/01/2025	1	\$ 3,503.35	72.130	\$ 48.57	\$ 3,498.31	\$ 5.05	Culley 3 was on outage, all other units online	384.058	-	\$ -	312.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 0.07	\$ -		
48.50	07/01/2025	13	\$ 16,008.16	325.700	\$ 49.15	\$ 15,796.45	\$ 211.71		156.796	168.90	\$ 109.79	291.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 0.65	\$ -		
48.50	07/01/2025	14	\$ 16,758.25	328.400	\$ 51.03	\$ 15,927.40	\$ 830.85		151.000	177.40	\$ 448.82	291.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 2.53	\$ -		
48.50	07/01/2025	15	\$ 17,304.31	334.060	\$ 51.80	\$ 16,201.91	\$ 1,102.40		148.000	186.06	\$ 614.00	291.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 3.30	\$ -		
48.50	07/01/2025	16	\$ 13,319.54	229.410	\$ 58.06	\$ 11,126.39	\$ 2,193.16		81.000	148.41	\$ 1,418.80	291.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 9.56	\$ -		
48.50	07/01/2025	17	\$ 19,638.19	265.740	\$ 73.90	\$ 12,888.39	\$ 6,749.80		53.000	212.74	\$ 5,403.60	291.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 25.40	\$ -		
48.50	07/01/2025	18	\$ 22,897.53	283.000	\$ 80.91	\$ 13,725.50	\$ 9,172.03		59.000	224.00	\$ 7,259.84	291.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 32.41	\$ -		
48.50	07/01/2025	19	\$ 32,472.92	299.400	\$ 108.46	\$ 14,520.90	\$ 17,952.02		52.992	246.41	\$ 14,774.62	291.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 59.96	\$ -		
48.50	07/01/2025	20	\$ 34,009.29	328.910	\$ 103.40	\$ 15,952.14	\$ 18,057.16		25.000	303.91	\$ 16,684.66	291.000	87.01	YES	100	12.91	\$ 54.90	\$ 106.33		
48.50	07/01/2025	21	\$ 29,865.21	381.380	\$ 78.31	\$ 18,496.93	\$ 11,368.28		58.833	322.55	\$ 9,614.57	312.000	87.01	YES	100	10.55	\$ 29.81	\$ 47.16		
48.50	07/01/2025	22	\$ 26,101.36	418.090	\$ 62.43	\$ 20,277.37	\$ 5,824.00		135.837	282.25	\$ 3,931.79	312.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 13.93	\$ -		
48.50	07/01/2025	23	\$ 22,314.34	448.800	\$ 49.72	\$ 21,766.80	\$ 547.54		205.855	242.95	\$ 296.40	312.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 1.22	\$ -		
46.75	07/02/2025	12	\$ 3,072.22	60.800	\$ 50.53	\$ 2,842.40	\$ 229.82	All units online, load greater than generation	366.896	-	\$ -	42.000	87.01	NO	85	-	\$ 3.78	\$ -		
46.75	07/02/2025	13	\$ 2,485.10	45.200	\$ 54.98	\$ 2,113.10	\$ 372.00		222.496	-	\$ -	21.000	87.01	NO	85	-	\$ 8.23	\$ -		
46.75	07/02/2025	14	\$ 5,735.09	97.670	\$ 58.72	\$ 4,566.07	\$ 1,169.02		216.583	-	\$ -	21.000	87.01	NO	85	-	\$ 11.97	\$ -		
46.75	07/02/2025	15	\$ 5,175.31	90.430	\$ 57.23	\$ 4,227.60	\$ 947.71		155.225	-	\$ -	21.000	87.01	NO	85	-	\$ 10.48	\$ -		
46.75	07/02/2025	16	\$ 1.36	0.020	\$ 68.00	\$ 0.94	\$ 0.43		106.271	-	\$ -	21.000	87.01	NO	85	-	\$ 21.25	\$ -		
46.75	07/02/2025	18	\$ 3,014.88	35.900	\$ 83.98	\$ 1,678.33	\$ 1,336.56		68.017	-	\$ -	21.000	87.01	NO	85	-	\$ 37.23	\$ -		
46.75	07/02/2025	19	\$ 5,374.92	54.210	\$ 99.15	\$ 2,534.32	\$ 2,840.60		59.000	-	\$ -	21.000	87.01	NO	85	-	\$ 52.40	\$ -		
46.75	07/02/2025	20	\$ 13,875.47	141.370	\$ 98.15	\$ 6,609.05	\$ 7,266.42		59.000	82.37	\$ 4,233.82	21.000	87.01	NO	85	82.37	\$ 51.40	\$ 635.07		
46.75	07/02/2025	21	\$ 10,338.50	145.000	\$ 71.30	\$ 6,778.75	\$ 3,559.75		212.558	17.44	\$ 428.20	42.000	87.01	NO	85	17.44	\$ 24.55	\$ 64.23		
46.75	07/02/2025	22	\$ 10,909.00	207.830	\$ 52.49	\$ 9,716.05	\$ 1,192.95		212.388	-	\$ -	42.000	87.01	NO	85	-	\$ 5.74	\$ -		
46.63	07/03/2025	12	\$ 1,528.36	27.900	\$ 54.78	\$ 1,300.84	\$ 227.52	All units online, load greater than generation	214.862	-	\$ -	44.000	87.01	NO	85	-	\$ 8.15	\$ -		
46.63	07/03/2025	14	\$ 4,298.98	73.600	\$ 58.41	\$ 3,431.60	\$ 867.38		149.000	-	\$ -	23.000	87.01	NO	85	-	\$ 11.79	\$ -		
46.63	07/03/2025	19	\$ 1,174.18	12.100	\$ 97.04	\$ 564.16	\$ 610.02		45.533	-	\$ -	23.000	87.01	NO	85	-	\$ 50.41	\$ -		
46.63	07/03/2025	20	\$ 12,382.56	140.090	\$ 88.39	\$ 6,531.70	\$ 5,850.86		57.000	83.09	\$ 3,470.26	23.000	87.01	NO	85	83.09	\$ 41.77	\$ 520.54		
46.63	07/03/2025	21	\$ 13,211.46	222.490	\$ 59.38	\$ 10,373.60	\$ 2,837.86		169.412	53.08	\$ 677.01	44.000	87.01	NO	85	53.08	\$ 12.76	\$ 101.55		
46.63	07/03/2025	22	\$ 14,103.61	288.890	\$ 48.82	\$ 13,469.50	\$ 634.11		236.353	52.54	\$ 115.32	44.000	87.01	NO	85	52.54	\$ 2.20	\$ 17.30		
47.75	07/04/2025	15	\$ 11,941.70	238.500	\$ 50.07	\$ 11,388.38	\$ 553.33	Brown 3 was on Reserve Shutdown, all other units online	364.730	-	\$ -	44.000	87.01	NO	85	-	\$ 2.32	\$ -		
47.75	07/04/2025	16	\$ 7,221.44	127.700	\$ 56.55	\$ 6,097.68	\$ 1,123.77		289.138	-	\$ -	44.000	87.01	NO	85	-	\$ 8.80	\$ -		
47.75	07/04/2025	17	\$ 9,313.35	145.000	\$ 64.23	\$ 6,923.75	\$ 2,389.60		243.706	-	\$ -	44.000	87.01	NO	85	-	\$ 16.48	\$ -		
47.75	07/04/2025	18	\$ 6,409.09	89.600	\$ 71.53	\$ 4,278.40	\$ 2,130.69		193.993	-	\$ -	44.000	87.01	NO	85	-	\$ 23.78	\$ -		
47.75	07/04/2025	19	\$ 9,605.98	127.080	\$ 75.59	\$ 6,068.07	\$ 3,537.91		162.558	-	\$ -	44.000	87.01	NO	85	-	\$ 27.84	\$ -		
47.75	07/04/2025	20	\$ 10,279.58	141.670	\$ 72.56	\$ 6,764.74	\$ 3,514.84		91.433	50.24	\$ 1,246.38	44.000	87.01	NO	85	50.24	\$ 24.81	\$ 186.96		
47.75	07/04/2025	21	\$ 14,406.57	272.800	\$ 52.81	\$ 13,026.20	\$ 1,380.37	All units online, load greater than generation	242.408	30.39	\$ 153.78	44.000	87.01	NO	85	30.39	\$ 5.06	\$ 23.07		
47.75	07/05/2025	14	\$ 14,206.09	277.710	\$ 51.15	\$ 13,260.65	\$ 945.44		367.000	-	\$ -	92.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 3.40	\$ -		
47.75	07/05/2025	15	\$ 9,990.04	202.720	\$ 49.28	\$ 9,679.88	\$ 310.16		280.000	-	\$ -	68.000	87.01	NO	85	-	\$ 1.53	\$ -		
47.75	07/05/2025	16	\$ 6,670.77	114.500	\$ 58.26	\$ 5,467.38	\$ 1,203.40		215.733	-	\$ -	46.000	87.01	NO	85	-	\$ 10.51	\$ -		
47.75	07/05/2025	17	\$ 3,552.82	54.600	\$ 65.07	\$ 2,607.15	\$ 945.67		166.416	-	\$ -	46.000	87.01	NO	85	-	\$ 17.32	\$ -		
47.75	07/05/2025	18	\$ 4,852.56	61.100	\$ 79.42	\$ 2,917.53	\$ 1,935.04		119.254	-	\$ -	46.000	87.01	NO	85	-	\$ 31.67	\$ -		
47.75	07/05/2025	19	\$ 8,541.88	136.010	\$ 62.80	\$ 6,494.48	\$ 2,047.40		84.000	52.01	\$ 782.92	46.000	87.01	NO	85	52.01	\$ 15.05	\$ 117.44		
47.75	07/05/2025	20	\$ 12,704.83	144.900	\$ 87.68	\$ 6,918.98	\$ 5,785.86		103.233	41.67	\$ 1,663.76	46.000	87.01	NO	85	41.67	\$ 39.93	\$ 249.56		
47.75	07/05/2025	21	\$ 17,049.93	268.700	\$ 63.45	\$ 12,830.43	\$ 4,219.51		142.863	125.84	\$ 1,976.07	46.000	87.01	NO	85	125.84	\$ 15.70	\$ 296.41		
47.75	07/05/2025	22	\$ 12,774.68	239.900	\$ 53.25	\$ 11,455.23	\$ 1,319.46		261.417	-	\$ -	46.000	87.01	NO	85	-	\$ 5.50	\$ -		
47.75	07/06/2025	12	\$ 12,034.73	251.720	\$ 47.81	\$ 12,019.63	\$ 15.10	Culley 2 was on Reserve Shutdown, all other units online	432.725	-	\$ -	46.000	87.01	NO	85	-	\$ 0.06	\$ -		
47.75	07/06/2025	13	\$ 4,121.21	77.700	\$ 53.04	\$ 3,710.18	\$ 411.04		308.000	-	\$ -	46.000	87.01	NO	85	-	\$ 5.29	\$ -		
47.75	07/06/2025	14	\$ 6,565.26	124.060	\$ 52.92	\$ 5,923.87	\$ 641.40		263.862	-	\$ -	46.000	87.01	NO	85	-	\$ 5.17	\$ -		
47.75	07/06/2025	15	\$ 6,224.27	113.810	\$ 54.69	\$ 5,434.43	\$ 789.84		269.612	-	\$ -	46.000	87.01	NO	85	-	\$ 6.94	\$ -		
47.75	07/06/2025	16	\$ 6,834.60	118.430	\$ 57.71	\$ 5,655.03	\$ 1,179.57		258.008	-	\$ -	46.000	87.01	NO	85	-	\$ 9.96	\$ -		
47.75	07/06/2025	17	\$ 10,316.42	149.600	\$ 68.96	\$ 7,143.40	\$ 3,173.02		245.000	-	\$ -	46.000	87.01	NO	85	-	\$ 21.21	\$ -		
47.75	07/06/2025	18	\$ 7,910.25	99.400	\$ 79.58	\$ 4,746.35	\$ 3,163.90		186.446	-	\$ -	46.000	87.01	NO	85	-	\$ 31.83	\$ -		
47.75	07/06/2025	19	\$ 17,350.75	218.540	\$ 79.39	\$ 10,435.29	\$ 6,915.47		156.000	62.54	\$ 1,979.01	46.000	87.01	NO	85	62.54	\$ 31.64	\$ 296.85		
47.75	07/06/2025	20	\$ 18,697.95	224.600	\$ 83.25	\$ 10,724.65	\$ 7,973.30		180.242	44.36	\$ 1,574.71	46.000	87.01	NO	85	44.36	\$ 35.50	\$ 236.21		
47.75	07/06/2025	21	\$ 16,183.98	258.200	\$ 62.68	\$ 12,329.05	\$ 3,854.93		217.000	41.20	\$ 615.12	46.000	87.01	NO	85	41.20	\$ 14.93	\$ 92.27		
47.75	07/06/2025	22	\$ 17,133.32	307.600	\$ 55.70	\$ 14,687.90	\$ 2,445.42		323.575	-	\$ -	46.000	87.01	NO	85	-	\$ 7.95	\$ -		
47.75	07/07/2025	11	\$ 5,757.35	113.200	\$ 50.86	\$ 5,405.30	\$ 352.05	All units online, load greater than generation	314.458	-	\$ -	56.000	87.01	NO	85	-	\$			

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48.00	07/08/2025	11	\$ 3,319.64	66.300	\$ 50.07	\$ 3,182.40	\$ 137.24	All units online, load greater than generation	237.950	-	\$ -	54.000	87.01	NO	85	-	\$ 2.07	\$ -
48.00	07/08/2025	12	\$ 2,258.27	38.570	\$ 58.55	\$ 1,851.36	\$ 406.91		162.000	-	\$ -	54.000	87.01	NO	85	-	\$ 10.55	\$ -
48.00	07/08/2025	13	\$ 2,566.61	49.150	\$ 52.22	\$ 2,359.20	\$ 207.41		101.874	-	\$ -	54.000	87.01	NO	85	-	\$ 4.22	\$ -
48.00	07/08/2025	14	\$ 11,479.26	72.300	\$ 158.77	\$ 3,470.40	\$ 8,008.86		75.000	-	\$ -	54.000	87.01	NO	85	-	\$ 110.77	\$ -
48.00	07/08/2025	15	\$ 2,257.17	33.140	\$ 68.11	\$ 1,590.72	\$ 666.45		35.000	-	\$ -	51.000	87.01	NO	85	-	\$ 20.11	\$ -
48.00	07/08/2025	19	\$ 5,962.98	56.650	\$ 105.26	\$ 2,719.20	\$ 3,243.78		60.767	-	\$ -	54.000	87.01	NO	85	-	\$ 57.26	\$ -
48.00	07/08/2025	20	\$ 12,475.81	137.900	\$ 90.47	\$ 6,619.20	\$ 5,856.61		91.075	46.83	\$ 1,988.66	54.000	87.01	NO	85	46.83	\$ 42.47	\$ 298.30
48.00	07/08/2025	21	\$ 10,243.38	133.100	\$ 76.96	\$ 6,388.80	\$ 3,854.58		97.875	35.23	\$ 1,020.12	54.000	87.01	NO	85	35.23	\$ 28.96	\$ 153.02
48.00	07/08/2025	22	\$ 14,779.82	234.340	\$ 63.07	\$ 11,248.32	\$ 3,531.50		185.941	48.40	\$ 729.37	54.000	87.01	NO	85	48.40	\$ 15.07	\$ 109.41
48.00	07/08/2025	23	\$ 10,922.18	202.300	\$ 53.99	\$ 9,710.40	\$ 1,211.78		227.179	-	\$ -	54.000	87.01	NO	85	-	\$ 5.99	\$ -
47.50	07/09/2025	6	\$ 1,863.12	36.500	\$ 51.04	\$ 1,733.75	\$ 129.37	Brown 3 short run time, all other units online.	372.250	-	\$ -	187.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 3.54	\$ -
47.50	07/09/2025	9	\$ 9,740.10	203.300	\$ 47.91	\$ 9,656.75	\$ 83.35		388.633	-	\$ -	52.000	87.01	NO	85	-	\$ 0.41	\$ -
47.50	07/09/2025	10	\$ 11,601.52	239.800	\$ 48.38	\$ 11,390.50	\$ 211.02		372.442	-	\$ -	52.000	87.01	NO	85	-	\$ 0.88	\$ -
47.50	07/09/2025	11	\$ 3,469.58	65.600	\$ 52.89	\$ 3,116.00	\$ 353.58		234.862	-	\$ -	52.000	87.01	NO	85	-	\$ 5.39	\$ -
47.50	07/09/2025	12	\$ 4,321.11	77.900	\$ 55.47	\$ 3,700.25	\$ 620.86		207.316	-	\$ -	52.000	87.01	NO	85	-	\$ 7.97	\$ -
47.50	07/09/2025	13	\$ 3,238.83	54.390	\$ 59.55	\$ 2,583.53	\$ 655.31		189.009	-	\$ -	52.000	87.01	NO	85	-	\$ 12.05	\$ -
47.50	07/09/2025	14	\$ 2,665.85	42.060	\$ 63.38	\$ 1,997.85	\$ 668.00		102.625	-	\$ -	42.000	87.01	NO	85	-	\$ 15.88	\$ -
47.50	07/09/2025	15	\$ 2,189.38	38.940	\$ 56.22	\$ 1,849.65	\$ 339.73		112.570	-	\$ -	42.000	87.01	NO	85	-	\$ 8.72	\$ -
47.50	07/09/2025	16	\$ 1,119.89	21.720	\$ 51.56	\$ 1,031.70	\$ 88.19		93.783	-	\$ -	42.000	87.01	NO	85	-	\$ 4.06	\$ -
47.50	07/09/2025	17	\$ 1,457.56	18.800	\$ 77.53	\$ 893.00	\$ 564.56		118.350	-	\$ -	42.000	87.01	NO	85	-	\$ 30.03	\$ -
47.50	07/09/2025	18	\$ 1,986.35	23.800	\$ 83.46	\$ 1,130.50	\$ 855.85		135.287	-	\$ -	42.000	87.01	NO	85	-	\$ 35.96	\$ -
47.50	07/09/2025	19	\$ 4,807.69	49.800	\$ 96.54	\$ 2,365.50	\$ 2,442.19		157.642	-	\$ -	42.000	87.01	NO	85	-	\$ 49.04	\$ -
47.50	07/09/2025	20	\$ 9,608.60	109.800	\$ 87.51	\$ 5,215.50	\$ 4,393.10		112.737	-	\$ -	42.000	87.01	NO	85	-	\$ 40.01	\$ -
47.50	07/09/2025	21	\$ 9,247.06	142.900	\$ 64.71	\$ 6,787.75	\$ 2,459.31		134.247	8.65	\$ 148.92	42.000	87.01	NO	85	8.65	\$ 17.21	\$ 22.34
47.50	07/09/2025	22	\$ 11,613.89	206.800	\$ 56.16	\$ 9,823.00	\$ 1,790.89		235.254	-	\$ -	42.000	87.01	NO	85	-	\$ 8.66	\$ -
46.00	07/10/2025	7	\$ 3,534.53	73.400	\$ 48.15	\$ 3,376.40	\$ 158.13	Brown 3 was returning from outage, all other units online.	402.511	-	\$ -	84.000	87.01	NO	85	-	\$ 2.15	\$ -
46.00	07/10/2025	8	\$ 13,096.40	186.900	\$ 70.07	\$ 8,597.40	\$ 4,499.00		376.196	-	\$ -	110.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 24.07	\$ -
46.00	07/10/2025	9	\$ 9,720.30	182.100	\$ 53.38	\$ 8,376.60	\$ 1,343.70		422.596	-	\$ -	44.000	87.01	NO	85	-	\$ 7.38	\$ -
46.00	07/10/2025	10	\$ 1,961.02	41.600	\$ 47.14	\$ 1,913.60	\$ 47.42		424.542	-	\$ -	44.000	87.01	NO	85	-	\$ 1.14	\$ -
46.00	07/10/2025	11	\$ 8,695.33	95.100	\$ 91.43	\$ 4,374.60	\$ 4,320.73		404.568	-	\$ -	44.000	87.01	NO	85	-	\$ 45.43	\$ -
46.00	07/10/2025	12	\$ 2,542.32	49.500	\$ 51.36	\$ 2,277.00	\$ 265.32		148.812	-	\$ -	119.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 5.36	\$ -
46.00	07/10/2025	13	\$ 1,415.69	25.900	\$ 54.66	\$ 1,191.40	\$ 224.29		138.824	-	\$ -	119.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 8.66	\$ -
46.00	07/10/2025	14	\$ 4,898.84	73.800	\$ 66.38	\$ 3,394.80	\$ 1,504.04		135.125	-	\$ -	127.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 20.38	\$ -
46.00	07/10/2025	15	\$ 5,817.59	96.700	\$ 60.16	\$ 4,448.20	\$ 1,369.39		76.538	20.16	\$ 285.52	127.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 14.16	\$ -
46.00	07/10/2025	16	\$ 4,832.23	77.100	\$ 62.67	\$ 3,546.60	\$ 1,285.63		66.760	10.34	\$ 172.42	127.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 16.67	\$ -
46.00	07/10/2025	17	\$ 2,772.61	25.100	\$ 110.46	\$ 1,154.60	\$ 1,618.01		79.855	-	\$ -	52.000	87.01	NO	85	-	\$ 64.46	\$ -
46.00	07/10/2025	18	\$ 1,765.66	27.730	\$ 63.67	\$ 1,275.58	\$ 490.08		69.225	-	\$ -	52.000	87.01	NO	85	-	\$ 17.67	\$ -
46.00	07/10/2025	19	\$ 6,634.01	77.800	\$ 85.27	\$ 3,578.80	\$ 3,055.21		42.570	35.23	\$ 1,383.48	52.000	87.01	NO	85	35.23	\$ 39.27	\$ 207.52
46.00	07/10/2025	20	\$ 10,587.14	131.550	\$ 80.48	\$ 6,051.30	\$ 4,535.84		33.937	97.61	\$ 3,365.69	52.000	87.01	NO	85	97.61	\$ 34.48	\$ 504.85
46.00	07/10/2025	21	\$ 12,741.76	201.190	\$ 63.33	\$ 9,254.74	\$ 3,487.02		99.017	102.17	\$ 1,770.86	52.000	87.01	NO	85	102.17	\$ 17.33	\$ 265.63
46.00	07/10/2025	22	\$ 9,087.30	179.520	\$ 50.62	\$ 8,257.92	\$ 829.38		114.112	65.41	\$ 302.18	52.000	87.01	NO	85	65.41	\$ 4.62	\$ 45.33
46.00	07/10/2025	23	\$ 1,203.25	6.600	\$ 182.31	\$ 303.60	\$ 899.65		366.166	-	\$ -	52.000	87.01	NO	85	-	\$ 136.31	\$ -
46.00	07/10/2025	24	\$ 1,265.15	12.400	\$ 102.03	\$ 570.40	\$ 694.75		376.145	-	\$ -	52.000	87.01	NO	85	-	\$ 56.03	\$ -
46.38	07/11/2025	10	\$ 5,802.41	99.290	\$ 58.44	\$ 4,604.57	\$ 1,197.84	Brown 3 short run time, all other units online.	229.783	-	\$ -	54.000	87.01	NO	85	-	\$ 12.06	\$ -
46.38	07/11/2025	11	\$ 2,063.15	33.080	\$ 62.37	\$ 1,534.09	\$ 529.07		178.460	-	\$ -	54.000	87.01	NO	85	-	\$ 15.99	\$ -
46.38	07/11/2025	13	\$ 3,888.90	82.280	\$ 47.26	\$ 3,815.74	\$ 73.16		130.952	-	\$ -	54.000	87.01	NO	85	-	\$ 0.89	\$ -
46.38	07/11/2025	14	\$ 4,663.09	85.380	\$ 54.62	\$ 3,959.50	\$ 703.59		120.971	-	\$ -	54.000	87.01	NO	85	-	\$ 8.24	\$ -
46.38	07/11/2025	15	\$ 4,573.11	82.740	\$ 55.27	\$ 3,837.07	\$ 736.04		120.796	-	\$ -	54.000	87.01	NO	85	-	\$ 8.90	\$ -
46.38	07/11/2025	16	\$ 2,049.61	41.620	\$ 49.25	\$ 1,930.13	\$ 119.48		113.221	-	\$ -	54.000	87.01	NO	85	-	\$ 2.87	\$ -
46.38	07/11/2025	18	\$ 5,545.41	115.020	\$ 48.21	\$ 5,334.05	\$ 211.36		72.531	42.49	\$ 78.08	54.000	87.01	NO	85	42.49	\$ 1.84	\$ 11.71
46.38	07/11/2025	19	\$ 5,106.88	57.400	\$ 88.97	\$ 2,661.93	\$ 2,444.96		101.629	-	\$ -	54.000	87.01	NO	85	-	\$ 42.60	\$ -
46.38	07/11/2025	20	\$ 17,306.97	253.640	\$ 68.23	\$ 11,762.56	\$ 5,544.42		70.979	182.66	\$ 3,992.86	54.000	87.01	NO	85	182.66	\$ 21.86	\$ 598.93
46.38	07/11/2025	21	\$ 18,752.18	287.260	\$ 65.28	\$ 13,321.68	\$ 5,430.50		118.259	169.00	\$ 3,194.87	54.000	87.01	NO	85	169.00	\$ 18.90	\$ 479.23
46.38	07/11/2025	22	\$ 19,694.46	298.550	\$ 65.97	\$ 13,845.26	\$ 5,849.20		180.129	118.42	\$ 2,320.11	54.000	87.01	NO	85	118.42	\$ 19.59	\$ 348.02
46.38	07/11/2025	23	\$ 10,472.27	217.900	\$ 48.06	\$ 10,105.11	\$ 367.16		292.250	-	\$ -	54.000	87.01	NO	85	-	\$ 1.68	\$ -
47.63	07/12/2025	1	\$ 4,234.55	67.100	\$ 63.11	\$ 3,195.64	\$ 1,038.91	Brown 3 was on Reserve Shutdown, all other units online.	388.250	-	\$ -	52.000	87.01	NO	85	-	\$ 15.48	\$ -
47.63	07/12/2025	11	\$ 20,894.96	352.180	\$ 59.33	\$ 16,772.57	\$ 4,122.39		371.417	-	\$ -	312.000	87.01	YES				

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47.63	07/13/2025	12	\$ 3,362.69	38,400	\$ 87.57	\$ 1,828.80	\$ 1,533.89	Culley 2 tripped offline, all other units online	354,000	-	\$ -	54,000	87.01	NO	85	-	\$ 39.95	\$ -	
47.63	07/13/2025	13	\$ 6,888.51	82,300	\$ 83.70	\$ 3,919.54	\$ 2,968.97		370,458	-	\$ -	54,000	87.01	NO	85	-	\$ 36.08	\$ -	
47.63	07/13/2025	15	\$ 19,474.82	183,460	\$ 106.15	\$ 8,737.28	\$ 10,737.54		439,000	-	\$ -	54,000	87.01	NO	85	-	\$ 58.53	\$ -	
47.63	07/13/2025	16	\$ 469.68	9,500	\$ 49.44	\$ 452.44	\$ 17.24		191,000	-	\$ -	132,000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 1.82	\$ -	
47.63	07/13/2025	19	\$ 7,587.66	149,900	\$ 50.62	\$ 7,138.99	\$ 448.67		73,000	76.90	\$ 230.17	132,000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 2.99	\$ -	
47.63	07/13/2025	20	\$ 8,829.62	95,800	\$ 92.17	\$ 4,562.48	\$ 4,267.15		40,000	55.80	\$ 2,485.46	132,000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 44.54	\$ -	
47.63	07/13/2025	21	\$ 10,500.35	180,100	\$ 58.30	\$ 8,577.26	\$ 1,923.09		97,200	82.90	\$ 885.20	132,000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 10.68	\$ -	
47.63	07/13/2025	22	\$ 9,377.47	165,300	\$ 56.73	\$ 7,872.41	\$ 1,505.06		202,967	-	\$ -	132,000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 9.11	\$ -	
47.63	07/14/2025	8	\$ 1,361.23	27,600	\$ 49.32	\$ 1,314.45	\$ 46.78	Culley 2 was on outage, all other units online	208,000	-	\$ -	122,000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 1.69	\$ -	
47.63	07/14/2025	12	\$ 2,407.52	40,300	\$ 59.74	\$ 1,919.29	\$ 488.23		114,000	-	\$ -	122,000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 12.11	\$ -	
47.63	07/14/2025	15	\$ 2,878.42	46,000	\$ 62.57	\$ 2,190.75	\$ 687.67		40,000	6.00	\$ 89.70	122,000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 14.95	\$ -	
47.63	07/14/2025	16	\$ 6,246.30	55,800	\$ 111.94	\$ 2,657.48	\$ 3,588.83		14,884	40.92	\$ 2,631.55	122,000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 64.32	\$ -	
47.63	07/14/2025	17	\$ 3,215.36	63,300	\$ 50.80	\$ 3,014.66	\$ 200.70		31,796	31.50	\$ 99.89	122,000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 3.17	\$ -	
47.63	07/14/2025	18	\$ 10,119.20	176,800	\$ 57.24	\$ 8,420.10	\$ 1,699.10		53,767	123.03	\$ 1,182.38	122,000	87.01	YES	100	1.03	\$ 9.61	\$ 1.49	
47.63	07/14/2025	19	\$ 13,548.39	171,400	\$ 79.05	\$ 8,162.93	\$ 5,385.47		44,113	127.29	\$ 3,999.41	122,000	87.01	YES	100	5.29	\$ 31.42	\$ 24.92	
47.63	07/14/2025	20	\$ 19,823.82	188,500	\$ 105.17	\$ 8,977.31	\$ 10,846.51		36,000	152.50	\$ 8,775.03	122,000	87.01	YES	100	30.50	\$ 57.54	\$ 263.25	
47.63	07/14/2025	21	\$ 13,825.21	206,000	\$ 67.11	\$ 9,810.75	\$ 4,014.46		65,475	140.53	\$ 2,738.50	122,000	87.01	YES	100	18.53	\$ 19.49	\$ 54.15	
47.63	07/14/2025	22	\$ 8,421.24	120,700	\$ 69.77	\$ 5,748.34	\$ 2,672.90		178,304	-	\$ -	122,000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 22.15	\$ -	
47.63	07/14/2025	23	\$ 8,240.04	141,000	\$ 58.44	\$ 6,715.13	\$ 1,524.92		258,229	-	\$ -	122,000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 10.82	\$ -	
47.63	07/14/2025	24	\$ 15,602.53	322,900	\$ 48.32	\$ 15,378.11	\$ 224.42		363,558	-	\$ -	122,000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 0.70	\$ -	
47.81	07/15/2025	9	\$ 12,910.78	239,000	\$ 54.02	\$ 11,427.31	\$ 1,483.47	Brown 6 and Culley 2 were on outage	140,000	99.00	\$ 614.49	101,000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 6.21	\$ -	
47.81	07/15/2025	10	\$ 11,873.36	193,000	\$ 61.52	\$ 9,227.91	\$ 2,645.45		97,000	96.00	\$ 1,315.87	101,000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 13.71	\$ -	
47.81	07/15/2025	11	\$ 14,521.47	212,800	\$ 68.24	\$ 10,174.61	\$ 4,346.86		99,000	113.80	\$ 2,324.59	101,000	87.01	YES	100	12.80	\$ 20.43	\$ 39.22	
47.81	07/15/2025	12	\$ 14,152.80	207,580	\$ 68.18	\$ 9,925.02	\$ 4,227.78		96,000	111.58	\$ 2,272.55	342,000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 20.37	\$ -	
47.81	07/15/2025	13	\$ 16,252.07	196,210	\$ 82.83	\$ 9,381.39	\$ 6,870.68		82,000	114.21	\$ 3,999.29	342,000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 35.02	\$ -	
47.81	07/15/2025	14	\$ 20,901.25	247,070	\$ 84.60	\$ 11,813.16	\$ 9,088.09		41,000	206.07	\$ 7,579.97	342,000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 36.78	\$ -	
47.81	07/15/2025	15	\$ 21,791.94	224,620	\$ 97.02	\$ 10,739.76	\$ 11,052.18		26,879	197.74	\$ 9,729.63	342,000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 49.20	\$ -	
47.81	07/15/2025	16	\$ 30,139.59	224,470	\$ 134.27	\$ 10,732.58	\$ 19,407.01		16,696	207.77	\$ 17,963.52	342,000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 86.46	\$ -	
47.81	07/15/2025	17	\$ 125,519.64	261,680	\$ 479.67	\$ 12,511.71	\$ 113,007.93		0,125	261.56	\$ 112,953.95	342,000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 431.86	\$ -	
47.81	07/15/2025	18	\$ 55,675.28	349,910	\$ 159.11	\$ 16,730.25	\$ 38,945.03		4,000	345.91	\$ 38,499.83	342,000	87.01	YES	100	3.91	\$ 111.30	\$ 65.28	
47.81	07/15/2025	19	\$ 53,286.29	351,620	\$ 151.55	\$ 16,812.01	\$ 36,474.28		11,000	340.62	\$ 35,333.23	341,000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 103.73	\$ -	
47.81	07/15/2025	20	\$ 37,752.54	399,690	\$ 94.45	\$ 19,110.38	\$ 18,642.16		49,000	350.69	\$ 16,356.73	342,000	87.01	YES	100	8.69	\$ 46.64	\$ 60.80	
47.81	07/15/2025	21	\$ 16,113.87	166,500	\$ 96.78	\$ 7,960.86	\$ 8,153.01		58,000	108.50	\$ 5,312.92	342,000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 48.97	\$ -	
47.81	07/15/2025	22	\$ 17,616.04	235,100	\$ 74.93	\$ 11,240.84	\$ 6,375.20		97,000	138.10	\$ 3,744.86	342,000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 27.12	\$ -	
47.81	07/15/2025	23	\$ 14,515.42	259,900	\$ 55.85	\$ 12,426.60	\$ 2,088.82		133,850	126.05	\$ 1,013.07	342,000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 8.04	\$ -	
48.69	07/16/2025	9	\$ 6,292.33	126,200	\$ 49.86	\$ 6,144.43	\$ 147.90	Brown 6 was on outage	151,000	-	\$ -	340,000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 1.17	\$ -	
48.69	07/16/2025	10	\$ 7,523.82	139,900	\$ 53.78	\$ 6,811.45	\$ 712.37		142,000	-	\$ -	340,000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 5.09	\$ -	
48.69	07/16/2025	11	\$ 12,521.60	196,000	\$ 63.89	\$ 9,542.85	\$ 2,978.75		94,000	102.00	\$ 1,550.17	340,000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 15.20	\$ -	
48.69	07/16/2025	12	\$ 13,590.50	192,000	\$ 70.78	\$ 9,348.10	\$ 4,242.40		86,000	106.00	\$ 2,342.16	340,000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 22.10	\$ -	
48.69	07/16/2025	13	\$ 12,412.11	172,080	\$ 72.13	\$ 8,378.23	\$ 4,033.88		37,375	134.71	\$ 3,157.74	340,000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 23.44	\$ -	
48.69	07/16/2025	14	\$ 17,833.62	145,340	\$ 122.70	\$ 7,076.31	\$ 10,757.31		8,650	136.69	\$ 10,117.08	318,000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 74.01	\$ -	
48.69	07/16/2025	15	\$ 11,408.73	139,410	\$ 81.84	\$ 6,787.59	\$ 4,621.14		40,000	99.41	\$ 3,295.22	99,000	87.01	YES	100	0.41	\$ 33.15	\$ 2.04	
48.69	07/16/2025	16	\$ 6,170.79	66,450	\$ 92.86	\$ 3,235.32	\$ 2,935.47		47,696	18.75	\$ 828.47	99,000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 44.18	\$ -	
48.69	07/16/2025	17	\$ 9,345.46	93,370	\$ 100.09	\$ 4,546.00	\$ 4,799.46		48,313	45.06	\$ 2,316.05	99,000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 51.40	\$ -	
48.69	07/16/2025	18	\$ 186.57	3,820	\$ 48.84	\$ 185.99	\$ 0.58		94,259	-	\$ -	114,000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 0.15	\$ -	
48.69	07/16/2025	19	\$ 3,658.22	34,900	\$ 104.82	\$ 1,699.21	\$ 1,959.01		107,912	-	\$ -	102,000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 56.13	\$ -	
48.69	07/16/2025	20	\$ 12,348.38	127,500	\$ 96.85	\$ 6,207.72	\$ 6,140.66		127,200	0.30	\$ 14.45	90,000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 48.16	\$ -	
48.69	07/16/2025	21	\$ 9,767.39	115,700	\$ 84.42	\$ 5,633.20	\$ 4,134.19		152,075	-	\$ -	72,000	87.01	NO	85	-	\$ 35.73	\$ -	
48.69	07/16/2025	22	\$ 13,917.69	239,300	\$ 58.16	\$ 11,651.04	\$ 2,266.65		272,028	-	\$ -	42,000	87.01	NO	85	-	\$ 9.47	\$ -	
50.31	07/17/2025	1	\$ 15,842.01	292,720	\$ 54.12	\$ 14,727.62	\$ 1,114.39	Brown 6 was on Reserve Shutdown	369,000	-	\$ -	32,000	87.01	NO	85	-	\$ 3.81	\$ -	
50.31	07/17/2025	6	\$ 15,264.48	294,000	\$ 51.92	\$ 14,792.02	\$ 472.46		0,000	294.00	\$ 472.46	401,000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 1.61	\$ -	
50.31	07/17/2025	9	\$ 12,363.32	204,150	\$ 60.56	\$ 10,271.40	\$ 2,091.92		149,000	55.15	\$ 565.12	11,000	87.01	NO	85	55.15	\$ 10.25	\$ 84.77	
50.31	07/17/2025	10	\$ 6,393.53	96,100	\$ 66.53	\$ 4,835.08	\$ 1,558.45		137,000	-	\$ -	11,000	87.01	NO	85	-	\$ 16.22	\$ -	
50.31	07/17/2025	13	\$ 3,855.08	36,600	\$ 105.33	\$ 1,841.46	\$ 2,013.62		58,000	-	\$ -	11,000	87.01	NO	85	-	\$ 55.02	\$ -	
50.31	07/17/2025	14	\$ 12,515.42	102,100	\$ 122.58	\$ 5,136.96	\$ 7,378.46		55,000	47.10	\$ 3,403.78	11,000							

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51.25	07/18/2025	18	\$ 27,034.46	410.600	\$ 65.84	\$ 21,043.25	\$ 5,991.21	Reason for Purchasing Power outage	151.000	259.60	\$ 3,787.92	272.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 14.59	\$ -	
51.25	07/18/2025	19	\$ 36,727.43	477.800	\$ 76.87	\$ 24,487.25	\$ 12,240.18		151.000	326.80	\$ 8,371.89	272.000	87.01	YES	100	54.80	\$ 25.62	\$ 210.58	
51.25	07/18/2025	20	\$ 30,263.88	471.400	\$ 64.20	\$ 24,159.25	\$ 6,104.63		151.000	320.40	\$ 4,149.18	272.000	87.01	YES	100	48.40	\$ 12.95	\$ 94.02	
51.25	07/18/2025	21	\$ 25,910.65	435.400	\$ 59.51	\$ 22,314.25	\$ 3,596.40		151.208	284.19	\$ 2,347.42	272.000	87.01	YES	100	12.19	\$ 8.26	\$ 15.11	
51.31	07/19/2025	13	\$ 8,789.36	151.020	\$ 58.20	\$ 7,749.29	\$ 1,040.07		151.000	0.02	\$ 0.14	272.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 6.89	\$ -	
51.31	07/19/2025	14	\$ 12,244.26	211.290	\$ 57.95	\$ 10,841.92	\$ 1,402.34	Brown 3 was on Reserve Shutdown, Brown 6 was on outage	151.625	59.67	\$ 396.00	272.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 6.64	\$ -	
51.31	07/19/2025	15	\$ 12,742.17	218.900	\$ 58.21	\$ 11,232.42	\$ 1,509.75		151.208	67.69	\$ 466.87	272.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 6.90	\$ -	
51.31	07/19/2025	16	\$ 9,292.18	148.390	\$ 62.62	\$ 7,614.34	\$ 1,677.84		99.000	49.39	\$ 558.45	272.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 11.31	\$ -	
51.31	07/19/2025	17	\$ 9,771.96	140.160	\$ 69.72	\$ 7,192.03	\$ 2,579.93		91.000	49.16	\$ 904.89	272.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 18.41	\$ -	
51.31	07/19/2025	18	\$ 12,403.59	168.550	\$ 73.59	\$ 8,648.81	\$ 3,754.78		100.000	68.55	\$ 1,527.09	272.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 22.28	\$ -	
51.31	07/19/2025	19	\$ 10,309.71	142.360	\$ 72.42	\$ 7,304.92	\$ 3,004.79		99.000	43.36	\$ 915.20	272.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 21.11	\$ -	
51.31	07/19/2025	20	\$ 9,403.20	143.670	\$ 65.45	\$ 7,372.14	\$ 2,031.06		99.000	44.67	\$ 631.50	272.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 14.14	\$ -	
51.31	07/19/2025	21	\$ 14,435.33	241.960	\$ 59.66	\$ 12,415.69	\$ 2,019.64		148.395	93.57	\$ 780.99	272.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 8.35	\$ -	
51.31	07/19/2025	22	\$ 13,650.81	241.010	\$ 56.64	\$ 12,366.95	\$ 1,283.86		161.009	80.00	\$ 426.17	272.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 5.33	\$ -	
51.31	07/20/2025	14	\$ 12,624.82	241.300	\$ 52.32	\$ 12,381.83	\$ 242.99		Brown 3 was on Reserve Shutdown, Brown 6 was on outage	149.000	92.30	\$ 92.95	274.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 1.01	\$ -
51.31	07/20/2025	15	\$ 14,754.71	258.900	\$ 56.99	\$ 13,284.94	\$ 1,469.77	149.000		109.90	\$ 623.90	274.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 5.68	\$ -	
51.31	07/20/2025	16	\$ 16,876.47	283.400	\$ 59.55	\$ 14,542.10	\$ 2,334.37	126.208		157.19	\$ 1,294.79	274.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 8.24	\$ -	
51.31	07/20/2025	17	\$ 16,772.94	253.100	\$ 66.27	\$ 12,987.32	\$ 3,785.62	87.000		166.10	\$ 2,484.36	279.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 14.96	\$ -	
51.31	07/20/2025	18	\$ 20,799.71	272.640	\$ 76.29	\$ 13,989.98	\$ 6,809.73	94.000		178.64	\$ 4,461.89	279.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 24.98	\$ -	
51.31	07/20/2025	19	\$ 26,491.23	324.250	\$ 81.70	\$ 16,638.24	\$ 9,852.99	94.833		229.42	\$ 6,971.30	279.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 30.39	\$ -	
51.31	07/20/2025	20	\$ 33,137.16	411.080	\$ 80.61	\$ 21,093.75	\$ 12,043.41	93.775		317.31	\$ 9,296.09	279.000	87.01	YES	100	38.30	\$ 29.30	\$ 168.33	
51.31	07/20/2025	21	\$ 28,701.66	459.300	\$ 62.49	\$ 23,568.06	\$ 5,133.60	149.208		310.09	\$ 3,465.90	279.000	87.01	YES	100	31.09	\$ 11.18	\$ 52.13	
51.31	07/20/2025	22	\$ 21,734.30	419.500	\$ 51.81	\$ 21,525.80	\$ 208.50		157.704	261.80	\$ 130.12	279.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 0.50	\$ -	
51.31	07/21/2025	14	\$ 18,422.66	356.890	\$ 51.62	\$ 18,313.10	\$ 109.56	Brown 6 was on outage, all other units online	168.342	188.55	\$ 57.88	282.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 0.31	\$ -	
51.31	07/21/2025	15	\$ 14,685.02	276.190	\$ 53.17	\$ 14,172.14	\$ 512.88		160.492	115.70	\$ 214.85	282.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 1.86	\$ -	
51.31	07/21/2025	16	\$ 16,795.24	287.000	\$ 58.52	\$ 14,726.83	\$ 2,068.41		145.650	141.35	\$ 1,018.71	282.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 7.21	\$ -	
51.31	07/21/2025	17	\$ 17,274.48	245.900	\$ 70.25	\$ 12,617.87	\$ 4,656.61		99.000	146.90	\$ 2,781.85	282.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 18.94	\$ -	
51.31	07/21/2025	18	\$ 21,218.64	317.220	\$ 66.89	\$ 16,277.51	\$ 4,941.13		89.000	228.22	\$ 3,554.83	282.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 15.58	\$ -	
51.31	07/21/2025	19	\$ 21,727.36	272.000	\$ 79.88	\$ 13,957.14	\$ 7,770.22		59.000	213.00	\$ 6,084.77	282.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 28.57	\$ -	
51.31	07/21/2025	20	\$ 29,041.99	368.600	\$ 78.79	\$ 18,913.97	\$ 10,128.02		59.000	309.60	\$ 8,506.88	282.000	87.01	YES	100	27.60	\$ 27.48	\$ 113.75	
51.31	07/21/2025	21	\$ 23,974.90	394.000	\$ 60.85	\$ 20,217.32	\$ 3,757.58		106.334	287.67	\$ 2,743.47	282.000	87.01	YES	100	5.67	\$ 9.54	\$ 8.11	
51.31	07/21/2025	22	\$ 21,213.71	410.800	\$ 51.64	\$ 21,079.38	\$ 134.33		155.863	254.94	\$ 83.36	282.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 0.33	\$ -	
50.88	07/22/2025	13	\$ 4,909.73	83.970	\$ 58.47	\$ 4,271.97	\$ 637.76	Brown 6 was on outage, all other units online	155.667	-	\$ -	274.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 7.60	\$ -	
50.88	07/22/2025	16	\$ 14,771.06	281.300	\$ 52.51	\$ 14,311.14	\$ 459.92		145.304	136.00	\$ 222.35	284.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 1.63	\$ -	
50.88	07/22/2025	17	\$ 14,517.22	227.400	\$ 63.84	\$ 11,568.98	\$ 2,948.25		98.000	129.40	\$ 1,677.67	284.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 12.97	\$ -	
50.88	07/22/2025	18	\$ 18,588.02	263.100	\$ 70.65	\$ 13,385.21	\$ 5,202.81		88.000	175.10	\$ 3,462.61	284.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 19.78	\$ -	
50.88	07/22/2025	19	\$ 85,701.86	330.310	\$ 259.46	\$ 16,804.52	\$ 68,897.34		29.412	300.90	\$ 62,762.47	284.000	87.01	YES	100	16.90	\$ 208.58	\$ 528.70	
50.88	07/22/2025	20	\$ 37,012.72	398.620	\$ 92.85	\$ 20,279.79	\$ 16,732.93		28.000	370.62	\$ 15,557.57	272.000	87.01	YES	100	98.62	\$ 41.98	\$ 620.97	
50.88	07/22/2025	21	\$ 24,957.24	388.500	\$ 64.24	\$ 19,764.94	\$ 5,192.30		93.729	294.77	\$ 3,939.61	272.000	87.01	YES	100	22.77	\$ 13.37	\$ 45.65	
50.88	07/22/2025	22	\$ 28,714.51	482.250	\$ 59.54	\$ 24,534.47	\$ 4,180.04		154.071	328.18	\$ 2,844.59	272.000	87.01	YES	100	56.18	\$ 8.67	\$ 73.04	
47.56	07/23/2025	12	\$ 16,069.85	280.500	\$ 57.29	\$ 13,341.42	\$ 2,728.43	Brown 6 was on outage, all other units online	193.658	86.84	\$ 844.71	284.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 9.73	\$ -	
47.56	07/23/2025	13	\$ 20,011.01	325.700	\$ 61.44	\$ 15,491.27	\$ 4,519.74		159.700	166.00	\$ 2,303.58	282.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 13.88	\$ -	
47.56	07/23/2025	14	\$ 23,343.98	323.100	\$ 72.25	\$ 15,367.61	\$ 7,976.37		112.000	211.10	\$ 5,211.43	274.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 24.69	\$ -	
47.56	07/23/2025	15	\$ 18,635.18	249.300	\$ 74.75	\$ 11,857.46	\$ 6,777.72		72.267	177.03	\$ 4,813.00	269.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 27.19	\$ -	
47.56	07/23/2025	16	\$ 16,848.34	206.500	\$ 81.59	\$ 9,821.76	\$ 7,026.58		67.150	139.35	\$ 4,741.67	269.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 34.03	\$ -	
47.56	07/23/2025	17	\$ 21,499.41	217.100	\$ 99.03	\$ 10,325.93	\$ 11,173.48		58.767	158.33	\$ 8,148.92	183.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 51.47	\$ -	
47.56	07/23/2025	18	\$ 24,900.03	220.980	\$ 112.68	\$ 10,510.47	\$ 14,389.56		58.417	162.56	\$ 10,585.62	93.000	87.01	YES	100	69.56	\$ 65.12	\$ 679.46	
47.56	07/23/2025	19	\$ 48,889.27	452.860	\$ 107.96	\$ 21,539.38	\$ 27,349.89		54.792	398.07	\$ 24,040.80	269.000	87.01	YES	100	129.07	\$ 60.39	\$ 1,169.23	
47.56	07/23/2025	20	\$ 62,122.19	485.190	\$ 128.04	\$ 23,077.09	\$ 39,045.10		50.050	435.14	\$ 35,017.38	269.000	87.01	YES	100	166.14	\$ 80.47	\$ 2,005.49	
47.56	07/23/2025	21	\$ 36,588.02	389.400	\$ 93.96	\$ 18,521.03	\$ 18,066.99		60.970	328.43	\$ 15,238.16	269.000	87.01	YES	100	59.43	\$ 46.40	\$ 413.61	
47.56	07/23/2025	22	\$ 30,295.39	393.600	\$ 76.97	\$ 18,720.80	\$ 11,574.59		109.796	283.80	\$ 8,345.82	268.000	87.01	YES	100	15.80	\$ 29.41	\$ 69.71	
47.56	07/23/2025	23	\$ 23,831.59	409.900	\$ 58.14	\$ 19,496.07	\$ 4,335.52		176.934	232.97	\$ 2,464.08	269.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 10.58	\$ -	
47.56	07/23/2025	24	\$ 17,066.95	358.700	\$ 47.58	\$ 17,060.85	\$ 6.10		175.392	183.3									

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Jul Benchmark	Trade Date	HE	Cost of Purchased Power	Purchases Volume	Price	Purchases Volume @ Benchmark \$	Amount Over Benchmark \$	Reason for Purchasing Power	Available Capacity of Units Not Selected	MISO Economic Dispatch / Purchased MWs above Capacity	Purchase Power Costs at Risk	MWs Out of Service	11% of Summer Rated Capacity	Out of Service > 11% Summer Capacity?	Recoverable @ 0%, 85%, or 100%	MWs Subject to 85%-15%	Over Benchmark Price	Total Unrecoverable Dollars	
45.88	07/24/2025	24	\$ 19,577.60	280,000	\$ 69.92	\$ 12,845.00	\$ 6,732.60		70.792	209.21	\$ 5,030.41	274,000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 24.05	\$ -	
46.44	07/25/2025	1	\$ 20,050.11	356,700	\$ 56.21	\$ 16,564.43	\$ 3,485.68	Brown 6 was on outage, all other units online	135,409	221.29	\$ 2,162.46	269,000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 9.77	\$ -	
46.44	07/25/2025	8	\$ 11,889.68	251,900	\$ 47.20	\$ 11,697.73	\$ 191.95		150,608	101.29	\$ 77.18	269,000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 0.76	\$ -	
46.44	07/25/2025	9	\$ 12,340.73	235,600	\$ 52.38	\$ 10,940.79	\$ 1,399.94		156,925	78.68	\$ 467.49	269,000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 5.94	\$ -	
46.44	07/25/2025	10	\$ 12,888.04	231,300	\$ 55.72	\$ 10,741.11	\$ 2,146.93		140,000	91.30	\$ 847.45	269,000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 9.28	\$ -	
46.44	07/25/2025	11	\$ 13,294.82	213,400	\$ 62.30	\$ 9,909.87	\$ 3,384.95		99,667	113.73	\$ 1,804.03	269,000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 15.86	\$ -	
46.44	07/25/2025	12	\$ 16,882.34	239,840	\$ 70.39	\$ 11,137.69	\$ 5,744.65		98,000	141.84	\$ 3,397.35	269,000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 23.95	\$ -	
46.44	07/25/2025	13	\$ 20,619.08	279,240	\$ 73.84	\$ 12,967.35	\$ 7,651.73		98,000	181.24	\$ 4,966.34	269,000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 27.40	\$ -	
46.44	07/25/2025	14	\$ 23,168.33	285,500	\$ 81.15	\$ 13,258.05	\$ 9,910.28		59,000	226.50	\$ 7,862.27	269,000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 34.71	\$ -	
46.44	07/25/2025	15	\$ 24,303.91	261,220	\$ 93.04	\$ 12,130.53	\$ 12,173.38		50,000	211.22	\$ 9,843.28	269,000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 46.60	\$ -	
46.44	07/25/2025	16	\$ 24,747.22	251,310	\$ 98.47	\$ 11,670.33	\$ 13,076.89		37,975	213.34	\$ 11,100.86	268,000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 52.03	\$ -	
46.44	07/25/2025	17	\$ 17,741.56	145,530	\$ 121.91	\$ 6,758.12	\$ 10,983.44		17,667	127.86	\$ 9,650.07	177,000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 75.47	\$ -	
46.44	07/25/2025	18	\$ 10,559.56	82,400	\$ 128.15	\$ 3,826.49	\$ 6,733.07		40,708	41.69	\$ 3,406.74	53,000	87.01	NO	85	41.69	\$ 81.71	\$ 511.01	
46.44	07/25/2025	19	\$ 22,295.98	169,900	\$ 131.23	\$ 7,889.82	\$ 14,406.16		57,000	112.90	\$ 9,573.02	47,000	87.01	NO	85	112.90	\$ 84.79	\$ 1,435.95	
46.44	07/25/2025	20	\$ 24,348.54	240,100	\$ 101.41	\$ 11,149.76	\$ 13,198.78		57,000	183.10	\$ 10,065.37	45,000	87.01	NO	85	183.10	\$ 54.97	\$ 1,509.81	
46.44	07/25/2025	21	\$ 17,431.05	227,500	\$ 76.62	\$ 10,564.65	\$ 6,866.41		57,000	170.50	\$ 5,146.03	42,000	87.01	NO	85	170.50	\$ 30.18	\$ 771.90	
46.44	07/25/2025	22	\$ 16,062.53	248,300	\$ 64.69	\$ 11,530.56	\$ 4,531.97		90,604	157.70	\$ 2,878.27	74,000	87.01	NO	85	157.70	\$ 18.25	\$ 431.74	
46.44	07/25/2025	23	\$ 20,159.66	428,200	\$ 47.08	\$ 19,884.75	\$ 274.91		159,967	268.23	\$ 172.21	259,000	87.01	YES	100	9.23	\$ 0.64	\$ 0.89	
46.13	07/26/2025	1	\$ 1,295.75	22,300	\$ 58.11	\$ 1,028.59	\$ 267.16	Brown 6 was on outage, all other units online	158,476	-	\$ -	264,000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 11.98	\$ -	
46.13	07/26/2025	10	\$ 2,895.40	36,870	\$ 78.53	\$ 1,700.63	\$ 1,194.77		9,467	27.40	\$ 887.99	253,000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 32.40	\$ -	
46.13	07/26/2025	12	\$ 12,426.09	235,090	\$ 52.86	\$ 10,843.53	\$ 1,582.56		3,742	231.35	\$ 1,557.37	253,000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 6.73	\$ -	
46.13	07/26/2025	13	\$ 11,701.45	218,270	\$ 53.61	\$ 10,067.70	\$ 1,633.75		0,000	218.27	\$ 1,633.75	253,000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 7.48	\$ -	
46.13	07/26/2025	14	\$ 11,327.40	195,300	\$ 58.00	\$ 9,008.21	\$ 2,319.19		91,000	104.30	\$ 1,238.56	264,000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 11.88	\$ -	
46.13	07/26/2025	15	\$ 11,293.38	188,380	\$ 59.95	\$ 8,689.03	\$ 2,604.35		75,000	113.38	\$ 1,567.48	264,000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 13.82	\$ -	
46.13	07/26/2025	16	\$ 14,751.04	246,060	\$ 59.95	\$ 11,349.52	\$ 3,401.52		87,000	159.06	\$ 2,198.84	264,000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 13.82	\$ -	
46.13	07/26/2025	17	\$ 14,561.51	199,500	\$ 72.99	\$ 9,201.94	\$ 5,359.57		97,000	102.50	\$ 2,753.67	264,000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 26.87	\$ -	
46.13	07/26/2025	18	\$ 17,092.42	235,340	\$ 72.63	\$ 10,855.06	\$ 6,237.36		56,000	179.34	\$ 4,753.16	264,000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 26.50	\$ -	
46.13	07/26/2025	19	\$ 20,599.68	238,920	\$ 86.22	\$ 11,020.19	\$ 9,579.50		52,000	186.92	\$ 7,494.56	264,000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 40.09	\$ -	
46.13	07/26/2025	20	\$ 22,722.21	318,060	\$ 71.44	\$ 14,670.52	\$ 8,051.69		51,000	267.06	\$ 6,760.63	264,000	87.01	YES	100	3.06	\$ 25.32	\$ 11.62	
46.13	07/26/2025	21	\$ 22,360.34	347,480	\$ 64.35	\$ 16,027.52	\$ 6,332.63		82,975	264.51	\$ 4,620.61	264,000	87.01	YES	100	0.50	\$ 18.23	\$ 1.38	
46.13	07/26/2025	22	\$ 21,925.49	400,780	\$ 54.71	\$ 18,485.98	\$ 3,439.51		158,583	242.20	\$ 2,078.55	264,000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 8.58	\$ -	
46.13	07/27/2025	12	\$ 52,032.70	602,880	\$ 86.31	\$ 27,807.84	\$ 24,224.86	Brown 6, Culley 2 and Culley 3 were on outage, all other units online	149,000	453.88	\$ 18,237.76	612,000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 40.18	\$ -	
46.13	07/27/2025	13	\$ 33,938.08	627,860	\$ 54.05	\$ 28,960.04	\$ 4,978.04		149,000	478.86	\$ 3,796.68	612,000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 7.93	\$ -	
46.13	07/27/2025	14	\$ 38,738.99	622,220	\$ 62.26	\$ 28,699.90	\$ 10,039.09		149,000	473.22	\$ 7,635.08	612,000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 16.13	\$ -	
46.13	07/27/2025	15	\$ 64,196.33	597,520	\$ 107.44	\$ 27,560.61	\$ 36,635.72		95,000	502.52	\$ 30,810.99	612,000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 61.31	\$ -	
46.13	07/27/2025	16	\$ 36,259.15	537,420	\$ 67.47	\$ 24,788.50	\$ 11,470.65		41,000	496.42	\$ 10,595.55	612,000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 21.34	\$ -	
46.13	07/27/2025	17	\$ 32,110.69	513,060	\$ 62.59	\$ 23,664.89	\$ 8,445.80		44,000	469.06	\$ 7,721.49	612,000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 16.46	\$ -	
46.13	07/27/2025	18	\$ 38,597.98	566,380	\$ 68.15	\$ 26,124.28	\$ 12,473.70		44,000	522.38	\$ 11,504.67	612,000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 22.02	\$ -	
46.13	07/27/2025	19	\$ 47,806.22	647,470	\$ 73.84	\$ 29,864.55	\$ 17,941.67		46,163	601.31	\$ 16,662.47	604,000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 27.71	\$ -	
46.13	07/27/2025	20	\$ 48,472.55	627,460	\$ 77.25	\$ 28,941.59	\$ 19,530.96		39,000	588.46	\$ 18,317.00	588,000	87.01	YES	100	0.46	\$ 31.13	\$ 2.15	
46.13	07/27/2025	21	\$ 38,215.70	660,440	\$ 57.86	\$ 30,462.80	\$ 7,752.90		88,728	571.71	\$ 6,711.33	564,000	87.01	YES	100	7.71	\$ 11.74	\$ 13.58	
46.13	07/27/2025	22	\$ 21,756.15	397,300	\$ 54.76	\$ 18,325.46	\$ 3,430.69		132,754	264.55	\$ 2,284.36	562,000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 8.64	\$ -	
46.13	07/28/2025	9	\$ 11,797.24	231,500	\$ 50.96	\$ 10,677.94	\$ 1,119.30	Culley 3 and Brown 6 were returning from Outage, all other units online	431,000	-	\$ -	264,000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 4.84	\$ -	
46.13	07/28/2025	10	\$ 13,160.45	230,400	\$ 57.12	\$ 10,627.20	\$ 2,533.25		415,050	-	\$ -	264,000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 11.00	\$ -	
46.13	07/28/2025	11	\$ 16,206.63	221,100	\$ 73.30	\$ 10,198.24	\$ 6,008.39		341,075	-	\$ -	264,000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 27.18	\$ -	
46.13	07/28/2025	12	\$ 39,926.04	481,590	\$ 82.90	\$ 22,213.34	\$ 17,712.70		320,725	160.87	\$ 5,916.55	264,000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 36.78	\$ -	
46.13	07/28/2025	13	\$ 54,480.28	472,180	\$ 115.38	\$ 21,779.30	\$ 32,700.98		301,000	171.18	\$ 11,855.13	264,000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 69.26	\$ -	
46.13	07/28/2025	14	\$ 83,732.59	500,490	\$ 167.30	\$ 23,085.10	\$ 60,647.49		277,121	223.37	\$ 27,067.01	264,000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 121.18	\$ -	
46.13	07/28/2025	15	\$ 72,905.66	567,300	\$ 128.51	\$ 26,166.71	\$ 46,738.95		311,000	256.30	\$ 21,116.15	264,000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 82.39	\$ -	
46.13	07/28/2025	16	\$ 77,634.07	634,800	\$ 122.30	\$ 29,280.15	\$ 48,353.92		327,000	307.80	\$ 23,445.71	264,000	87.01	YES	100	43.80	\$ 76.17	\$ 500.45	
46.13	07/28/2025	17	\$ 90,958.02	562,380	\$ 161.74	\$ 25,939.78	\$ 65,018.24		325,000	237.38	\$ 27,444.13	155,000	87.01	YES	100	82.38	\$ 115.61	\$ 1,428.63	
46.13	07/28/2025	18	\$ 102,546.77	458,130	\$ 223.84	\$ 21,131.25	\$ 81,415.52		323,000	135.13	\$ 24,014.32	47,000	87.01	NO	85	135.13	\$ 177.71	\$ 3,602.15	

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S55's through 07/31								Reason for Purchasing Power	Available Capacity of Units Not Selected	MISO Economic Dispatch / Purchased MWs above Capacity	Purchase Power Costs at Risk	Test for Outages and Derates					MWs Subject to 85%-15%	Over Benchmark Price	Total Unrecoverable Dollars
Jul Benchmark	Trade Date	HE	Cost of Purchased Power	Purchases Volume	Price	Purchases Benchmark \$	Amount Over Benchmark \$					Are Unit MWs Out of Service > 11% Summer Capacity?							
												Recoverable @ 0%, 85%, or 100%	MW's Out of Service	11% Summer Rated Capacity	11% Summer Capacity?				
46.56	07/29/2025	19	\$ 134,052.70	310.300	\$ 432.01	\$ 14,448.50	\$ 119,604.20	12.479	297.82	\$ 114,794.21	213.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 84.82	\$ 385.45	\$ 4,904.10	
46.56	07/29/2025	20	\$ 110,301.95	370.900	\$ 297.39	\$ 17,270.22	\$ 93,031.73	2.905	368.00	\$ 92,303.08	212.000	87.01	YES	100	156.00	\$ 250.83	\$ 5,869.16		
46.56	07/29/2025	21	\$ 57,972.60	374.500	\$ 154.80	\$ 17,437.84	\$ 40,534.76	16.334	358.17	\$ 38,766.81	213.000	87.01	YES	100	148.77	\$ 108.24	\$ 2,356.85		
46.56	07/29/2025	22	\$ 59,778.63	527.800	\$ 113.26	\$ 24,575.95	\$ 35,202.68	208.014	319.79	\$ 21,328.77	213.000	87.01	YES	100	106.79	\$ 66.70	\$ 1,068.35		
46.56	07/29/2025	23	\$ 39,362.79	572.300	\$ 68.78	\$ 26,648.00	\$ 12,714.79	315.088	257.21	\$ 5,714.48	213.000	87.01	YES	100	44.21	\$ 22.22	\$ 147.34		
46.56	07/29/2025	24	\$ 28,728.94	559.800	\$ 51.32	\$ 26,065.97	\$ 2,662.97	360.290	199.51	\$ 949.07	213.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 4.76	\$ -		
45.94	07/30/2025	1	\$ 29,357.27	589.000	\$ 49.84	\$ 27,057.48	\$ 2,299.79	374.373	214.63	\$ 838.02	218.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 3.90	\$ -		
45.94	07/30/2025	5	\$ 6,291.43	97.700	\$ 64.40	\$ 4,488.14	\$ 1,803.29	387.258	-	\$ -	218.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 18.46	\$ -		
45.94	07/30/2025	6	\$ 9,067.15	68.800	\$ 131.79	\$ 3,160.53	\$ 5,906.62	368.900	-	\$ -	223.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 85.85	\$ -		
45.94	07/30/2025	7	\$ 20,881.81	448.300	\$ 46.58	\$ 20,594.01	\$ 287.80	364.171	84.13	\$ 54.01	223.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 0.64	\$ -		
45.94	07/30/2025	8	\$ 17,326.67	363.700	\$ 47.64	\$ 16,707.65	\$ 619.02	353.083	10.62	\$ 18.07	218.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 1.70	\$ -		
45.94	07/30/2025	9	\$ 7,690.76	148.700	\$ 51.72	\$ 6,830.98	\$ 859.78	228.616	-	\$ -	218.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 5.78	\$ -		
45.94	07/30/2025	10	\$ 9,679.57	162.200	\$ 59.68	\$ 7,451.14	\$ 2,228.43	150.246	11.95	\$ 164.23	218.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 13.74	\$ -		
45.94	07/30/2025	11	\$ 12,948.09	195.790	\$ 66.13	\$ 8,994.20	\$ 3,953.89	98.696	97.09	\$ 1,960.77	218.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 20.19	\$ -		
45.94	07/30/2025	12	\$ 15,997.62	165.490	\$ 96.67	\$ 7,602.28	\$ 8,395.34	45.654	119.84	\$ 6,079.30	218.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 50.73	\$ -		
45.94	07/30/2025	13	\$ 16,724.40	178.360	\$ 93.77	\$ 8,193.50	\$ 8,530.90	43.611	134.75	\$ 6,445.00	218.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 47.83	\$ -		
45.94	07/30/2025	14	\$ 19,385.70	170.250	\$ 113.87	\$ 7,820.94	\$ 11,564.76	10.362	159.89	\$ 10,860.88	218.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 67.93	\$ -		
45.94	07/30/2025	15	\$ 18,259.91	153.200	\$ 119.19	\$ 7,037.70	\$ 11,222.21	6.091	147.11	\$ 10,776.03	218.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 73.25	\$ -		
45.94	07/30/2025	16	\$ 18,647.56	160.720	\$ 116.03	\$ 7,383.16	\$ 11,264.40	18.333	142.39	\$ 9,979.50	218.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 70.09	\$ -		
45.94	07/30/2025	17	\$ 25,187.14	243.780	\$ 103.32	\$ 11,198.77	\$ 13,988.37	45.500	198.28	\$ 11,377.53	218.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 57.38	\$ -		
45.94	07/30/2025	18	\$ 26,203.47	218.360	\$ 120.00	\$ 10,031.02	\$ 16,172.45	23.588	194.77	\$ 14,425.44	218.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 74.06	\$ -		
45.94	07/30/2025	19	\$ 37,064.90	322.860	\$ 114.80	\$ 14,831.54	\$ 22,233.36	37.092	285.77	\$ 19,679.06	218.000	87.01	YES	100	67.77	\$ 68.86	\$ 700.01		
45.94	07/30/2025	20	\$ 38,684.94	455.900	\$ 84.85	\$ 20,943.13	\$ 17,741.81	81.750	374.15	\$ 14,560.42	218.000	87.01	YES	100	156.15	\$ 38.92	\$ 911.51		
45.94	07/30/2025	21	\$ 36,393.28	480.230	\$ 75.78	\$ 22,060.81	\$ 14,332.47	114.566	365.66	\$ 10,913.25	218.000	87.01	YES	100	147.66	\$ 29.85	\$ 661.06		
45.94	07/30/2025	22	\$ 23,838.19	397.900	\$ 59.91	\$ 18,278.73	\$ 5,559.46	214.896	183.00	\$ 2,556.93	218.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 13.97	\$ -		
45.94	07/30/2025	23	\$ 1,585.89	26.300	\$ 60.30	\$ 1,208.17	\$ 377.72	306.504	-	\$ -	218.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 14.36	\$ -		
45.94	07/30/2025	24	\$ 5,134.90	86.060	\$ 59.67	\$ 3,953.42	\$ 1,181.48	384.173	-	\$ -	218.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 13.73	\$ -		
44.69	07/31/2025	8	\$ 467.38	6.140	\$ 76.12	\$ 274.38	\$ 193.00	379.108	-	\$ -	219.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 31.43	\$ -		
44.69	07/31/2025	10	\$ 22,675.74	423.460	\$ 53.55	\$ 18,923.58	\$ 3,752.16	389.924	33.54	\$ 297.15	219.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 8.86	\$ -		
44.69	07/31/2025	11	\$ 15,705.73	285.570	\$ 55.00	\$ 12,761.55	\$ 2,944.18	230.682	54.89	\$ 565.89	219.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 10.31	\$ -		
44.69	07/31/2025	12	\$ 13,321.15	262.110	\$ 50.82	\$ 11,713.17	\$ 1,607.98	167.179	94.93	\$ 582.38	219.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 6.13	\$ -		
44.69	07/31/2025	13	\$ 13,946.91	251.870	\$ 55.37	\$ 11,255.57	\$ 2,691.34	147.150	104.72	\$ 1,118.98	219.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 10.69	\$ -		
44.69	07/31/2025	14	\$ 9,893.57	157.800	\$ 62.70	\$ 7,051.77	\$ 2,841.80	121.387	36.41	\$ 655.76	219.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 18.01	\$ -		
44.69	07/31/2025	15	\$ 9,660.88	157.600	\$ 61.30	\$ 7,042.83	\$ 2,618.05	154.404	3.20	\$ 53.09	219.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 16.61	\$ -		
44.69	07/31/2025	16	\$ 6,143.85	101.200	\$ 60.71	\$ 4,522.43	\$ 1,621.42	144.116	-	\$ -	219.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 16.02	\$ -		
44.69	07/31/2025	17	\$ 6,223.50	97.900	\$ 63.57	\$ 4,374.96	\$ 1,848.54	179.570	-	\$ -	219.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 18.88	\$ -		
44.69	07/31/2025	18	\$ 10,002.34	139.600	\$ 71.65	\$ 6,238.44	\$ 3,763.90	188.868	-	\$ -	219.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 26.96	\$ -		
44.69	07/31/2025	19	\$ 14,963.10	180.300	\$ 82.99	\$ 8,057.25	\$ 6,905.85	184.130	-	\$ -	219.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 38.30	\$ -		
44.69	07/31/2025	20	\$ 19,416.74	252.100	\$ 77.02	\$ 11,265.84	\$ 8,150.90	228.223	23.88	\$ 771.99	219.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 32.33	\$ -		
44.69	07/31/2025	21	\$ 14,657.89	305.500	\$ 47.98	\$ 13,652.18	\$ 1,005.71	262.102	43.40	\$ 142.87	219.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 3.29	\$ -		
44.69	07/31/2025	22	\$ 25,205.33	503.000	\$ 50.11	\$ 22,478.06	\$ 2,727.27	391.001	112.00	\$ 607.26	219.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 5.42	\$ -		
Total			\$ 7,756,145.98	87,271.400		\$ 4,151,912.83	\$ 3,604,233.44	59,548.785	43,824.159	\$ 2,279,671.76	68,468.000				6,503.336		\$ 82,529.06		

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Aug Benchmark Costs	Trade Date	HE	Cost of Purchased Power	Purchases Volume	Price	Purchases Volume @ Benchmark \$	Amount Over Benchmark \$					MWs Out of Service	11% of Summer Rated Capacity	Are Unit MWs Out of Service > 11% Summer Capacity?	Recoverable @ 0%, 85%, or 100%	MWs Subject to 85%-15%		
44.38	08/01/2025	14	\$ 4,534.91	99.800	\$ 45.44	\$ 4,428.63	\$ 106.29	Brown 3 and Brown 4 were on Reserve Shutdown	230.658	-	\$ -	302.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 1.06	\$ -
44.38	08/01/2025	15	\$ 5,452.87	101.600	\$ 53.67	\$ 4,508.50	\$ 944.37		228.362	-	\$ -	302.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 9.29	\$ -
44.38	08/01/2025	16	\$ 5,678.43	97.300	\$ 58.36	\$ 4,317.69	\$ 1,360.74		302.762	-	\$ -	227.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 13.99	\$ -
44.38	08/01/2025	17	\$ 6,051.15	104.800	\$ 57.74	\$ 4,650.50	\$ 1,400.65		301.183	-	\$ -	227.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 13.36	\$ -
44.38	08/01/2025	18	\$ 9,301.91	161.100	\$ 57.74	\$ 7,148.81	\$ 2,153.10		276.262	-	\$ -	227.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 13.36	\$ -
44.38	08/01/2025	19	\$ 19,107.35	297.070	\$ 64.32	\$ 13,182.48	\$ 5,924.87		236.844	60.23	\$ 1,201.17	227.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 19.94	\$ -
44.38	08/01/2025	20	\$ 21,653.98	298.100	\$ 72.64	\$ 13,228.19	\$ 8,425.79		301.179	-	\$ -	227.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 28.26	\$ -
44.38	08/01/2025	21	\$ 13,741.35	272.700	\$ 50.39	\$ 12,101.06	\$ 1,640.29		289.891	-	\$ -	227.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 6.01	\$ -
44.88	08/02/2025	19	\$ 11,533.15	244.450	\$ 47.18	\$ 10,969.69	\$ 563.46	Brown 3, Brown 4, Brown 6, and Culley 2 were on Reserve Shutdown	451.583	-	\$ -	44.000	87.01	NO	85	-	\$ 2.30	\$ -
44.88	08/03/2025	18	\$ 2,907.92	57.800	\$ 50.31	\$ 2,593.78	\$ 314.15	Brown 3, Brown 4, and Culley 2 were on Reserve Shutdown	305.017	-	\$ -	42.000	87.01	NO	85	-	\$ 5.44	\$ -
44.88	08/03/2025	19	\$ 6,198.50	101.200	\$ 61.25	\$ 4,541.35	\$ 1,657.15		304.241	-	\$ -	42.000	87.01	NO	85	-	\$ 16.38	\$ -
44.88	08/03/2025	20	\$ 9,314.63	178.100	\$ 52.30	\$ 7,992.24	\$ 1,322.39		415.942	-	\$ -	42.000	87.01	NO	85	-	\$ 7.43	\$ -
44.88	08/03/2025	21	\$ 78,146.77	315.620	\$ 247.60	\$ 14,163.45	\$ 63,983.32		711.317	-	\$ -	42.000	87.01	NO	85	-	\$ 202.72	\$ -
44.88	08/03/2025	22	\$ 16,340.04	303.240	\$ 53.88	\$ 13,607.90	\$ 2,732.15		449.000	-	\$ -	312.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 9.01	\$ -
44.88	08/04/2025	12	\$ 9,122.48	194.800	\$ 46.83	\$ 8,741.65	\$ 380.83	Brown 3 was on Reserve Shutdown, and Culley 3 was on outage	376.950	-	\$ -	312.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 1.95	\$ -
44.88	08/04/2025	14	\$ 26,040.67	358.440	\$ 72.65	\$ 16,085.00	\$ 9,955.68		158.088	200.35	\$ 5,564.78	312.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 27.78	\$ -
44.88	08/04/2025	19	\$ 2,439.39	31.000	\$ 78.69	\$ 1,391.13	\$ 1,048.27		127.626	-	\$ -	312.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 33.82	\$ -
44.88	08/04/2025	20	\$ 18,954.32	374.290	\$ 50.64	\$ 16,796.26	\$ 2,158.06		111.560	262.73	\$ 1,514.83	312.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 5.77	\$ -
44.88	08/04/2025	21	\$ 24,365.74	387.480	\$ 62.88	\$ 17,388.17	\$ 6,977.58		124.400	263.08	\$ 4,737.43	312.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 18.01	\$ -
44.88	08/04/2025	22	\$ 16,791.15	356.500	\$ 47.10	\$ 15,997.94	\$ 793.21		324.229	32.27	\$ 71.80	304.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 2.23	\$ -
44.88	08/04/2025	23	\$ 7,207.01	158.570	\$ 45.45	\$ 7,115.83	\$ 91.18		394.704	-	\$ -	232.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 0.58	\$ -
43.31	08/05/2025	10	\$ 8,893.04	201.900	\$ 44.05	\$ 8,744.89	\$ 148.15	Brown 3 was on Reserve Shutdown, and Culley 3 was on outage	391.583	-	\$ -	264.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 0.73	\$ -
43.31	08/05/2025	12	\$ 15,089.00	323.340	\$ 46.67	\$ 14,004.83	\$ 1,084.17		389.917	-	\$ -	314.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 3.35	\$ -
43.31	08/05/2025	13	\$ 27,433.89	492.380	\$ 55.72	\$ 21,326.45	\$ 6,107.44		373.942	118.44	\$ 1,469.09	314.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 12.40	\$ -
43.31	08/05/2025	14	\$ 18,693.46	391.500	\$ 47.75	\$ 16,957.04	\$ 1,736.42		198.833	192.67	\$ 854.54	314.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 4.44	\$ -
43.31	08/05/2025	15	\$ 20,390.15	331.400	\$ 61.53	\$ 14,353.93	\$ 6,036.22		151.500	179.90	\$ 3,276.75	314.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 18.21	\$ -
43.31	08/05/2025	16	\$ 1,583.61	26.800	\$ 59.09	\$ 1,160.79	\$ 422.82		191.888	-	\$ -	314.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 15.78	\$ -
43.31	08/05/2025	18	\$ 1,377.51	22.200	\$ 62.05	\$ 961.55	\$ 415.96		130.000	-	\$ -	314.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 18.74	\$ -
43.31	08/05/2025	19	\$ 21,362.88	423.470	\$ 50.45	\$ 18,341.76	\$ 3,021.12		113.167	310.30	\$ 2,213.77	314.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 7.13	\$ -
43.31	08/05/2025	20	\$ 9,163.87	135.500	\$ 67.63	\$ 5,868.91	\$ 3,294.96		121.404	14.10	\$ 342.77	314.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 24.32	\$ -
43.31	08/05/2025	21	\$ 26,155.37	512.810	\$ 51.00	\$ 22,211.34	\$ 3,944.03		153.838	358.97	\$ 2,760.86	314.000	87.01	YES	100	44.97	\$ 7.69	\$ 51.88
43.31	08/05/2025	23	\$ 16,528.49	302.280	\$ 54.68	\$ 13,092.65	\$ 3,435.84		383.150	-	\$ -	314.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 11.37	\$ -
44.69	08/06/2025	13	\$ 13,350.74	266.800	\$ 50.04	\$ 11,922.76	\$ 1,427.98	Culley 3 and Brown 3 were on outage	152.833	113.97	\$ 609.98	292.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 5.35	\$ -
44.69	08/06/2025	14	\$ 13,135.18	246.300	\$ 53.33	\$ 11,006.65	\$ 2,128.53		150.000	96.30	\$ 832.22	292.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 8.64	\$ -
44.69	08/06/2025	15	\$ 14,964.30	255.800	\$ 58.50	\$ 11,431.19	\$ 3,533.11		133.000	122.80	\$ 1,696.11	292.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 13.81	\$ -
44.69	08/06/2025	16	\$ 13,695.74	207.700	\$ 65.94	\$ 9,281.70	\$ 4,414.04		87.000	120.70	\$ 2,565.12	292.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 21.25	\$ -
44.69	08/06/2025	17	\$ 16,962.27	237.900	\$ 71.30	\$ 10,631.28	\$ 6,330.99		85.000	152.90	\$ 4,068.97	292.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 26.61	\$ -
44.69	08/06/2025	18	\$ 21,471.91	272.500	\$ 78.80	\$ 12,177.48	\$ 9,294.43		97.721	174.78	\$ 5,961.36	313.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 34.11	\$ -
44.69	08/06/2025	19	\$ 32,773.42	335.000	\$ 97.83	\$ 14,970.48	\$ 17,802.94		75.000	260.00	\$ 13,817.21	313.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 53.14	\$ -
44.69	08/06/2025	20	\$ 34,940.94	422.000	\$ 82.80	\$ 18,858.34	\$ 16,082.60		76.000	346.00	\$ 13,186.21	313.000	87.01	YES	100	33.00	\$ 38.11	\$ 188.65
44.69	08/06/2025	21	\$ 28,382.71	410.000	\$ 69.23	\$ 18,322.08	\$ 10,060.63		2.291	407.71	\$ 10,004.41	388.000	87.01	YES	100	19.71	\$ 24.54	\$ 72.54
44.69	08/06/2025	22	\$ 27,483.12	504.000	\$ 54.53	\$ 22,522.75	\$ 4,960.37		151.075	352.93	\$ 3,473.49	389.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 9.84	\$ -
45.25	08/07/2025	12	\$ 19,494.55	429.490	\$ 45.39	\$ 19,434.42	\$ 60.13	Culley 3 and Brown 3 were on outage	213.125	216.37	\$ 30.29	388.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 0.14	\$ -
45.25	08/07/2025	13	\$ 13,295.65	261.880	\$ 50.77	\$ 11,850.07	\$ 1,445.58		20.000	241.88	\$ 1,335.18	389.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 5.52	\$ -
45.25	08/07/2025	14	\$ 18,350.77	309.770	\$ 59.24	\$ 14,017.09	\$ 4,333.68		22.783	286.99	\$ 4,014.94	389.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 13.99	\$ -
45.25	08/07/2025	15	\$ 18,371.65	282.120	\$ 65.12	\$ 12,765.93	\$ 5,605.72		34.496	247.62	\$ 4,920.29	335.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 19.87	\$ -
45.25	08/07/2025	16	\$ 20,438.98	296.260	\$ 68.99	\$ 13,405.77	\$ 7,033.22		6.854	289.41	\$ 6,870.50	326.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 23.74	\$ -
45.25	08/07/2025	17	\$ 16,805.90	229.840	\$ 73.12	\$ 10,400.26	\$ 6,405.64		9.417	220.42	\$ 6,143.19	314.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 27.87	\$ -
45.25	08/07/2025	18	\$ 20,999.95	268.370	\$ 78.25	\$ 12,143.74	\$ 8,856.21		33.225	235.15	\$ 7,759.78	314.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 33.00	\$ -
45.25	08/07/2025	19	\$ 32,751.95	357.320	\$ 91.66	\$ 16,168.73	\$ 16,583.22		46.117	311.20	\$ 14,442.93	314.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 46.41	\$ -
45.25	08/07/2025	20	\$ 34,820.19	441.470	\$ 78.87	\$ 19,976.52	\$ 14,843.67		63.212	378.26	\$ 12,718.28	314.000	87.01	YES	100	64.26	\$ 33.62	\$ 324.08
45.25	08/07/2025	21	\$ 28,774.26	471.400	\$ 61.04	\$ 21,330.85	\$ 7,443.41		137.854	333.55	\$ 5,266.69	314.000	87.01	YES	100	19.55	\$ 15.79	\$ 46.29
45.25	08/07/2025	22	\$ 25,371.85	510.500	\$ 49.70	\$ 23,100.13	\$ 2,271.73		254.903	255.60	\$ 1,137.41	314.000	</					

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Aug Benchmark	Trade Date	HE	Cost of Purchased Power		Purchases Volume	Price	Purchases Volume @ Benchmark \$	Amount Over Benchmark \$	Reason for Purchasing Power	Available Capacity of Units Not Selected	MISO Economic Dispatch / Purchased MWs above Capacity	Purchase Power Costs at Risk	MWs Out of Service	11% of Summer Rated Capacity	Out of Service > 11% Summer Capacity?	Recoverable @ 0%, 85%, or 100%	MWs Subject to 85%-15%	Over Benchmark Price	Total Unrecoverable Dollars
			\$	\$															
45.56	08/08/2025	22	\$	22,324.34	448,370	\$ 49.79	\$ 20,429.08	\$ 1,895.26		118.204		\$ 1,395.61	314.000	87.01	YES	100	16.17	\$ 4.23	\$ 10.25
45.50	08/09/2025	12	\$	11,566.18	228.400	\$ 50.64	\$ 10,392.20	\$ 1,173.98	Culley 2 and Culley 3 were on outage, all other units online	277.625	-	\$ -	314.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 5.14	\$ -
45.50	08/09/2025	13	\$	12,078.91	237.400	\$ 50.88	\$ 10,801.70	\$ 1,277.21		240.000	-	\$ -	392.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 5.38	\$ -
45.50	08/09/2025	14	\$	15,503.76	282.400	\$ 54.90	\$ 12,849.20	\$ 2,654.56		183.000	99.40	\$ 934.36	392.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 9.40	\$ -
45.50	08/09/2025	15	\$	17,670.35	306.380	\$ 57.67	\$ 13,940.29	\$ 3,730.06		167.144	139.24	\$ 1,695.15	392.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 12.17	\$ -
45.50	08/09/2025	16	\$	22,500.96	340.170	\$ 66.15	\$ 15,477.74	\$ 7,023.23		100.063	240.11	\$ 4,957.30	392.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 20.65	\$ -
45.50	08/09/2025	17	\$	22,831.42	316.420	\$ 72.16	\$ 14,397.11	\$ 8,434.31		36.650	279.77	\$ 7,457.39	392.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 26.66	\$ -
45.50	08/09/2025	18	\$	24,217.65	359.970	\$ 67.28	\$ 16,378.64	\$ 7,839.02		51.675	308.30	\$ 6,713.70	392.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 21.78	\$ -
45.50	08/09/2025	19	\$	33,785.28	451.180	\$ 74.88	\$ 20,528.69	\$ 13,256.59		71.875	379.31	\$ 11,144.76	392.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 29.38	\$ -
45.50	08/09/2025	20	\$	36,367.42	518.110	\$ 70.19	\$ 23,574.01	\$ 12,793.42		74.767	443.34	\$ 10,947.23	392.000	87.01	YES	100	51.34	\$ 24.69	\$ 190.17
45.50	08/09/2025	21	\$	36,669.97	615.680	\$ 59.56	\$ 28,013.44	\$ 8,656.53		172.358	443.32	\$ 6,233.16	392.000	87.01	YES	100	51.32	\$ 14.06	\$ 108.24
45.50	08/09/2025	22	\$	23,916.86	490.200	\$ 48.79	\$ 22,304.10	\$ 1,612.76		259.987	230.21	\$ 757.40	392.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 3.29	\$ -
45.50	08/09/2025	24	\$	2,264.37	46.240	\$ 48.97	\$ 2,103.92	\$ 160.45		369.000	-	\$ -	392.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 3.47	\$ -
45.50	08/10/2025	12	\$	14,391.30	249.200	\$ 57.75	\$ 11,338.60	\$ 3,052.70	Culley 2 and Culley 3 were on outage, all other units online	270.000	-	\$ -	392.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 12.25	\$ -
45.50	08/10/2025	13	\$	15,111.10	261.800	\$ 57.72	\$ 11,911.90	\$ 3,199.20		239.000	22.80	\$ 278.62	392.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 12.22	\$ -
45.50	08/10/2025	14	\$	15,438.90	234.100	\$ 65.95	\$ 10,651.55	\$ 4,787.35		177.029	57.07	\$ 1,167.10	392.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 20.45	\$ -
45.50	08/10/2025	15	\$	18,747.58	255.800	\$ 73.29	\$ 11,638.90	\$ 7,108.68		130.783	125.02	\$ 3,474.22	392.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 27.79	\$ -
45.50	08/10/2025	16	\$	21,792.28	292.200	\$ 74.58	\$ 13,295.10	\$ 8,497.18		119.358	172.84	\$ 5,026.25	392.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 29.08	\$ -
45.50	08/10/2025	17	\$	21,636.92	245.400	\$ 88.17	\$ 11,165.70	\$ 10,471.22		111.278	134.12	\$ 5,722.99	392.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 42.67	\$ -
45.50	08/10/2025	18	\$	32,214.11	290.460	\$ 110.91	\$ 13,215.93	\$ 18,998.18		37.675	252.79	\$ 16,533.96	392.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 65.41	\$ -
45.50	08/10/2025	19	\$	57,534.58	372.210	\$ 154.58	\$ 16,935.56	\$ 40,599.03		33.000	339.21	\$ 36,999.53	392.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 109.08	\$ -
45.50	08/10/2025	20	\$	42,337.59	439.130	\$ 96.41	\$ 19,980.42	\$ 22,357.18		50.192	388.94	\$ 19,801.78	392.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 50.91	\$ -
45.50	08/10/2025	21	\$	36,523.25	484.880	\$ 75.32	\$ 22,062.04	\$ 14,461.21		102.358	382.52	\$ 11,408.45	392.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 29.82	\$ -
45.50	08/10/2025	22	\$	29,664.32	425.600	\$ 69.70	\$ 19,364.80	\$ 10,299.52		188.821	236.78	\$ 5,730.05	392.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 24.20	\$ -
45.50	08/10/2025	23	\$	23,804.46	447.200	\$ 53.23	\$ 20,347.60	\$ 3,456.86		260.792	186.41	\$ 1,440.94	392.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 7.73	\$ -
45.50	08/10/2025	24	\$	26,210.89	566.110	\$ 46.30	\$ 25,758.01	\$ 452.88		361.346	204.76	\$ 163.81	392.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 0.80	\$ -
45.50	08/11/2025	10	\$	16,543.93	324.200	\$ 51.03	\$ 14,751.10	\$ 1,792.83	Culley 2 and Culley 3 were on outage, all other units online	260.000	64.20	\$ 355.03	392.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 5.53	\$ -
45.50	08/11/2025	11	\$	21,827.94	356.200	\$ 61.28	\$ 16,207.10	\$ 5,620.84		214.000	142.20	\$ 2,243.92	392.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 15.78	\$ -
45.50	08/11/2025	12	\$	24,794.00	322.000	\$ 77.00	\$ 14,651.00	\$ 10,143.00		156.117	165.88	\$ 5,225.31	392.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 31.50	\$ -
45.50	08/11/2025	13	\$	24,520.06	334.250	\$ 73.36	\$ 15,208.38	\$ 9,311.69		95.555	238.70	\$ 6,649.67	392.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 27.86	\$ -
45.50	08/11/2025	14	\$	31,265.72	319.100	\$ 97.98	\$ 14,519.05	\$ 16,746.67		51.367	267.73	\$ 14,050.88	392.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 52.48	\$ -
45.50	08/11/2025	15	\$	36,910.52	346.280	\$ 106.59	\$ 15,755.74	\$ 21,154.78		33.688	312.59	\$ 19,096.73	392.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 61.09	\$ -
45.50	08/11/2025	16	\$	42,190.87	351.580	\$ 120.00	\$ 15,996.89	\$ 26,193.98		27.746	323.83	\$ 24,126.80	392.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 74.50	\$ -
45.50	08/11/2025	17	\$	42,691.16	357.400	\$ 119.45	\$ 16,261.70	\$ 26,429.46		34.000	323.40	\$ 23,915.19	392.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 73.95	\$ -
45.50	08/11/2025	18	\$	44,205.41	357.100	\$ 123.79	\$ 16,248.05	\$ 27,957.36		15.000	342.10	\$ 26,783.01	392.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 78.29	\$ -
45.50	08/11/2025	19	\$	76,991.16	461.610	\$ 166.79	\$ 21,003.26	\$ 55,987.91		29.000	432.61	\$ 52,470.54	392.000	87.01	YES	100	40.61	\$ 121.29	\$ 738.83
45.50	08/11/2025	20	\$	60,001.85	543.330	\$ 110.43	\$ 24,721.52	\$ 35,280.34		36.000	507.33	\$ 32,942.73	392.000	87.01	YES	100	115.33	\$ 64.93	\$ 1,123.32
45.50	08/11/2025	21	\$	46,645.04	522.270	\$ 89.31	\$ 23,763.29	\$ 22,881.76		31.550	490.72	\$ 21,499.48	392.000	87.01	YES	100	98.72	\$ 43.81	\$ 648.77
45.50	08/11/2025	22	\$	35,681.22	539.970	\$ 66.08	\$ 24,568.64	\$ 11,112.59		99.079	440.89	\$ 9,073.54	392.000	87.01	YES	100	48.89	\$ 20.58	\$ 150.93
45.50	08/11/2025	23	\$	28,923.93	568.410	\$ 50.89	\$ 25,862.66	\$ 3,061.28		198.671	369.74	\$ 1,991.30	392.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 5.39	\$ -
45.50	08/11/2025	24	\$	25,106.95	525.800	\$ 47.75	\$ 23,923.90	\$ 1,183.05		242.946	282.85	\$ 636.42	392.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 2.25	\$ -
45.13	08/12/2025	1	\$	2,199.56	35.630	\$ 61.73	\$ 1,607.80	\$ 591.76	Culley 2 and Culley 3 were on outage, all other units online	439.967	-	\$ -	314.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 16.61	\$ -
45.13	08/12/2025	6	\$	2,890.23	41.470	\$ 69.69	\$ 1,871.33	\$ 1,018.90		376.504	-	\$ -	314.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 24.57	\$ -
45.13	08/12/2025	7	\$	25,641.17	542.900	\$ 47.23	\$ 24,498.36	\$ 1,142.81		380.267	162.63	\$ 342.34	314.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 2.11	\$ -
45.13	08/12/2025	10	\$	11,337.71	223.800	\$ 50.66	\$ 10,098.98	\$ 1,238.74		200.417	23.38	\$ 129.43	314.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 5.54	\$ -
45.13	08/12/2025	11	\$	13,336.13	246.600	\$ 54.08	\$ 11,127.83	\$ 2,208.31		157.617	88.98	\$ 796.84	314.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 8.96	\$ -
45.13	08/12/2025	12	\$	20,365.46	304.040	\$ 66.98	\$ 13,719.81	\$ 6,645.66		107.725	196.32	\$ 4,291.02	314.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 21.86	\$ -
45.13	08/12/2025	13	\$	22,770.35	282.590	\$ 80.58	\$ 12,751.87	\$ 10,018.48		78.016	204.57	\$ 7,252.63	314.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 35.45	\$ -
45.13	08/12/2025	14	\$	28,713.85	440.620	\$ 65.17	\$ 19,882.98	\$ 8,830.87		176.166	264.45	\$ 5,300.17	314.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 20.04	\$ -
45.13	08/12/2025	15	\$	20,655.97	259.040	\$ 79.74	\$ 11,689.18	\$ 8,966.79		26.167	232.87	\$ 8,966.79	314.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 34.62	\$ -
45.13	08/12/2025	16	\$	23,993.91	320.540	\$ 74.85	\$ 14,464.37	\$ 9,529.54		44.950	275.59	\$ 8,193.19	314.000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 29.73	\$ -
45.13	08/12/2025	17	\$	25,208.72	317.900	\$ 79.30	\$ 14,345.24	\$ 10,863.48		53.000	264.90	\$ 9,052.33	314.000	87.01	YES	100	-		

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Aug Benchmark	Trade Date	HE	Cost of Purchased Power	Purchases Volume	Price	Purchases Volume @ Benchmark \$	Amount Over Benchmark \$			Are Unit MWs Out of Service > 11% Summer Capacity?								
										MISO Economic Dispatch / Purchased MWs above Capacity	Purchase Power Costs at Risk	MW's Out of Service	11% of Summer Rated Capacity	Recoverable @ 0%, 85%, or 100%	MW's Subject to 85%-15%			
44.13	08/13/2025	21	\$ 27,524.74	445,810	\$ 61.74	\$ 19,671.37	\$ 7,853.37		97.217	348.59	\$ 6,140.80	315,000	87.01	YES	100	33.59	\$ 17.62	\$ 88.77
44.13	08/13/2025	22	\$ 28,464.37	605,110	\$ 47.04	\$ 26,700.48	\$ 1,763.89		310.467	294.64	\$ 858.88	315,000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 2.91	\$ -
43.94	08/14/2025	11	\$ 20,315.66	455,100	\$ 44.64	\$ 19,996.18	\$ 319.48		392.642	62.46	\$ 43.84	314,000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 0.70	\$ -
43.94	08/14/2025	12	\$ 27,432.31	560,600	\$ 48.93	\$ 24,631.64	\$ 2,800.67		366.883	193.72	\$ 967.78	314,000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 5.00	\$ -
43.94	08/14/2025	13	\$ 22,649.13	430,800	\$ 52.57	\$ 18,928.49	\$ 3,720.64		186.383	244.42	\$ 2,110.93	314,000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 8.64	\$ -
43.94	08/14/2025	14	\$ 20,756.30	340,100	\$ 61.03	\$ 14,943.31	\$ 5,812.99		231.042	109.06	\$ 1,864.02	314,000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 17.09	\$ -
43.94	08/14/2025	15	\$ 24,696.81	428,700	\$ 57.61	\$ 18,836.22	\$ 5,860.59		132.107	296.59	\$ 4,054.61	314,000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 13.67	\$ -
43.94	08/14/2025	16	\$ 29,457.14	420,100	\$ 70.12	\$ 18,458.35	\$ 10,998.79		91.363	328.74	\$ 8,606.78	314,000	87.01	YES	100	14.74	\$ 26.18	\$ 57.88
43.94	08/14/2025	17	\$ 21,430.55	311,400	\$ 68.82	\$ 13,682.29	\$ 7,748.26	Culley 3 was on outage, and Brown 3 was on Reserve Shutdown	173.279	138.12	\$ 3,436.73	314,000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 24.88	\$ -
43.94	08/14/2025	18	\$ 22,975.50	327,800	\$ 70.09	\$ 14,402.88	\$ 8,572.62		160.791	167.01	\$ 4,367.62	314,000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 26.15	\$ -
43.94	08/14/2025	19	\$ 39,294.94	549,900	\$ 71.46	\$ 24,161.51	\$ 15,133.43		124.283	425.62	\$ 11,713.12	314,000	87.01	YES	100	111.62	\$ 27.52	\$ 460.76
43.94	08/14/2025	20	\$ 36,596.91	540,600	\$ 67.70	\$ 23,752.88	\$ 12,844.03		91.383	449.22	\$ 10,672.87	314,000	87.01	YES	100	135.22	\$ 23.76	\$ 481.89
43.94	08/14/2025	21	\$ 42,474.47	639,300	\$ 66.44	\$ 28,089.56	\$ 14,384.91		194.029	445.27	\$ 10,019.05	314,000	87.01	YES	100	131.27	\$ 22.50	\$ 443.06
43.94	08/14/2025	22	\$ 31,267.22	695,600	\$ 44.95	\$ 30,563.27	\$ 703.95		352.430	343.17	\$ 347.29	314,000	87.01	YES	100	29.17	\$ 1.01	\$ 4.43
42.13	08/15/2025	11	\$ 22,884.25	512,640	\$ 44.64	\$ 21,594.96	\$ 1,289.29		357.567	155.07	\$ 390.01	314,000	87.01	YES	100	-	\$ 2.52	\$ -
42.13	08/15/2025	12	\$ 68,371.49	322,110	\$ 212.26	\$ 13,568.88	\$ 54,802.61		369,000	-	\$ -	49,000	87.01	NO	85	-	\$ 170.14	\$ -
42.13	08/15/2025	13	\$ 4,626.51	80,340	\$ 57.59	\$ 3,384.32	\$ 1,242.19		388.129	-	\$ -	49,000	87.01	NO	85	-	\$ 15.46	\$ -
42.13	08/15/2025	14	\$ 13,943.20	297,590	\$ 46.85	\$ 12,535.98	\$ 1,407.22		272.683	24.91	\$ 117.78	49,000	87.01	NO	85	24.91	\$ 4.73	\$ 17.67
42.13	08/15/2025	15	\$ 13,905.57	213,990	\$ 64.98	\$ 9,014.33	\$ 4,891.24		161.392	52.60	\$ 1,202.25	49,000	87.01	NO	85	52.60	\$ 22.86	\$ 180.34
42.13	08/15/2025	16	\$ 12,969.91	192,400	\$ 67.41	\$ 8,104.85	\$ 4,865.06		133.796	58.60	\$ 1,481.87	49,000	87.01	NO	85	58.60	\$ 25.29	\$ 222.28
42.13	08/15/2025	17	\$ 18,686.97	172,670	\$ 108.22	\$ 7,273.72	\$ 11,413.25		92.987	79.68	\$ 5,266.94	49,000	87.01	NO	85	79.68	\$ 66.10	\$ 790.04
42.13	08/15/2025	18	\$ 18,669.00	176,900	\$ 105.53	\$ 7,451.91	\$ 11,217.09		89.108	87.79	\$ 5,566.82	44,000	87.01	NO	85	87.79	\$ 63.41	\$ 835.02
42.13	08/15/2025	19	\$ 25,423.77	230,500	\$ 110.30	\$ 9,709.81	\$ 15,713.96		60.004	170.50	\$ 11,623.28	44,000	87.01	NO	85	170.50	\$ 68.17	\$ 1,743.49
42.13	08/15/2025	20	\$ 16,542.39	222,530	\$ 74.34	\$ 9,374.08	\$ 7,168.31		89.158	133.37	\$ 4,296.29	44,000	87.01	NO	85	133.37	\$ 32.21	\$ 644.44
42.13	08/15/2025	21	\$ 12,403.81	177,400	\$ 69.92	\$ 7,472.98	\$ 4,930.84		139.138	38.26	\$ 1,063.49	44,000	87.01	NO	85	38.26	\$ 27.80	\$ 159.52
42.13	08/15/2025	22	\$ 14,442.10	267,100	\$ 54.07	\$ 11,251.59	\$ 3,190.51		259,900	7.20	\$ 86.00	44,000	87.01	NO	85	7.20	\$ 11.95	\$ 12.90
42.13	08/15/2025	23	\$ 17,639.56	417,900	\$ 42.21	\$ 17,604.04	\$ 35.52		422.783	-	\$ -	44,000	87.01	NO	85	-	\$ 0.09	\$ -
44.63	08/16/2025	14	\$ 1,163.42	17,700	\$ 65.73	\$ 789.86	\$ 373.56		95.792	-	\$ -	27,000	87.01	NO	85	-	\$ 21.10	\$ -
44.63	08/16/2025	15	\$ 3,262.60	68,110	\$ 47.90	\$ 3,039.41	\$ 223.19		61.083	7.03	\$ 23.03	27,000	87.01	NO	85	7.03	\$ 3.28	\$ 3.45
44.63	08/16/2025	16	\$ 1,097.96	13,900	\$ 78.99	\$ 620.29	\$ 477.67		53,000	-	\$ -	37,000	87.01	NO	85	-	\$ 34.36	\$ -
44.63	08/16/2025	17	\$ 5,591.69	96,410	\$ 58.00	\$ 4,302.30	\$ 1,289.39		50,000	46.41	\$ 620.69	37,000	87.01	NO	85	46.41	\$ 13.37	\$ 93.10
44.63	08/16/2025	18	\$ 8,728.28	132,560	\$ 65.84	\$ 5,915.49	\$ 2,812.79		39,000	93.56	\$ 1,985.25	37,000	87.01	NO	85	93.56	\$ 21.22	\$ 297.79
44.63	08/16/2025	19	\$ 10,439.16	88,400	\$ 118.09	\$ 3,944.85	\$ 6,494.31		54,833	33.57	\$ 2,466.00	37,000	87.01	NO	85	33.57	\$ 73.47	\$ 369.90
44.63	08/16/2025	20	\$ 11,387.19	124,600	\$ 91.39	\$ 5,560.28	\$ 5,826.92		62,000	62.60	\$ 2,927.49	37,000	87.01	NO	85	62.60	\$ 46.76	\$ 439.12
44.63	08/16/2025	21	\$ 12,499.00	187,620	\$ 66.62	\$ 8,372.54	\$ 4,126.46		51,358	136.26	\$ 2,996.91	37,000	87.01	NO	85	136.26	\$ 21.99	\$ 449.54
44.63	08/16/2025	22	\$ 11,710.08	203,300	\$ 57.60	\$ 9,072.26	\$ 2,637.82		156,200	47.10	\$ 611.12	37,000	87.01	NO	85	47.10	\$ 12.98	\$ 91.67
44.63	08/17/2025	12	\$ 7,749.53	165,200	\$ 46.91	\$ 7,372.05	\$ 377.48		305,000	-	\$ -	27,000	87.01	NO	85	-	\$ 2.28	\$ -
44.63	08/17/2025	13	\$ 9,971.93	203,800	\$ 48.93	\$ 9,094.58	\$ 877.36		253,545	-	\$ -	27,000	87.01	NO	85	-	\$ 4.30	\$ -
44.63	08/17/2025	14	\$ 11,406.85	224,500	\$ 50.81	\$ 10,018.31	\$ 1,388.54		205,929	18.57	\$ 114.86	27,000	87.01	NO	85	18.57	\$ 6.19	\$ 17.23
44.63	08/17/2025	15	\$ 13,266.88	220,600	\$ 60.14	\$ 9,844.28	\$ 3,422.61		171,333	49.27	\$ 764.38	27,000	87.01	NO	85	49.27	\$ 15.51	\$ 114.66
44.63	08/17/2025	16	\$ 12,098.28	198,170	\$ 61.05	\$ 8,843.34	\$ 3,254.94		115,500	82.67	\$ 1,357.86	27,000	87.01	NO	85	82.67	\$ 16.43	\$ 203.68
44.63	08/17/2025	17	\$ 12,281.55	185,550	\$ 66.19	\$ 8,280.17	\$ 4,001.38		76,992	108.56	\$ 2,341.05	27,000	87.01	NO	85	108.56	\$ 21.56	\$ 351.16
44.63	08/17/2025	18	\$ 15,121.53	196,690	\$ 76.88	\$ 8,777.29	\$ 6,344.24		49,856	146.83	\$ 4,736.13	27,000	87.01	NO	85	146.83	\$ 32.26	\$ 710.42
44.63	08/17/2025	19	\$ 22,984.08	249,990	\$ 91.94	\$ 11,555.80	\$ 11,828.28		44,400	205.59	\$ 9,727.49	27,000	87.01	NO	85	205.59	\$ 47.31	\$ 1,459.12
44.63	08/17/2025	20	\$ 20,020.77	321,000	\$ 62.37	\$ 14,324.63	\$ 5,696.15		92,888	228.11	\$ 4,047.85	27,000	87.01	NO	85	228.11	\$ 17.75	\$ 607.18
44.63	08/17/2025	21	\$ 21,240.57	364,020	\$ 58.35	\$ 16,244.39	\$ 4,996.18		160,546	203.47	\$ 2,792.68	27,000	87.01	NO	85	203.47	\$ 13.73	\$ 418.90
44.63	08/17/2025	22	\$ 15,792.43	347,010	\$ 45.51	\$ 15,485.32	\$ 307.11		194,083	152.93	\$ 135.34	27,000	87.01	NO	85	152.93	\$ 0.89	\$ 20.30
44.63	08/18/2025	12	\$ 7,242.99	145,500	\$ 49.78	\$ 6,492.94	\$ 750.05		309,333	-	\$ -	48,000	87.01	NO	85	-	\$ 5.16	\$ -
44.63	08/18/2025	13	\$ 6,912.71	119,000	\$ 58.09	\$ 5,310.38	\$ 1,602.34		246,904	-	\$ -	59,000	87.01	NO	85	-	\$ 13.47	\$ -
44.63	08/18/2025	14	\$ 3,920.49	68,600	\$ 57.15	\$ 3,061.28	\$ 859.22		212,738	-	\$ -	59,000	87.01	NO	85	-	\$ 12.53	\$ -
44.63	08/18/2025	15	\$ 3,272.25	49,700	\$ 65.84	\$ 2,217.86	\$ 1,054.39		167,433	-	\$ -	59,000	87.01	NO	85	-	\$ 21.22	\$ -
44.63	08/18/2025	16	\$ 5,189.24	75,700	\$ 68.55	\$ 3,378.11	\$ 1,811.13		177,575	-	\$ -	59,000	87.01	NO	85	-	\$ 23.93	\$ -
44.63	08/18/2025	17	\$ 7,948.71	96,500	\$ 82.31	\$ 4,466.31	\$ 3,642.40		150,220	-	\$ -	59,000	87.01	NO	85	-	\$ 37.75	\$ -
44.63	08/18/2025	18	\$ 9,520.93	109,300	\$ 87.10	\$ 4,877.51	\$ 6,642.52		103,659	5.64	\$ 239.60	59,000	87.01	NO	85	5.64	\$ 9.48	\$ 35.94
44.63	08/18/2025	19	\$ 25,881.31	195,570	\$ 132.34	\$ 8,727.31	\$ 17,154.00		33,138	162.43	\$ 14,247.37	59,000	87.01	NO	85	162.43	\$ 87.71	\$ 2,137.11
44.63	08/18/2025	20	\$ 23,181.77	250,100	\$ 92.69	\$ 11,160.71	\$ 12,021.06		72,975	177.13	\$ 8,513.51	59,000	87.01	NO	85	177.13	\$ 48.07	\$ 1,277.03
44.63	08/18/2025	21	\$ 16,208.55	218,150	\$ 74.30	\$ 9,734.94	\$ 6,473.61											

CenterPoint Energy Indiana - South
Market Settlements Group
Purchased Power Over Benchmark Explanations - Cause No. 38708 FAC 149

S55's through 08/31									Test for Outages and Derates									
Aug Benchmark Costs	Trade Date	HE	Cost of Purchased Power	Purchases Volume	Price	Purchases Volume @ Benchmark \$	Amount Over Benchmark \$	Reason for Purchasing Power	Available Capacity of Units Not Selected	MISO Economic Dispatch / Purchased MWs above Capacity	Purchase Power Costs at Risk	MWs Out of Service	11% of Summer Rated Capacity	Are Unit MWs Out of Service > 11% Summer Capacity?	Recoverable @ 0%, 85%, or 100%	MWs Subject to 85%-15%	Over Benchmark Price	Total Unrecoverable Dollars
43.25	08/20/2025	9	\$ 10,396.08	46.250	\$ 224.78	\$ 2,000.31	\$ 8,395.77	Brown 3, Brown 4, Brown 6, and Culley 2 were on Reserve Shutdown	448.800	-	\$ -	49.000	87.01	NO	85	-	\$ 181.53	\$ -
43.25	08/20/2025	10	\$ 1,037.36	22.280	\$ 46.56	\$ 963.61	\$ 73.75		454.417	-	\$ -	49.000	87.01	NO	85	-	\$ 3.31	\$ -
43.25	08/20/2025	19	\$ 17,682.56	328.550	\$ 53.82	\$ 14,209.79	\$ 3,472.77		446.792	-	\$ -	49.000	87.01	NO	85	-	\$ 10.57	\$ -
43.25	08/20/2025	20	\$ 19,083.91	418.140	\$ 45.64	\$ 18,084.56	\$ 999.35		450.333	-	\$ -	44.000	87.01	NO	85	-	\$ 2.39	\$ -
42.56	08/21/2025	14	\$ 12,945.95	301.700	\$ 42.91	\$ 12,841.26	\$ 104.69	Brown 3, Brown 4, and Culley 2 were on Reserve Shutdown	475.237	-	\$ -	42.000	87.01	NO	85	-	\$ 0.35	\$ -
42.56	08/21/2025	15	\$ 13,268.50	297.300	\$ 44.63	\$ 12,653.98	\$ 614.52		440.009	-	\$ -	42.000	87.01	NO	85	-	\$ 2.07	\$ -
42.56	08/21/2025	16	\$ 4,332.87	93.000	\$ 46.59	\$ 3,958.36	\$ 374.51		312.925	-	\$ -	42.000	87.01	NO	85	-	\$ 4.03	\$ -
42.56	08/21/2025	17	\$ 5,223.62	105.400	\$ 49.56	\$ 4,486.14	\$ 737.48		315.888	-	\$ -	42.000	87.01	NO	85	-	\$ 7.00	\$ -
42.56	08/21/2025	18	\$ 7,754.59	145.900	\$ 53.15	\$ 6,209.94	\$ 1,544.65		273.000	-	\$ -	42.000	87.01	NO	85	-	\$ 10.59	\$ -
42.56	08/21/2025	19	\$ 14,853.63	214.400	\$ 69.28	\$ 9,125.51	\$ 5,728.12		300.954	-	\$ -	42.000	87.01	NO	85	-	\$ 26.72	\$ -
42.56	08/21/2025	20	\$ 13,946.48	231.400	\$ 60.27	\$ 9,849.08	\$ 4,097.40		291.346	-	\$ -	42.000	87.01	NO	85	-	\$ 17.71	\$ -
42.56	08/21/2025	21	\$ 12,062.00	222.300	\$ 54.26	\$ 9,461.75	\$ 2,600.25		311.179	-	\$ -	42.000	87.01	NO	85	-	\$ 11.70	\$ -
42.56	08/21/2025	22	\$ 17,921.50	400.570	\$ 44.74	\$ 17,049.46	\$ 872.04		455.746	-	\$ -	42.000	87.01	NO	85	-	\$ 2.18	\$ -
43.50	08/22/2025	15	\$ 13,173.33	295.300	\$ 44.61	\$ 12,845.55	\$ 327.78	Brown 3, Brown 4, and Culley 2 were on Reserve Shutdown	434.158	-	\$ -	44.000	87.01	NO	85	-	\$ 1.11	\$ -
43.50	08/22/2025	16	\$ 4,847.68	100.200	\$ 48.38	\$ 4,358.70	\$ 488.98		287.000	-	\$ -	44.000	87.01	NO	85	-	\$ 4.88	\$ -
43.50	08/22/2025	17	\$ 6,135.48	119.600	\$ 51.30	\$ 5,202.60	\$ 932.88		286.000	-	\$ -	44.000	87.01	NO	85	-	\$ 7.80	\$ -
43.50	08/22/2025	18	\$ 8,441.24	154.800	\$ 54.53	\$ 6,733.80	\$ 1,707.44		294.229	-	\$ -	44.000	87.01	NO	85	-	\$ 11.03	\$ -
43.50	08/22/2025	19	\$ 11,289.28	177.700	\$ 63.53	\$ 7,729.95	\$ 3,559.33		268.000	-	\$ -	44.000	87.01	NO	85	-	\$ 20.03	\$ -
43.50	08/22/2025	20	\$ 13,512.00	240.000	\$ 56.30	\$ 10,440.00	\$ 3,072.00		273.196	-	\$ -	44.000	87.01	NO	85	-	\$ 12.80	\$ -
43.50	08/22/2025	21	\$ 11,326.76	231.300	\$ 48.97	\$ 10,061.55	\$ 1,265.21		336.625	-	\$ -	44.000	87.01	NO	85	-	\$ 5.47	\$ -
42.38	08/23/2025	19	\$ 19,631.29	401.540	\$ 48.89	\$ 17,015.26	\$ 2,616.03	Brown 3, Brown 4, Brown 6, and Culley 2 were on Reserve Shutdown	464.425	-	\$ -	44.000	87.01	NO	85	-	\$ 6.51	\$ -
42.38	08/23/2025	20	\$ 17,406.98	380.730	\$ 45.72	\$ 16,133.43	\$ 1,273.55		457.000	-	\$ -	44.000	87.01	NO	85	-	\$ 3.35	\$ -
42.38	08/23/2025	21	\$ 16,492.25	369.450	\$ 44.64	\$ 15,655.44	\$ 836.81		459.042	-	\$ -	44.000	87.01	NO	85	-	\$ 2.27	\$ -
42.38	08/24/2025	20	\$ 13,945.92	313.110	\$ 44.54	\$ 13,268.04	\$ 677.88	Brown 3, Brown 4, Brown 6, and Culley 2 were on Reserve Shutdown	466.000	-	\$ -	35.000	87.01	NO	85	-	\$ 2.17	\$ -
42.38	08/25/2025	19	\$ 14,101.28	286.030	\$ 49.30	\$ 12,120.52	\$ 1,980.76	Brown 3, Brown 4, Brown 6, and Culley 2 were on Reserve Shutdown	459.000	-	\$ -	32.000	87.01	NO	85	-	\$ 6.93	\$ -
42.38	08/25/2025	20	\$ 16,151.52	336.000	\$ 48.07	\$ 14,238.00	\$ 1,913.52		459.000	-	\$ -	32.000	87.01	NO	85	-	\$ 5.70	\$ -
42.75	08/27/2025	19	\$ 10,156.49	224.950	\$ 45.15	\$ 9,616.61	\$ 539.88	Brown 3, Brown 4, Brown 6, were on Reserve Shutdown, Culley 2 was on outage	505.000	-	\$ -	128.000	113.52	YES	100	-	\$ 2.40	\$ -
43.44	08/28/2025	19	\$ 30,309.74	123.170	\$ 246.08	\$ 5,350.26	\$ 24,959.48	Brown 3, Brown 4, and Brown 6, were on Reserve Shutdown	396.537	-	\$ -	33.000	113.52	NO	85	-	\$ 202.64	\$ -
43.69	08/29/2025	15	\$ 1,666.51	25.350	\$ 65.74	\$ 1,107.49	\$ 559.02	Brown 3, Brown 4, and Brown 6, were on Reserve Shutdown	372.000	-	\$ -	29.000	113.52	NO	85	-	\$ 22.05	\$ -
43.69	08/29/2025	19	\$ 3,693.75	78.930	\$ 46.80	\$ 3,448.29	\$ 245.46		386.003	-	\$ -	50.000	113.52	NO	85	-	\$ 3.11	\$ -
43.69	08/29/2025	20	\$ 4,100.21	88.500	\$ 46.33	\$ 3,866.39	\$ 233.82		416.712	-	\$ -	50.000	113.52	NO	85	-	\$ 2.64	\$ -
43.69	08/30/2025	19	\$ 9,013.28	197.400	\$ 45.66	\$ 8,624.01	\$ 389.27	All Brown units, and Culley 2 were on Reserve Shutdown	757.104	-	\$ -	49.000	113.52	NO	85	-	\$ 1.97	\$ -
43.69	08/31/2025	19	\$ 11,484.76	256.700	\$ 44.74	\$ 11,214.71	\$ 270.05	All Brown units, and Culley 2 were on Reserve Shutdown	733.396	-	\$ -	49.000	113.52	NO	85	-	\$ 1.05	\$ -
Total			\$ 4,561,220.41	67,507.510		\$ 3,004,229.35	\$ 1,556,991.21		47,268.271	32,799.783	\$ 962,436.40	51,553.000			4,677.307		\$ 22,969.90	

BEFORE THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Power Act Section 202(c)	)	
Emergency Order: Midcontinent	)	Order No. 202-25-12
Independent System Operator and	)	
Northern Indiana Public Service	)	
Company LLC	)	

Federal Power Act Section 202(c)	)	
Emergency Order: Midcontinent	)	Order No. 202-25-13
Independent System Operator and	)	
CenterPoint Energy Indiana South	)	

Exhibit to
Motion to Intervene and Request for Rehearing and Stay of
Public Interest Organizations

Exhibit 57
2026 EPA IN Haze SIP Approval

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

40 CFR Part 52

[EPA-R05-OAR-2021-0963; FRL-12589-02-R5]

**Air Plan Approval; Indiana; Regional Haze Plan for the Second
Implementation Period**

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Final rule.

SUMMARY: The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is approving the Regional Haze State Implementation Plan (SIP) revision for Indiana submitted by the Indiana Department of Environmental Management (IDEM or Indiana) on December 29, 2021, as satisfying applicable requirements under the Clean Air Act (CAA) and EPA's Regional Haze Rule (RHR) for the program's second implementation period. Indiana's SIP submission addresses the requirement that States must periodically revise their long-term strategies for making reasonable progress towards the national goal of preventing any future, and remedying any existing, anthropogenic impairment of visibility, including regional haze, in mandatory Class I Federal areas. Indiana's SIP submission also addresses other applicable requirements for the second implementation period of the regional haze program. EPA is taking this action pursuant to sections 110 and 169A of the CAA.

DATES: This final rule is effective on **[insert date 30 days**

after date of publication in the *Federal Register*].

ADDRESSES: EPA has established a docket for this action under Docket ID No. EPA-R05-OAR-2021-0963. All documents in the docket are listed on the <https://www.regulations.gov> web site. Although listed in the index, some information is not publicly available, i.e., Confidential Business Information (CBI), Proprietary Business Information (PBI), or other information whose disclosure is restricted by statute. Certain other material, such as copyrighted material, is not placed on the Internet and will be publicly available only in hard copy form. Publicly available docket materials are available either through <https://www.regulations.gov> or at the Environmental Protection Agency, Region 5, Air and Radiation Division, 77 West Jackson Boulevard, Chicago, Illinois 60604. This facility is open from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding Federal holidays. We recommend that you telephone Charles Hatten, Environmental Engineer, at (312) 886-6031 before visiting the Region 5 office.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Throughout this document whenever "we," "us," or "our" is used, we mean EPA.

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I. Background

On December 29, 2021, IDEM submitted a revision to its SIP to address regional haze requirements for the second implementation period. IDEM made this SIP submission to satisfy the requirements of the CAA's regional haze program pursuant to CAA sections 169A and 169B and 40 CFR 51.308.

On June 18, 2025 (90 FR 25944), EPA proposed to approve the Indiana regional haze SIP revision. In the notice of proposed rulemaking (NPRM), EPA proposed to find that Indiana's Regional Haze SIP submission satisfied the regional haze requirements for the second implementation period contained in 40 CFR 51.308(f). As described further in EPA's proposed approval, IDEM utilized

technical analyses and its source selection methodology to target the sources with the highest potential to impair visibility at mandatory Class I areas.¹ IDEM's initial list of twenty candidate sources for a four-factor analysis represented the majority of Indiana's emissions that may influence visibility impacts on out-of-state Class I areas. IDEM further refined that list by excluding eleven electric generating units (EGUs) that either had existing effective controls or that were not expected to continue operating beyond 2028. IDEM then proceeded with site-specific four-factor analyses for the remaining nine non-EGU facilities identified through this process. A detailed analysis of Indiana's plan and EPA's evaluation are contained in the NPRM, dated June 18, 2025 (90 FR 25944), as well as the Technical Support Document (TSD), dated April 22, 2025, and will not be restated here.

II. Public Comment Process

The public review and comment period on EPA's NPRM opened June 18, 2025, and was originally scheduled to close on July 18, 2025. On June 26, 2025, EPA received a comment letter from the National Parks Conservation Association, the Coalition to Protect America's National Parks, and the Sierra Club (Comment 1) requesting that EPA provide an additional 30 days for public

¹ There are no Class I areas in Indiana. However, the RHR requires SIPs to address Class I areas located outside the state that may be affected by emissions from within the state.

comment on the NPRM. On July 16, 2025 (90 FR 31923), EPA published a NPRM extending the public review and comment period to August 18, 2025.

During the review and comment period, EPA received relevant comments from the following individuals, businesses, agencies, and organizations: an individual identified as Kurtis K.

(Comment 2); three anonymous commenters (Comments 3, 4, and 5); IDEM (Comment 6); Power Generators Air Coalition (Comment 7); Ameren Missouri, American Electric Power Company, Inc. on behalf of its operating companies, and Nebraska Public Power District (collectively referred as the "Utilities for Reasonable Progress") (Comment 8); Ohio Valley Electric Corporation (OVEC) and Indiana-Kentucky Electric Corporation (IKEC) (Comment 9); Abrams Environmental Law Clinic, Artists for Environmental Restoration, Inc., Citizens Climate Lobby - Evansville Chapter, Conservation Law Center, Environmental Advocacy Center at the Northwestern Pritzker School of Law, Faith in Place, Hessville Dune Dusters, Izaak Walton League - Indiana Division, Izaak Walton League - Porter County Chapter, Just Transition Northwest Indiana, National Parks Conservation Association, Owen-Putnam Friends of the Forest, Save the Dunes, Sierra Club - Hoosier Chapter, and Tri-State Creation Care (collectively referred to as "Community Organizations") (Comment 10); Mid-Atlantic/Northeast Visibility Union (MANEVU) regional planning

organization (Comment 11); and National Parks Conservation Association, Sierra Club, Environmental Law & Policy Center, Coalition to Protect America's National Parks, Conservation Law Center, Save the Dunes, and the Indiana Division of the Izaak Walton League of America (collectively referred to as the "Conservation Groups") (Comments 12 through 23).

III. Summary of Public Comments and EPA's Responses

A. Comments Received

All comments received are included in the rulemaking docket for this action. In the December 19, 2025, Response to Comments document (RTC), which is included in the docket for this rulemaking, EPA provides summaries of and detailed responses to all significant comments that further explain the basis for our final action.

In addition to the request to extend the public comment period, EPA received comments on the NPRM addressing several topics including, but not limited to, additional emissions monitoring, increased public engagement, climate resilience, visibility trends, public health, economic benefits, enforceability of retirements, existing effective controls, four-factor analyses,² cost considerations, Best Available

² Under CAA 169A(g)(1), the four statutory factors are the costs of compliance, the time necessary for compliance, the energy and non-air quality environmental impacts of compliance, and the remaining useful life of any potentially affected sources. See also 40 CFR 51.308(f)(2)(i). An evaluation of potential control options for sources of visibility impairing

Retrofit Technology (BART), and impacts on local communities. Additionally, EPA received several comments regarding EPA's URP policy.³

EPA acknowledges the seven comments that were generally supportive of the proposed action and EPA's URP policy from Kurtis K. (Comment 2), two anonymous commenters (Comments 3 - 4), IDEM (Comment 6); PGen (Comment 7), Utilities for Reasonable Progress (Comment 8), as well as OVEC and IKEC (Comment 9). Comments received from the Community Organizations, MANEVU, and the Conservation Groups were generally opposed to EPA's proposed action: Comments 10 - 23. The comments, while summarized below, are available in full in the docket for this rulemaking and are addressed in EPA's December 19, 2025, RTC. The comments and EPA's responses summarized here are divided into two sections for those that are and are not specific to EPA's URP policy.

B. Comments and Responses that are not specific to EPA's URP Policy

Comment and Response 2: Comments from Kurtis K., while supportive of EPA's proposed action, suggested additional emissions monitoring at three facilities and increased public

pollutants based on applying the four statutory factors in CAA section 169A(g)(1) is referred to as a "four-factor" analysis.

³ A change in Agency policy was introduced in the approval of West Virginia's regional haze plan. See the April 18, 2025, (90 FR 16478) proposed rule) and the July 7, 2025, (90 FR 29737) final rule.

engagement.

As addressed in the RTC, EPA notes that the type of emissions monitoring suggested is already provided for in the federally enforceable title V permits and considered in the visibility modeling efforts for the three facilities mentioned in the comment. As to providing for public engagement after SIP implementation, EPA notes that the RHR provides for public comment on SIP revisions and the progress of the SIP, generally every five years.

Comments and Responses 3, 4, 6, 7, 8, and 9: Comments received from two anonymous commenters, IDEM, PGen, Utilities for Reasonable Progress, as well as OVEC and IKEC supported EPA's proposed action. EPA acknowledges their support for EPA's proposed approval.

Comment and Response 10: The Community Organizations asserted that EPA's proposed approval will allow pollution to continue harming the air quality, public health, and economy of local and national parks and communities.

As addressed in the RTC, Indiana has taken appropriate steps to reduce pollution that affects air quality in the affected Class I areas, including meaningful sulfur dioxide (SO₂) and nitrogen oxides (NO_x) emission reductions since the beginning of the second implementation period in 2019. Most of these emissions reductions have already occurred during the second

implementation period and will continue to improve visibility in all Class I areas affected by emissions from Indiana. EPA notes that the visibility program prescribed by CAA sections 169A and 169B and implemented in 40 CFR 51.308 is not a public health-based program, and impacts on park tourism and local economies are not considerations within the Regional Haze statute or rule.

Comment and Response 11: MANEVU raised several items for EPA's consideration relating to changing circumstances since the time that MANEVU sent its "Asks" to Indiana on November 5, 2021, during the State's regional haze planning efforts. MANEVU observed that the Lake Michigan Air Directors Consortium (LADCO) has documented that modeled levels of nitrate in the winter have apparently been underestimated, and that declining trends in visibility impairment appear to have "flattened" in recent years. As a result, MANEVU asserted that additional measures will be needed in the future "to reinvigorate robust visibility improvements."

As discussed in the RTC, EPA provides further explanation of LADCO's modeling and notes that MANEVU did not address a specific regulation or provision in question or recommend a different action on Indiana's 2021 SIP submission from what EPA proposed.

Comment and Response 12: The Conservation Groups assert that reducing haze pollution from Indiana facilities will

improve visibility in Class I areas⁴ and result in economic, public health, and environmental benefits.

As addressed in the RTC, concerns regarding public health, park visitation, and local economies are not considerations within the Regional Haze statute or rule.

Comment and Response 13: The Conservation Groups argue that EPA's proposal to approve the Indiana SIP Revision violates the CAA and RHR. In this regard, the Conservation Groups assert: (a) that EPA's reliance on permit limits and consent decrees, past emission reductions, and ongoing emission reductions to approve Indiana's 2021 SIP Revision is arbitrary and capricious; and (b) that Indiana failed to include federally enforceable measures in the 2021 SIP Revision for source retirements.

As detailed in the RTC, EPA disagrees with the Conservation Groups' assertions. Indiana did not rely on any planned EGU retirements, past emission reductions, reductions in utilization, or ongoing emission reductions that are not already federally enforceable as necessary to make reasonable progress in the second implementation period. As such, Indiana did not request any additional measures for the second implementation

⁴ Areas statutorily designated as mandatory Class I Federal areas consist of national parks exceeding 6,000 acres, wilderness areas and national memorial parks exceeding 5,000 acres, and all international parks that were in existence on August 7, 1977. CAA 162(a). There are 156 mandatory Class I areas. The list of areas to which the requirements of the visibility protection program apply is in 40 CFR part 81, subpart D. Class I Federal areas are hereinafter referred to as "Class I areas".

period be incorporated into the regulatory portion of Indiana's SIP at 40 CFR 52.770.

Comment and Response 14: The Conservation Groups assert that Indiana unreasonably refused to conduct four-factor analyses for sources that the State claimed are effectively controlled. The Conservation Groups argue that neither the CAA nor the RHR allows States to eliminate sources from the four-factor statutory analysis on the basis that they are effectively controlled. The Conservation Groups contend that Indiana's demonstrations of existing effective controls are flawed and that reasonable controls or upgrades are available for these facilities at some of the State's largest sources of regional haze-causing emissions, including Duke - Gibson, Alcoa - Warrick Power Plant, AEP - Rockport, IKEC - Clifty Creek, and Duke - Cayuga.

As further discussed in the RTC, EPA addresses this comment as well as comments regarding each of these five facilities below under Comments and Responses 14a to 14f, respectively.

Comment and Response 14a: Existing Effective Control Demonstrations. As described in more detail in the RTC, EPA disagrees with the notion that CAA sections 169A(b)(2) and (g)(1) and the RHR prohibit States from foregoing a four-factor analysis based on a State determination that a source is effectively controlled. As outlined in the 2017 RHR preamble,

"the EPA has consistently interpreted the CAA to provide States with the flexibility to conduct four-factor analyses for specific sources, groups of sources or even entire source categories, depending on State policy preferences and the specific circumstances of each State."⁵ However, within the bounds of the flexibility afforded to States, EPA also stated that States must "exercise reasoned judgment when choosing which sources, groups of sources or source categories to analyze."⁶ In the 2019 Guidance, section 3(f), EPA explained when it may be appropriate to forgo a four-factor analysis for sources with existing effective control measures and provided examples where a full four-factor analysis would likely result in the conclusion that no further controls are necessary.⁷ EPA evaluated Indiana's Regional Haze SIP submission and concludes that IDEM's source selection methodology, thresholds, and justification for not conducting a four-factor analysis on all sources for this second implementation period are reasonable. EPA also concludes that IDEM sufficiently demonstrated that the sources selected for further evaluation at the facilities listed

⁵ 82 FR 3088, January 10, 2017.

⁶ 82 FR 3088, January 10, 2017.

⁷ See section 3(f) of EPA's "Guidance on Regional Haze State Implementation Plans for the Second Implementation Period," EPA Office of Air Quality Planning and Standards, Research Triangle Park, August 20, 2019 (2019 Guidance) which is publicly available at https://www.epa.gov/sites/default/files/2019-08/documents/8-20-2019_-_regional_haze_guidance_final_guidance.pdf.

under this comment below are effectively controlled for the second implementation period.

Comment and Response 14b: Duke - Gibson. The Conservation Groups assert that excluding Duke - Gibson Unit 5 from LADCO's emissions projections in the 2028 visibility modeling was arbitrary and unlawful since there is no legal requirement preventing the unit from continuing to operate beyond 2028. The Conservation Groups further state that the existing NO_x and SO₂ emission controls on Duke - Gibson Units 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5 are underperforming and that upgrades to the existing controls would likely be feasible and cost-effective.

As described in further detail in the RTC, EPA disagrees with this comment and notes that the assumptions used in modeling future projections were based on the best available information at the time. Although there is no current legal obligation for Unit 5 to retire, EPA continues to find that IDEM has sufficiently demonstrated that Units 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5 are effectively controlled for the second implementation period and that a four-factor analysis would not likely result in the conclusion that further controls are necessary for reasonable progress. In this regard, consistent with the 2019 Guidance, IDEM showed that the SO₂ emission rates for all units are below the 2012 Mercury and Air Toxics Standards (MATS) for coal-fired EGUs. Additionally, NO_x emission rates are below the 0.08 pounds

per million metric British thermal units (lbs/MMBtu) level for EGUs with optimized selective catalytic reduction (SCR) under the Revised Cross-State Air Pollution Rule (CSAPR) Update,⁸ flue gas desulfurization (FGD) control efficiencies are greater than 90 percent, and SCR control efficiencies are greater than 80 percent.

Comment and Response 14c: Alcoa - Warrick Power Plant. The Conservation Groups argue that Indiana should conduct a four-factor analysis on Alcoa - Warrick Power Plant's Units 1, 2, 3, and 4.

As described in further detail in the RTC, EPA disagrees with this comment and notes that IDEM has sufficiently demonstrated that Alcoa - Warrick Power Plant Units 1, 2, 3 and 4 are effectively controlled for the second implementation period. All four units are subject to BART emission limitations from the first implementation period on a pollutant-specific basis and continue to operate BART controls. Thus, as described in the 2019 Guidance, although BART-eligible sources should not be categorically excluded from further analysis in each planning period, the source is currently operating controls to meet BART emission limits, and it is unlikely that there will be further available reasonable controls. Based on the information

⁸ See 86 FR 23054, 23088, April 30, 2021.

provided in Indiana's SIP submission and the BART analysis, IDEM appropriately demonstrated that a full four-factor analysis would likely result in the conclusion that no further controls are necessary.

Comment and Response 14d: AEP - Rockport. The Conservation Groups state that the existing NO_x and SO₂ emission controls on AEP - Rockport Units 1 and 2 are underperforming and that a four-factor analysis should have been performed.

As further explained in the RTC, EPA disagrees with this comment and maintains that IDEM has sufficiently demonstrated that AEP - Rockport MB1 and MB2 are effectively controlled for the second implementation period. In this regard, as described in the 2019 Guidance, IDEM showed that with the recent installation of enhanced dry sorbent injection (DSI) and SCR on MB2, the SO₂ emission rates for both boilers are below the 0.2 lbs/MMBtu level for coal-fired EGUs in the 2012 MATS, and NO_x emission rates are below the 0.08 lbs/MMBtu level for units with SCR under the Revised CSAPR Update.

Comment and Response 14e: IKEC - Clifty Creek. The Conservation Groups argue that additional cost-effective NO_x and SO₂ emission controls are likely to exist for IKEC - Clifty Creek's six EGUs and that a four-factor analysis should have been performed.

As described in greater detail in the RTC, EPA disagrees

with this comment and maintains that IDEM has sufficiently demonstrated that IKEC - Clifty Creek Units 1 - 6 are effectively controlled for the second implementation period as described in the 2019 Guidance, with FGDs achieving 98 percent SO₂ control efficiency, SCRs and overfire air achieving 70-90 percent NO_x control on an annual basis, and actual SO₂ emission rates for all six units below the 2012 MATS level for coal-fired EGUs. Additionally, IDEM has thoroughly documented NO_x emissions that are progressively constrained on an annual basis under the Revised CSAPR Update Rule and the lack of potential controls for NO_x that IDEM considers cost-effective.

Comment and Response 14f: Duke - Cayuga. The Conservation Groups argue that Indiana should be required to conduct a four-factor analysis on Duke - Cayuga's two coal-fired EGUs Units 2 and 3 and that cost-effective options for additional NO_x emission controls would likely be cost-effective.

As explained in greater detail in the RTC, EPA disagrees with this comment and maintains that IDEM has sufficiently demonstrated that Duke - Cayuga Units 2 and 3 are effectively controlled for the second implementation period. In this regard, as described in the 2019 Guidance, IDEM documented FGD systems achieving 95 percent control efficiency, SO₂ rates that are below MATS for coal fired units, and NO_x emissions that are controlled by low-NO_x burners with separated over fire air and

SCR achieving 88 percent control efficiency.

Comment and Response 15: The Conservation Groups contend that EPA neglected its duty to review Indiana's source-specific four-factor analyses. The Conservation Groups also argue that IDEM did not rigorously analyze controls that the Conservation Groups maintain are likely cost effective and, in so doing, did not appropriately require additional control measures for any of the nine sources IDEM evaluated to reduce emissions to make reasonable progress. The nine sources include: (a) Lone Star Industries, Inc. - Greencastle dba Buzzi Unicem USA; (b) Cleveland-Cliffs Steel, LLC - Indiana Harbor East and Indiana Harbor West; (c) Cleveland-Cliffs Steel, LLC - Burns Harbor; (d) U.S. Steel - Gary Works; (e) SABIC Innovative Plastics - Mt. Vernon, LLC; (f) Warrick Newco LLC, formerly Alcoa Warrick Operations, LLC; (g) Cokenergy, LLC; and (h) Heidleberg Materials US Cement LLC - Mitchell Plant, formerly Lehigh Cement Company, LLC - Mitchell Plant.

As further explained in the RTC and as outlined in our NPRM and April 22, 2025, TSD, EPA carefully evaluated Indiana's 2021 SIP submission along with the comments from the Federal Land Managers (FLMs) consultation and the State's public notice period, as well as the State's responses to those comments. Based on the complete record, EPA explained its decision to approve the SIP and took comment on the proposed approval in the

NPRM. EPA recognizes that IDEM worked directly with the sources to conduct extensive site-specific technical work and provide full documentation in support of its 2021 SIP to submit complete four-factor analyses evaluating potential feasible and reasonable control measures. In the NPRM and April 22, 2025, TSD, EPA documented the existing controls, permit limitations, control options, potential reductions, and potential costs for new controls that the State relied upon in its four-factor analyses. In making its determinations, IDEM properly considered the four statutory factors along with projected 2028 visibility conditions for Class I areas influenced by emissions from Indiana sources, emission reductions that have occurred, and current control technologies in concluding no additional controls were necessary to make reasonable progress.

Comment and Response 15a: Lone Star Industries, Inc. - Greencastle dba Buzzi Unicem USA. The Conservation Groups state that IDEM's four-factor analysis should have also evaluated SCR and lacked documentation with the consideration of selective non-catalytic reduction for the remaining useful life and interest rate in the cost calculations. The Conservation Groups also contend that Indiana reached its conclusions before the FLM consultation period and the public comment period.

As explained in detail in the RTC, EPA disagrees and notes that IDEM did consider SCR in determining feasible control

options. For each control option evaluated, IDEM also provided extensive site-specific documentation, including an explanation of the control technologies, applicability, the limitations, expected removal efficiencies and performance, as well as considerations for cost analyses for both capital and operating costs and the relationship with reduction efficiency.

Further, EPA disagrees with the Conservation Groups' allegations that IDEM failed to incorporate FLM comments in its planning. EPA believes IDEM genuinely and consistently portrayed its intentions by clearly stating, "it is important to address the FLMs comments as thoroughly as possible to show that Indiana has seriously evaluated the selected sources..."⁹ EPA finds in this final rulemaking that Indiana has satisfied the consultation and public notice requirements of 40 CFR 51.102 and 51.308(i).

Comment and Response 15b: Cleveland-Cliffs Steel, LLC - Indiana Harbor East and Indiana Harbor West. In addition to the potential controls examined in the four-factor analyses, the Conservation Groups assert that IDEM should have evaluated additional emission controls for the No. 5 Boiler House, Blast Furnace Stoves, Lime Kilns, and Walking Beam Furnaces.

As described in further detail in the RTC, EPA disagrees

⁹ Appendix P, p.3 of Indiana's 2021 SIP submission.

with this comment and notes that IDEM explained that Indiana Harbor East and Indiana Harbor West identified control measures that were commercially demonstrated on similar applications by searching air permits for other iron and steel mills and other similar sources, the Nucor 2010 Best Available Control Technology (BACT) analysis,¹⁰ as well as EPA's Reasonably Available Control Technology (RACT), BACT, and Lowest Achievable Emission Rate (LAER) Clearinghouse (RBLC).¹¹ The RBLC contains case-specific information on the "best available" air pollution technologies that have been required to reduce the emission of air pollutants from stationary sources. EPA maintains that IDEM's approach produced an extensive list of control measures relevant to the industry that had proven effective for certain applications and identified a thorough set of control measures for evaluation.

Regarding the cost analyses, IDEM and Cleveland-Cliffs Steel, LLC provided a thorough explanation, justification, and documentation of the cost parameters used in four-factor analyses as well as in its responses to the comments from the FLMS that appropriately considered site-specific factors. The

¹⁰ Nucor Steel Louisiana "Consolidated Environmental Management Inc. - Nucor Steel Louisiana, Best Available Control Technology Analyses," March 1, 2010 (Nucor 2010 BACT).

¹¹ EPA's RBLC is available through <https://cfpub.epa.gov/rblc/index.cfm?action=Home.Home> and <https://www.epa.gov/catc/ractbactlaer-clearinghouse-rblc-basic-information>.

Conservation Groups provided their own cost calculations, but their estimates did not include site-specific factors.

Comment and Response 15c: Cleveland-Cliffs Steel, LLC - Burns Harbor. In addition to the emission control options examined in the four-factor analysis, the Conservation Groups assert that IDEM should have evaluated additional options for the Coke Batteries, Coke Ovens, and Coke Oven Gas Export Line as well as provided better documentation for parameters such as the remaining useful life and interest rate in the cost calculations.

As discussed further in the RTC, EPA disagrees with this comment and notes that IDEM provided sufficient documentation and identified control measures that were commercially demonstrated on similar applications by searching air permits for other iron and steel mills and other similar sources, the Nucor 2010 BACT analysis, as well as EPA's RBLC. EPA notes that IDEM's approach produced an extensive list of control measures relevant to the industry that had proven effective for certain applications and identified a thorough set of control measures for evaluation. For the Coke Batteries, Coke Ovens, and Coke Oven Gas Export Line, the four-factor analysis search found no examples where SCR or wet scrubbers had been installed and successfully operated to control NO_x and SO₂ emissions under similar physical and operating conditions to those at Burns

Harbor.¹²

Although the Conservations Groups assert that the cost analyses lacked documentation, IDEM and Cleveland-Cliffs Steel, LLC provided a thorough explanation, justification, and documentation of the cost parameters used in the four-factor analysis and in its responses to the comments from the FLMS.

Comment and Response 15d: U.S. Steel - Gary Works. In addition to the emission control options examined in the four-factor analysis, the Conservation Groups assert that IDEM should have evaluated SCR for the 84" Strip Mill Reheat Furnace and used different values in the cost analysis for low-NO_x burners on the Waste Heat Boilers 1 and 2.

As described in more detail in the RTC, EPA disagrees with this comment. EPA notes that IDEM identified control measures that were commercially demonstrated on similar applications by searching air permits for other iron and steel mills and other similar sources, the Nucor 2010 BACT analysis, and EPA's RBLC. However, IDEM's search did not find a SCR that had been installed and successfully operated on a similar source and under similar operating conditions as Gary Works.

Regarding the cost analyses for low-NO_x burners for Waste Heat Boiler 1, although the Conservations Groups provided their

¹² For lists obtained during the search of EPA's RBLC and air permits, see appendices A and B of appendix B of appendix I to Indiana's 2021 SIP submission.

own cost calculations using different parameters, EPA notes that IDEM and U.S. Steel - Gary Works provided a thorough explanation, justification, and documentation of the cost parameters used in the four-factor analysis¹³ and in its responses to the comments from the FLMs¹⁴ that appropriately considered site-specific factors that the Conservation Groups' estimates did not.

Comment and Response 15e: SABIC Innovative Plastics - Mt. Vernon, LLC. The Conservation Groups assert that IDEM's four-factor analysis lacked consideration of all emission sources besides the Co-generation Unit and COS Vent Oxidizer as well as appropriate assumptions for costs and remaining useful life.

As detailed further in the RTC, EPA disagrees with this comment and notes that of the emission sources listed in the facility's title V permit,¹⁵ the Co-generation Unit accounted for the largest portion of the facility's total potential to emit NO_x at 39 percent. Based on this, EPA agrees that IDEM appropriately focused its evaluation of potential emission reduction for NO_x on the Co-generation Unit rather than the emissions from the other boilers and units. Although the

¹³ See section 13.10, 13.11, 13.12 and appendices I and J of Indiana's 2021 SIP submission.

¹⁴ See appendix S to Indiana's 2021 SIP submission.

¹⁵ Title V Permit 129-45722-00002 for SABIC Innovative Plastics - Mt. Vernon, LLC issued June 16, 2023, is publicly available at <https://permits.air.idem.in.gov/45722f.pdf>.

Conservation Groups assert that IDEM did not provide underlying calculations and supporting information, EPA notes that the four-factor analysis provided a solid basis for calculating the total capital investment and cost effectiveness and documentation was provided in Section 15 and appendices I and J of Indiana's 2021 SIP submission.

Comment and Response 15f: Warrick Newco LLC, formerly Alcoa Warrick Operations, LLC. The Conservation Groups assert that the four-factor analysis should have evaluated NO_x emissions as well as SO₂ emissions and provided better documentation for figures used in the cost calculations.

As discussed in further detail in the RTC, EPA disagrees with this comment and notes that NO_x emissions from Alcoa Warrick Operations, LLC represented the lowest levels of all the sources that IDEM evaluated for a four-factor analysis. As such, IDEM's decision at the time to focus resources on addressing potential controls in the second implementation period for only SO₂ was well reasoned. EPA also determined that IDEM provided sufficient relevant documentation for the economic and emissions information used in the four-factor analysis.

Comment and Response 15g: Cokenergy, LLC. The Conservation Groups claim that the four-factor analysis was not a four-factor analysis, but rather a recitation of studies and projects, and should have also evaluated DSI and upgrades to other existing

systems.

As further addressed in the RTC, EPA disagrees with this comment and notes that the summaries of the previous studies and projects served to develop a set of technically feasible control options for evaluation and that the four-factor analysis then addressed each of the statutory four factors in turn. Although the Conservation Groups assert that several other specific options should have been addressed, many of those suggested by the Conservation Groups were considered during the course of the studies mentioned above, including evaluations of installing or upgrading DSI, spray dryer absorbers, and atomizers. EPA notes that these options, along with the other options evaluated, represented a reasonable selection of control options.

Comment and Response 15h: Heidleberg Materials US Cement LLC – Mitchell Plant, formerly Lehigh Cement Company, LLC – Mitchell Plant. The Conservation Groups note that IDEM selected this source for a four-factor analysis but did not complete one.

As described in additional detail in the RTC, EPA notes that, pursuant to an amended Federal consent decree,¹⁶ Lehigh

¹⁶ See *USA, State of Indiana, State of Iowa, State of Maryland, State of New York, Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection, Jefferson County Board of Health, and Bay Area Air Quality Management District v. Lehigh Cement Company, LLC and Lehigh White Cement Company, LLC*, Civil Action No. 5:19-cv-05688-JFL in United States District Court, Eastern District of Pennsylvania. The initial and amended consent decrees are available in the docket and at <https://www.justice.gov/enrd/consent-decree/file/1223121/dl>; <https://www.justice.gov/enrd/consent-decree/file/1352971/dl>.

will be permanently ending operations of Kilns 1, 2, and 3 by the end of 2025. In the future, Lehigh will be installing and operating SCR and meeting the NSPS for Portland Cement Plants (40 CFR 60, subpart F) for any new kilns.

Comment and Response 16: The Conservation Groups argue that source-specific BART determinations in the first implementation period need to be reassessed. Under 42 USC 7491(b)(2)(A), the Conservation Groups state that the CAA established BART as a mandatory part of “each applicable implementation plan” for “each” BART-eligible source that emits “any” air pollutant which may cause or contribute to “any” impairment of visibility in “any” Class I area.

As explained further in the RTC, EPA disagrees that States are required to conduct BART analyses anew in the second regional haze implementation period and onward. Specifically, EPA disagrees that its second implementation period regulations require a BART analysis for second implementation period SIPs. Pursuant to 40 CFR 51.308(e)(5), once Indiana satisfied the BART requirements in the first implementation period, Indiana’s BART-eligible sources were then subject to the long-term strategy requirements in 40 CFR 51.308(f) for the second implementation period. As stated throughout our proposal and this final action, EPA finds that Indiana properly met the long-term strategy requirements of 40 CFR 51.308(f) in the second

implementation period.

Comment and Response 17: The Conservation Groups assert that EPA should analyze the impact of Indiana regional haze pollution on local communities since the same pollutants contributing to regional haze also contribute disparately to public health impacts on people residing closest to the sources. The Conservation Groups state that people living in these communities tend to be exposed to higher levels of particulate matter and NO_x and tend to have less access to quality health care to treat the impacts of environmental pollution.

As discussed in more detail in the RTC, with respect to public health concerns, the primary national ambient air quality standards provide public health protection. In contrast, the visibility program, prescribed by CAA sections 169A and 169B and implemented in 40 CFR 51.308, is not a health-based program. EPA is acting upon Indiana's 2021 Regional Haze SIP submission as required by regional haze regulations at 40 CFR 51.308.

Comment and Response 23: The Conservation Groups commented that EPA must withdraw its proposal to approve Indiana's 2021 SIP Revision and disapprove it.

For the reasons stated in the NPRM, EPA's April 22, 2025, TSD, EPA's December 19, 2025, RTC, this notice of final rulemaking, and the foregoing summary of responses to comments in this docket, EPA disagrees that Indiana failed to satisfy the

requirements of the CAA and RHR. EPA also disagrees that EPA's proposed approval of Indiana's 2021 SIP Revision was fundamentally flawed in such a way as to make it ineffective at achieving reasonable progress in the second implementation period. Thus, as proposed in the NPRM, EPA is finalizing its approval of Indiana's 2021 SIP Revision as satisfying the applicable requirements under the CAA and RHR for the program's second implementation period.

C. Comments and Responses that are specific to EPA's URP Policy

EPA received several comments regarding EPA's URP policy. Comments from IDEM (Comment 6), PGen (Comment 7), Utilities for Reasonable Progress (Comment 8), and OVEC and IKEC (Comment 9) were supportive of EPA's URP policy. Comments from the Community Organizations (Comment 10b), MANEVU (Comment 11a) and the Conservation Groups (Comments 18 - 22) were opposed to EPA's URP policy.

In this final action, EPA is affirming that it is now the Agency's policy that, where visibility conditions for a Class I Federal area impacted by a State are below the URP and the State has considered the four statutory factors, the State will have presumptively demonstrated reasonable progress for the second implementation period for that area. EPA acknowledges that this final action reflects a change in policy as to how the URP should be used in the evaluation of regional haze second

implementation period SIPs but believes that this policy better aligns with the purpose of the statute and RHR: achieving “reasonable” progress towards natural visibility.

As described in the approval of West Virginia’s regional haze plan (90 FR 29737, July 7, 2025), EPA has discretion and authority to change its policy. In *FCC v. Fox Television Stations, Inc.*, the U.S. Supreme Court plainly stated that an agency is free to change a prior policy and “need not demonstrate ... that the reasons for the new policy are better than the reasons for the old one; it suffices that the new policy is permissible under the statute, that there are good reasons for it, and that the agency believes it to be better.” 556 U.S. 502, 515 (2009) (referencing *Motor Vehicle Mfrs. Ass’n of United States, Inc. v. State Farm Mut. Auto. Ins. Co.*, 463 U.S. 29 (1983)). See also *Perez v. Mortgage Bankers Assn.*, 135 S. Ct. 1199 (2015).

The Class I areas impacted by emissions from Indiana sources are all below the 2028 URP, and IDEM’s SIP submission demonstrated that the State took into consideration the four reasonable progress factors listed in CAA 169A(g)(1)¹⁷ with respect to an adequate number of emissions sources. Thus, EPA

¹⁷ The four statutory factors required to be taken into consideration in determining reasonable progress are: the costs of compliance, the time necessary for compliance, and the energy and non-air quality environmental impacts of compliance, and the remaining useful life of any existing source subject to such requirements. CAA section 169(g)(1).

determines that Indiana's SIP revision is fully approvable under the Agency's new URP policy. Indeed, we think this policy better aligns with the statutory goal because it recognizes the considerable improvements in visibility impairment that have been made by a wide variety of State and Federal programs in recent decades.

In developing the regulations required by CAA section 169A(b), EPA established the concept of the URP for each Class I area. The URP is determined by drawing a straight line from the measured 2000 to 2004 baseline conditions (in deciviews) for the 20 percent most impaired days at each Class I area to the estimated natural conditions (in deciviews) for the 20 percent most impaired days in 2064. From this calculation, a URP value can be calculated for each year between 2004 and 2064. EPA developed the URP to address the diverse concerns of Eastern and Western States and account for the varying levels of visibility impairment in Class I areas around the country while ensuring an equitable approach nationwide. For each Class I area, States must calculate the URP for the end of each planning period (e.g., in 2028 for the second implementation period).¹⁸ 40 CFR

¹⁸ We note that RPGs are a regulatory construct that we developed to address the statutory mandate in CAA section 169B(e)(1), which required our regulations to include "criteria for measuring 'reasonable progress' toward the national goal." Under 40 CFR 51.308(f)(3)(ii), RPGs measure the progress that is projected to be achieved by the control measures a State has determined are necessary to make reasonable progress. Consistent with the 1999 RHR, the RPGs are unenforceable, though they create a benchmark that allows for analytical comparisons to the URP and mid-implementation-period course corrections if necessary. 82 FR 3091-3092 (January 10, 2017).

51.308(f)(1)(vi)(A). States may also adjust the URP to account for impacts from anthropogenic sources outside the United States and/or impacts from certain wildland prescribed fires. 40 CFR 51.308(f)(1)(vi)(B). Then, for each Class I area, States must compare the reasonable progress goal (RPG) for the 20 percent most impaired days to the URP for the end of the planning period. If the RPG is above the URP, then an additional "robust demonstration" requirement is triggered for each State that contributes to that Class I area. 40 CFR 51.308(f)(3)(ii)(B).

In the 2017 RHR Revisions, EPA addressed the role of the URP as it relates to a State's development of its second implementation period SIP. 82 FR 3078 (January 10, 2017). Specifically, in response to comments suggesting that the URP should be considered a "safe harbor" that relieves States of any obligation to consider the four statutory factors, EPA explained that the URP was not intended to be such a safe harbor. *Id.* at 3099. "Some commenters stated a desire for corresponding rule text dealing with situations where RPGs are equal to ('on') or better than ('below') the URP or glidepath. Several commenters stated that the URP or glidepath should be a 'safe harbor,' opining that States should be permitted to analyze whether projected visibility conditions for the end of the implementation period will be on or below the glidepath based on

on-the-books or on-the-way control measures, and that in such cases a four-factor analysis should not be required.” *Id.*

Other comments indicated a similar approach, such as “a somewhat narrower entrance to a ‘safe harbor,’ by suggesting that if current visibility conditions are already below the end-of-planning-period point on the URP line, a four-factor analysis should not be required.” *Id.* EPA stated in its response that we did not agree with either of these recommendations. “The CAA requires that each SIP revision contain long-term strategies for making reasonable progress, and that in determining reasonable progress States must consider the four statutory factors. Treating the URP as a safe harbor would be inconsistent with the statutory requirement that States assess the potential to make further reasonable progress towards natural visibility goal in every implementation period.” *Id.*

Importantly, EPA's recently adopted policy does not make the URP a safe harbor. The policy merely creates a presumption that the State's second implementation period SIP is making reasonable progress for a Class I Federal Area if the State has taken into consideration the four statutory factors of 169A(g)(1) and that area is below the URP. This is consistent with the CAA and RHR.

Comment and Response 11a: Instead of relying on the RPGs, MANEVU asserts EPA's URP policy is not permissible and that EPA

is now using the URP as the determinative metric, to ignore the extensive work of the States, the FLMS, and the public in developing the RPGs.

As discussed further in the RTC, EPA disagrees with MANEVU's comment. EPA's URP policy does not ignore the results of a State's four-factor analysis if a Class I area is below the URP. Consistent with EPA's discussion under the preamble of the 2017 RHR, the URP continues to serve as a regulatory planning metric to inform States' decision making when considering the four statutory factors. EPA's URP policy recognizes the considerable improvements in visibility impairment that have been made by State and Federal programs resulting from decades of work and interaction between members of State and Federal agencies and the public.

Comment and Response 18: The Conservation Groups argue that EPA's URP Policy violates the CAA's visibility provisions. The Conservation Groups raise several issues pertaining to EPA's URP policy: a) EPA's URP policy violates the plain language of the CAA, b) EPA's contemporaneous understanding of the CAA reflects the best reading of the statute, c) the context of the CAA's visibility provisions confirms the best reading of the statute, and d) the purpose of the CAA's visibility provisions confirms the best reading of the statute.

EPA disagrees with each of these comments, including the

Conservation Groups' position that the URP policy articulated in our proposed approval of Indiana's regional haze SIP submission is inconsistent with the CAA. The Conservation Groups' reading of the statute is not the best, and they misconstrue the recently adopted policy in several ways. EPA notes that the comments and responses on each above point are presented in detail in the RTC document.

EPA's new URP policy is consistent with the CAA. Pursuant to CAA 169A(a)(4), Congress explicitly delegated to EPA the authority to promulgate regulations regarding reasonable progress towards meeting the national goal. In determining the measures necessary to make reasonable progress, Congress mandated "tak[ing] into consideration the cost of compliance, the time necessary for compliance, and the energy and nonair quality environmental impacts of compliance, and the remaining useful life of any existing source subject to such requirement." CAA 169A(g)(1).

EPA emphasizes that just because a Class I area is below the URP does not mean that a State is relieved of its obligations under the CAA and the RHR to make reasonable progress. In other words, the URP is not a "safe harbor," as that phrase has sometimes been used, because EPA still must review a State's determination whether additional control measures are necessary to make reasonable progress, determine

whether the State submitted those measures for incorporation into the SIP, and evaluate whether the measures are consistent with other provisions in the CAA.

As required by the statute, Indiana took into consideration the four statutory factors in CAA section 169A(g)(1) and determined that no additional controls were necessary to make reasonable progress at the sources selected. CAA section 169A(b)(2) only requires SIPs to include “such emission limits, schedules of compliance and other measures *as may be necessary* to make reasonable progress” (emphasis added). IDEM concluded that it was not necessary to incorporate any new emission limits, schedules of compliance, or other measures into its SIP in light of the progress already made.

Comments and Responses 10 and 19: Both the Community Organizations and Conservation Groups argued that EPA’s URP policy is inconsistent with the RHR.

As discussed in the RTC, EPA disagrees with the commenters’ position that the URP policy is inconsistent with the RHR. This comment tracks many of the issues commenters raised with respect to their allegations that EPA’s recently adopted URP policy is inconsistent with the CAA. Under the URP policy, and consistent with 40 CFR 51.308(f)(2), States are still required to identify measures necessary for reasonable progress by considering the four statutory factors set forth in CAA 169A(g)(1) and to submit

measures necessary for reasonable progress to EPA to be reviewed for approvability into the SIP. The URP policy does not create an exemption to either of these provisions.

Comment and Response 20: The Conservations Groups comment that EPA's articulation and application of its new URP policy is unclear and incoherent. In this regard, the Conservation Groups argue: (a) Mere consideration of the four factors is inconsistent with the CAA and the RHR and is fundamentally irrational, (b) EPA fails to explain why a four-factor analysis must be rational when, under the URP policy, its result does not matter and EPA does not substantively review it, and (c) EPA further muddies the waters by considering other factors in an arbitrary and capricious way.

As discussed in detail in the RTC for Responses 20a, 20b, and 20c, EPA disagrees with the Conservation Groups' arguments mentioned above regarding EPA's application of the URP policy being unclear and incoherent. EPA's recently adopted policy is consistent with the CAA and is not arbitrary or capricious. The Conservation Groups incorrectly assert that the URP policy ignores the results of a State's four-factor analysis if a Class I area is below the URP. Just because a Class I area is below the URP does not mean that a State is relieved of its obligations under the CAA and the RHR to make reasonable progress. EPA must still review a State's determination whether

additional control measures are necessary to make reasonable progress, determine whether the State submitted those measures for incorporation into the SIP, and evaluate whether the measures are consistent with other provisions in the CAA.

Comment and Response 21: The Conservation Groups assert that announcing and applying EPA's new URP policy in state-specific regional actions violates the procedural requirements of the CAA under 306(a)(2) regarding consistency among Regional Offices in implementing the CAA. The Conservation Groups argue that EPA's URP policy unlawfully departs from national policy and is inconsistent with actions across EPA regions.

EPA disagrees with the Conservation Groups' position here as further explained in the RTC. EPA's change in policy is consistent with *FCC v. Fox Television*, 556 U.S. 502 (2009). Under *FCC v. Fox*, an agency's change in policy is permissible if the agency acknowledges the change, believes it to be better, and "show[s] that there are good reasons for the new policy." 556 U.S. at 515. We stated our reasons for implementing the recently adopted URP policy in the final action approving the West Virginia SIP for the second implementation period. 90 FR 29737 (Jul. 7, 2025). The reasons for the recently adopted policy were more fully articulated in section V, *The EPA's Rationale for Proposing Approval*, of that proposal. 90 FR 16478 (Apr. 18, 2025). Therefore, EPA has sufficiently justified the

change in policy under *FCC v. Fox*.

The decision in *FCC v. Fox* turned primarily on whether the FCC's change in policy would lead to the FCC "arbitrarily punishing parties without notice of the potential consequences of their action." 556 U.S. at 517. The changed policy is prospective, which addresses the primary concern in *FCC v. Fox*. Additionally, the recently adopted URP policy "aligns with the purpose of the statute and RHR, which is achieving 'reasonable' progress, not maximal progress, toward Congress' natural visibility goal." 90 FR 16478, at 16483. Furthermore, we note that the legislative history of CAA section 169A is consistent with our change in policy. The reconciliation report for the 1977 CAA amendments indicates that the term "maximum feasible progress" in section 169A was changed to "reasonable progress" in the final version of the legislation passed by both chambers. See Legislative History of the CAA Amendments of 1977 Public Law 95-95 (1977), *H.R. Rep. No. 95-564*, at 535.

EPA notes that EPA's Regional Consistency regulations at 40 CFR part 56, and in particular 40 CFR 56.5(b), are not relevant to this action. 40 CFR 56.5(b) requires that a "responsible official in a Regional office shall seek concurrence from the appropriate EPA Headquarters office on any interpretation of the Act, or rule, regulation, or program directive when such interpretation may result in application of the act or rule,

regulation, or program directive that *is inconsistent* with Agency policy” (emphasis added). As we expressly indicated in the proposal for this action, the approval is *consistent* with the change in agency policy, first announced in *Air Plan Approval; West Virginia; Regional Haze State Implementation Plan for the Second Implementation Period*. 90 FR 16478 (Apr. 18, 2025). Therefore, there is no obligation under the EPA's Regional Consistency regulations for anyone in the region to seek concurrence from EPA Headquarters to take action consistent with EPA policy. The lack of relevance of these regulations to this action accounts for the lack of materials related to compliance with the Regional Consistency process in the docket for this rulemaking.

The Conservation Groups also argue that EPA's URP policy effectively revises the RHR and raises the question of whether it has nationwide scope and effect.

EPA disagrees with the Conservation Groups' comment here as further explained in the RTC. EPA notes that this action is “locally or regionally applicable” under CAA section 307(b)(1) because it applies only to a SIP submission from a single State, Indiana. See *Oklahoma v. EPA*, 605 U.S. 609, 620 (2025) (a SIP is “a state-specific plan” and “the CAA recognizes this limited scope in enumerating a SIP approval as a locally or regionally applicable action”); see also, *Am. Rd. & Transp. Builders Ass'n*,

705 F.3d 453, 455 (D.C. Cir. 2013) (describing EPA action to approve a single SIP under CAA section 110 as the “[p]rototypical” locally or regionally applicable action).

Whether our proposal to approve Indiana’s second implementation period SIP relies on a new national policy has no bearing on the applicability of EPA’s final action. To determine whether an action is “nationally applicable” or “locally or regionally applicable,” “court[s] need look only to the face of the agency action, not its practical effects” *EPA v. Calumet Shreveport Refining, L.L.C.*, 605 U.S. 627, 642 (2025) (“[W]e determine an action’s range of applicability by ‘look[ing] only to the face of the [action], rather than to its practical effects.’”) (quoting *Am. Rd. & Transp. Builders Ass’n*, 705 F.3d at 456) and *Oklahoma*, 605 U.S. at 621-622 (basis for EPA action is not relevant to determining its applicability); see also *Sierra Club v. EPA*, 926 F.3d 844, 849 (D.C. Cir. 2019) and *RMS of Georgia, LLC v. EPA*, 64 F.4th 1368, 1372 (11th Cir. 2023) (“our sister circuits have established a consensus that we should begin our analysis by analyzing the nature of the EPA’s action, not the specifics of the petitioner’s grievance”).

Furthermore, the comments that claim the recently adopted URP policy “amend[s] the nationally applicable RHR” are unsupported and incorrect. This action simply applies our recently adopted policy related to the URP in the context of

EPA's evaluation of Indiana's regional haze SIP submission. Because this action applies a recently adopted policy to a SIP submission from Indiana alone, it is locally or regionally, not nationally, applicable.

Comments that claim that EPA "must" publish a finding that this action is "based on a determination of nationwide scope [or] effect" are also unsupported and incorrect. The Supreme Court has recognized that "[b]ecause the 'nationwide scope or effect' exception can apply only when 'EPA so finds and publishes' that it does, EPA can decide whether the exception is even potentially relevant." *Calumet Shreveport Refining, L.L.C.*, 605 U.S. at 646, citing *Sierra Club v. EPA*, 47 F.4th 738, 746 (D.C. Cir. 2022). As the D.C. Circuit has also stated, the "EPA's decision whether to make and publish a finding of nationwide scope or effect is committed to the agency's discretion and thus is unreviewable." *Sierra Club v. EPA*, 47 F.4th at 745; see also *Texas v. EPA*, 983 F.3d 826, 835 (5th Cir. 2020) ("when a locally applicable action is based on a determination of nationwide scope or effect, the EPA has discretion to select the venue for judicial review").

The Administrator has not made and published a finding that this action is based on a determination of nationwide scope or effect. Accordingly, any petition for review of this action must be filed in the United States Court of Appeals for the

appropriate regional circuit.

Comment and Response 22: The Conservation Groups comment that Indiana's 2021 SIP submission does not meet EPA's URP policy for presumptive approval. As such, the Conservation Groups argue that Indiana: a) would not be able to meet the RHR monitoring requirements without the IMPROVE network if its continued operation were threatened, b) relies on adjusted URP glidepaths that do not comply with the RHR, and c) ignores additional out-of-state Class I areas affected by visibility impairing emissions from Indiana.

EPA disagrees with these comments as further discussed in the RTC. Indiana met the requirements of the recently adopted policy. First, the RHR requires States to submit a long-term strategy that addresses regional haze visibility impairment for each mandatory Class I Federal area within the State and for each mandatory Class I Federal area located outside the state that may be affected by emissions from the State. 40 CFR 51.308(f)(2); see also CAA 169A(b)(2). However, there is no specific statutory or regulatory requirement to identify the precise set of Class I areas that are affected by emissions from Indiana, and there is no requirement to establish a source contribution threshold in identifying those areas. In this case, Indiana identified affected out-of-state Class I areas, none of which are above the 2028 URP.

EPA believes Indiana has reasonably documented its impacts to in-state and out-of-state Class I areas, and they are not reasonably anticipated to cause or contribute to any impairment in any area that is above the URP.

In conclusion, IDEM took into consideration the four statutory factors in CAA section 169A(g) (1) and determined that no additional controls were necessary to make reasonable progress for the specific sources selected for four-factor analyses. CAA section 169A(b) (2) only requires SIPs to include "such emission limits, schedules of compliance and other measures *as may be necessary* to make reasonable progress" (emphasis added). IDEM concluded that it was not necessary to incorporate any new emission limitations, schedules of compliance, or other measures into its SIP for these sources. Thus, IDEM did not ignore the results of its consideration of the four statutory factors; rather, as supported by the recently adopted URP policy, the State properly used the URP to inform its final decision making as to the measures necessary to make reasonable progress in the second implementation period.

D. EPA's Final Approval

EPA determines that Indiana reasonably considered the statutory and regulatory requirements and appropriately determined what measures are necessary for reasonable progress for the second implementation period. As such, EPA finds that

Indiana submitted a Regional Haze SIP revision that meets all the regional haze requirements for the second implementation period.

EPA concludes that Indiana's determinations of the measures necessary for reasonable progress were based on a reasonable consideration of the four statutory factors. IDEM thoroughly evaluated and determined the emission reduction measures that are necessary to make reasonable progress by considering the four statutory factors. IDEM also documented large statewide emissions reductions achieved during the second implementation period.

EPA is finalizing its approval of Indiana's December 29, 2021, Regional Haze SIP submission for the second implementation period as proposed.

IV. Final Action

For the reasons set forth in the June 18, 2025, NPRM, the April 22, 2025, TSD, the December 19, 2025, RTC document, and in this final rule, EPA is approving the Regional Haze SIP revision for Indiana submitted by IDEM on December 29, 2021, as satisfying the regional haze requirements for the second implementation period contained in 40 CFR 51.308(f).

V. Statutory and Executive Order Reviews

Under the CAA, the Administrator is required to approve a SIP submission that complies with the provisions of the CAA and

applicable Federal regulations. 42 U.S.C. 7410(k); 40 CFR 52.02(a). Thus, in reviewing SIP submissions, EPA's role is to approve State choices, provided that they meet the criteria of the CAA. Accordingly, this action merely approves State law as meeting Federal requirements and does not impose additional requirements beyond those imposed by State law. For that reason, this action:

- Is not a significant regulatory action subject to review by the Office of Management and Budget under Executive Order 12866 (58 FR 51735, October 4, 1993);
- Is not subject to Executive Order 14192 (90 FR 9065, February 6, 2025) because SIP actions are exempt from review under Executive Order 12866;
- Does not impose an information collection burden under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*);
- Is certified as not having a significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities under the Regulatory Flexibility Act (5 U.S.C. 601 *et seq.*);
- Does not contain any unfunded mandate or significantly or uniquely affect small governments, as described in the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act of 1995 (Pub. L. 104-4);
- Does not have federalism implications as specified in

Executive Order 13132 (64 FR 43255, August 10, 1999);

- Is not subject to Executive Order 13045 (62 FR 19885, April 23, 1997) because it approves a State program;
- Is not a significant regulatory action subject to Executive Order 13211 (66 FR 28355, May 22, 2001); and
- Is not subject to requirements of section 12(d) of the National Technology Transfer and Advancement Act of 1995 (15 U.S.C. 272 note) because application of those requirements would be inconsistent with the CAA.

In addition, the SIP is not approved to apply on any Indian reservation land or in any other area where EPA or an Indian Tribe has demonstrated that a Tribe has jurisdiction. In those areas of Indian country, the rule does not have Tribal implications and will not impose substantial direct costs on Tribal governments or preempt Tribal law as specified by Executive Order 13175 (65 FR 67249, November 9, 2000).

This action is subject to the Congressional Review Act, and EPA will submit a rule report to each House of the Congress and to the Comptroller General of the United States. This action is not a "major rule" as defined by 5 U.S.C. 804(2).

Under section 307(b)(1) of the CAA, petitions for judicial review of this action must be filed in the United States Court of Appeals for the appropriate circuit by **[insert date 60 days after date of publication in the *Federal Register*]**. Filing a

petition for reconsideration by the Administrator of this final rule does not affect the finality of this action for the purposes of judicial review nor does it extend the time within which a petition for judicial review may be filed, and shall not postpone the effectiveness of such rule or action. This action may not be challenged later in proceedings to enforce its requirements. (See section 307(b)(2).)

List of Subjects in 40 CFR Part 52

Environmental protection, Air pollution control,
Incorporation by reference, Intergovernmental relations,
Nitrogen dioxide, Ozone, Particulate matter, Sulfur oxides.

Dated: January X, 2026.

Anne Vogel,
Regional Administrator, Region 5.

For the reasons stated in the preamble, title 40 CFR part 52 is amended as follows:

PART 52—APPROVAL AND PROMULGATION OF IMPLEMENTATION PLANS

1. The authority citation for part 52 continues to read as follows:

Authority: 42 U.S.C. 7401 *et seq.*

2. In § 52.770, the table in paragraph (e) is amended by adding a new entry for “Regional Haze Plan for the Second Implementation Period” after the entry for “Regional Haze Plan” to read as follows:

§ 52.770 Identification of plan.

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EPA-APPROVED INDIANA NONREGULATORY AND QUASI-REGULATORY PROVISIONS

Title	Indiana date	EPA approval	Explanation
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Regional Haze Plan for the Second Implementation Period	12/29/2021	[insert the date of publication in the <i>Federal Register</i>], 91 FR [insert <i>Federal Register</i> page where the document begins]	Full approval.
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BEFORE THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Power Act Section 202(c)	)	
Emergency Order: Midcontinent	)	Order No. 202-25-12
Independent System Operator and	)	
Northern Indiana Public Service	)	
Company LLC	)	

Federal Power Act Section 202(c)	)	
Emergency Order: Midcontinent	)	Order No. 202-25-13
Independent System Operator and	)	
CenterPoint Energy Indiana South	)	

Exhibit to
Motion to Intervene and Request for Rehearing and Stay of
Public Interest Organizations

Exhibit 58
MISO Tariff Module E-1

This Module E-1 provides mandatory requirements to be met by the Transmission Provider, Market Participants serving Load in the Transmission Provider Region or serving Load on behalf of a Load Serving Entity (LSE), or other Market Participants, to ensure access to deliverable, reliable and adequate Planning Resources to meet Coincident Peak Demand and Local Resource Zone Peak Demand requirements on the Transmission System. These requirements recognize and are complementary to the reliability mechanisms of the states and the Regional Entities (RE) within the Transmission Provider Region. Nothing in this Module E-1 affects existing state jurisdiction over the construction of additional capacity or the authority of states to set and enforce compliance with standards for adequacy. The Resource Adequacy Requirements (RAR) in this Module E-1 are not intended to and shall not in any way affect state actions over entities under the states' jurisdiction. To the extent that an LSE's Coincident Peak Demand is physically located within the Transmission Provider's Balancing Authority Area but is pseudo-tied out of the MISO Balancing Authority Area pursuant to the Transmission Provider's Business Practices Manuals (BPM), such Coincident Peak Demand is not subject to the RAR provisions if such Coincident Peak Demand is subject to another Balancing Authority Area's resource adequacy requirements. To accomplish these reliability requirements, Module E-1 includes provisions for: establishing Local Resource Zones and associated limits (*i.e.*, Capacity Import Limits (CIL) and Capacity Export Limits (CEL)); establishing Local Reliability Requirements (LRR); establishing Local Clearing Requirements (LCR); establishing External Resource Zones and associated limits (*i.e.*, Capacity Export Limits (CEL)); determining the Planning Reserve Margin; Coincident Peak Demand forecasting; Local Resource Zone Peak Demand forecasting; qualifying and quantifying Planning Resources; participation of Demand and Planning Resources in the Planning Resource

Auction process; settlement provisions; and Planning Resource performance requirements for each Season.

Establishment of Planning Reserve Margins

The Transmission Provider will determine a Planning Reserve Margin (PRM) in terms of Unforced Capacity for each Season using analytical study methods described in Section 68A.2, provided that if a State Regulatory Authority establishes a PRM for its regulated entities that is higher or lower than the PRM determined by the Transmission Provider, then the State Regulatory Authority-established PRM will apply to the Coincident Peak Demand of LSEs under that state's jurisdiction.

Planning Reserve Margin Analysis

The Transmission Provider shall perform a technical analysis on an annual basis to establish the PRM for each Season for the Transmission Provider Region and the Transmission Provider will publish the results by November 1 preceding the applicable Planning Year. The PRM analysis shall be consistent with Good Utility Practice and the reliability requirements of the REs and the applicable states in the Transmission Provider Region. The PRM analysis shall consider factors including, but not limited to: the Generator Forced Outage rates of Capacity Resources; Generator Planned Outages; expected performance of Demand Response Resources (DRR), Load Modifying Resources (LMR), and Energy Efficiency Resources; load forecast uncertainty; and the Transmission System's import and export capability with external systems. The Transmission Provider annually will calculate and publish on its website the estimated PRM for each of the nine subsequent Planning Years, to provide information for long-term resource planning, without establishing any enforceable specific planning reserve requirements.

Loss of Load Expectation Analysis

The Transmission Provider shall coordinate with Market Participants to determine the appropriate PRM for the applicable Season in the Planning Year based upon the probabilistic analysis of being able to reliably serve the Transmission Provider Region's Demand for the applicable Season in the Planning Year. This probabilistic analysis shall use a Loss of Load Expectation (LOLE) study which assumes that there are no internal transmission limitations within the Transmission Provider Region.

The following process will be utilized to determine the minimum PRM requirement for each Season in the Planning Year using the LOLE analysis. First, an LOLE analysis for the Planning Year will be conducted such that the LOLE for the Planning Year is one (1) day in ten (10) years, or 0.1 day per year, by either adding or removing capacity. If the LOLE for the Planning Year is less than 0.1 day per year, a perfect negative unit with zero forced outage rate will be added until the LOLE reaches 0.1 day per year. If the LOLE for the Planning Year is greater than 0.1 day per year, proxy units based on a unit of typical size and forced outage rate will be added to the model until the LOLE reaches 0.1 day per year. If the LOLE for a Season is equal to or greater than 0.01 day per year, the minimum PRM requirement for that Season will be calculated based on this LOLE analysis. If the LOLE for any Season is less than 0.01 day per year, an additional LOLE analysis will be performed to determine minimum PRM requirement for that Season by adding a perfect negative unit with zero forced outage rate to that Season until the LOLE in that Season reaches 0.01.

The minimum amount of capacity above Coincident Peak Demand in the Transmission Provider Region required to meet the reliability criteria will be used to establish the PRM for each Season.

The PRM will be established as a requirement in terms of the total Unforced Capacity for the
Transmission Provider Region.

No later than September 1st of the year prior to a Planning Year, the Transmission Provider will, as necessary, develop new Local Resource Zones (LRZ) to reflect the need for an adequate amount of Planning Resources to be located in the right physical locations within the Transmission Provider Region to reliably meet Demand and LOLE requirements. The geographic boundaries of each of the LRZs will be based upon analysis that considers: (1) the electrical boundaries of Local Balancing Authorities; (2) state boundaries; (3) the relative strength of transmission interconnections between Local Balancing Authorities; (4) the results of LOLE studies; (5) the relative size of LRZs; and (6) natural geographic boundaries such as lakes and rivers. The Transmission Provider may re-evaluate the boundaries of LRZs if there are significant changes in the Transmission Provider Region based upon the preceding factors, including but not limited to, significant changes in membership, the Transmission System, and/or Resources.

An External Resource Zone (ERZ) will be created for each external Balancing Authority that has External Resources qualifying as Planning Resources, excluding those Balancing Authorities with only Coordinating Owner resources that are qualified to obtain local credit and/or Border External Resources.

Establishment of SRRZs, SRECs and SRICs

The Transmission Provider will establish and publish, on the Transmission Provider's public website, SRRZs, SRECs and SRICs for each Season as soon as practical but no later than the first business day of March for the following Planning Year. To calculate the SRECs and SRICs, the Transmission Provider will determine the transfer limit between SRRZs in accordance with applicable seams agreements, coordination agreements, or transmission service agreements.

Next, the Transmission Provider will then complete a feasibility analysis in accordance with the Resource Adequacy Business Practices Manual to review operational events from each Coincident Peak Demand hour during the previous Planning Year, and forecasted expected conditions for each Season in the upcoming Planning Year, to determine if a further reduction to the transfer limit is warranted for reliability. If such a reduction is necessary, the Transmission Provider will reduce the regional directional transfer limit, as appropriate. The Transmission Provider will then subtract the sum of Firm Transmission Service Reservations on the MISO OASIS that utilize the contract path between SRRZs and are exporting from or wheeling through the Transmission Provider's Balancing Authority for the applicable Season in the Planning Year. This difference determines the SREC and SRIC to be utilized for the applicable Season in the Planning Year.

Prior to publishing the SRRZs, SRECs, and SRICs on its public website, Transmission Provider will present the feasibility analysis and resulting SREC and SRIC calculation to stakeholders.

Establishment of CIL and CEL Limits

On or before November 1st of each year, the Transmission Provider will determine preliminary values for the CIL and CEL for each of the LRZs for each Season in the following Planning Year by considering factors, including but not limited to, the following elements: (1) existing and planned Transmission System and Planning Resource additions; (2) transmission import and export capability; and (3) applicable NERC contingencies. To determine the CIL and CEL for each LRZ, the Transmission Provider will use models which contain the physical location of Load and Planning Resources for each Season. Generator output will be assigned to LRZs or ERZs consistent with the PRA representation of Planning Resources. Constraints that are identified as a result of determining the CIL and/or the CEL for each LRZ will be considered in the development of the MISO Transmission Expansion Plan (MTEP) in accordance with Attachment FF.

CIL will be equal to the Zonal Import Ability plus firm capacity commitments to non-MISO load. CEL will be equal to the Zonal Export Ability minus firm capacity commitments to non-MISO load.

The CIL and CEL values for each Season for each LRZ will be updated if needed prior to the Planning Resource Auction, but no later than eight (8) Business Days before the last Business Day in March, due to changes to firm capacity commitments from MISO resources to neighboring regions prior to the Planning Resource Auction.

MISO will determine the CEL for each Season for each ERZ no later than eight (8) Business Days before the last Business Day in March as equal to the ZRC quantity of the External Resources registered to participate in the PRA.

Establishment of Local Reliability Requirement

By November 1st prior to a Planning Year, the Transmission Provider will establish a Local Reliability Requirement (LRR) metric for each LRZ to determine the quantity of Unforced Capacity needed for each Season, without consideration of the benefit of the LRZ's CIL. First, the LOLE analysis for the Planning Year will be conducted by either adding or removing capacity until the LOLE reaches 0.1 day per year for the LRZ. If the LOLE for the Planning Year is less than 0.1 day per year, a perfect negative unit with zero forced outage rate will be added until the LOLE reaches 0.1 day per year. If the LOLE for the Planning Year is greater than 0.1 day per year, proxy units based on a unit of typical size and forced outage rate will be added to the model until the LOLE reaches 0.1 day per year. If the LOLE for a Season is equal to or greater than 0.01 day per year for the LRZ, the LRR for that Season will be calculated based on this LOLE analysis. If the LOLE for any Season is less than 0.01 day per year for the LRZ, an additional LOLE analysis will be performed to determine the LRR for that Season by adding a perfect negative unit with zero forced outage rate to that season until the LOLE in that Season reaches 0.01 day per year for the LRZ.

The Transmission Provider will model the location of Load and Planning Resources based on their representation in the Planning Resource Auction to determine the LRR for each LRZ. The minimum amount of capacity above the Local Resource Zone Peak Demand in the LRZ required to meet the reliability criteria will be used to establish the LRR for each Season.

The per unit LRR in each LRZ initially will be established as the ratio of the LRR over the Local Resource Zone Peak Demand modeled in the LOLE study. An LRZ's LRR shall be calculated by multiplying the per unit LRR for the LRZ times the forecasted Local Resource Zone Peak

Demand for each Season as provided by LSEs or EDCs, or as developed by the Transmission

Provider, pursuant to Section 69A.1.

Establishment of Local Clearing Requirement

The Local Clearing Requirement for each LRZ for each Season will be determined by subtracting Zonal Import Ability and controllable exports from the LRR, as set forth in the Resource Adequacy Business Practices Manual. Controllable exports are exports from MISO resources that have firm capacity commitments to non-MISO load and that may be committed and dispatched by the Transmission Provider during a declared Energy Emergency. The LCR values will be updated if needed prior to the Planning Resource Auction due to changes in controllable exports.

Establishing Planning Reserve Margin Requirements

- a. The Transmission Provider will establish Planning Reserve Margin Requirements (PRMR) for each Season for an LSE's Load within any given LRZ. The Initial PRMR will be determined by multiplying the LSE's forecasted Coincident Peak Demand for each Season, including transmission losses, by $(1 + \text{Transmission Provider Region PRM})$.
- b. The Transmission Provider will use the Transmission Provider Region PRM for the Initial PRMR calculation unless an alternate PRM is established by a State Regulatory Authority. In such event, the Transmission Provider will use the alternate PRM that a State Regulatory Authority has created for the geographic area in which the state has jurisdiction. The Transmission Provider will convert any State Regulatory Authority provided PRM to a comparable Unforced Capacity basis.

Calculation of Transmission Losses

- a. The Transmission Provider shall calculate the LBA transmission loss percentages for each Season using the process described as follows:
 1. The Transmission Provider's State Estimator calculates transmission losses (MW) as part of the solution output process every five (5) minutes.
 2. The transmission losses (MW) are computed on all transmission lines and transformers by summing up real power at both ends for each transmission element (retaining the convention for flow direction) or as the difference in real power (without the sign convention for flow direction) for each State Estimator solution.
 3. The individual transmission losses (MW) for each element are summed to a total transmission values for each Local Balancing Authorities (LBA) level.
 4. These LBA transmission loss values are then integrated across each hour to calculate an hourly transmission loss value (MW) for each LBA.
 5. The total transmission loss value (MW) for each LBA will be the hourly integrated transmission losses value (MW) for the hour of the Coincident Peak Demand from the calendar year two years prior to the upcoming Planning Year.
 6. For the purposes of the Transmission Provider Region, the LBA transmission loss percentages are calculated as the total LBA transmission losses divided by the total LBA peak data at that MISO peak hour for each Season. For purposes of a Local Resource Zone, the LBA transmission loss percentages are calculated as the

total LBA transmission losses divided by the total LBA peak data at the LRZ peak hour for each Season.

- b. The Local Balancing Authority (LBA) transmission loss percentage shall apply to the LSE's applicable LBA Coincident Peak Demand and Local Resource Zone Peak Demand forecast to determine the LSE transmission losses. Behind-the-Meter-Generation Resources that are interconnected to the Transmission System shall be treated like other Resources with respect to transmission losses. Behind-the-Meter-Generation Resources and Distributed Energy Aggregated Resources that are not interconnected to the Transmission System, Demand Resources, and Energy Efficiency Resources shall be adjusted to account for serving load without incurring transmission losses by grossing up the MW quantity of such resources by $(1.0 + \text{the appropriate LBA transmission loss percentage})$.

Marginal Reliability Impact (MRI) Curves

- A. The following process will be used to determine the MRI Curves for the Transmission Provider Region for each Season of the upcoming Planning Year. The minimum PRM requirement for each Season established in the LOLE analysis, as described in Section 68A.2, will be the starting point. Then, for each Season, a perfect negative unit(s) with a capacity of at least 50MW and no more than 250MW, or perfect proxy unit(s) with a capacity of at least 50MW and no more than 250MW will be added to the model and the LOLE analysis will be performed. The capacity of both the perfect negative unit(s) and perfect proxy unit(s) will be of equal value. The change in EUE as a result of adding or removing capacity will be calculated. An additional unit(s) with the same capacity value will be added or removed in addition to the first increment or decrement and the LOLE analysis will be performed again. This process will be repeated until sufficient data is available to fit a curve that measures changes to EUE as MWs are added or removed from the minimum PRM requirement.
- B. The First Planning Area MRI Curve is a smoothed representation of reliability changes as measured by EUE as more or less MWs are included in the LOLE analysis. The following process will be used to determine the MRI Curves for the First Planning Area for each Season in the Planning Year. Assignment of LOLE risk across the Seasons will be the same as described in Section 68A.2 for the Planning Reserve Margin analysis. A minimum PRM requirement for the First Planning Area for each Season will be established through additional LOLE analysis in which the First Planning Area and Second Planning Area each have the same reliability target established for the

Transmission Provider Region as the starting point. After establishing the starting point, the MW quantity associated with the minimum PRM requirement in the Second Planning Area will be fixed, and capacity in the First Planning Area will then be added or removed to calculate changes to EUE in the First Planning Area.

- C. The Second Planning Area MRI curve is a smoothed representation of reliability changes as measured by EUE as more or less MWs are included in the LOLE analysis. The following process will be used to determine the MRI Curves for the Second Planning Area for each Season in the Planning Year. Assignment of LOLE risk across the Seasons will be the same as described in Section 68A.2 for the Planning Reserve Margin analysis. A minimum PRM requirement for the Second Planning Area for each Season will be established through additional LOLE analysis in which the First Planning Area and Second Planning Area each have the same reliability target established for the Transmission Provider Region as the starting point. After establishing the starting point, the MW quantity associated with the minimum PRM requirement in the First Planning Area will be fixed, and capacity in the Second Planning Area will then be added or removed to calculate changes to EUE in the Second Planning Area.

RAR Process

Once the Transmission Provider has established the PRM, LCR, LRR, preliminary Capacity Import Limits and Capacity Export Limits and published such values on the Transmission Provider's website, then LSEs shall provide forecasted Coincident Peak Demand and Local Resource Zone Peak Demand data for the Planning Year. For Retail Choice areas, the EDC shall provide, on behalf of LSEs within the EDC, forecasted Coincident Peak Demand and Local Resource Zone Peak Demand data for the Planning Year to be used by the Transmission Provider. The Transmission Provider will then calculate each LSE's Initial PRMR for each Season. LSEs will meet their RAR obligation by: (i) submitting a Fixed Resource Adequacy Plan; (ii) submitting ZRCs for an RBDC Opt Out; (iii) Self-Scheduling ZRCs; (iv) purchasing ZRCs through the Planning Resource Auction process; and/or (v) paying the Capacity Deficiency Charge to meet a portion of their PRMR. LSEs that submit an RBDC Opt Out may not use any of the other options to satisfy their Final PRMR. LSEs not submitting an RBDC Opt Out may use one or more of all other available options, or any combination of available options, to satisfy their Initial or Final PRMR. The Transmission Provider will enforce the LCRs, final Capacity Import Limits and Capacity Export Limits for each LRZ, and Capacity Export Limits for each ERZ in the Planning Resource Auction. An ACP will be determined through the PRA process for each LRZ and ERZ for each Season and the ACP will be used to credit ZRCs that clear in the auction and to debit LSEs for the volume of their PRMR that is procured through the auction. Market Participants that own Planning Resources used to create ZRCs which clear in the PRA (or are identified in either a submitted Fixed Resource Adequacy Plan or an RBDC Opt Out) must meet the applicable performance requirements as described in sections 69A.3.9 and

69A.5. The Transmission Provider shall provide states, upon request, with relevant resource adequacy information as available, subject to the data confidentiality provisions in Section 38.9 of the Tariff.

Load Serving Entity Responsibilities

- a. LSEs shall provide Coincident Peak Demand (and also, if available, Local Resource Zone Peak Demand forecasts) forecasts as specified in Section 69A.1.1b and will also be responsible for meeting their Final PRMR for each LRZ where they serve Load by submitting Fixed Resource Adequacy Plans, by Self-Scheduling ZRCs, by purchasing ZRCs through the PRA process, by submitting ZRCs for an RBDC Opt Out and/or by paying the Capacity Deficiency Charge.
- b. The Transmission Provider will use Coincident Peak Demand, Local Resource Zone Peak Demand, and Energy forecasts for each Season that are submitted by an EDC in combination with allocation procedures that are agreed to by the applicable LSEs. These procedures will allow the Transmission Provider to initially allocate appropriate portions of the total forecasted Coincident Peak Demand and Local Resource Zone Peak Demand to each LSE as applicable pursuant to 69A.1.2.1, and to re-assign ZRC-related charges caused by customer switching between suppliers to the appropriate LSE.
- c. All LSEs shall report to the Transmission Provider, through the MECT, whether such LSE will meet their PRMR for each LRZ for each Season in which the LSE serves Load by: (i) submitting a Fixed Resource Adequacy Plan; (ii) Self-Scheduling ZRCs; (iii) purchasing ZRCs through the Planning Resource Auction process; (iv) submitting an RBDC Opt Out; and/or, (v) paying the Capacity Deficiency Charge.

Forecasted Demand Identification

a. The Demand forecasts required in Section 69A.1 shall include: (1) the Coincident Peak Demand within each LBA Area in the Transmission Provider Region for the upcoming Planning Year; (2) the monthly non-coincident peak Demand and net Energy for Load within each LBA Area, for the upcoming Planning Year and the following Planning Year; (3) the non-coincident peak Demand and net Energy for Load within each LBA Area, for each Season, for the eight Planning Years subsequent to the two for which monthly values are provided in (2); and (4) the available Local Resource Zone Peak Demand within each LBA Area in the Local Resource Zone for the upcoming Planning Year. All of these forecasts shall be submitted by November 1st prior to each Planning Year and shall be consistent with Good Utility Practice. Forecast providers shall use the MECT or other means described in the BPM for Resource Adequacy to submit the requisite information. Details regarding the items required in the Demand forecasts submittal are in the BPM for Resource Adequacy.

b. The supplied Coincident Peak Demand and Local Resource Zone Peak Demand forecasts shall include the Demand expected for the forecast time period (*e.g.* the Coincident Peak Demand hour) augmented to include the normal Demand from forecasted demand resources, whether registered or not registered with the Transmission Provider, including Demand from any retail demand side management programs and Demand behind a DEAR. Such forecasts shall include Demand that would have occurred but for the existence of Energy Efficiency Resources that have been in operation less than four (4) years. All submissions for such forecast values shall include distribution losses, but not transmission losses. The Transmission Provider will be responsible for the calculation of the applicable transmission losses for the forecasts provided

and for annually publishing such values for each LBA on its website by October 1, as specified in Section 68A.8 and the BPM for Resource Adequacy.

c. In order to assist with the development of the Coincident Peak Demand and Local Resource Zone Peak Demand forecasts, the Transmission Provider will make available the historical monthly peak hours for each of the four months June through September, since 2005, or as available, for the Transmission Provider Region and for each Local Resource Zone. On or before March 1st of each year, the Transmission Provider will review a sampling of submitted Demand forecast methodologies and inputs to ensure accuracy and consistency, in accordance with the BPM for Resource Adequacy. If the Transmission Provider determines that the Demand forecast methodologies are inaccurate or inconsistent, the Transmission Provider shall work with the applicable LSEs to reconcile such issues. If reconciliation is not achieved, or if Local Resource Zone Peak Demand forecasts are not available, then the Transmission Provider will provide the required forecast values.

d. All Coincident Peak Demand and Local Resource Zone Peak Demand forecasts shall reflect a 50% probability that the Demand will not exceed the forecasted Demand for the relevant period.

e. Consistent with Section 69A.1.2.1, the EDC must provide both the Transmission Provider and the respective LSEs with each retail customer's peak load contribution ("PLC") in each Season, including transmission losses and PRM as determined by the Transmission Provider, in the EDC's service territory by December 15th. At least five (5) Business Days before January 15, LSEs must notify the EDC and the Transmission Provider if they disagree with the EDC calculated PLC value.

f. If an LSE knows it will gain a wholesale customer by the beginning of any Season in the next Planning Year, then that LSE may provide the Transmission Provider with the Coincident Peak Demand and the Local Resource Zone Peak Demand forecast for such acquired load by November 1. In all other cases, the existing Market Participant serving such wholesale customer shall provide the Transmission Provider by November 1st with the Market Participant's forecast of the wholesale customer's Coincident Peak Demand and Local Resource Zone Peak Demand.

Accounting for Total Demand Forecasts Given Wholesale and Retail Load Switching

- a. On or before January 15th, an EDC must notify the Transmission Provider through the MECT of the Initial PRMR for the LSE's proportion of the EDC's forecast Demand that it expects to serve on the 1st day of each Season in the next Planning Year. The LSE that is the provider of last resort ("POLR") for the EDC area in question will have the obligation to procure capacity for the required PRMR for the remaining Demand (*i.e.*, the remaining Demand is the EDC's forecast Coincident Peak Demand minus the sum of the LSE's allocated portion of forecast Coincident Peak Demand, identified as described above, in the EDC's service territory). The Transmission Provider will notify the POLRs of any remaining Initial PRMR within five (5) Business Days after January 15th.
- b. On or before January 15th, to account for wholesale customers that may switch LSEs during the next Planning Year, the PRMR will be met as follows: (1) if an LSE has responsibility to serve a wholesale load on the 1st day of any Season in of the next Planning Year, then such LSE shall have the obligation to procure the required PRMR for such load for such Season; (2) if no LSE has responsibility for serving a wholesale load on of the 1st day of any Season in of the next Planning Year, then the LSE with an obligation to serve such load on November 1 before the Planning Year, shall have the obligation to procure capacity for the required PRMR for each Season in the upcoming Planning Year for such load, provided that such LSE anticipates that the contract for wholesale load will be extended; or (3) if the LSE advises the Transmission Provider that the LSE will not serve the contract for wholesale load, then the customer for such wholesale load shall inform the Transmission Provider by January

30th of the name of the Market Participant that will be responsible for the PRMR obligation for
such wholesale load.

Daily Assignment of Coincident Peak Demand Obligations

- a. For those areas of service where an LSE's Coincident Peak Demand forecast is included in the Coincident Peak Demand forecast submission of an EDC, the EDC will determine and report each LSE's portion of such Demand to the Transmission Provider, using the default method set forth in Section 69A.1.2.1.
- b. In a state that permits retail load switching, the Transmission Provider shall allocate resource capacity costs on a daily basis to LSEs by multiplying the Final PRMR associated with identified customers served by the LSE times the applicable zonal Auction Clearing Price less any zonal deliverability benefits plus any Local Clearing Requirement Charges for the Local Resource Zone where the load is located, consistent with Section 69A.1.2.1.
- c. In states where wholesale load may switch, the Transmission Provider shall allocate costs on a daily basis to LSEs. The LSE that acquires wholesale load will be charged for such load based upon the Final PRMR for the wholesale load's forecast Coincident Peak Demand times the applicable zonal Auction Clearing Price less any zonal deliverability benefits plus any Local Clearing Requirement Charges for the Local Resource Zone where the wholesale load is located.
- d. An LSE may challenge the EDC Demand forecast under the dispute resolution procedures pursuant to Section 12 or it may refer the dispute to the Commission for resolution.

Default Method

- a. The method submitted by an EDC must describe in detail the procedures and data used to determine the assignment of the EDC's forecast Coincident Peak Demand to its retail customers, including those served by LSEs providing service within the EDC's area.
- b. EDC will assign a peak load contribution ("PLC") value to each retail customer, based on the most recent PLC values derived for each Season from each retail customer's Demand at the time of the Transmission Provider's peak Demand during each Season (*i.e.*, the Prior Seasonal Retail Customer Coincident Peak ("PSRCCP")). Retail customer peak demands should be increased to reflect any load reductions achieved and for which capacity credits are earned, either through retail programs or participation in wholesale markets (*e.g.* LMRs). In the aggregate, the PLCs determined by the EDC must equal the Initial PRMR that is calculated from the forecast Coincident Peak Demand provided by the EDC for each Season. This equality is achieved by multiplying each retail customer's demand at the time of the Transmission Provider's peak Demand during each Season prior to the Planning Year by the same adjustment factor, as shown in the equation below:

$$\sum_i \text{PLC}_i = \text{Initial PRMR}_{\text{EDC}}$$

$$\text{Factor} = \text{Initial PRMR}_{\text{EDC}} \div \sum_i \text{PSRCCP}_i$$

In other words, for each EDC, the sum of the individual retail customer (*i.e.*, *i*) PLC values must equal the EDC's Initial PRMR. In addition, a single value ("Factor") is defined as the ratio of the Initial PRMR for any EDC divided by the sum of all of the PSRCCP values for each of the EDC's retail customers. The EDC must use the same Factor in the following equation:

$$\text{PLC}_i = \text{Factor} \times \text{PSRCCP}_i \quad \forall i$$

Thus, for each EDC it must also be true that the PLC for any individual retail customer shall be equal to the product of that customer's PSRCCP times the same Factor identified in the second equation above. For the purposes of these equations, the following mathematical symbols are used: (1) Σ equals sum; (2) i equals individual retail customer, as in PLC_i or $PSRCCP_i$; and (3) $\forall i$ equals for all i , as in: for each member of the set of retail customers.

c. The PSRCCP shall be adjusted (upward) to reflect any demand that was reduced during the Coincident Peak for each Season hour through the effect of a Load Modifying Resource, or through the effect of an Energy Efficiency Resource during the first four (4) full Planning Years of the EE Resource's existence. The Transmission Provider will provide to the EDC the amount of measured (or estimated if final settlement data is forthcoming) load reduction that occurred as a result of an ARC or LSE deploying a DRR, LMR or EDR following a Setpoint Instruction, Scheduling Instruction or EDR Dispatch Instruction during the Transmission Provider's Coincident Peak Demand.

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Load Switching

Beginning the first Calendar Day of each Season in the Planning Year, the EDC will be responsible for tracking the individual customer Final PRMR values transferred from the originally supplying LSE to the newly supplying LSE now responsible for resource adequacy commitments.

Forecasted Demand for FRP/FRS Agreements

Full Responsibility Purchases/Sales (FRP/FRS) agreements are treated effectively like a transfer of Demand and all RAR obligations from one LSE to another Market Participant. A purchaser under an FRP/FRS agreement shall submit the forecasted Coincident Peak Demand and Local Resource Zone Peak Demand associated with such agreement to the Transmission Provider through the MECT for the applicable Planning Year. A seller under an FRP/FRS agreement is contractually obligated to comply with all of the RAR obligations for the transferred Demand during the Planning Year encompassing the planned Coincident Peak Demand. The purchaser under an FRP/FRS agreement no longer has the RAR obligations for the transferred Demand; provided however, that if the seller under an FRP/FRS agreement is not an LSE under the jurisdiction of the Transmission Provider, then the purchaser under the FRP/FRS agreement will remain responsible for any RAR obligations associated with the Demand transferred under the FRP/FRS agreement. A seller under an FRP/FRS agreement will be responsible for the transferred Demand to meet this additional obligation like it was their own Demand. If a seller and a purchaser under an FRP/FRS agreement cannot agree on whether a particular transaction is an FRP/FRS agreement, then either party may invoke the dispute resolution procedures in Section 12 of the Tariff.

Multiple Region Planning Resources

If an LSE serves Demand both in the Transmission Provider Region and outside the Transmission Provider Region, then the LSE must separately satisfy its Final PRMR in all areas of the Transmission Provider Region. Compliance with RAR shall not affect an LSE's obligation to maintain distinct and separate amounts of resources to cover its applicable planning reserve obligation for the amount of Demand outside the Transmission Provider Region.

Capacity Tracking Tool

To facilitate RAR, the Transmission Provider shall administer the MECT, a title tracking and registration tool that shall include the ability to enable Market Participants and LSEs to meet their RAR responsibilities.

Planning Resource Requirements

Nothing herein shall infringe upon the requirement that LSEs comply with applicable state safety standards, planning reserve margins, or be subject to the enforcement thereof. If the Transmission Provider becomes aware that any Planning Resource fails to meet the requirements of this section, then the Transmission Provider shall promptly notify the Market Participant and specify the reasons for any such failure. Wherever possible, the Transmission Provider and the Market Participant will work in good faith to remedy deficiencies, if any, in meeting the Planning Resource requirements, through informal communications rather than Commission filings.

Capacity Resources

As described below, a Generation Resource, External Resource, Demand Response Resource - Type II, Intermittent Generation, Dispatchable Intermittent Resource, Electric Storage Resource, or Hybrid Resource is eligible to become a Capacity Resource. The Transmission Provider will qualify a Capacity Resource for any applicable Season in the upcoming Planning Year, in accordance with processes specified in the BPM for Resource Adequacy. Electric Storage Resources can be Capacity Resources if they meet all the requirements as specified in the BPM for Resource Adequacy, including the requirement to be able to continuously discharge for a minimum set of four (4) consecutive operating Hours across the Transmission Provider's coincident peak for each day, in accordance with the BPM for Resource Adequacy, provided that an Electric Storage Resource may de-rate its capacity in order to comply with this requirement.

Generation Resources that are not Dispatchable Intermittent Resources or Distributed Energy Aggregated Resources

1. Generation Resources and Electric Storage Resources that are not Dispatchable Intermittent Resources or Distributed Energy Aggregated Resources are eligible to qualify as Capacity Resources by a Market Participant that possesses ownership or equivalent contractual rights for the Resource by:
 - (a) registering such resource with the Transmission Provider as documented in the BPM for Market Registration;
 - (b) demonstrating GVTC capability for each Season in the Planning Year as established in the BPM for Resource Adequacy;
 - (c) submitting generator availability data (including, but not limited to, NERC Generation Availability Data System (GADS) information) into a database provided by the Transmission Provider and as established in the BPM for Resource Adequacy;
 - (d) by submitting the GVTC results to the Transmission Provider no later than October 31 prior to such Planning Year for existing Capacity Resources unless the Transmission Provider has granted an extension pursuant to Section 69A.3.1.a.4; and
 - (e) demonstrating deliverability as described in Section 69A.3.1(g). All new Generation Resources and Electric Storage Resources that are not Dispatchable Intermittent Resources and Distributed Energy Aggregated Resources, or an existing Generation Resource and Electric Storage Resource that is not a Dispatchable Intermittent Resource and s Distributed Energy Aggregated Resource that has an increased installed capacity, shall submit their GVTC to the Transmission Provider prior to qualification, but no later

than March 1 prior to the PRA, as established in the BPM for Resource Adequacy.

2. Installed Capacity (ICAP) Deferral

If a Market Participant for a Generation Resource and Electric Storage Resource that is not a Dispatchable Intermittent Resource (including a Generation Resource and Electric Storage Resource that has the status of Suspend pursuant to Section 38.2.7) and a Distributed Energy Aggregated Resource that has not completed GVTC testing by the deadlines provided in 69A.3.1.a.1, is not expected to demonstrate deliverability, or is otherwise not expected to demonstrate commercial operation prior to March 1, ZRCs from such capacity may be used in the PRA or in a FRAP (including through bilateral ZRC transactions), subject to the notification, credit, and non-compliance provisions of Section 69A.7.9.

3. Reporting generator availability data based on GVTC is not required for a Generation Resource or Electric Storage Resource that is not a Dispatchable Intermittent Resource and a Distributed Energy Aggregated Resource and that is less than 10 MW if the Market Participant has never provided such data for such Resource. A Market Participant that begins reporting generator availability data based on GVTC for a Generation Resource or Electric Storage Resource that is not a Dispatchable Intermittent Resource and that is less than 10 MW must continue to report such data. A Generation Resource or Electric Storage Resource that has provisional Interconnection Service does not qualify as a Capacity Resource.

4. A Market Participant for a Generation Resource required to submit GVTC results must use Reasonable Efforts to submit GVTC by October 31 prior to the upcoming Planning

Year. If circumstances prevent the Market Participant from submitting the GVTC results for the Generation Resource by October 31, the Market Participant must notify the Transmission Provider no later than five (5) Business Days after October 31 and request an extension. The extension request must include a reasonable explanation and justification for missing the deadline and an expected completion date prior to the upcoming Planning Year. The Transmission Provider will review each extension request on a case by case basis to determine whether or not to approve or deny the request to extend the GVTC deadline. Denial of an extension will not preclude the Market Participant for the Generation Resource from utilizing the ICAP Deferral process as described in Section 69A.7.9.

Demand Response Resources – Type II

1. Demand Response Resources – Type II backed by a Demand Resource are eligible to qualify as Capacity Resources. A Market Participant that possesses ownership or equivalent contractual rights in the DRR – Type II can register such resource as a Capacity Resource with the Transmission Provider for the upcoming Planning Year as documented in the BPM for Market Registration and by meeting the following requirements:
 - a. For an existing DRR – Type II that is a Capacity Resource, the Market Participant shall demonstrate capability and availability to reduce Demand in response to instructions from the Transmission Provider for each applicable Season and shall submit such data to the Transmission Provider no later than October 31 prior to such Planning Year unless the Transmission Provider has granted an extension, as established in the BPM for Resource Adequacy.
 - b. For a new DRR – Type II or for an existing DRR – Type II that has experienced an increase in its Capacity Rating, and that is backed by a Demand Resource, the Market Participant shall submit test data to the Transmission Provider prior to qualification, but no later than March 1 prior to the PRA, as established in the BPM for Resource Adequacy.
2. A Demand Response Resource – Type II that is backed by behind the meter generation is eligible to qualify as Capacity Resources. A Market Participant that possesses ownership or equivalent contractual rights in the DRR – Type II can register such resource as a Capacity Resource with the Transmission Provider for the upcoming Planning Year as

documented in the BPM for Market Registration and by meeting the following requirements:

- a. A Market Participant shall demonstrate GVTC capability of the DRR – Type II backed by behind the meter generation for each Season in the Planning Year as established in the BPM for Resource Adequacy;
- b. An existing DRR – Type II backed by behind the meter generation shall submit GVTC results to the Transmission Provider no later than October 31 prior to such Planning Year unless the Transmission Provider has granted an extension pursuant to Section 69A.3.1.b.4; and
- c. A Market Participant shall submit generator availability data (including, but not limited to, NERC Generation Availability Data System information) for the DRR – Type II backed by behind the meter generation into a database provided by the Transmission Provider.
- d. For a new DRR – Type II or an existing DRR – Type II that has an increased installed capacity, and that is backed by behind the meter generation, the Market Participant shall submit GVTC data to the Transmission Provider prior to qualification, but no later than March 1 prior to the PRA, as established in the BPM for Resource Adequacy.

3. Installed Capacity (ICAP) Deferral

If a Market Participant for a DRR – Type II has not completed GVTC testing by the deadlines provided in 69A.3.1.b.2, is not expected to demonstrate deliverability, or is otherwise not expected to demonstrate commercial operation prior to March 1, ZRCs

from such capacity may be used in the PRA, in a FRAP (including through bilateral ZRC transactions), or in an RBDC Opt Out (including through bilateral ZRC transactions) subject to the notification, credit, and non-compliance provisions of Section 69A.7.9.

4. Reporting generator availability data based on GVTC is not required for a DRR – Type II backed by behind the meter generation facility of less than 10 MW if the Market Participant has never provided such data for such behind the meter generation facility. A Market Participant that begins reporting generator availability data for behind the meter generation facility that is less than 10 MW based on GVTC must continue to report such data. A Demand Response Resource – Type II that has provisional Interconnection Service does not qualify as a Capacity Resource. In accordance with the qualification provisions in the BPM for Resource Adequacy, the Transmission Provider will qualify a Demand Response Resource – Type II for the applicable Season in the upcoming Planning Year.
5. A Market Participant for a DRR – Type II required to submit GVTC results must use Reasonable Efforts to submit GVTC by October 31 prior to the upcoming Planning Year. If circumstances prevent the Market Participant from submitting the GVTC results for the DRR by October 31, the Market Participant must notify the Transmission Provider no later than five (5) Business Days after October 31 and request an extension. The extension request must include a reasonable explanation and justification for missing the deadline and an expected completion date prior to the upcoming Planning Year. The Transmission Provider will review each extension request on a case by case basis to determine whether or not to approve or deny the request to extend the GVTC deadline.

Denial of an extension will not preclude the Market Participant for the DRR – Type II
from utilizing the ICAP Deferral process as described in Section 69A.7.9.

External Resources:

1. External Resources, including those specified in Diversity Contracts and PPAs (which are subject to additional qualification requirements in section 69A.3.1.c.4), are eligible to qualify as Capacity Resources by a Market Participant that possesses ownership or equivalent contractual rights in External Resources by: (a) registering such resources with the Transmission Provider as documented in the BPM for Resource Adequacy; (b) demonstrating GVTC capability for each Season that the resource will be registered in as established in the BPM for Resource Adequacy by providing operational data, and by submitting the GVTC results to the Transmission Provider no later than October 31 prior to such Planning Year for existing Capacity Resources unless the Transmission Provider has granted an extension pursuant to Section 69A.3.1.c.5; (c) submitting generator availability data (including, but not limited to, NERC Generation Availability Data System information) into a database provided by the Transmission Provider and as established in the BPM for Resource Adequacy; (d) identifying one or more specific External Resource(s) that can be verified by the Transmission Provider as Capacity Resource(s) and which does not include any portion(s) of an External Resource that has already qualified as a Capacity Resource; (e) demonstrating that there is firm transmission service for each Season that the resource is to be registered in from the External Resource to the border interface CPNode of the Transmission Provider Region and either that firm Transmission Service has been obtained to deliver capacity on the Transmission System from the border to a Load within an LRZ or demonstrating deliverability as described in Section 69A.3.1.g; and (f) certifying that any External

Resources being identified are not otherwise being used as capacity resources in any other RTO/ISO, in another resource adequacy construct, or in an external balancing authority's resource plan for its firm end-use load and capacity sales requirements within the external balancing authority area.

2. Installed Capacity (ICAP) Deferral

If a Market Participant for an External Resource has not completed GVTC testing by the deadlines provided in 69A.3.1.c.1, is not expected to demonstrate deliverability, or is otherwise not expected to demonstrate commercial operation prior to March 1, ZRCs from such capacity may be used in the PRA, in a FRAP (including through bilateral ZRC transactions), or in an RBDC Opt Out (including through bilateral ZRC transactions) subject to the notification, credit, and non-compliance provisions of Section 69A.7.9.

3. Reporting generator availability data for an External Resource of less than 10 MW based upon GVTC is not required if the Market Participant has never provided such data for such External Resource. A Market Participant that begins reporting generator availability data for an External Resource that is less than 10 MW based on GVTC must continue to report such data. All new External Resources or an existing External Resource that has an increased installed capacity shall submit their GVTC to the Transmission Provider prior to qualification as established in the BPM for Resource Adequacy. In accordance with the qualification provisions in the BPM for Resource Adequacy, the Transmission Provider will qualify an External Resource for the applicable Season in the upcoming Planning Year.

4. In the case of a power purchase agreement (PPA), including, but not limited to a Diversity Contract, then the agreement shall meet the additional qualification requirements set forth below:
 - i. A PPA that does not identify the full Installed Capacity of the External Resource from which power will be supplied must specify the portions of each such External Resource that is available under the PPA (i.e. slice-of-system resources) and that are verifiable by the Transmission Provider. Each External Resource specified in such PPA must meet the criteria for a Capacity Resource for all of the portion of the contract amount assigned to the External Resource(s). The capacity from the External Resource will be reduced proportionately to remove amounts that fail to meet such criteria.
 - ii. A copy of every PPA must be provided by the Market Participant using External Resources from such PPA as a Capacity Resource to the Transmission Provider to enable it to verify the External Resource(s) that are backing the PPA and to confirm compliance with RAR. Any redacted versions of a PPA submitted by a Market Participant must contain sufficient information to allow the Transmission Provider to verify compliance with RAR. The Transmission Provider will maintain the confidentiality of these agreements in accordance with the confidentiality provisions in Section 38.9 of the Tariff.
 - iii. For PPAs executed after April 3, 2014, one of the following must apply regarding the external balancing authority in which the External Resource is located:

(a) In the case of unit specific sales, if the MISO Balancing Authority Area is experiencing an Energy Emergency, the external balancing authority will not interrupt the PPA Schedule from the External Resource unless the generator being used to serve the unit specific sale has a forced outage.

(b) In the case of slice-of-system sales, if the external balancing authority area experiences an Energy Emergency and the MISO Balancing Authority Area is simultaneously experiencing an Energy Emergency, the external balancing authority will only interrupt the PPA Schedule on a pro rata basis with the shedding of firm end-use load in the external balancing authority area. Pro rata interruption of the PPA Schedule from the External Resource will be determined as the ratio of the PPA Schedule to the sum of the external balancing authority firm end-use load plus the PPA Schedule. (c) If the external balancing authority (1) is located within the Transmission Provider's reliability coordinator area; (2) participates in a contingency reserve sharing group with the Transmission Provider; and (3) has a Seams Operating Agreement with the Transmission Provider containing the following features, then in the event that the external balancing authority area experiences an Energy Emergency and the MISO Balancing Authority Area is simultaneously experiencing an Energy Emergency, the Transmission Provider and the external balancing authority will share interruption of PPA Schedules from an External Resource and load shedding in the external balancing authority area on a pro rata basis in proportion to the end-use load in the area under the Energy Emergency. Pro rata sharing shall be

determined as the respective ratio of each of the balancing authority's end-use load in the Energy Emergency Area divided by the sum of the end-use load of each balancing authority in the Energy Emergency Area. The Seams Operating Agreement must (1) ensure that the external balancing authority has established a planning reserve margin and qualifications for planning resources using processes and criteria comparable to the Transmission Provider; (2) specify the actions that will be taken by both entities during an Energy Emergency prior to implementing firm end-use load shedding, and (3) specify that the external balancing authority will submit end-use load estimates to the Transmission Provider in a comparable manner as submitted by Load entities in Module E-1, provide generator GVTC and GADS data for all resources used to serve firm requirements of the external balancing authority, and provide transparency in the form of submittal of fixed resource plans comparable to processes used by Market Participants for Fixed Resource Adequacy Plans in the Transmission Provider's Module E-1.

- iv. A PPA executed prior to April 3, 2014 will continue to qualify as a Planning Resource for the full term of the PPA if it is only interruptible as a last resort under Requirement 2 of NERC Standard EOP-011-1. A Diversity Contract executed prior to April 3, 2014 will continue to qualify as a Planning Resource, if it is only interruptible as a last resort under Requirement 2 of the NERC Standard EOP-011-1 between June 1st and September 30th.

- v. A Market Participant may only qualify a PPA as a Capacity Resource if such agreement establishes a firm obligation on the part of the seller of the Capacity to deliver the Capacity to the Market Participant.
- vi. If the terms and conditions in a PPA do not explicitly conform with every requirement of Section 69A.3.1.c. 4 (i) through (iv) above, the Transmission Provider will use alternative documentation and verification procedures to determine if the PPA qualifies as a Capacity Resource. A party seeking Capacity Resource status for a non-conforming PPA must provide the Transmission Provider with written information regarding whether: (a) the PPA was executed prior to October 20, 2008; (b) an RE has accredited the PPA to satisfy resource adequacy requirement provisions; (c) the PPA has provided reliable capacity to the Transmission Provider Region; (d) the supplier(s) of capacity in the PPA commit(s) to provide the capacity to an LSE in the Transmission Provider Region in a defined amount at a defined location based upon the supplier(s)' portfolio of generation assets; (e) energy from the PPA cannot be interrupted for economic reasons and will only be interrupted for force majeure type conditions as a last resort during Emergency conditions; (f) either the purchaser(s) or the supplier(s) of capacity in the PPA has committed to offer energy into the Day-Ahead Energy and Operating Reserves Market and all pre-Day-Ahead and the first post Day-Ahead Reliability Assessment Commitment processes for all periods for which energy is available under the PPA, consistent with the must offer provisions in Section 69A.5; (g) the physical resource(s) backing the PPA are identified by the

supplier of the PPA; (h) the portion of the physical resources backing the PPA has not otherwise been registered by any other entity as Capacity Resources in the Transmission Provider Region or as capacity resources in any other region; and (i) if the PPA is renewed, the PPA will be modified to comply with the terms of section 69A.3.1.c. 4 (i) through (iv) and (vi). The Transmission Provider will analyze all available alternative documentation and verification information.

Based upon such analysis, the Transmission Provider will inform the party seeking Capacity Resource status for the PPA within 30 days whether the PPA qualifies as a Capacity Resource.

- vii. No PPA may be qualified as a Capacity Resource if such agreement includes provisions permitting the seller to interrupt deliveries thereunder for reasons other than Force Majeure.
5. A Market Participant for an External Resource required to submit GVTC results must use Reasonable Efforts to submit GVTC by October 31 prior to the upcoming Planning Year. If circumstances prevent the Market Participant from submitting the GVTC results for the External Resource by October 31, the Market Participant must notify the Transmission Provider no later than five (5) Business Days after October 31 and request an extension. The extension request must include a reasonable explanation and justification for missing the deadline and an expected completion date prior to the upcoming Planning Year. The Transmission Provider will review each extension request on a case by case basis to determine whether or not to approve or deny the request to extend the GVTC deadline.

Denial of an extension will not preclude the Market Participant for the External Resource from utilizing the ICAP Deferral process as described in Section 69A.7.9.

6. Existing Resources that modify their registration, scheduling and market participation in the Energy and Operating Reserves Markets and become pseudo-tied External Resources after September 1, 2022 will be accredited at the lesser of class average SAC in Schedule 53 or the accreditation provisions governing External Resources in section 69A.4.1.b.

Use Limited Resources

The Market Participant shall identify eligible Generation Resources, Electric Storage Resources, Distributed Energy Aggregated Resources or External Resources to the Transmission Provider that are Use Limited Resources. The Market Participant that seeks to qualify a Generation Resource, Distributed Energy Aggregated Resource or External Resource as a Use Limited Resource under RAR shall meet all the requirements as specified in the BPM for Resource Adequacy. A Use Limited Resource must be able to operate for a minimum set of four (4) consecutive operating Hours across the Transmission Provider's coincident peak for each day in each applicable Season in order to qualify as a Capacity Resource, in accordance with the BPM for Resource Adequacy.

Intermittent Generation, Dispatchable Intermittent Resources, and Distributed Energy

Aggregated Resources

Intermittent Generation, Dispatchable Intermittent Resources, and Distributed Energy

Aggregated Resources are resources that are eligible to qualify as a Capacity Resource by a Market Participant provided that the Market Participant: (a) possesses ownership or equivalent contractual rights for the resource; (b) supplies historical performance data or required documentation for the resource as established in the BPM for Resource Adequacy; and (c) registers the resource with the Transmission Provider in accordance with the BPM for Market Registration (if the resource is located within the MISO Balancing Authority Area metered boundary), or the BPM for Resource Adequacy (if the resource is located outside the MISO Balancing Authority Area metered boundary).

Curtailments

At its sole discretion, the Transmission Provider may curtail exports not being used as capacity by an external balancing authority and/or recall External Resources, PPAs, and Diversity Contracts sourced from a Capacity Resource during a declared Energy Emergency. Procedures for such actions shall be specified in the operating procedures. With respect to external balancing authorities that have a Seams Operating Agreement with the Transmission Provider pursuant to Section 69 A.3.1.c.4, during a declared Energy Emergency in the MISO Balancing Authority Area, the Transmission Provider shall only interrupt or reduce Export Schedules associated with a sale of capacity on a reciprocal pro rata basis to that required of the external balancing authority in Section 69A.3.1.c.4.(iii).

A. Determination of Deliverability of Generation Resources, Electric Storage

Resources, and External Resources:

The Transmission Provider shall be responsible for determining whether Generation Resources, Electric Storage Resources, and External Resources eligible to be Capacity Resources are deliverable to Load. The deliverable amount of such Generation Resources, Electric Storage Resources, and External Resources will be any combination of the following:

- i. The amount of Network Resource Interconnection Service under Attachment X;
- ii. The amount of Energy Resource Interconnection Service under Attachment X that is coupled with firm Transmission Service;
- iii. The amount of firm Transmission Service associated with a Grandfathered Agreement that can only be used to satisfy PRMR within the LRZ of the Load under the Grandfathered Agreement;
- iv. The amount of aggregate deliverability that a Generation Resource or External Resource was granted through the market transition deliverability test by the Transmission Provider and could qualify for Network Resource Interconnection Service; or
- v. The amount of non-aggregate deliverability that a Generation Resource or External Resource was granted by the transmission provider and confirmed by a Network Customer as a designated Network Resource under the OASIS reservation process in place prior to either the initial effective date of the Energy Market in 2005 or that corresponding Transmission Owner's integration date, will be accepted by the Transmission Provider as deliverable to the Network Loads of

the Network Customer for that term of the confirmed designation, as such term may be extended.

B. Determination of Deliverability of Intermittent Generation, Dispatchable

Intermittent Resources, and Electric Storage Resources:

The Transmission Provider shall be responsible for determining whether Intermittent Generation, Dispatchable Intermittent Resources, and Electric Storage Resources eligible to be Capacity Resources are deliverable to Load. The deliverable amount of such Intermittent Generation, Dispatchable Intermittent Resources, and Electric Storage Resources will be any combination of the following:

- i. The amount of Network Resource Interconnection Service under Attachment X;
- ii. The amount of Energy Resource Interconnection Service under Attachment X that is coupled with firm Transmission Service;
- iii. The amount of firm Transmission Service associated with a Grandfathered Agreement that can only be used to satisfy PRMR within the LRZ of the Load under the Grandfathered Agreement;
- iv. The amount of aggregate deliverability that the Intermittent Generation or Dispatchable Intermittent Resource was granted through the market transition deliverability test by the Transmission Provider and could qualify for Network Resource Interconnection Service; or,
- v. The amount of non-aggregate deliverability that a Intermittent Generation or Dispatchable Intermittent Resource was granted by the transmission provider and confirmed by a Network Customer as a designated Network Resource under the

OASIS reservation process in place prior to either the initial effective date of the Energy Market in 2005 or that corresponding Transmission Owner's integration date, will be accepted by the Transmission Provider as deliverable to the Network Loads of the Network Customer for that term of the confirmed designation, as such term may be extended.

C. Determination of Deliverability of Distributed Energy Aggregated Resources

The Transmission Provider shall be responsible for determining whether Distributed Energy Aggregated Resources eligible to be Capacity Resources are deliverable to Load. The Distributed Energy Resource Aggregator will coordinate with the Electric Distribution Company in order for the Electric Distribution Company to perform a technical review of the Distributed Energy Aggregated Resource's transmission system impacts. Any MW found to be injecting onto the transmission system as a result of the technical review must demonstrate deliverability by obtaining External Network Resource Interconnection Service or firm Transmission Service in order to qualify for the Planning Resource Auction or a FRAP.

Retirement, Suspension, Installed Capacity (ICAP) Deferral and Replacement of Planning Resources

a. Retirement, Suspension, ICAP Deferral and Replacement

A Planning Resource for which a Market Participant requests a change in status in accordance with the System Support Resource (SSR) provisions described in Section 38.2.7 will no longer qualify as a Planning Resource effective as of the actual date that the status of the Planning Resource changes to Retire pursuant to Section 38.2.7. A Generation Resource that has the status of Suspend pursuant to Section 38.2.7 will continue to qualify as a Planning Resource in accordance with the BPM for Resource Adequacy. A Planning Resource for which a Market Participant submits an ICAP Deferral Notice will be subject to ICAP Deferral Requirements and Charges pursuant to Section 69A.7.9. As used in this section, “cleared ZRCs” include ZRCs that cleared in the PRA, were used in a FRAP, were used in an RBDC Opt Out, or were used to replace ZRCs in accordance with this section. As used in this section, “uncleared ZRCs” include ZRCs that did not clear in the PRA, were not used in a FRAP, were not used in an RBDC Opt Out or were not used to replace ZRCs in accordance with this section. If a Planning Resource for which a Market Participant converts Seasonal Accredited Capacity into ZRCs is Retired or Suspended prior to the end of the Season during the Planning Year in which the ZRCs cleared, such Market Participant must replace the cleared ZRCs with uncleared ZRCs. If a Market Participant does not replace such ZRCs associated with a Retired or Suspended Planning Resource, a Capacity Replacement Non-Compliance Charge will be assessed as determined below in this Section. If a Market Participant’s Planning Resource fails to satisfy the ICAP deferral requirements set forth in Section 69A.7.9 and the Market Participant does not replace

cleared ZRCs with uncleared ZRCs, an ICAP Deferral Non-Compliance Charge will be assessed pursuant to Section 69A.7.9. If a Planning Resource for which a Market Participant converts Seasonal Accredited Capacity into ZRCs is unable to meet the applicable performance requirements for the cleared ZRCs as described in Section 69A.5 for greater than thirty-one (31) Days in total due to full or partial Generator Planned Outage during the Season of the Planning Year in which the ZRCs cleared, or for Planning Resources that are subject to Diversity Contracts for greater than one (1) Month during any Season of the Planning Year in which the ZRCs cleared, such Market Participant must replace the cleared ZRCs with uncleared ZRCs to transfer the performance requirements applicable to the Planning Resource. If a Market Participant does not replace such ZRCs associated with a Planning Resource, a Capacity Replacement Non-Compliance Charge will be assessed as determined below in this Section. A Planning Resource for which a Market Participant converts Seasonal Accredited Capacity into ZRCs that are used to replace cleared ZRCs must meet the applicable performance requirements as described in sections 69A.3.3.1 and 69A.5 for the balance of the Season of the Planning Year, subject to the same replacement requirements set forth above. Any combination of cleared or replaced ZRCs that are on full or partial Generator Planned Outage for greater than thirty-one (31) Days in total during a Season, or for any other reason including full or partial Generation Outages that were not planned but were known or could have been reasonably anticipated at the time of the PRA, as set forth in the Market Monitoring and Mitigation Business Practices Manual, or unavailable because subject to a Diversity Contract that is not available for greater than one (1) Month during a Season, will be assessed a Capacity Replacement Non-Compliance Charge. If a Planning Resource for which a Market Participant converts Seasonal Accredited

Capacity into ZRCs is unable to meet the applicable performance requirements for the cleared ZRCs as described in Sections 69A.3.3.1 and 69A.5 due to a Catastrophic Generator Outage any time during the Season(s) of the Planning Year in which the ZRCs cleared such Market Participant may replace the cleared ZRCs with uncleared ZRCs to transfer the performance requirements applicable to the Planning Resource. A Planning Resource may not transfer its performance requirements by replacing the cleared ZRCs with uncleared ZRCs other than in the case of suspension, retirement, ICAP deferral, Catastrophic Generator Outage or full or partial Generator Planned Outages that may exceed thirty-one (31) Days in the Season as discussed immediately above. Cleared ZRCs can be replaced with uncleared ZRCs that are not from the same LRZ or ERZ by examining post-replacement clearing as if it were the PRA clearing results, so that such replacement: (1) does not violate any CIL used in the PRA; (2) does not violate any CEL used in the PRA; (3) does not reduce the remaining total ZRCs for any LRZ of cleared ZRCs below the LCR for that LRZ; and (4) does not exceed any intra-regional flow ranges established under applicable seams agreements, coordination agreements, or transmission service agreements. ZRC replacements from LRZs or ERZs other than that of the cleared ZRCs will be processed in accordance with the following parameters:

- i. ZRC replacement shall be processed on a first come, first served basis.
- ii. The amount of cleared ZRCs in each LRZ or ERZs at the time of a ZRC replacement shall be based upon the current amounts of cleared ZRCs, including any previous replacement transactions.

ZRC replacement shall have no impact on settlements from the PRA, FRAPs, and RBDC Opt Out, including any assessed Capacity Replacement Non-Compliance Charges.

b. Capacity Replacement Non-Compliance Charge and Distribution

- i. Capacity Replacement Non-Compliance Charges will be calculated as follows:

the number of days for which the Market Participant had a replacement requirement but failed to replace per section 69A.3.1.h.a above multiplied by the amount of ZRCs that failed to be replaced multiplied by the sum of the ACP for the applicable Season and the daily CONE value ($1/365$ times CONE). The ACP and the CONE values will be based on the LRZ where the Planning Resource cleared those ZRCs. If the Planning Resource is represented in an ERZ connected to a single SRRZ, the applicable CONE value will be the greatest CONE value of all LRZs in the respective SRRZ. For External Resources represented in ERZs that are connected to multiple SRRZs or that are not connected to any SRRZs, the applicable CONE value will be the greatest CONE value of all LRZs in those connected SRRZs.
- ii. Distribution of Capacity Replacement Non-Compliance Charges: Capacity Replacement Non-Compliance Charge revenues received by the Transmission Provider will be distributed to Market Participants representing LSEs that have met their Final PRMR during the applicable Season of the Planning Year on a *pro rata* basis, based upon their respective LSEs' share of Final PRMR for the Transmission Provider Region.

Energy Efficiency Resources (EE Resource)

An Energy Efficiency Resource is a Planning Resource, in which the Market Participant possesses ownership or equivalent contractual rights, from an end-use customer project (including the installation of more efficient devices or equipment or implementation of more efficient processes or systems) that was implemented after July 20, 2011, exceeding then-current building codes, appliance standards, or other relevant standards, designed to achieve a continuous reduction in electric energy consumption during On Peak daylight hours, as further described in the BPM for Resource Adequacy. EE Resources are eligible to qualify as Planning Resources by registering such EE Resources as Planning Resources with the Transmission Provider, as documented in the BPM for Resource Adequacy. An EE Resource can qualify as a Planning Resource for ZRCs for each Season for up to four (4) Planning Years immediately following the EE Resource's initial qualification provided that the energy efficiency measures are fully implemented prior to each Planning Year. ZRCs from EE Resources will be grossed-up by the amount of avoided transmission losses in accordance with Section 68A.8.b and also by the applicable PRM in accordance with Section 68A.2. EE Resources shall not require notice, dispatch, or operator intervention, such that the EE Resource will reduce the total amount of electrical energy needed, while delivering a comparable or improved level of end-use service, in accordance with the BPM for Resource Adequacy. The additional requirements for EE Resource measurement and verification are found in Attachment UU.

Demand Response Resources – Type I and Load Modifying Resources

Demand Response Resources – Type I and Load Modifying Resources can be offered as ZRCs in the PRA or can be used in FRAPs pursuant to Section 69A.9 or used in an RBDC Opt Out pursuant to Section 69A.9.1. As described below, a Demand Resource or behind the meter generation is eligible to qualify as a DRR – Type I or a Load Modifying Resource if it meets the following requirements. All DRR – Type I and LMRs that are cleared in the PRA or were submitted in a FRAP for a Season or submitted in an RBDC Opt Out must be available for use in the event of an Emergency as declared by the Transmission Provider, pursuant to the Emergency Operating Procedures of the Transmission Provider, unless replaced with other ZRCs pursuant to Section 69A.3.1.h. In accordance with the BPM for Resource Adequacy, the Transmission Provider will qualify a DRR – Type I or LMR for the applicable Season in the upcoming Planning Year. The Seasonal Accredited Capacity for DRR – Type Is and LMRs will be calculated pursuant to Schedule 53B.

Deployment Procedures for LMR

Procedures for deployment of LMR are found in the BPM for Resource Adequacy and emergency operating procedures. Such procedures shall be consistent with the information provided by the Market Participant regarding availability and notice time. At a minimum the Market Participant will provide the deployment parameters of the LMR (as described in Sections 69A.3.5 and 69A.3.6), during declared Emergencies prior to the use of Operating Reserves to achieve energy balance. The Market Participant shall, at all times, notify the Transmission Provider or Local Balancing Authority when the status or availability of an LMR changes, except for de minimis changes that do not need to be reported, according to procedures specified in the BPM for Resource Adequacy and emergency operating procedures. The Transmission Provider or Local Balancing Authority shall coordinate with the Market Participant that owns or controls such LMR when necessary to deploy or notify such LMR of a planned deployment. The Transmission Provider or Local Balancing Authority shall coordinate with the Market Participant that owns or controls such LMR when necessary to notify such LMR of a planned deployment through the issuance of Scheduling Instructions. Market Participants may be issued Scheduling Instructions during a declared Emergency or in anticipation of an Emergency at the discretion of Transmission Provider. Market Participants shall acknowledge Scheduling Instructions issued in accordance with BPM for Resource Adequacy for its LMRs. In the event of an anticipated Emergency where the Transmission Provider does not declare the actual Emergency at least two hours prior to the anticipated Emergency event, Market Participants are not obligated to meet the Scheduling Instructions issued in anticipation of such Emergency and

will not be penalized for non-performance. This does not apply to Scheduling Instructions issued after the declaration of an Emergency.

A Market Participant that acknowledges Scheduling Instructions for its LMR(s) as required by the BPM for Resource Adequacy will receive credit for one (1) of the minimum deployments or interruptions required for the LMR for the applicable Season whether or not an Emergency is declared. However, a Market Participant that fails to acknowledge the Scheduling Instructions as required by the BPM for Resource Adequacy will not receive credit for such deployment or interruption for its LMR(s).

An LMR that does not perform consistent with the Market Participant's response to its Scheduling Instructions in the event of an Emergency is subject to the penalty provisions of Section 69A.3.9 and will not receive credit as one (1) of the minimum deployments or interruptions required for such resource for the applicable Season.

Demand Resources (DR) with an Emergency Obligation

Demand Resources registered as either a DRR – Type I or LMR may be deployed to reduce Demand consistent with the submitted Capacity Availability submitted by the Market Participant representing the Demand Resource. A Market Participant shall test, validate, and measure its Demand Resources and submit the results to the Transmission Provider, which shall verify all Demand reduction claimed by a Market Participant, consistent with the procedures specified in the BPM for Demand Response. The accrediting, testing, validation, and Measurement and Verification developed by the Transmission Provider shall take into account any applicable State Regulatory Authority, Regional Entity, or other non-jurisdictional entities' requirements regarding duration, frequency and notification processes for the candidate Demand Resource. A Demand Resource that is sensitive to temperature changes or that is using a Statistical Measurement and Verification methodology must identify, at the time of registration, the extent of such parametric sensitivity to the Transmission Provider with sufficient detail to enable the Transmission Provider to verify whether the Demand Resource would be subject to penalties in Section 69A.3.9 for failure to achieve the targeted Demand reduction amount using the appropriate consumption baseline set forth in Attachment TT. Parametric sensitive analysis must include, but is not limited to, identifying the parameter changes and the parameter's elasticity of the LSE's Load, as further described in the BPM for Demand Response. In accordance with the BPM for Resource Adequacy, the Transmission Provider will qualify a DR for each Season in the upcoming Planning Year.

Demand Resource Eligibility

A Market Participant that possesses ownership or equivalent contractual rights in a Demand Resource can register a Demand Resource as a DRR – Type I or an LMR to participate in the Planning Resource Auction as documented in the BPM for Resource Adequacy. The Market Participant registering the Demand Resource must include the contracts with each end-use customer indicating rights to require the Demand Resource to curtail Load. Notwithstanding, a copy of a contract with an end-use customer will not be required if the Market Participant is the end-use customer. In addition, the Market Participant must meet the following requirements:

- a. A Market Participant shall be prohibited from registering into the PRA any component of a Demand Resource that is concurrently registered, in whole or in part, under another DRR, LMR, or EDR whether by the same or a different Market Participant. A Demand Resource registering as an LMR shall not also register as either a DRR or EDR.
- b. The Demand Resource must be equal to or greater than 100 kW (a grouping of smaller resources aggregated together as a Load Modifying Resource that is capable of reducing an LSE's Demand for the applicable Season may qualify in meeting this standard).
- c. The Demand Resource must be available to be scheduled for a Demand reduction with a notification time requirement: (i) less than or equal to six (6) hours to register in the PRA as a DRR – Type I or an LMR – Type I; or, (ii) less than or equal to thirty (30) minutes to register as an LMR – Type II, in the applicable Seasons.

- d. When a Demand Resource is issued Setpoint Instructions or Scheduling Instructions, performance will be evaluated as set forth in Attachment TT using the applicable Measurement and Verification.
- e. Once the Setpoint Instruction, Scheduling Instruction, or Firm Service Level is achieved, the Demand Resource must be able to maintain the Setpoint Instruction, Scheduling Instruction, or Firm Service Level for at least four (4) continuous Hours.
- f. Unless the Demand Resource is unavailable due to Force Majeure:
 - (i) A Demand Resource participating as a DRR – Type I or an LMR – Type I that is unavailable to respond to all Setpoint Instructions or Scheduling Instructions shall be subject to the penalties set forth in Section 69A.3.9; and
 - (ii) A Demand Resource participating as an LMR – Type II that is unavailable to respond to any Scheduling Instructions shall be subject to the penalties set forth in Section 69A.3.9.

This obligation only applies to Seasons during which a Demand Resource clears the Planning Resource Auction.

- g. A Demand Resource for which curtailment is not an obligation during Emergency events declared by the Transmission Provider pursuant to the Transmission Provider emergency operating procedures, will not qualify to participate in the PRA as a DRR – Type I or qualify as an LMR.
- A Market Participant that submits an Offer into the Day-Ahead and/or Real-Time

Energy and Operating Reserve Markets for a Demand Resource is still subject to the requirements to be available during an Emergency pursuant to the Transmission Provider Emergency Operating Procedures, regardless of the projected or actual Real-Time Energy market LMP.

- h. A Demand Resource shall submit Metered data at regular intervals as set forth in Attachment TT.
- i. A Market Participant must demonstrate demand reduction capability for each Planning Year on an annual basis as established in the BPM for Resource Adequacy. Beginning with the 2020/2021 Planning Year each Demand Resource must validate its performance by meeting the Transmission Provider's Scheduling Instructions when called upon during the prior Planning Year or conducting a real power test. A Demand Resource for which a real power test is conducted will receive credit as one (1) of the minimum deployments or interruptions required for such resource for the applicable Season of the Planning Year in which such a test occurs.

A Demand Resource may provide operational data, or develop an alternative mechanism, subject to the approval of the Transmission Provider, by which the demand reduction capability can be demonstrated without requiring an actual demand reduction if a real power test is precluded or waived due to one of the two conditions as specified below:

- 1) Such a real power test is precluded by any applicable regulatory restriction and such a limitation is documented during DR registration; or

2) A Market Participant may waive the obligation to conduct a real power test by notifying the Transmission Provider during DR registration and accepting a penalty equal to three (3) times the Hourly Real-Time Ex Post LMP at the Load CPNode described in and distributed pursuant to Section 69A.3.9. A Demand Resource providing such notice must satisfy credit requirements by March 1 prior to the Planning Year totaling the ICAP value registered, but not tested, multiplied by \$2,400/MW, where \$2,400 is the product of $3 * 4 * \$200$ to account for the three (3) times energy penalty assumed under the waiver, the four (4) hours of LMR requirements, and a \$200 LMP as a proxy for pricing under emergency conditions.

All existing accredited Demand Resources that neither conduct a real power test nor meet Scheduling Instructions issued by the Transmission Provider during the prior Planning Year must participate in training provided by the Transmission Provider on the deployment of LMRs during the prior Planning Year. Any existing accredited Demand Resource must submit (1) the real power test results, (2) reference performance of Scheduling Instructions for demand reduction when called upon during the calendar year prior to the upcoming Planning Year, (3) alternate testing mechanism, relevant data, and a reference of training participation to the Transmission Provider, or (4) a Demand Resource Deferral Notice pursuant to 69A.3.5(l) and a reference of training participation to the Transmission Provider no later than February 1 prior to such Planning Year for

existing accredited DR. For new Demand Resources, (1) a real power test must be conducted and results submitted to the Transmission Provider, (2) alternate testing mechanism must be submitted, or (3) a Demand Resource Deferral Notice must be submitted prior to qualifying as a Demand Resource, but no later than March 1 prior to the PRA in accordance with the BPM for Resource Adequacy. During a transition period that shall apply only to the 2021-2022 Planning Year, Market Participants may submit a Demand Resource Deferral Notice no later than March 31, 2021 for existing accredited Demand Resource, and Market Participants may submit a Demand Resource Deferral Notice no later than March 31, 2021 prior to initially qualifying as a Demand Resource.

- j. Market Participants providing physical, regulatory, or contractual limitations of the notice times and availability of Demand Resources must provide appropriate documentation to the Transmission Provider in accordance with the BPM for Resource Adequacy.
- h. A Market Participant may defer the obligation to conduct a real power test, as set forth in section 69A.3.5(i), by providing a Demand Resource Deferral Notice to the Transmission Provider in writing and signed by an officer of the company no later than February 1st prior to the Planning Year. During a transition period that shall apply only to the 2021-2022 Planning Year, Market Participants may submit a Demand Resource Deferral Notice no later than March 31, 2021 for existing accredited Demand Resource, and Market Participants may submit a Demand Resource Deferral Notice no later than March 31, 2021 prior to initially

qualifying as a Demand Resource. The Demand Resource Deferral Notice shall contain: (1) the expected Demand Resource test value (in megawatts) from such Demand Resource and if the Demand Resource is new, the LBA or external BA where it is represented; and (2) appropriate information validating that real power test results will be submitted to the Transmission Provider by the last Business Day of May prior to the Planning Year. A Market Participant that provides a Demand Resource Deferral Notice must satisfy credit requirements by March 1 prior to the Planning Year totaling the amount of Demand Resource test value provided in the Demand Resource Deferral Notice multiplied by \$2,400/MW, where \$2,400 is the product of $3 \times 4 \times \$200$ to account for the three (3) times energy penalty assumed under the deferral, the four (4) hours of LMR requirements, and a \$200 LMP as a proxy for pricing under emergency conditions. During a transition period that shall apply only to the 2021-2022 Planning Year, Market Participants that have elected to submit a Demand Resource Deferral Notice must satisfy credit requirements by March 31, 2021. If the Market Participant submits the real power test results on or before the last Business Day of May prior to the Planning Year that are equal to or greater than the expected Demand Resource test value, then the Transmission Provider will adjust the Market Participant's credit requirement to account for these changes within twenty (20) Business Days after that real power test is submitted. In the event ZRCs associated with a Planning Resource for which Demand Resource testing has been successfully deferred are unconverted in accordance with section

69A.7.3, the Market Participant may provide notice to the Transmission Provider that it wishes to forfeit the deferred Demand Resource value, in which case the Transmission Provider will adjust the Market Participant's Demand Resource value and credit requirement within twenty (20) Business Days. A Market Participant that provides a Demand Resource Deferral Notice and that either (1) has not submitted any real power test result for such Demand Resource by the last Business Day of May prior to the Planning Year, or (2) has submitted a real power test result by the last Business Day of May prior to the Planning Year that demonstrates fewer megawatts are available than the expected Demand Resource test value submitted in the Demand Resource Deferral Notice, shall be subject to a penalty equal to three (3) times the Hourly Real-Time Ex Post LMP at the Load CPNode for any such deficiency described in and distributed pursuant to Section 69A.3.9. In addition, such Market Participant shall not have their credit released until a real power test result demonstrating the availability of all megawatts submitted in the Demand Resource Deferral Notice is submitted and verified by the Transmission Provider, or the end of the Planning Year, whichever is earlier.

Behind the Meter Generation Eligibility

1. A Market Participant that possesses ownership or equivalent contractual rights in a behind the meter generator can register such behind the meter generator as a DRR – Type I or an LMR to participate in the Planning Resource Auction as documented in the BPM for Resource Adequacy. A behind the meter generator registered as a DRR – Type I or an LMR is a BTMG. The Market Participant registering the BTMG must include the contracts with each end-use customer indicating rights behind the BTMG to generate behind-the-meter generation. Notwithstanding, a copy of a contract with an end-use customer will not be required if the Market Participant is, or has non-contractual legal rights to control, the end use customer. In addition, the Market Participant must meet the following requirements:
 - a. A Market Participant shall be prohibited from registering into the PRA any BTMG that is concurrently registered, in whole or in part, under another DRR, LMR, or EDR, whether by the same or a different Market Participant. A BTMG registering as an LMR shall not also register as a DRR or EDR.
 - b. The BTMG must be equal to or greater than 100 kW (a grouping of smaller resources aggregated together as a Load Modifying Resource that is capable of reducing an LSE's Demand for the applicable Season may qualify in meeting this standard).
 - c. A behind the meter generator for which curtailment is not an obligation during Emergency events declared by the Transmission Provider will not qualify to participate in the PRA as a DRR – Type I or qualify as an LMR.

A Market Participant that submits an Offer in the Day-Ahead Market and/or Real-Time Energy and Operating Reserve Markets for a BTMG is still subject to the requirement to be available during an Emergency pursuant to the Transmission Provider Emergency Operating Procedures, regardless of the projected or actual Real-Time Energy Market LMP.

- d. A Market Participant shall demonstrate GVTC capability for applicable Season in each Planning Year on an annual basis as established in the BPM for Resource Adequacy, and by submitting the GVTC results to the Transmission Provider no later than October 31 prior to such Planning Year for existing accredited BTMG unless the Transmission Provider has granted an extension pursuant to Section 69A.3.6.1.j. All new BTMGs or an existing accredited BTMG that has an increased installed capacity shall submit their GVTC to the Transmission Provider prior to qualification, but no later than March 1 prior to the PRA as established in the BPM for Resource Adequacy.
- e. A Market Participant shall submit generator availability data (including, but not limited to, NERC GADS information) into a database provided by the Transmission Provider and as established in the BPM for Resource Adequacy. A Market Participant is not required to report generator availability data based on GVTC for a BTMG less than 10 MW if the Market Participant has never provided such data for such BTMG. A Market Participant that begins reporting generator availability data based upon GVTC for a BTMG that is less than 10 MW must continue to report such data.

- f. A BTMG must be available to provide Energy with a notification time requirement: (i) of six (6) hours or less notice if registering in the PRA as a DRR – Type I or an LMR – Type I; or (ii) with thirty (30) minutes or less notice if registering as an LMR – Type II in the applicable Seasons.
- g. A Market Participant shall demonstrate that the BTMG is able to sustain energy production at the MW level being registered for at least four (4) continuous Hours;
- h. Unless unavailable due to Force Majeure:
 - (i) A BTMG participating as a DRR – Type I or LMR – Type I that is unavailable to respond to all Setpoint Instructions or Scheduling Instructions shall be subject to the penalties set forth in Section 69A.3.9; and
 - (ii) A BTMG participating as an LMR – Type II that is unavailable to respond to any Scheduling Instruction shall be subject to the penalties set forth in Section 69A.3.9.

This obligation only applies during Seasons which the BTMG clears the Planning Resource Auction.

- i. A BTMG shall submit Metered data at regular intervals as set forth in Attachment TT.
- j. A Market Participant registering a BTMG may not register as a DRR – Type II or Non-Emergency BTMG for three years (3) Planning Years. After three (3) Planning Years, a Market Participant may commit to participate as a BTMG for

an additional three (3) Planning Years or may elect to participate as a DRR –

Type II or Non-Emergency BTMG. A BTMG may opt to participate as a DRR –

Type I or LMR at any time by satisfying the requirement of such participation option.

- k. A Market Participant for a BTMG required to submit GVTC results must use Reasonable Efforts to submit GVTC by October 31 prior to the upcoming Planning Year. If circumstances prevent the Market Participant from submitting the GVTC results for the BTMG by October 31, the Market Participant must notify the Transmission Provider no later than five (5) Business Days after October 31 and request an extension. The extension request must include a reasonable explanation and justification for missing the deadline and an expected completion date prior to the upcoming Planning Year. The Transmission Provider will review each extension request on a case by case basis to determine whether or not to approve or deny the request to extend the GVTC deadline. Denial of an extension will not preclude the Market Participant for the BTMG from utilizing the ICAP Deferral process as described in Section 69A.7.9.

2. Installed Capacity (ICAP) Deferral

If a Market Participant for a BTMG has not completed GVTC testing by the deadlines provided in 69A.3.6.1.d, is not expected to demonstrate deliverability, or is otherwise not expected to demonstrate commercial operation prior to March 1, ZRCs from such capacity may be used the PRA, in a FRAP (including through bilateral ZRC transactions) or in an RBDC Opt Out, subject to the notification, credit, and non-compliance

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Transmission Provider Initiated Testing of Demand Resources

1. A Demand Resource participating as a DRR or a LMR that is registered in the PRA shall be subject to a Transmission Provider initiated test according to the following requirements:
 - a. Test frequency:
 - i. A Demand Resource using an Attachment TT defined Statistical Measurement and Verification methodology shall be tested once per Planning Year;
 - ii. A Demand Resource participating as a DRR or LMR – Type I shall be tested once per three (3) Planning Years;
 - iii. A Demand Resource participating as an LMR – Type II shall be tested once per Planning Year. A Market Participant representing a Demand Resource participating as an LMR – Type II may request a Transmission Provider initiated test opt out as set forth in Section 69A.3.8.2; or
 - iv. Notwithstanding the provisions above, the Transmission Provider may test a resource at any time due to its non-performance.
 - b. A Demand Resource that has successfully deployed in response to a Setpoint Instruction or Scheduling Instruction issued during an Emergency in either the past one (1) or three (3) Planning Years as applicable pursuant to sub-section a. above, shall count as a successful Transmission Provider initiated test.

Provided there are no deployment failures for a Demand Resource participating as an LMR during the 2025/2026, 2026/2027, and 2027/2028 Planning Years, full

response to Setpoint Instructions or Scheduling Instructions issued during an Emergency shall count as a successful Transmission Provider initiated test for the first one (1) or three (3) Planning Year cycle, as applicable, beginning with the 2028/2029 Planning Year.

- c. A new Demand Resource participating as a DRR or an LMR shall undergo a Transmission Provider initiated test during the first Planning Year it is registered for the PRA.
 - d. A Market Participant shall receive at least 24 hours notification prior to the initiation of a Transmission Provider initiated test. Additional requirements regarding the Transmission Provider initiated test shall be set forth in the BPM for Resource Adequacy.
2. A Demand Resource participating as an LMR – Type II may opt out of the annual Transmission Provider initiated test requirement if it has responded to all Scheduling Instructions and successfully passed all Transmission Provider initiated tests, within the past three (3) Planning Years.
- a. If opting out of a test, a Demand Resource opting out of the test shall be subject to increased real-time penalties equal to the product of Pricing VOLL and the amount of specified Demand reduction, measured in MWh, not achieved in response to a Setpoint Instruction or Scheduling Instruction issued during an Emergency, in addition to any other penalty provisions set forth in 69A.3.9.
3. A Demand Resource will be deemed to have fully satisfied the Transmission Provider initiated test if the resource has met its performance obligations, as set forth in

Attachment TT, within the registered notification time, and maintained the Demand reduction or Firm Service Level as applicable for four (4) continuous hours.

4. A Demand Resource will have partially failed the Transmission Provider initiated test if the Demand Resource fully deploys outside of the registered notification time and within six (6) hours of initiating the test for participating as DRR – Type I or LMR – Type I, within thirty (30) minutes of initiating the test for participating as LMR – Type II, and within the Offered Shut-Down time for participating as a DRR – Type II. A partial failure of a Transmission Provider initiated test will result in:
 - a. The Demand Resource being charged the product of the amount of the Demand shortfall, measured in MW at the Hour equal to the initiation of the Transmission Provider test plus the registered response time, and the Auction Clearing Price, for the lesser of:
 - i. The remainder of the Season; or
 - ii. Such time as the Demand Resource fully deploys in response to a Setpoint Instruction or Scheduling Instruction during a Transmission Provider declared Emergency.
 - b. The Transmission Provider will adjust the resource's registered response time to reflect its tested response. A Market Participant must provide evidence to the Transmission Provider to register such resource with a response time less than the response time achieved during the Transmission Provider initiated test during subsequent Planning Years.
 - c. The Demand Resource may be tested in subsequent Seasons during the same

Planning Year.

- d. The Demand Resource shall be tested in the subsequent Planning Year.
5. A Transmission Provider initiated test shall be deemed to be fully failed if the Demand Resource failed to achieve its required Demand reduction, as measured per the applicable Attachment TT Measurement and Verification identified during the registration of the resource, within six (6) hours of initiating the test for participating as DRR – Type I or LMR – Type I, within thirty (30) minutes of initiating the test for participating as LMR – Type II, and within the Offered Shut-Down time for participating as a DRR – Type II.
- a. A Demand Resource experiencing a complete test failure will be subject to penalties equal to the product of the cleared ZRCs and the ACP for the entire Season in which the test was performed.
 - b. The Transmission Provider shall perform a test in the subsequent Season the resource has cleared ZRCs.
 - c. A resource failing two (2) tests during a single Planning Year shall be fully disqualified for the remainder of the Planning Year and shall pay 2.748 times the applicable LRZ's CONE multiplied by the amount of cleared ZRCs for each Season.

Penalty Provisions for LMRs

Unless an LMR is unavailable as a result of maintenance requirements, for reasons of Force Majeure, or because the number of required deployments based on the registered number has been reached, the Market Participant representing the entity that had ZRCs from LMRs that cleared in the PRA, were used in a FRAP, or were used in an RBDC Opt Out will be subject to the following penalties in the event the LMR is called upon during an Emergency as declared by the Transmission Provider and the LMR fails to perform in accordance with its Market Participant's response to such Market Participant's Scheduling Instructions. The penalties defined below will only apply to the portion of the Market Participant's response to such Market Participant's Scheduling Instruction that is not followed during the Emergency declaration and will only be assessed by the Transmission Provider after giving the operator of the LMR an opportunity to provide documentation of the specific circumstances that would justify exemption from such penalties. There will not be an LMR penalty assessed for any portion of the Scheduling Instruction which had already been accomplished by an LMR for other reasons (*e.g.*, for economic considerations, self-scheduling at or above the credited amount of BTMG or local reliability concerns in accordance with instructions from the Local Balancing Authority) at the time the request for interruption is made by the Transmission Provider. Likewise, for certain Demand Resources that are temperature dependent (*e.g.*, a Demand Resource program involving air conditioning load), the specified Demand reduction may be adjusted in a manner defined in the measurement and verification procedures developed by the Transmission Provider to reflect the circumstances at the time a Demand Resource is called upon to reduce Demand.

- a. The Transmission Provider shall assess the responsible Market Participant the costs that were otherwise incurred to replace the deficient Planning Resource at the time the Market Participant's LMR is called upon by the Transmission Provider and does not respond in full or in part consistent with the Market Participant's response to MISO's Scheduling Instructions. These costs will be the product of the amount of specified Demand reduction not achieved and the Hourly Real-Time Ex Post LMP at the Load CPNode, plus any applicable Revenue Sufficiency Guarantee charges. The Transmission Provider shall allocate any such penalty revenues only to the Market Participants representing the LSEs in the Local Balancing Authority Area(s) that experienced the Emergency that required the use of an LMR. Such revenues shall be distributed on a Load Ratio Share basis. For any situation where either an LMR does not respond to an interruption request, including those circumstances where the LMR is claimed to be unavailable as a result of maintenance requirements or for reasons of Force Majeure, the Transmission Provider shall initiate an investigation with the Market Participant which has registered the Demand Resource or BTMG and was qualified as an LMR into the cause of the LMR not being available when called upon to reduce Demand. If deemed appropriate by the Transmission Provider, the Transmission Provider will disqualify the Demand Resource or BTMG from further use as an LMR for the remainder of the current Planning Year, and will discontinue payment of the applicable ACP for the remainder of the current Planning Year when the LMR was unavailable. If such

LMR was used in a FRAP or cleared in the PRA or used in an RBDC Opt Out, then the Market Participant will be charged the applicable ACP for the remainder of the current Planning Year for the Unforced Capacity of the LMR. The revenues collected will be distributed on a *pro rata* basis in such LRZ based upon an LSE's Final PRMR.

- b. In the event the same LMR is unavailable on a second occasion (with at least a separation period of 24 hours) when called upon to respond to Scheduling Instructions, except for a validated circumstance of maintenance requirements or for reasons of Force Majeure, the Market Participant taking credit for that LMR shall make the same penalty payment as indicated in Section 69A.3.9.a above, and the Demand Resource or BTMG will no longer qualify as an LMR and will not receive the applicable ACP for the remainder of the current Planning Year and will not be eligible for LMR status for the next Planning Year. If such LMR was used in a FRAP or cleared in the PRA or used in an RBDC Opt Out, then the Market Participant will be charged the applicable ACP for the remainder of the current planning year for the Unforced Capacity of the LMR. The revenues collected will be distributed on a *pro rata* basis in such LRZ based upon an LSE's Final PRMR.

Non-Emergency Behind the Meter Generation Eligibility

1. A Market Participant that possesses ownership or equivalent contractual rights in a behind the meter generator can register such behind the meter generator as a Non-Emergency BTMG to participate in the Planning Resource Auction as documented in the BPM for Resource Adequacy. The Market Participant registering the Non-Emergency BTMG must include the contracts with each behind the meter generator indicating rights behind the Non-Emergency BTMG to generate behind-the-meter generation.

Notwithstanding, a copy of a contract with a behind the meter generator will not be required if the Market Participant is, or has non-contractual legal rights to control, the behind the meter generator. In addition, the Market Participant must meet the following requirements:
 - a. A Market Participant shall be prohibited from registering into the PRA any Non-Emergency BTMG that is concurrently registered, in whole or in part, whether by the same or a different Market Participant.
 - b. The Non-Emergency BTMG must be equal to or greater than 100 kW (a grouping of smaller resources aggregated together as a single Non-Emergency Behind the Meter Generation resource may qualify in meeting this standard).
 - c. At registration, a Market Participant registering a Non-Emergency BTMG must commit to participate as a Non-Emergency BTMG for three (3) Planning Years. After three (3) Planning Years, a Market Participant may commit to participate as a Non-Emergency BTMG for an additional three (3) Planning Years or may elect to participate as a DRR – Type I or an LMR. A resource participating as a Non-

Emergency BTMG may opt to participate as a DRR – Type II Resource at any time by satisfying the requirements of a DRR – Type II.

- d. A Non-Emergency BTMG has no obligation to respond to a Transmission Provider Setpoint Instruction or Scheduling Instruction.
- e. A Market Participant registering a Non-Emergency BTMG shall demonstrate GVTC capability for the applicable Season in each Planning Year on an annual basis as established in the Business Practices Manual for Resource Adequacy. A Market Participant of an existing Non-Emergency BTMG must submit the GVTC results to the Transmission Provider no later than October 31 prior to such Planning Year. If circumstances prevent the Market Participant from submitting the GVTC results for the Non-Emergency BTMG by October 31, the Market Participant must notify the Transmission Provider no later than five (5) Business Days after October 31 and request an extension. The extension request must include a reasonable explanation and justification for missing the deadline and an expected completion date prior to the upcoming Planning Year. The Transmission Provider will review each extension request on a case by case basis to determine whether or not to approve or deny the request to extend the GVTC deadline. Denial of an extension will not preclude the Market Participant for the Non-Emergency BTMG from utilizing the ICAP Deferral process as described in Section 69A.7.9.

A Market Participant of all new Non-Emergency BTMGs, or an existing accredited Non-Emergency BTMG that have increased installed capacity, shall

submit their GVTC to the Transmission Provider prior to qualification, but no later than March 1 prior to the PRA.

A Market Participant may request an extension of these deadlines pursuant to Section 69A.3.10.2.

- f. A Market Participant shall submit generator availability data (including, but not limited to, NERC GADS information) into a database provided by the Transmission Provider and as established in the Business Practices Manual for Resource Adequacy. A Market Participant is not required to report generator availability data based on GVTC for a Non-Emergency BTMG less than 10 MW if the Market Participant has never provided such data for such Non-Emergency BTMG. A Market Participant that begins reporting generator availability data based upon GVTC for a Non-Emergency BTMG that is less than 10 MW must continue to report such data.
- g. A Market Participant for Non-Emergency BMTG shall submit Meter data at regular intervals as set forth in Attachment TT.

2. Installed Capacity (ICAP) Deferral

If a Market Participant for a Non-Emergency BTMG has not completed GVTC testing by the deadlines provided in 69A.3.10(e), is not expected to demonstrate deliverability, or is otherwise not expected to demonstrate commercial operation prior to March 1, ZRCs from such capacity may be used the PRA, in a FRAP (including through bilateral ZRC transactions), or in an RBDC Opt Out, subject to the notification, credit, and non-compliance provisions of Section 69A.7.9.

Planning Resource Capacity Values

In order for the Transmission Provider to account for resource performance and availability, Capacity Resources, Demand Response Resources – Type I, Load Modifying Resources, and Non-Emergency Behind the Meter Generation will be given a capacity value for each applicable Season based on the Seasonal Accredited Capacity calculation applicable to its Resource type; and EE Resources will be given capacity values based on the measurement and verification data provided for such resources, as provided in the BPM for Resource Adequacy.

Seasonal Accredited Capacity of Capacity Resources

The Transmission Provider will determine the Seasonal Accredited Capacity for each Capacity Resource.

- a. The Seasonal Accredited Capacity for a Capacity Resource that is a Generation Resource, but not a Dispatchable Intermittent Resource, Intermittent Generation, Electric Storage Resource, External Resource, or Use Limited Resource, is based on an evaluation of the type and volume of interconnection service, GVTC value, and Real-Time offered availability of such Generation Resource or Electric Storage Resource for each Season as set forth in Schedule 53.
- b. The Seasonal Accredited Capacity for a Capacity Resource that is an External Resource, but not a Dispatchable Intermittent Resource, Intermittent Generation or Use Limited Resource, is based on the GVTC value and XEFOR_d values of such External Resource for each Season. External Resources that are not required to report generator availability data will have a forced outage rate based on the class average forced outage rate of the resource type.
- c. The Transmission Provider will determine the Seasonal Accredited Capacity for a DRR – Type II that qualifies as a Capacity Resource, for each Season, as set forth in Schedule 53B.
- d. The Seasonal Accredited Capacity for a Capacity Resource that is a Dispatchable Intermittent Resource or Intermittent Generation will be determined by the Transmission Provider based on historical performance, availability, and type and volume of interconnection service, for each Season in accordance with the BPM

for Resource Adequacy.

- e. The Seasonal Accredited Capacity value for a Capacity Resource that is a Hybrid Resource will be established by the Transmission Provider based on the sum of the Seasonal Accredited Capacity values of its respective Electric Facilities for the production and/or storage for later injection of electricity, up to the level of firm interconnection service, prior to a minimum amount of operating data becoming available. Once sufficient operation data is available, as defined in the BPM, the Seasonal Accredited Capacity value for a Hybrid Resource will be determined by the Transmission Provider based on historical performance, availability, and type and volume of interconnection service, for each Season in accordance with the BPM.
- f. The Seasonal Accredited Capacity of a Capacity Resource that is an Electric Storage Resource will be established by the Transmission Provider based on an evaluation of the type and volume of interconnection service, a GVTC value based upon a power and energy test, and an XEFOR_d. Electric Storage Resources that are not required to report generator availability data will have an XEFOR_d rate based on their class average forced outage rate.
- g. The Seasonal Accredited Capacity for a Capacity Resource that is a Use Limited Resource will be determined by the Transmission Provider based on the type and volume of interconnection service, the GVTC and XEFOR_d values of such Use Limited Resource in accordance with the BPM for Resource Adequacy.

Seasonal Accredited Capacity of Demand Resources

The Transmission Provider will determine the appropriate Seasonal Accredited Capacity value for Demand Resources that qualify as a Planning Resource as established in Schedule 53B.

Seasonal Accredited Capacity of Behind the Meter Generation and Non-Emergency Behind the Meter Generation

The Transmission Provider will determine the Seasonal Accredited Capacity for each BTMG and Non-Emergency BTMG as set forth in Schedule 53B. If such BTMG or Non-Emergency BTMG is interconnected to the Transmission System, the Transmission Provider will consider the type and volume of interconnection service when determining the Seasonal Accredited Capacity.

EE Resources

The Seasonal Accredited Capacity for a qualified EE Resource will be determined by the Transmission Provider based upon submitted measurement and verification documents, as provided in the BPM for Resource Adequacy.

Attributes of ZRCs

A Market Participant that owns or possesses equivalent contractual rights to a qualified Planning Resource can convert the convertible Seasonal Accredited Capacity of the Resource (Seasonal Accredited Capacity MW) as determined in section 69.A.3.1.g into ZRCs through the MECT in order to offer such ZRCs into a PRA. Market Participants also can unconvert and/or transfer ZRCs through the MECT to another Market Participant, as described in the BPM for Resource Adequacy.

A. Eligibility for Zonal Resource Credits for a Capacity Resource that is a Planning Resource that is not Intermittent Generation or Dispatchable Intermittent Resource.

For a Capacity Resource that is not Intermittent Generation or Dispatchable Intermittent Resource the amount of Capacity that is eligible to be converted to Zonal Resource Credits shall be the convertible Seasonal Accredited Capacity value of the Capacity Resource. The convertible Seasonal Accredited Capacity shall be determined by:

- i. Determining the Installed Capacity;
- ii. Determining the Seasonal Accredited Capacity of the Capacity Resource;
- iii. Allocating the Capacity Resource's Seasonal Accredited Capacity value where:
 - a. If the Capacity Resource has only Energy Resource Interconnection Service, the Seasonal Accredited Capacity will be allocated to the Capacity Resource's Energy Resource Interconnection Service Seasonal Accredited Capacity value, which will be calculated by multiplying the lesser of the Capacity Resource's ICAP or Energy Resource Interconnection Service by SAC divided by ICAP;

- b. If the Capacity Resource has both Network Resource Interconnection Service and Energy Resource Interconnection Service, the Seasonal Accredited Capacity will be allocated first to the Capacity Resource's Network Resource Interconnection Service Seasonal Accredited Capacity value, which will be calculated by multiplying the lesser of the Capacity Resource's ICAP or Network Resource Interconnection Service by SAC divided by ICAP, as provided below:

$$NRIS\ SAC = MIN\ (NRIS,\ ICAP) \times (SAC/ICAP)$$

- c. Any remaining total Seasonal Accredited Capacity value will then be allocated to Energy Resource Interconnection Service Seasonal Accredited Capacity as provided below:

$$ERIS\ SAC = MAX\ (0,\ (ICAP-NRIS)) \times (SAC/ICAP)$$

- d. The resulting Network Resource Interconnection Service Seasonal Accredited Capacity value shall be eligible to be converted into Zonal Resource Credits; and
- e. The resulting Energy Resource Interconnection Service Seasonal Accredited Capacity value that is coupled with firm Transmission Service shall be eligible to be converted into Zonal Resource Credits up to the Energy Resource Interconnection Service Unforced Capacity value of the Capacity Resource, by multiplying the firm Transmission Service amount by SAC divided by ICAP.

B. Eligibility for Zonal Resource Credits for a Capacity Resource that is an Intermittent Generation or Dispatchable Intermittent Resource

For Intermittent Generation and Dispatchable Intermittent Resources that are Capacity Resources, the amount of Capacity eligible to be converted to Zonal Resource Credits shall be the convertible Seasonal Accredited Capacity value of the Intermittent Generation or Dispatchable Intermittent Resource, which is equal to the total Seasonal Accredited Capacity value multiplied by the quotient of the deliverability adjusted Capacity factor divided by the peak performance Capacity factor of the Capacity Resource where:

- a. the deliverability-adjusted capacity factor is the average of the actual Energy output capped at the demonstrated deliverability of the Intermittent Generation or Dispatchable Intermittent Resource determined in Section 69A.3.1.g during the highest system peak load observances for each Season that the Capacity Resource was in service divided by the Installed Capacity of the Capacity Resource; and,
- b. the existing peak performance Capacity factor is the average of the actual Energy output during the highest system peak load observances for each Season that the Capacity Resource was in service divided by the Installed Capacity of the Capacity Resource.

C. Eligibility for Zonal Resource Credits for a Capacity Resource that is a Distributed Energy Aggregated Resource

For Distributed Energy Aggregated Resources that are Capacity Resources, the amount of Capacity eligible to be converted to Zonal Resource Credits shall be the convertible Seasonal

Accredited Capacity value of the Distributed Energy Resources within the aggregation according to their resource type as determined in section 69A.3.1.g.

Capacity Resource Must Offer and Performance Requirements

- a. Market Participants that convert Seasonal Accredited Capacity from Capacity Resources into ZRCs that clear in a Season in the PRA or are used in a FRAP (and that do not replace such ZRCs in accordance with Section 69A.3.1.h) or used in an RBDC Opt Out, including Capacity Resources that are the subject of Diversity Contracts, must submit Self-Schedules or Offers for Energy, and Contingency Reserve if qualified, and offers for Short-Term Reserve if qualified, for the Installed Capacity value of the Capacity Resources converted to ZRCs and clear in a Season in the PRA or used in a FRAP or used in an RBDC Opt Out for each Hour of each Day during the applicable Season in the Planning Year, in the Day-Ahead Energy Market and all pre Day-Ahead and the first post Day-Ahead Reliability Assessment Commitment process. This must offer obligation does not apply to the extent that the Capacity Resource is unavailable due to a full or partial forced or scheduled outage, in accordance with the BPM for Resource Adequacy and the BPM for Outage Operations. Additionally, this must offer obligation is modified to the extent the Capacity Resource is provided an operating limitation, such as thermal, voltage, or stability limits referenced in the BPM for Outage Operations, by the Transmission Provider or Transmission Operator to preserve the reliability of the Transmission System, that is lower than the must offer obligation described above, for the duration of such limitation.

Any such Capacity Resource with full or partial Generator Planned Outages that exceeds thirty-one (31) Days during any Season will be deemed not to have met its performance requirement for any Days greater than thirty-one (31) Days and must replace ZRCs in

accordance with Section 69A.3.1.h, provided that Capacity Resources subject to Diversity Contracts that are unavailable for greater than thirty-one (31) Days in total during any Season, will be deemed not to have met its performance requirement and will be subject to the ZRC replacement provisions set forth in Section 69A.3.1.h.

Self-Schedules or Offers for Energy must be made consistent with requirements specified in Sections 39 and 40 of this Tariff as well as in the BPM for Resource Adequacy and the Business Practices Manual for Energy and Operating Reserves Markets. Partial or full forced or scheduled outages or derates of Capacity Resources must be reported in the Transmission Provider's Outage Scheduler, as described in further detail in the Business Practices Manual for Outage Operations. Must offer requirements specified in the BPM for Resource Adequacy will reflect resource operational limitations, including those related to Use Limited Resources, fuel limited, energy output limited or Intermittent Generation and including all state regulations and laws, including but not limited to, state safety standards, planning reserve margins, or the enforcement thereof. The Transmission Provider will monitor compliance with must offer requirements in accordance with the BPM for Resource Adequacy.

- b. If a Capacity Resource that has ZRCs cleared in the PRA during any Season or is used in a FRAP during any Season or used in an RBDC Opt Out is capable of performing but fails to perform when called upon by the Transmission Provider for an Emergency, the Transmission Provider shall assess the owner of such Capacity Resource the costs that were otherwise incurred to replace the energy from the deficient Capacity Resource at the time that the Capacity Resource is called upon by the Transmission Provider and does not

respond in full or in part, for each day of non-performance of such Capacity Resource, provided that the planned or forced outage of the Capacity Resource is not properly reported in the Transmission Provider's Outage Scheduler, as set forth in the Business Practices Manual for Outage Operations. These costs will be the product of the amount of qualified ZRCs not achieved and the real-time LMP at the Capacity Resource's CPNode, plus any applicable related Revenue Sufficiency Guarantee charges. The Transmission Provider shall allocate any such revenues to the Market Participants representing the LSEs in the Local Balancing Authority Area(s) that experienced the Emergency. Such revenues shall be distributed on a Load Ratio Share basis.

- c. Market Participants must input all Energy Efficiency Resource and Load Modifying Resource information into the MECT at least seven (7) Business Days prior to the Planning Resource Auction.

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State RAR Standards

The Transmission Provider will assist states in meeting any state resource adequacy standards by providing relevant MECT information as available and as may be requested by states, subject to the data confidentiality provisions in Section 38.9 of this Tariff. Nothing in the RAR shall prohibit any state from requesting data relating to state safety standards, planning reserve margins, or the enforcement thereof.

Information regarding RAR Obligations

The Transmission Provider will maintain databases and will report to states and the affected LSEs, upon request, aggregated, non-confidential information regarding jurisdictional LSEs' RAR obligations during relevant time periods. Confidential Data regarding RAR status will be provided to states only in accordance with the data confidentiality provisions in Section 38.9 of this Tariff.

Facilitation of a Bilateral Capacity Bulletin Board

The Transmission Provider shall maintain an electronic bulletin board platform that may be used by Market Participants to facilitate voluntary bilateral ZRC transactions and to monitor the conversion of Seasonal Accredited Capacity to ZRCs.

Facilitation of LSE's RAR Information

The Transmission Provider shall, upon request, submit RAR information to the applicable RE, Electric Reliability Organization, state (in the case of an LSE subject to regulation or using delivery services rates, terms or conditions established by such State Regulatory Authority) or to the Commission, subject to the provisions of Section 38.9 of this Tariff.

Reliability Based Demand Curve Procedures

A. Translation of MRI Curves to RBDCs

The following process will be utilized to determine the RBDC for the Transmission Provider Region for each Season of the upcoming Planning Year. The MRI Curves for the Transmission Provider Region as described in Section 68A.9 will be multiplied by a scaling factor measured in \$/MWh. The scaling factor for an RBDC is calculated to support ACPs that achieve annual Net CONE when the Transmission Provider Region is at the reliability requirement established by the LOLE analysis for each Season. LOLE risk across the Seasons is modeled as described in Section 68A.2.1. The scaling factors shall be determined as set forth in the Business Practices Manual for Resource Adequacy.

The process used to determine the RBDCs for each of the First Planning Area and the Second Planning Area for each Season in the Planning Year is similar to the process used for developing the RBDC curve for the Transmission Provider Region.

B. Monte Carlo Analysis

Every three Planning Years, the Transmission Provider will evaluate the ability of RBDCs, through probabilistic analysis, to reliably serve the Transmission Provider Region's Demand while supporting ACPs that achieve annual Net CONE when the Transmission Provider Region is at the reliability requirement established by the LOLE analysis for each Season. The probabilistic analysis shall use a Monte Carlo study that assumes there are no internal transmission limitations within the Transmission Provider Region.

The Monte Carlo analysis will model both in-market supply and demand based on historic supply and demand variability, respectively, observed through a minimum of the three

most recent PRAs. The Monte Carlo model will produce seasonal clearing prices and quantities with each draw. Overall model results will be assessed by comparing the average of seasonal prices from the study against the estimate of Net CONE described in section 69A.8. The scaling factor is adjusted in each successive Monte Carlo simulation so that long run equilibrium conditions are ultimately achieved, indicated by the average of seasonal prices from the study equal to the estimate of Net CONE. Net CONE values used for the Monte Carlo analysis will be the simple arithmetic average of all LRZ Net CONE values.

A separate Monte Carlo analysis will be performed to evaluate the RBDCs for the First Planning Area and the Second Planning Area. Separate scaling factors will be used in the Monte Carlo analysis for each of the First Planning Area and the Second Planning Area that supports achievement of Net CONE values for the corresponding Planning Area, indicated by the average of seasonal capacity prices under long run equilibrium conditions. Net CONE values used in the Monte Carlo analysis for the RBDCs for the First Planning Area and the Second Planning Area will be the simple arithmetic average of LRZ Net CONE values for the specific LRZs in the corresponding Planning Area.

Planning Resource Auction

Within twenty (20) Business Days after the last Business Day in March, the Transmission Provider will conduct a PRA to determine the ACP in each LRZ and ERZ for the upcoming Planning Year which begins on June 1st. The Transmission Provider will post the results of the PRA on its website, consistent with the standards and procedures set forth in the BPM for Resource Adequacy. The Transmission Provider shall ensure that each Market Participant submitting a ZRC Offer is qualified to submit such an offer consistent with the Transmission Provider's creditworthiness provisions. The Transmission Provider will ensure that the LCR, the CEL and CIL are respected for each LRZ, the CEL is respected for each ERZ, and the SREC and the SRIC are respected for each SRRZ, if applicable, when conducting the PRA.

PRA Procedures

a. Participating ZRCs in the PRA: All Market Participants that own or have contractual rights to the Planning Resources that are represented within an LRZ or ERZ and have converted Seasonal Accredited Capacity to ZRCs, will have an option to (consistent with withholding provisions) submit offers into the PRA for such ZRCs, to the extent that the Market Participant has not submitted a FRAP, or RBDC Opt Out, as described in Section 69A.9. Owners of jointly-owned facilities can individually offer their share of any such resources into the PRA, either as self-schedule price takers or with specific offers, or use their share of such resources as part of their FRAPs, or RBDC Opt Outs. These ZRC Offers must be submitted in price/quantity pairs on a monotonically increasing basis expressed as MW-day and must consist of a stepped ZRC Offer curve of up to five (5) segments for each Planning Resource. ZRC Offers shall be submitted to the Transmission Provider via the MECT during the PRA offer window. Only ZRCs that are not otherwise committed for the remainder of the Planning Year are permitted to participate in the PRA. The PRA offer window shall begin at 8:00 am EPT three (3) Business Days before the last Business Day in March and shall end at 6:00 pm EPT on the last Business Day in March. The Transmission Provider may extend or reopen the PRA offer window based on unanticipated events that: (i) interfere with the Transmission Provider's ability to receive and/or process accurate and complete ZRC Offers or (ii) are otherwise likely to have a widespread negative impact on the results of the PRA. The Transmission Provider shall notify Market Participants and post such notice of any extension or reopening of the PRA on its website. The notice shall state the extension or

reopening's circumstances, rationale, and duration. The price associated with these ZRC Offers cannot exceed the annual CONE value divided by the number of days in the Season for the LRZ where the ZRC is represented. ZRC Offers from External Resources represented in ERZs, which are connected to single SRRZ, cannot exceed the greatest CONE value of all LRZs in respective SRRZ. ZRC Offers from External Resources represented in ERZs, which are connected to multiple SRRZs or are not connected to any SRRZs, cannot exceed the greatest CONE value of all LRZs in those connected SRRZs. Owners of ZRCs may bilaterally sell or buy ZRCs; however if a ZRC has cleared in the auction, the Market Participant that registered the Planning Resource that is the subject of such ZRC shall be responsible for complying with all Tariff requirements. The Independent Market Monitor will review the actions of owners/operators of all qualified Seasonal Accredited Capacity from Planning Resources and conversion to ZRCs to evaluate potential withholding of Planning Resources from the PRA, consistent with Module D. External Resources, including Generation Resources pseudo-tied into the MISO Balancing Authority Area, will be granted ZRCs in the applicable External Resource Zone. Notwithstanding the above, External Resources located within a Coordinating Owner that (i) borders the Transmission Provider Region; (ii) whose external ties are predominantly to the Transmission System; and (iii) has Seams Operating Agreements that allow for coordinated operations, will be granted ZRCs in the LRZ where their firm transmission service crosses the border of the Transmission Provider Region, and Border External Resources will be granted ZRCs in the LRZ where the Transmission System connects to the substation with its interconnection facilities.

Generation Resources, Intermittent Generation, Electric Storage Resources, and Dispatchable Intermittent Resources will have to meet the terms of Section 69A.3.1.g. To the extent a Capacity Resource is located on the border of two or more LRZs (e.g., has transmission lines from two or more LRZs terminating at the substation containing the Capacity Resource's interconnection facilities), the Capacity Resource will be assigned to an LRZ as follows:

- (i) if the Capacity Resource is located within the MISO BA, MISO will assign that Capacity Resource to the LRZ that contains the Local Balancing Authority in which the Capacity Resource is physically located; or
- (ii) if the Capacity Resource is a Border External Resource, MISO will assign that Capacity Resource to the LRZ with which it has the greatest electrical connection. This connection will be determined by the impacts of the Resource on the system, including (i) the electrical loading of transmission facilities within and tying to the Zone and (ii) the transmission constraints which define the CIL and CEL for the Zone.

Once assigned, Capacity Resources which border two or more LRZs will not be reassigned unless significant changes occur in the Transmission Provider Region, including but not limited to, significant changes in LRZ boundaries, membership, the Transmission System, and/or Resources.

b. Participating Demand: All LSEs will be required to meet their Final PRMR through the PRA process, unless they have decided to pay the Capacity Deficiency Charge. LSEs can Self-Schedule ZRCs to meet their PRMR, consistent with the Self-

Scheduling Option in Section 69A.7.8. The Transmission Provider will conduct the PRA based upon the PRMR for the Transmission Provider Region minus the amount of PRMR associated with the Capacity Deficiency Charge, expressed as a variable reliability target through RBDCs for all of the LSEs located within the Transmission Provider Region.

c. Conducting the PRA: The Transmission Provider will conduct the PRA for each Season using the following auction procedures to determine the ACP for each LRZ and ERZ. The PRA shall be designed to commit resources equal to the Final PRMR determined by application of the RBDC for each LSE, minus the amount of PRMR associated with the Capacity Deficiency Charge but including resources used in a FRAP and an RBDC Opt Out, in each LRZ up to the total volume of offered ZRCs. All ZRCs offered at zero price will clear the PRA. The PRA shall clear for each LRZ and ERZ of the Transmission Provider Region. A multi-zone optimization methodology shall be employed to simultaneously perform the following tasks: (1) conduct the PRA to meet the supply and demand balance both for the Transmission Provider Region and for each of the First Planning Area and the Second Planning Area by clearing ZRC Offers and establishing the Final PRMR, as determined by application of the RBDCs, minus the amount of PRMR associated with the Capacity Deficiency Charge for each LRZ of the Transmission Provider Region to yield cleared ZRCs; (2) meet the LCR for each LRZ; (3) efficiently use transmission transfer capability between LRZs and from ERZs; and (4) respect the SREC and SRIC for each SRRZ, if applicable.

(i) **Objective Function:** The objective of the multi-zone optimization methodology shall be to maximize social surplus, using the as-offered overall

costs of capacity procurement and the as-bid overall benefits of capacity procurement reflected in the RBDCs over the time horizon, subject to LCR, network constraints, and SRICs and SRECs, if applicable. The overall costs will include the ZRC Offers of all Planning Resources selected for cleared ZRCs. CILs of each LRZ are simultaneous to the extent that imports into the LRZ are concurrently simulated; and CELs of each LRZ and ERZ are simultaneous to the extent that exports out of the relevant LRZ or ERZ are concurrently simulated. Network constraints will be represented by an initial set of zonal CELs and CILs, driven by the dispatch from planning models. The CELs and CILs will be reviewed by the Transmission Provider to determine if there are network loading violations when based on the geographical dispatch derived from the initial auction clearing. If no network violation is indicated, then the auction results are final. If a network violation is indicated, then reductions will be made to the affected export and import capabilities to avoid network violations and the auction will be cleared again with the new set of export and import capabilities. After a maximum of two (2) successive iterations per Season to address network violations, the auction clearing iteration with the fewest megawatts of network violations will be deemed as the final auction result.

(ii) **Time Horizon:** For purposes of clearing the system-wide PRMR the time horizon is an hour, representing the projected maximum Coincident Peak Demand. For a Local Resource Zone, the time horizon is the hour representing the Local Resource Zone Peak Demand, over each Season for the next Planning

Year for the Transmission Provider Region. Coincident Peak Demand is used to establish an LSE's Initial PRMR while Local Resource Zone Peak Demand is used to establish an LRZ's LRR.

(iii) **Capacity Market and Congestion Management:** The multi-zone optimization methodology will perform congestion management simultaneously with the scheduling of capacity for each Season in the Planning Year. Congestion management is the process where ZRCs are cleared to eliminate network constraint violations and to maximize the social surplus of procuring PRMR to meet applicable reliability standards.

(iv) **Model of Transmission Provider Transmission System:** The multi-zone optimization methodology will enforce network constraints represented by CILs, CELs and LCRs that are obtained by using a model of the transmission system including Planning Resources and Demand which will be updated annually to reflect existing and planned transmission and generation projects. Transmission and Planning Resources shall be modeled as part of the multi-zone optimization methodology to reflect their expected state during the peak Hour of each Season in the Transmission Provider Region. The model is of zonal form, which shall include all Planning Resources, Demand, and a representation of systems external to the Transmission Provider Region, and which will be consistent with seams agreements with neighboring regions.

Network Constraints. The multi-zone optimization methodology shall enforce constraints on transmission lines, transformers, and groups of

transmission branches that compose transmission interfaces represented by LCR, CIL, and CEL. Most of these constraints shall represent thermal limits on the power flow through transmission facilities. Certain constraints may impose more restrictive limits on power flow, taking into account contingencies and typically represented through operating guides.

Transmission Losses. The multi-zone optimization methodology will clear ZRCs to cover transmission losses; the PRMR will include estimates of transmission losses in its calculation for each Season.

(v) **LRZ ACP Calculation:** The Auction Clearing Price (ACP) for an LRZ is the marginal cost of serving the Demand in that LRZ. The ACP is composed of the system marginal cost of capacity, the regional marginal cost of capacity, the marginal cost of financially binding LCR, CEL, and CIL for a LRZ, (*i.e.*, network constraints that are active at the optimal solution prohibiting a lower cost outcome), and the marginal cost of financially binding SRECs and SRICs for SRRZs, if applicable. The ACP is calculated by considering the next increment or decrement to Demand for each LRZ. The Transmission Provider will calculate ACPs for each LRZ. For accounting purposes, ACP will be expressed in dollars per megawatt-day (\$/MW-day).

(vi) **External Resource Zone (ERZ) ACP:** The ACP for an ERZ is comprised of the system marginal cost of capacity, marginal cost of financially binding CEL for the ERZ, the marginal cost of financially binding SRECs and SRICs for SRRZ with which the ERZ interconnects. For ERZs which connect with more than one

SRRZ, or which do not directly connect to a single SRRZ, a weighted average of the marginal cost of financially binding SREC and SRIC will be applied, with weights derived from the distribution of annual energy flows into the SRRZs from the ERZ. For accounting purposes, ACP will be expressed in dollars per megawatt-day (\$/MW-day).

(vii) **ACP Inputs:** Primary inputs to the ACP calculation are network constraints represented by CIL, CEL, LCR, and other constraints established by the Transmission Provider associated with SRECs and SRICs for SRRZs in accordance with applicable seams agreements, coordination agreements, or transmission service agreements and the set of valid ZRC Offers and the Final PRMR for the Transmission Provider Region minus the amount of Initial PRMR associated with the Capacity Deficiency Charge for each LRZ. Valid ZRC Offers may include offers from ZRCs converted from confirmed Seasonal Accredited Capacity from Planning Resources. ZRC Offers can be submitted as Self-Schedules, in accordance with Section 69A.7.8.

(viii) **ACP Outputs:** For non-zero ACPs, Resources that set the ACP in a LRZ or ERZ will be cleared in proportion to the amount of ZRCs necessary to meet the Final PRMR. When more than one resource is marginal and offered at the ACP, then all resources offered at the ACP are cleared *pro rata* up to the amount required to meet the reliability requirement. This may result in a portion of multiple Resources clearing as the marginal resources that set the ACP.

(ix) **Eligibility Rules:** ACPs can be set by any ZRC Offers.

(x) ACP for multiple Seasons with ZRC Shortage Conditions or ZRC Near-Shortage Conditions to meet Local Clearing Requirements:

When an LRZ has more than one Season in any combination of ZRC Shortage Conditions and/or ZRC Near-Shortage Conditions the final Auction Clearing Price (ACP) for the LRZ will be set as the minimum of: (a) the original ACP as determined in Section 69A.7.1.c.(v) reflecting the effective financial binding of an LCR constraint; or (b) the summation of: (i) the amount composed of the system marginal cost of capacity, the regional marginal cost of capacity, and the marginal cost of financially binding SRECs and SRICs for SRRZs, if applicable; and (ii) the LCR price adder. The LCR price adder will be set as the amount obtained by dividing the applicable LRZ's annual CONE value by the summation of the number of days in Seasons in each Season of the Planning Year in which the LRZ was in ZRC Shortage Conditions in the Planning Resource Auction and the number of days in each Seasons of the Planning Year in which the LRZ was in ZRC Near-Shortage Conditions in the Planning Resource Auction.

(xi) **Notification:** ACPs and total summarized cleared ZRC Offers determined as described above shall be calculated and published by the Transmission Provider by 11:59 pm EST on the twentieth Business Day following the last Business Day in March. The Transmission Provider may extend the publishing deadline based on unanticipated events that: (i) interfered with the Transmission Provider's ability to receive and/or process accurate and complete ZRC Offers or (ii) were

otherwise likely to have a widespread negative impact on the results of the PRA.

The Transmission Provider shall notify Market Participants and post such notice of any extension of publishing the results of the PRA on its website. The notice shall state the extension's circumstances, rationale, and duration.

Consequences of PRA

All PRA transactions will be financially binding. Market Participants with cleared ZRC Offers must comply with all of the ZRC requirements for all ZRCs that clear in the PRA.

Uncleared ZRCs

Once the PRA has concluded, a Market Participant may convert back to Seasonal Accredited Capacity any ZRCs that do not clear in the PRA.

PRA Reporting

The Transmission Provider will not reveal the ZRC Offers submitted by any Market Participant in a PRA until one (1) month following the completion of the PRA, except as required pursuant to the provisions of Section 38.9 of the Tariff. When the ZRC Offers are posted, price/quantity pairs will be made public, however the names of the Market Participants submitting such offers and the names of the Planning Resources offered shall not be publicly revealed.

Market Monitoring

All actions of Market Participants participating or failing to participate in the PRA shall be subject to the provisions of Module D, except to the extent that a Market Participant has opted out of the PRA as described in Section 69A.9. The Transmission Provider will report any known attempt to exercise market power by LSEs or by Market Participants in the PRA procedures to the Independent Market Monitor.

PRA Settlement

- a. Cleared ZRC Offers will be settled at the ACP for the LRZ or ERZ where the ZRC is represented on a daily basis and the Market Participants submitting cleared ZRC Offers will be credited on a weekly basis by the Transmission Provider. The Transmission Provider will settle the LSEs cost of their Final PRMR minus the amount of PRMR associated with the Capacity Deficiency Charge at the ACP for the LRZ where the Demand is located on a daily basis and will debit LSEs weekly, to the extent that an LSE has not opted out of the PRA pursuant to Section 69A.9 or submitted an RBDC Opt Out pursuant to Section 69A.9.1. For LSEs not selecting RBDC Opt Out, the Final PRMR will be established based on the financial binding of RBDCs representing the Transmission Provider Region and applicable planning area (i.e., the First Planning Area or the Second Planning Area).

Final PRMRs will be determined as follows:

- i. LSEs using the RBDC Opt Out will have Final PRMRs calculated by multiplying the LSE's forecasted Coincident Peak Demand for each Season, including transmission losses, by $(1 + \text{Transmission Provider Region PRM} + \text{RBDC Opt Out Adder})$.
- ii. LSEs not using the RBDC Opt Out will have Final PRMRs calculated using the formula below:

Final PRMR for a LSE not using the RBDC Opt Out

$$= \left(\text{PRA Cleared Capacity} \right. \\ \left. - \sum \text{Final PRMR for LSEs using the RBDC Opt Out} \right) \\ \times \frac{\text{Initial PRMR of the LSE not using the RBDC Opt Out}}{\sum \text{Initial PRMR of all LSEs not using the RBDC Opt Out}}$$

- iii. LSEs under state jurisdiction where the State Regulatory Authority has overridden the PRM established by the Transmission Provider will have Final PRMRs for each Season calculated by multiplying the LSE's forecasted Coincident Peak Demand for each Season, including transmission losses, by (1 + the planning reserve margin established by the State Regulatory Authority).

The Transmission Provider will financially net the ZRC credits and LSE debits for Market Participants. Market Participants with cleared ZRCs sourced from Diversity Contracts will receive reduced credit for any ZRC volumes cleared above their PRMR up to the cleared volume of ZRCs from Diversity Contracts.

The reduced compensation will be based on the total number of days the capacity from the Diversity Contract is dedicated to Demand in the Transmission Provider Region in each Season divided by the total number of days in the Season.

- b. An LSE that submits a FRAP or an RBDC Opt Out with PRMR in an LRZ and ZRCs in an ERZ or a separate LRZ may be subject to a ZDC, as described below:
 - (i) The Zonal Deliverability Charge will be the maximum of: (a) the difference between the ACP for the LSE's PRMR within an LRZ where an LSE has Demand

that is not met by ZRCs from Planning Resources that are represented in such LRZ and the ACP in the LRZ or ERZ where the LSE's ZRCs are represented; or (b) zero. The Transmission Provider will multiply the ZDC by the ZRCs to obtain the deliverability charge that the Transmission Provider will assess the LSE. The Zonal Deliverability Charge will only be assessed to an LSE's Load that is part of a FRAP or for LSEs submitting ZRCs for an RBDC Opt Out.

- c. Any portion of an LSE's PRMR not covered by the FRAP, minus the amount of PRMR associated with the Capacity Deficiency Charge, shall be purchased through the PRA. An LSE will be charged the applicable ACP for any PRMR that is not recovered by ZRCs in a FRAP.
- d. For instances where a LRZ clears under ZRC Shortage Conditions or ZRC Near-Shortage Conditions to meet Local Clearing Requirement in more than one Season in a Planning Resource Auction and final ACPs are adjusted per Section 69A.7.1.c.(x), certain cleared ZRC Offers may exceed the final ACPs. In this case, such cleared ZRCs may be eligible for a ZRC Offer Revenue Sufficiency Credit, to the extent that settlement amounts credited in paragraph 69A.7.6.a above for a Planning Year are insufficient to cover Allowable ZRC Offer Costs, needed to be incurred by the Planning Resource to be available for cleared Seasons.

ZRC Offer Revenue Sufficiency Credit will be calculated as the greater of: (i) zero; or, (ii) the difference between Allowable ZRC Offer Costs, and the total settlement amounts credited per paragraph 69A.7.6.a for the associated cleared

ZRC Offers for all Seasons in a Planning Year.

Where Allowable ZRC Offer Costs shall equal the minimum of: (i) the sum of all cleared ZRC Offer segment volumes multiplied by the ZRC Offer segment price, multiplied by the number of Days in the Season, calculated for all Seasons for which the ZRCs clear in the Planning Resource Auction; or, (ii) the annual CONE for the LRZ where the ZRCs are represented; or, (iii) the applicable facility-specific Reference Level costs for the Planning Resource, if a Market Participant received a facility-specific Reference Level per Section 64.1.4.

ZRC Offer Revenue Sufficiency Credits will be allocated pro-rata across the Seasons where the ZRC Offer cleared for settlement and distribution.

- e. ZRC Offer Revenue Sufficiency Charges will be assessed as the sum of all ZRC Offer Revenue Sufficiency Credits for a Season distributed to Market Participants representing LSEs in an LRZ clearing under ZRC Shortage Conditions or ZRC Near-Shortage Conditions on a pro rata basis, based upon their respective LSE's share of Final PRMR minus the Initial PRMR associated with the Capacity Deficiency Charge in the appropriate LRZ.

Distribution of Excess Auction Revenue

The following provisions address situations where LSEs will be entitled to receive financial benefits on contractual commitments and/or use of the Transmission System. These benefits will provide LSEs with financial hedges for ACP separation between LRZs and/or ERZs based on excess revenue from the Planning Resource Auction.

The Transmission Provider will distribute any such excess revenues in two stages:

- (i) in the first stage, the Transmission Provider shall distribute such excess revenues to LSEs qualifying for Historic Unit Considerations (HUCs) as described in Section 69A.7.7(a) and ZDC Hedges as described in Section 69A.7.7.(b), then
- (ii) any remaining excess revenue will be distributed in accordance with the Zonal Deliverability Benefit provisions of Section 69A.7.7(c).

The LSE will only receive excess PRA revenue if the ACP paid by the LSE is higher than the ACP received for such Planning Resources. If there are not sufficient excess revenues to fully fund all Historic Unit Considerations and ZDC Hedges, the revenues will be allocated on a pro rata basis to all HUCs and ZDC Hedges.

Historic Unit Considerations (HUCs)

The Transmission Provider will allocate excess PRA revenue to LSEs with ownership or contractual arrangements, limited to a) Grandfathered Agreements, b) arrangements that predate July 20th, 2011, or c) arrangements that predate March 26, 2018 and pertain to External Resource represented in External Resource Zones in which:

- i. The LSE has Initial PRMR obligations equal to or greater than the amount of the Planning Resource designated in the arrangement;
- ii. The Planning Resource designated in the arrangement and Initial PRMR obligation span multiple LRZs and/or ERZs;
- iii. The LSE has long-term (five years or more) contracts for or ownership of the Planning Resource and has maintained continuous firm Transmission Service or firm Network Resource Interconnection Service, and in the case of External Resources, firm transmission service on the applicable external Balancing Authority transmission system, for that Planning Resource to the LRZ containing the LSE's associated Initial PRMR obligation; and
- iv. LSEs must note qualification for HUCs and submit information supporting HUC eligibility to the Transmission Provider by January 15th prior to the upcoming Planning Year.

A combination of arrangements that require the delivery of capacity throughout the Planning Year will qualify to receive excess PRA revenue through a HUC, provided that the arrangements satisfy the criteria herein. The volume of MW eligible to receive excess PRA revenue will be the lesser of the cleared ZRCs from the Planning Resource(s) or the amount of Initial PRMR that are

associated with the qualified arrangement. A qualified arrangement shall remain eligible to receive excess PRA revenue for the current term of the executed contract, excluding any evergreen contract extension, or for two Planning Years, whichever is longer. In the event that the owned resource status is changed to retired, the transmission service is not maintained, or the arrangement is terminated or otherwise expires, the arrangement shall no longer be eligible to receive excess PRA revenue.

ZDC Hedges

An LSE will also be able to receive excess Planning Resource Auction revenue if the LSE qualifies for a ZDC Hedge. A ZDC Hedge can result from approved firm Transmission Service Request where the source and sink are in separate LRZs or between an LRZ and an ERZ that result in required Network Upgrades. The Market Participant that funds the Transmission System upgrades that result in an increase in the CIL, as determined by the Transmission Provider, for an LRZ where the sink is located, will receive a ZDC Hedge. The Market Participant submitting the Transmission Service Request will receive one hundred percent(100%) of the MW volume of the CIL increase. ZDC Hedges will be granted based upon the order that the Transmission Provider receives Transmission Service Requests. Market Participants must submit information supporting ZDC Hedges to the Transmission Provider by November 1st prior to a Planning Year. The volume of a ZDC Hedge will be the incremental increase in the CIL that resulted from the Network Upgrades identified in the approved firm Transmission Service Request. ZDC Hedges will be effective for thirty (30) years or the service life of the Transmission System facility or Network Upgrade, whichever is less.

Zonal Deliverability Benefit

If there are any remaining excess PRA revenues, the Transmission Provider will distribute the remaining amounts to Deliverability Benefit Zones.

First, the Transmission Provider will subtract PRMR and ZRCs associated with HUCs and ZDC Hedges to derive an adjusted PRMR (Adjusted PRMR) and ZRC (Adjusted ZRC). Second, the Transmission Provider shall create a DBZ for each group of LRZs that have equal ACPs which result from the same auction constraint. Third, the Transmission Provider, for each DBZ, will subtract the sum of Adjusted PRMR for each LRZ within the DBZ from the sum of Adjusted ZRCs for each LRZ within the DBZ. A DBZ will be considered a net importing DBZ if the sum of the Adjusted PRMR is greater than the sum of Adjusted ZRCs. A DBZ will be considered a net exporting DBZ if the sum of the Adjusted PRMR is less than the sum of Adjusted ZRCs. A net exporting DBZ shall not receive any ZDB credit. A net importing DBZ shall receive a ZDB credit allocation based upon a weighted average approach. Fourth, the Transmission Provider will calculate the weighted average ACP of all net exporting DBZs (Weighted Average Export ACP) to determine a financial value of export capacity within the Transmission Provider region per the formula below:

$$\text{Weighted Average Export ACP} = \frac{\sum (\text{Net Export}_j \times \text{ACP}_j)}{\sum \text{Net Export}_j}$$

Where j = Each net exporting DBZ

Fifth, the Transmission Provider will calculate the ZDB credit allocation, in dollars, for each net importing DBZ:

$$\text{ZDB Credit}_k = \text{Net Import}_k \times (\text{ACP}_k - \text{Weighted Average Export ACP})$$

Where k = Each net importing DBZ

Finally, the Transmission Provider will distribute the ZDB credit in each DBZ k by dividing the ZDB credit by the sum of Adjusted PRMR of the LRZs within each DBZ k . This distribution is a credit to the initial ACP calculated for each LRZ from the PRA.

The Transmission Provider will receive FRAP and RBDC Opt Out related revenue from Zonal Deliverability Charges. The Transmission Provider will allocate such revenue to the DBZ where the PRMR associated with the ZDC is physically located. This revenue will be allocated on a *pro rata* basis by Adjusted PRMR to all LSEs within the DBZ to develop an ACP credit adjustment. The Transmission Provider will also receive FRAP and RBDC Opt Out related revenues derived from ZRCs that would have received payments greater than the charges to the associated FRAP or RBDC Opt Out PRMR. The Transmission Provider will allocate such revenue to the DBZ where the ZRC associated with the FRAP or RBDC Opt Out is represented. This revenue will be allocated on a *pro rata* basis by Adjusted PRMR to all LSEs within the DBZ to develop an ACP credit adjustment. After calculating the ZDB rate(s), if there exists any remaining excess revenue (i.e. surplus), the surplus will be allocated back to the Deliverability Benefiting Zone(s) on a PRMR *pro-rata* basis.

Whenever an LRZ has an ACP that exceeds the System ACP because the LCR for that LRZ exceeds the sum of PRMR for LSEs within that LRZ, payments made to ZRCs in that LRZ will exceed the sum of receipts from LSEs within that LRZ plus any receipts from other LRZs related to such ZRCs. The revenue shortfall within such LRZ will be recovered from all LSEs within that LRZ on a PRMR pro-rata basis. PRMR covered by FRAPs and RBDC Opt Outs will be included in the pro-rata calculation, and the related amounts charged to the LSEs that use FRAPs and RBDC Opt Outs through this Local Clearing Requirement Charge.

Self-Scheduling Option:

LSEs with sufficient ZRCs within an LRZ where the LSE has forecasted Demand will be able to avoid the financial impact of that LRZ's ACP for the Final PRMR by Self-Scheduling such ZRCs into the PRA (*i.e.*, by Offering ZRCs into the PRA at a zero price so that the ZRCs will clear). For Planning Resources associated with ZRCs represented outside the LRZ where the LSE has PRMR, an LSE would also need to use the financial hedges described in Section 69A.7.7 to avoid the financial effects of potential price differences between LRZs or between an LRZ and an ERZ.

Installed Capacity (ICAP) Deferral Requirements and Charges

- a. ICAP Deferral Notice. Market Participants that request ICAP deferral as provided in Sections 69A.3.1.a.2, 69A.3.1.b.2, 69A.3.1.c.2, and/or 69A.3.6.2. must provide an ICAP Deferral Notice to the Transmission Provider in writing by an officer of the company no later than February 15th prior to the Planning Year: (1) the expected ICAP value (in megawatts) from such Planning Resource and if the Planning Resource is new, the LBA or external BA where it is represented for any Season for which it wants to be eligible to offer ZRCs, (2) appropriate information validating that ICAP will be submitted to the Transmission Provider by the last business day of the Month prior to the start of any Season in which it wants to be eligible.
- b. ICAP Deferral Credit Requirements. A Market Participant that provides ICAP Deferral Notice must satisfy credit requirements by March 1st prior to the Planning Year totaling the ICAP value provided in the ICAP Deferral Notice, multiplied by ninety (90) days of daily CONE values (i.e., $90/365$ times CONE) for the LRZ where the Planning Resource is represented. If the Planning Resource is represented in an ERZ connected to a single SRRZ, the applicable CONE value will be the greatest CONE value of all LRZs in respective SRRZ. For External Resources represented in ERZs which are connected to multiple SRRZs, or which are not directly connected to any SRRZs, the applicable CONE value will be the greatest CONE value of all LRZs in those connected SRRZs. If the Market Participant: (1) submits GVTC results, demonstrates deliverability, and demonstrates commercial operation, or (2) registers replacement ZRCs in accordance with Section 69A.3.1.h, then the Transmission Provider will adjust the Market

Participant's credit requirement to account for these changes within ten (10) Business Days after ICAP is submitted or replacement ZRCs have been provided to the Transmission Provider. In the event ZRCs associated with a Planning Resource for which ICAP has been deferred are unconverted in accordance with 69A.7.3, the Market Participant may provide notice to the Transmission Provider that it wishes to forfeit the deferred ICAP value. Then the Transmission Provider will adjust the Market Participant's ICAP value and credit requirement within ten (10) Business Days.

c. ICAP Deferral Non-Compliance Charges.

- i. A Market Participant that provides ICAP Deferral Notice and that either (1) has not submitted ICAP for such Planning Resources by the last business day of the Month prior to the start of any Season for which it has deferred, or (2) has submitted an ICAP value demonstrating fewer megawatts are available than the ICAP value submitted in the ICAP Deferral Notice, shall be assessed ICAP Deferral Non-Compliance Charges unless it completes ZRC replacement in accordance with Section 69A.3.1.h. Assessment of ICAP Deferral Non-Compliance Charges will commence on the first day of the any Season for which a Market Participant has an ICAP deferral and continue until ICAP is submitted and verified by the Transmission Provider, replacement ZRCs are registered per the BPM for Resource Adequacy, the ICAP value is forfeited, or the end of any deferred Season, whichever is earlier. Market Participants with Planning Resources subject to ICAP Deferral Non-Compliance Charges do not have to meet the applicable performance requirement as described in Sections 69A.3.9

and 69A.5 for such Resources, until such time that they are no longer subject to these charges.

- ii. ICAP Deferral Non-Compliance Charges will be calculated as follows: the amount of ICAP that has not been submitted to the Transmission Provider multiplied by the sum of the ACP and the daily CONE value (i.e., 1/365 times CONE). The ACP and the CONE values will be based on the LRZ where the Planning Resource is represented. If the Planning Resource is represented in an ERZ connected to a single SRRZ, the applicable CONE value will be the greatest CONE value of all LRZs in respective SRRZ. For External Resources represented in ERZs which are connected to multiple SRRZs or which are not connected to any SRRZs, the applicable CONE value will be the greatest CONE value of all LRZs in those connected SRRZs.
- iii. Distribution of ICAP Deferral Non-Compliance Charges: ICAP Deferral Non-Compliance Charge revenues received by the Transmission Provider will be distributed to Market Participants representing LSEs on a *pro rata* basis, based upon the LSE's share of Final PRMR minus the Initial PRMR associated with the Capacity Deficiency Charge for the Transmission Provider Region during the applicable Season.

Calculation of CONE and Net CONE

- a. The CONE value shall initially be the rate proposed by the Transmission Provider in a 2012 Federal Energy Regulatory Commission filing and approved by the Commission for the Planning Year commencing on June 1, 2013. The Transmission Provider and the IMM shall consider factors, including, but not limited to: (1) physical factors (such as, the type of Generation Resource that could reasonably be constructed to provide Planning Resources, costs associated with locating the Generation Resource within the Transmission Provider Region, the estimated costs of fuel for the Generation Resource); (2) financial factors (such as, the hypothetical debt/equity ratio for the Generation Resource, the cost of capital, a reasonable return on equity, applicable taxes, interest, insurance); and (3) other costs (such as, costs related to permitting, environmental compliance, operating and maintenance expenses). In calculating the CONE, the Transmission Provider and the IMM shall not consider the anticipated net revenue from the sale of capacity, Energy or Ancillary Services. CONE values will be calculated for each LRZ. The Transmission Provider shall arrange for CONE values to be calculated in concert with the IMM no later than September 1 beginning on September 1, 2012. The recalculated CONE values shall be filed with the Commission annually thereafter.
- b. The Transmission Provider shall calculate Net CONE values for each LRZ. Net CONE represents the difference between CONE values and Inframarginal Rents, for the Generation Resource type used in the CONE value calculation (the Reference Resource Type) . The following process will be used to estimate Net CONE:

To determine Inframarginal Rents, the most recent three Planning Years of historic data will be compiled for each Generation Resource of the Reference Resource Type operating in the Transmission Provider Region consisting of all revenues for the Generation Resource from the Transmission Provider's Energy and Operating Reserve Markets, on a per MW or MWh basis, whichever is applicable, calculated hourly, and Production Costs calculated hourly. The greater of the market revenues minus Production Costs, or zero, shall be calculated hourly, and summed across all Hours for each Planning Year, for each resource of the Reference Resource Type. Inframarginal Rents outside of two standard deviations from the sample mean are removed. The Generation Resources are then grouped into LRZs based on their location. An average Inframarginal Rents is calculated for each LRZ and then scaled using a capacity factor for each LRZ. The capacity factor is the ratio of the commitment hours of the Generation Resource of the Reference Resource Type that is committed for the maximum number of hours in the Planning Year amongst all Generation Resources of the Reference Resource Type to the average commitment hours of all Generation Resources of the Reference Resource Type that were committed in the LRZ in the Planning Year. This results in Inframarginal Rents values for each LRZ for each Planning Year, which will be averaged over a three-year period to determine an initial Inframarginal Rents for each LRZ.

To determine the final Inframarginal Rents values to be used for the upcoming Planning Year, the Transmission Provider will apply a scaling factor to the initial Inframarginal Rents. The scaling factor will be based on statistical models between: a) LMPs to gas, and; b) LMPs to Inframarginal Rents. Readily available settled futures gas prices for the

upcoming Planning Year will be applied to the statistical models to calculate the scaling factor.

Each LRZ's final Inframarginal Rents are then grouped and averaged into values in the First Planning Area and Second Planning Area. The values from the First Planning Area and Second Planning Area are then subtracted from the LRZ-specific CONE values to get an estimate of Net CONE for each LRZ. For use in the PRA, Net CONE values are sorted into values in the First Planning Area and Second Planning Area.

The Transmission Provider shall arrange for Net CONE values to be calculated no later than September 1 prior to the subsequent Planning Year beginning on September 1, 2024.

The recalculated Net CONE values shall be filed with the Commission annually thereafter.

Use of FRAP in the Planning Resource Auction

An LSE electing to use a Fixed Resource Adequacy Plan (FRAP) in the PRA for any Season can continue to use its existing resource planning processes to meet all or any portion of its Initial PRMR by providing the Transmission Provider with a FRAP, as described below:

- a. An LSE electing to use a FRAP for any Season must submit a FRAP for each LRZ to the Transmission Provider by the 7th Business Day of March prior to a Planning Year in order for the LSE to demonstrate that the LSE has designated ZRCs in order to meet all or any portion of the LSE's Initial PRMR for such LRZ. Market Participants submitting registrations for new and existing Load Modifying Resources can be included in the Module E Capacity Tracking Tool beginning as early as December prior to the Planning Year. Load Modifying Resources registrations submitted to the Transmission Provider will be evaluated to determine if Load Modifying Resources meet the qualification requirements. Market Participants that submit registrations by February 1 prior to the Planning Year will be evaluated by the Transmission Provider and will be notified of the outcome on or before February 21 that precedes the Planning Year.

Market Participants that submit registrations between February 2 and February 15 prior to the Planning Year will be evaluated by the Transmission Provider and will be notified of the outcome at least two Business Days prior to the FRAP deadline. The Transmission Provider will make a good faith effort to notify Market Participants that submit registrations after February 15 but not later than March 1 of the outcomes of such registrations no later than the FRAP deadline. The FRAP must include the LSE's forecasted Coincident Peak Demand for each LRZ for each Season and also identify the

ZRCs that the LSE owns, or has contractual rights to, in order to provide Planning Resources to meet the FRAP designated portion of its Initial PRMR and also its load ratio share of the LCR for each LRZ for each Season. The Transmission Provider will evaluate each LSE's FRAP to determine if it meets the designated portion of the LSE's Initial PRMR and the LSE's share of LCR and the Transmission Provider will notify the LSE via the MECT prior to March 15th before a Planning Year of the extent that the portion of an LSE's Initial PRMR or share of LCR for each LRZ is not covered by a submitted FRAP. The LSE will have until the PRA offer window opens to remedy any deficiencies in their FRAP for each Season.

- b. To the extent that the LSE's ZRCs satisfy the portion of the LSE's Initial PRMR for the applicable Season(s) submitted through a FRAP, (1) the LSE will not have an obligation to make ZRC Offers for the ZRCs included in the FRAP into the PRA, or otherwise participate in the PRA for such Season; and (2) the LSE will not have an obligation to pay the applicable ACP for the LSE's Initial PRMR within such LRZ that is covered by the FRAP. The Transmission Provider will consider all PRMR and ZRCs, including PRMR and ZRCs in FRAPs, as part of the Transmission Provider's reliability assessment when conducting the PRA.
- c. Any portion of an LSE's Initial PRMR not covered by the FRAP may be purchased through the PRA. An LSE will be charged the applicable ACP for any PRMR that is procured through the PRA.

- d. If an LSE owns or controls ZRCs that are not included in the LSE's FRAP, then such LSE may submit ZRC Offers into the PRA for all such excess ZRCs, subject to Module D.
- e. To the extent that an LSE designates ZRCs in a FRAP that are represented in the same LRZ as the LSE's Demand to meet the LSE's Initial PRMR for such LRZ, then the LSE will not be subject to a Zonal Deliverability Charge for such ZRCs.
- f. An LSE that contains ZRCs from Planning Resources that are not represented in the same LRZ where the LSE has Demand may be subject to a Zonal Deliverability Charge, which will be calculated as described in Section 69A.7.6(b).

Use of RBDC Opt Out in the Planning Resource Auction

An LSE electing to use the RBDC Opt Out can continue to use its existing resource planning processes to meet its Final PRMR by providing the Transmission Provider with an RBDC Opt Out, as described below:

- a. The RBDC Opt Out Lock-In Period will be three consecutive Planning Years for all Seasons. If an LSE fails to submit an RBDC Opt Out then the LSE will be required to participate in the PRA through any combination of the other Tariff-defined options, or pay the Capacity Deficiency Charge, for each Planning Year in which the LSE does not submit an RBDC Opt Out.
- b. An LSE under state jurisdiction where the State Regulatory Authority has overridden the PRM established by the Transmission Provider is not eligible to select the RBDC Opt Out.
- c. An LSE selecting the RBDC Opt Out will be required to meet its Final PRMR for the entirety of its load and losses, and its entire share of LCR for each LRZ, for each Season.
- d. An LSE must provide an initial notification of its intent to elect the RBDC Opt Out no later than January 15th prior to the upcoming Planning Year. An LSE electing the RBDC Opt Out must submit its final plan for each LRZ to the Transmission Provider by the 7th Business Day of March prior to each Planning Year during the RBDC Opt Out Lock-In Period in order for the LSE to demonstrate that the LSE has designated ZRCs in order to meet the LSE's Final PRMR, and share of LCR for each LRZ, for each Season. Market Participants

using the RBDC Opt Out must submit all registrations for new and existing resources to be used in the RBDC Opt Out through the MECT consistent with the timelines established in the Business Practices Manual for Resource Adequacy.

The RBDC Opt Out must include the LSE's seasonal forecasted Coincident Peak Demand for each LRZ and also identify the ZRCs that the LSE owns, or has contractual rights to, in order to provide Planning Resources to meet its Final PRMR, and also its share of the LCR for each LRZ for each Season. The Transmission Provider will evaluate each LSE's RBDC Opt Out on an annual basis to determine if it meets the LSE's Final PRMR and the LSE's share of LCR requirements for all Seasons. The Transmission Provider will notify the LSE prior to March 15th before the applicable Planning Year whether the submitted RBDC Opt Out meets the LSE's Final PRMR, and share of LCR for each LRZ, requirement for each Season during the applicable Planning Year. The LSE must remedy any deficiencies in its RBDC Opt Out for each Season before the PRA offer window opens.

- e. The Transmission Provider will notify the RERRA(s) following the submission of an initial intent to elect the RBDC Opt Out by an LSE. RERRA(s) may elect to notify the Transmission Provider within twenty (20) Business Days whether the LSE's load subject to the RERRA's respective jurisdiction is authorized to select the RBDC Opt Out. Upon receipt of such a notification from the RERRA(s) that the LSE is not authorized to elect the RBDC Opt Out for the LSE's load subject to the RERRA's respective jurisdiction, the Transmission Provider will reject the

LSE's RBDC Opt Out for such load. If the Transmission Provider receives no notification from the RERRA(s) within the twenty (20) Business Day period, and an LSE has demonstrated that it has designated ZRCs in order to meet its Final PRMR, and share of LCR for each LRZ, for each Season, then the proposed RBDC Opt Out by the LSE will be deemed accepted by the Transmission Provider.

- f. To the extent that the LSE's ZRCs satisfy the LSE's Final PRMR for the applicable Season(s) submitted through an RBDC Opt Out, (1) the LSE will not have an obligation to make ZRC Offers for the ZRCs included in the RBDC Opt Out into the PRA, or otherwise participate in the PRA for such Season; and (2) the LSE will not have an obligation to pay the applicable ACP for the LSE's Final PRMR within such LRZ. The Transmission Provider will consider all PRMR and ZRCs, including PRMR and ZRCs in RBDC Opt Outs, as part of the Transmission Provider's reliability assessment when conducting the PRA.
- g. If an LSE owns or controls ZRCs that are not included in the LSE's RBDC Opt Out, then such LSE may submit ZRC Offers into the PRA for all such excess ZRCs, subject to Module D.
- h. To the extent that an LSE designates ZRCs in an RBDC Opt Out that are represented in the same LRZ as the LSE's Demand to meet the LSE's Final PRMR for such LRZ, then the LSE will not be subject to a Zonal Deliverability Charge for such ZRCs.
- i. An LSE that designates ZRCs from Planning Resources that are not represented in

the same LRZ where the LSE has Demand may be subject to a Zonal Deliverability Charge, which will be calculated as described in Section 69A.7.6(b).

- j. LSEs that submit an RBDC Opt Out may not use any of the other options to satisfy their Final PRMR including: (i) submitting a Fixed Resource Adequacy Plan; (ii) Self-Scheduling ZRCs; (iii) purchasing ZRCs through the Planning Resource Auction process, and/or (iv) paying the Capacity Deficiency Charge to meet all or a portion of their Initial PRMR.
- k. LSEs that elect the RBDC Opt Out that do not meet their Final PRMR shall pay the RBDC Opt Out Deficiency Charge, which is 2.748 times applicable LRZ's CONE multiplied by the difference in ZRCs between the LSEs Final PRMR and the amount of ZRCs submitted as the LSEs RBDC Opt Out for each Season in which the LSE fails to meet its Final PRMR.
- l. RBDC Opt Out Deficiency Charge revenues will be distributed to Market Participants representing LSEs on a pro rata basis, based upon their respective LSE's share of Final PRMR for the Transmission Provider Region minus the Final PRMR associated with the RBDC Opt Out Deficiency Charge. If the LRZ where LSEs incurred RBDC Opt Out Deficiency Charges failed to meet its Local Clearing Requirement ("LCR"), then RBDC Opt Out Deficiency Charge revenues will be distributed to Market Participants representing LSEs on a pro rata basis, based upon their respective LSE's share of Final PRMR minus the Final PRMR associated with the RBDC Opt Out Deficiency Charge in such LRZ.

- m. The Transmission Provider will determine the RBDC Opt Out Adder that will be applicable for the upcoming Planning Year every year on or before December 15. The RBDC Adder applicable during the first Planning Year in which an LSE elects to use the RBDC Opt Out will apply for such LSE's entire RBDC Opt Out Lock-In Period.
- n. The Transmission Provider will determine the RBDC Opt Out Adder based on a Seasonal average of the RBDC based PRA clearing for the prior three Planning Years. If the prior year RBDC based PRA clearing is not available, simulated RBDC based PRA clearing will be used to determine the RBDC Opt Out Adder.

Capacity Deficiency Charge

- a. The Transmission Provider will impose a Capacity Deficiency Charge on an LSE that has provided notification prior to the Planning Resource Auction that they will meet their Initial PRMR in part or in whole by removing Initial PRMR from the Transmission Provider's capacity construct for one or more Seasons by paying the Capacity Deficiency Charge. The Capacity Deficiency Charge will be calculated as follows: The CONE value for the LRZ(s) where the LSE has provided notice it will be meeting its Initial PRMR by paying the Capacity Deficiency Charge for each Season of the Planning Year will be multiplied by 2.748 times the Initial PRMR volume indicated by the LSE. The Capacity Deficiency Charge will be assessed to Market Participants representing their respective LSE paying the Capacity Deficiency Charge on the first Business Day after the results of the Planning Resource Auction have been published.
- b. Distribution of Capacity Deficiency Charge Revenues: A Market Participant representing an LSE that provided notice it will be meeting all or part of its Initial PRMR by paying the Capacity Deficiency Charge will not be distributed any Capacity Deficiency Charge revenues for that LSE's Initial PRMR that was met by paying the Capacity Deficiency Charge. Capacity Deficiency Charge revenues received by the Transmission Provider will be distributed to Market Participants representing LSEs on a *pro rata* basis, based upon their respective LSE's share of Initial PRMR for the Transmission Provider Region minus the Initial PRMR associated with the Capacity Deficiency Charge. If the LRZ where LSEs incurred Capacity Deficiency Charges failed to meet its Local Clearing Requirement ("LCR"), then Capacity Deficiency Charge revenues will be distributed to Market Participants representing LSEs on a *pro rata* basis,

based upon their respective LSE's share of Initial PRMR minus the Initial PRMR associated with the Capacity Deficiency Charge in such LRZ.

BEFORE THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Power Act Section 202(c)	)	
Emergency Order: Midcontinent	)	Order No. 202-25-12
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Northern Indiana Public Service	)	
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CenterPoint Energy Indiana South	)	

Exhibit to
Motion to Intervene and Request for Rehearing and Stay of
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Exhibit 59
NIPSCO 2025 Winter Reliability Presentation



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2025 Winter Reliability Forum

December 2, 2025



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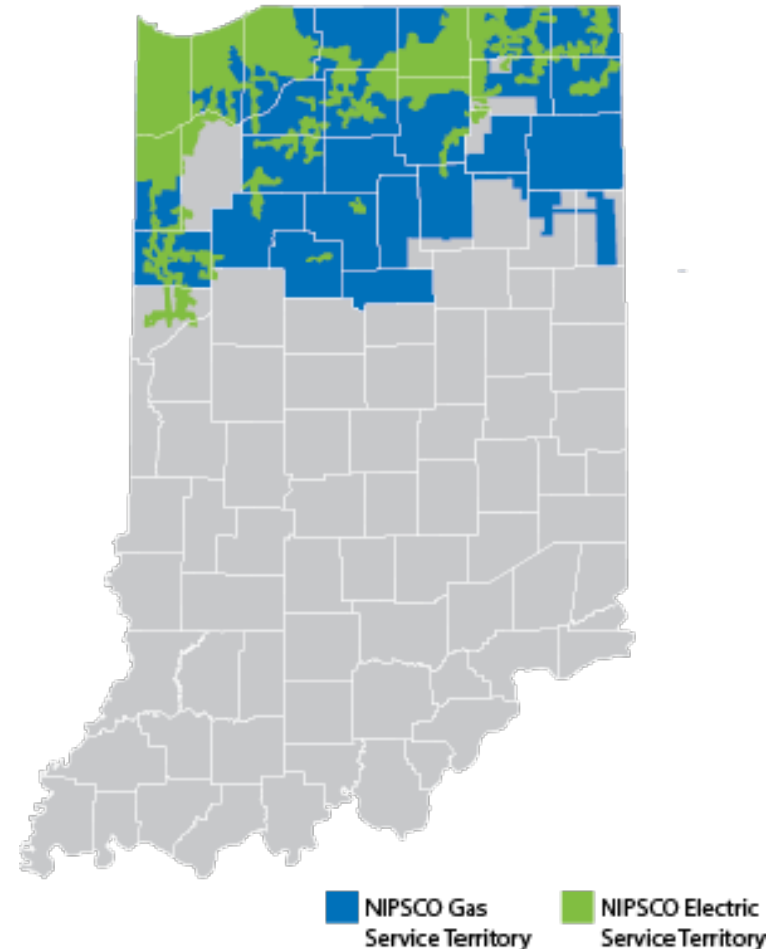
Improving the lives of approximately 1.4 million customers across northern Indiana

Electric

- 500,000 electric customers
- Second largest electric distribution company in Indiana
- 3,985.25 MW generating capacity
 - 2 coal generation facilities
 - 2 CT's
 - 1 CCGT
 - 2 hydro electric generation facilities
 - 8 owned renewable generation facilities in service
- Transmission system has voltages from 69,000 to 765,000 volts, consisting of approximately 3,000 circuit miles
 - Interconnected with 8 neighboring electric utilities
 - Operate 66 transmission and 250 distribution substations
 - Own ~311,300 poles

Natural Gas

- 900,000 natural gas customers
- Largest natural gas distribution company in Indiana
- ~17,900 miles of distribution main pipeline
- ~690 miles of transmission main pipeline
- Two on-system storage facilities



**3,100
Employees**

**Merrillville, IN
Headquarters**

Customer Bill Projections - Electric

What do you expect the trend of customer bills to reflect in the 2025-2026 winter season? Please provide the estimated average monthly bill by both average customer usage and by 1,000 kWh. How do you try to balance affordability with reliability of service during the winter season?

- For the 2025-2026 winter season, the average residential electric bill is projected to be \$147.64, and \$236.48 for a customer using 1,000 kWh per month
 - NIPSCO residential electric customers should expect their winter heating bills this season to be higher compared to last year primarily due to the most recent base-rate increase approved by the IURC in June.
- NIPSCO tries to balance affordability with reliability of service during the winter season
 - NIPSCO utilizes its approved hedge plan to mitigate economic impacts
 - NIPSCO has added additional wind, solar, and battery storage to its portfolio, and any proceeds from Renewable Energy Credit (REC) sales are passed back directly to customers as an offset to costs
 - Customers can take advantage of NIPSCO's budget plan to spread costs equally across the year

Electric Projections

NIPSCO Winter Bill Projections

	2025-2026 (projected)	2024-2025	Average Customer Usage (kWh)	2025-2026 (projected)	2024-2025	Usage (kWh)
Nov.	\$132.18	\$115.01	537.5	\$233.87	\$201.92	1000
Dec.	\$157.21	\$136.40	651.3	\$233.87	\$201.92	1000
Jan.	\$162.30	\$141.66	675.5	\$233.56	\$203.00	1000
Feb.	\$145.57	\$122.47	581.4	\$240.27	\$200.55	1000
Mar.	\$140.96	\$118.41	559.7	\$240.85	\$200.55	1000
Total	\$738.22	\$633.95	3005.4	\$1,182.41	\$1,007.94	5000

Customer Bill Projections - Gas

What do you expect the trend of customer bills to reflect in the 2025-2026 winter season? Please provide the estimated average monthly bill by both average customer usage and by 200 therms. How do you try to balance affordability with reliability of service during the winter season?

- For 2025-2026, the average residential gas bill is projected to be \$133.07
 - Assuming normal winter weather, NIPSCO residential gas customers should expect their winter heating bills this season to be higher when compared to last year due to higher delivery charges
- NIPSCO tries to balance affordability with reliability of service during the winter season
 - NIPSCO secures reliable firm gas supply at the lowest reasonable cost, with the objective of meeting current and anticipated customer requirements. NIPSCO meets this objective by managing a balanced and fully diversified gas supply portfolio comprised of a variety of commodity, transportation, and storage resources.
 - NIPSCO has continued its forward price volatility mitigation program for the upcoming winter. NIPSCO has established a plan that targets hedging the price on 20% of projected flowing pipeline gas supply purchase requirements for the months of November through March.
 - NIPSCO implemented a Commission approved long-term hedge program that began in 2016. NIPSCO fixes a portion of its future expected annual purchases.

Gas Projections

NIPSCO Winter Bill Projections

	2025-2026 (projected)	2024-2025	Average Customer Usage (therms)	2025-2026 (projected)	2024-2025	Usage (therms)
Nov.	\$71.89	\$59.48	59.8	\$201.72	\$160.25	200
Dec.	\$129.87	\$105.89	120.7	\$204.34	\$164.63	200
Jan.	\$171.38	\$139.44	163.8	\$205.62	\$166.63	200
Feb.	\$160.81	\$144.96	154.9	\$202.82	\$182.35	200
Mar.	\$131.42	\$125.52	125.8	\$199.20	\$189.81	200
Total	\$665.37	\$575.29	625.0	\$1,013.70	\$863.67	1000

Winterization Actions

Please describe winterization actions and how these might differ by the type of facility. Do you coordinate with local emergency management authorities on possible winter storm actions?

NIPSCO's Gas and Electric Teams coordinate throughout the year. Additionally, more specific coordination takes place ahead of and during a winter weather event to ensure employees have the necessary information to implement actions to help ensure reliability during the event.



General Preparations

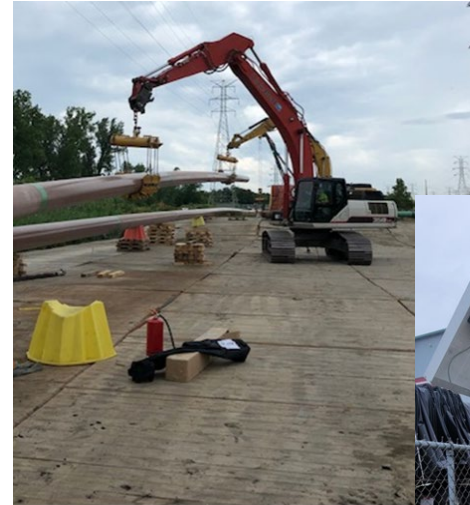
- NIPSCO routinely prepares for extreme weather events and invests in modernization, through statutes established by the General Assembly, such as the TDSIC Statute
- Perform annual weatherization activities at generating facilities
- Like polar vortexes in 2014 and 2019, extreme weather and cold temperatures are not uncommon in Indiana, and NIPSCO's facility design takes that into account
- Indiana's fully regulated model enables and promotes effective system improvements that maintain reliability in a cost-effective way for customers
- NIPSCO also continues to monitor supply chain issues to proactively address any challenges
- NIPSCO maintains continuous coordination with local emergency management agencies through our internal emergency preparedness team. This includes scheduled tabletop exercises with integrated response, monthly engagement with municipalities, and thorough post-event reviews to ensure readiness and reliability during severe weather events.

Winterization Actions (continued)

Please describe winterization actions and how these might differ by the type of facility. Do you coordinate with local emergency management authorities on possible winter storm actions?

Gas Operations

- Each local operating area has a Winter Operations Plan
 - Goal is to ensure safe, reliable gas distribution service to customers during periods of high demand
- Continuing to invest in improvements to enhance the system
 - As part of the Winter Operations Plan
 - As part of TDSIC, FMCA, and other investments
- Projects
 - Several projects have been in flight to support winter reliability for this winter and next
 - Bluffton Rd Station Replacement
 - Old Cleveland System Tie
 - CR7 Station Rebuild
 - Lafayette Center and Fogwell Parkway (this is a new station installation to feed an at-capacity system).



Winterization Actions (continued)

Please describe winterization actions and how these might differ by the type of facility. Do you coordinate with local emergency management authorities on possible winter storm actions?



Electric Operations

- NIPSCO Generation's preparation for cold weather operation begins in August, and NIPSCO Electric Generation initiates preparations for an extreme cold weather event typically one week prior to forecast
- No extraordinary measures are needed to operate wind and solar facilities during extreme cold weather events
 - Our wind turbines have cold weather packages that operate normally in ambient temperatures down to -22°F
 - Solar facilities are also designed to operate in this sub-freezing temperature environment
 - Our sites primarily consist of bi-facial modules which are significantly more efficient at shedding snow than mono-facial modules

Winterization Actions (continued)

Please describe winterization actions and how these might differ by the type of facility. Do you coordinate with local emergency management authorities on possible winter storm actions?

Electric Operations

- Power Delivery conducts comprehensive winter readiness activities each fall to stay ahead of severe weather. We ensure both Control Center Operators and Field Teams are fully equipped and prepared to maintain reliable operations.

System Reliability

- Switching orders are suspended when extreme weather is forecasted
- System Operations and Operations Planning review grid high risk scenarios and normalize circuits ahead of severe weather if possible
- For Substation readiness we confirm relay house heaters are fully operational and verify SF₆ breaker gas levels to ensure proper functionality
- Winter Tabletop Storm Drill (completed by mid-December)
- Trucks equipped with snow plows and markers for cable trenches installed

Employee Safety Actions

- Boot inspections and replacement protocol
- Ice cleat usage and salt inventory levels are verified
- Tailgates and Protocols related to winter conditions and safety briefs



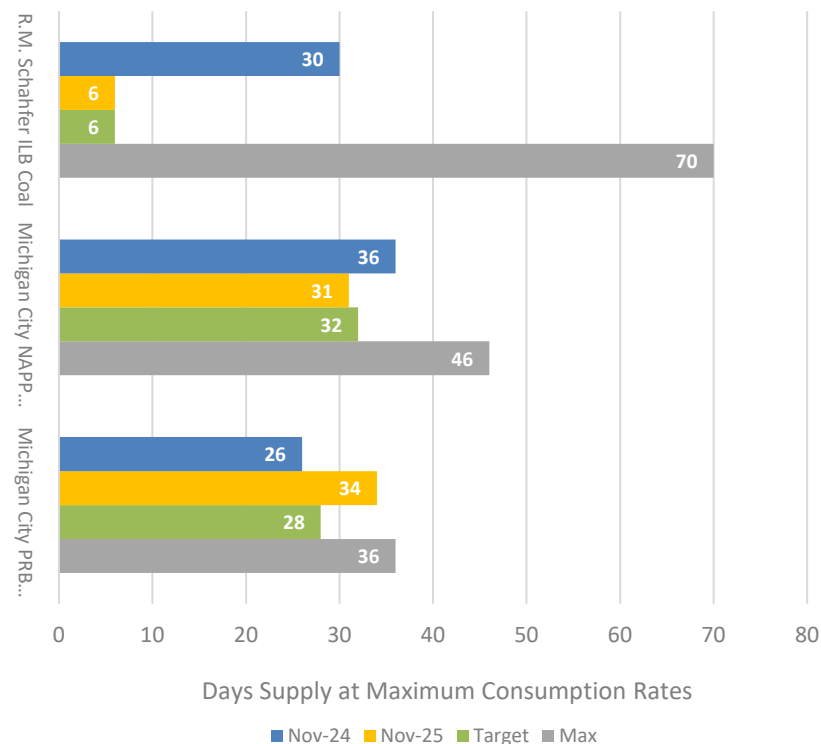
Fuel Availability

How is fuel availability, of all types, considered in reliability planning? What are the targeted coal and gas inventories for a generation or distribution facility? How do current inventories compare to the targeted level? Have there been any supply chain challenges impeding or slowing the delivery of fuel?

Coal Supply

- NIPSCO's coal inventory balances the cost associated with maintaining coal inventory with reliability
- NIPSCO has maintained inventory near target levels despite variable consumption rates
- NIPSCO rebuilds inventory as needed ahead of winter and summer peaks
- Schahfer's inventory is being reduced in anticipation of retirement to ensure all usable coal is consumed by year end to minimize environmental and customer costs
- NIPSCO has firm coal supply contracts, coal transportation agreements, and an adequate fleet of railcars

NIPSCO Electric Generation Coal Inventory

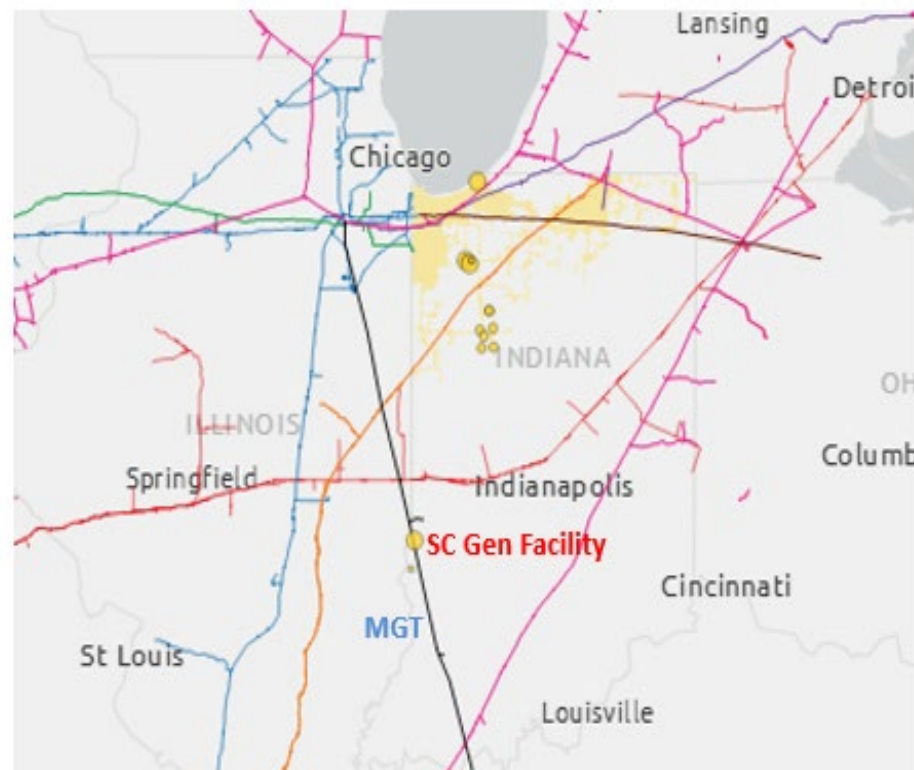


Fuel Availability (continued)

How is fuel availability, of all types, considered in reliability planning? What are the targeted coal and gas inventories for a generation or distribution facility? How do current inventories compare to the targeted level? Have there been any supply chain challenges impeding or slowing the delivery of fuel? With an increasing percentage of generation resources relying on natural gas, are you exploring the potential need for increased storage availability for this fuel source?

Gas Supply

- NIPSCO ensures natural gas supplies are available during periods of high demand, extreme weather, or transportation disruptions. NIPSCO also has firm natural gas supply to meet electric generation needs.
- NIPSCO's natural gas contracted storage is at planned target levels for the start of the winter season. Coal inventories are also at planned levels and are expected to remain at adequate levels throughout the winter.
- NIPSCO's electric operations procure natural gas for electric generation. NIPSCO holds 70,000 Dth/d of firm transportation directly on Midwestern Gas Transmission Interstate pipeline. This contract ensures fuel supply reliability and resource adequacy planning.
- NIPSCO is always exploring opportunities to increase access to reliable sources of natural gas including additional pipeline and storage.



MISO Seasonal Construct

For MISO territory utilities, please share any winter or spring seasonal construct implementation observations.

- MISO's Planning Resource Auction (PRA) results were released on April 28, 2025. There are no operational and resource concerns for the Planning Year 2025-2026.
- NIPSCO participated in MISO's PRA with 295 MW of capacity requirement for winter season and surplus capacity of 192 MW in the spring season.
- NIPSCO was party to several successful seasonal transactions and believes that the current planning year will be easier to navigate as participants become more comfortable with the process, capacity market design questions are satisfied, and seasonal markets become more robust.
- There is a greater emphasis on unit availability, performance, and outages by MISO seasonal construct that could drive the need for unexpected replacement capacity during seasons.



NIPSCO Available Generation Firm Fuel Capacity

What percentage of your available generation for this winter has onsite or firm fuel capacity?

Firm Capacity

- All coal generation sites have inventory and firm coal supply agreements
- All natural gas generation sites have firm gas and transport supply agreements

Maintenance Outages

What is the date by which all fall maintenance outages are planned to be completed? Has scheduling fall or spring maintenance become more difficult with changing weather patterns, other changes in regional resource portfolios, or RTO requirements?

Fall Maintenance Outages

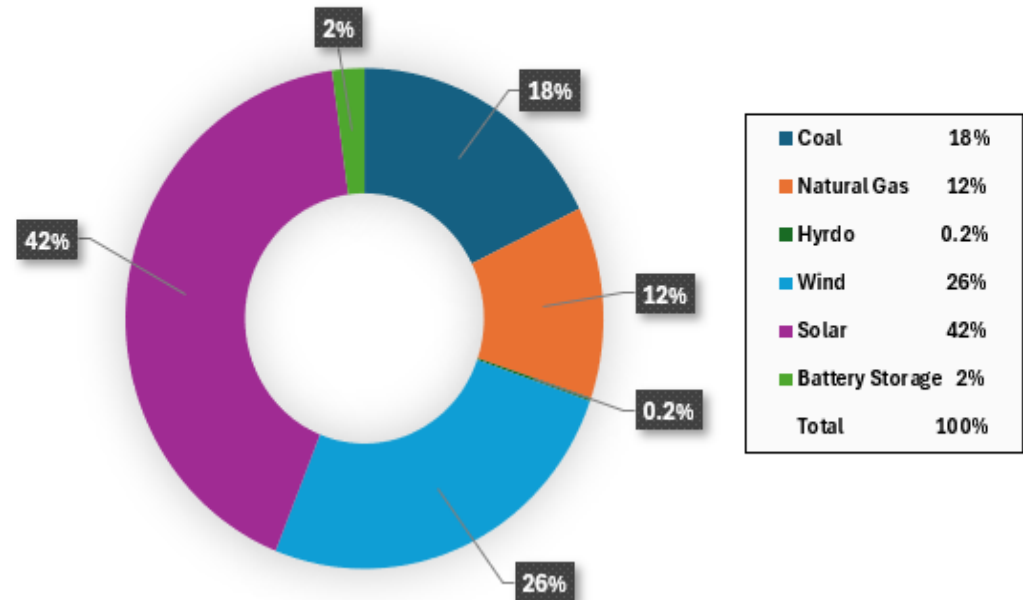
- Michigan City – No planned outage
- Schahfer – No planned outage
- Sugar Creek – Full site outage November 1 thru January 4
- Scheduling planned and maintenance outages has become increasingly challenging due to the evolving RTO Requirement. This includes adherence to:
 - A minimum day between two outages
 - Maintenance margin considerations
 - A maximum 31 days of planned outages per season without penalty or replacing capacity

Generation

What percentage of your available generation resources are renewable, thermal, and energy storage?



NIPSCO Generation Mix
Winter 25-26



Generation

How many hours were your natural gas plants fired on diesel last winter season? How many of those hours were simply to cycle through old fuel?

- Natural gas plants were *not* fired on diesel last winter season.
- NIPSCO's generating stations do not use diesel fuel.
 - Sugar Creek is not a dual fuel station – it does not have the ability or infrastructure to run on diesel (or any other fuel) besides natural gas.
 - Additionally, both gas turbines and coal units do not use diesel fuel.

Energy Assistance Programs

How have interactions been with local and state organizations helping with energy assistance programs, especially with uncertainty surrounding LIHEAP and the government shutdown?

Interactions with local and state organizations helping with energy assistance programs have been ongoing. In addition to meeting monthly and quarterly, on September 16, 2025, NIPSCO held a Community Forum and local agencies, Mayors and City Manager were invited to attend. The following information was shared.

- **NIPSCO has expanded its Energy Assistance Programs to assist with our customers' need**
 - Open enrollment started October 1st vs December 1st
 - Grants amounts for customers with arrearages have increased from \$400 to \$550
 - Customer may now receive assistance more than once per program year if funds are available
- **The New Electric Cares Program was also announced**
 - Effective October 1, 2025, all LIHEAP eligible customer pay \$0 deposits vs \$50
 - For the first time effective Summer 2026 customers that qualify for LIHEAP during the winter season will receive discounts on their electric bill June, July, August, and September; LIHEAP eligible customers will not be required to apply
 - Late payment (\$100K) and reconnect charge support will also be available for LIHEAP customers

QUESTIONS?

Appendix

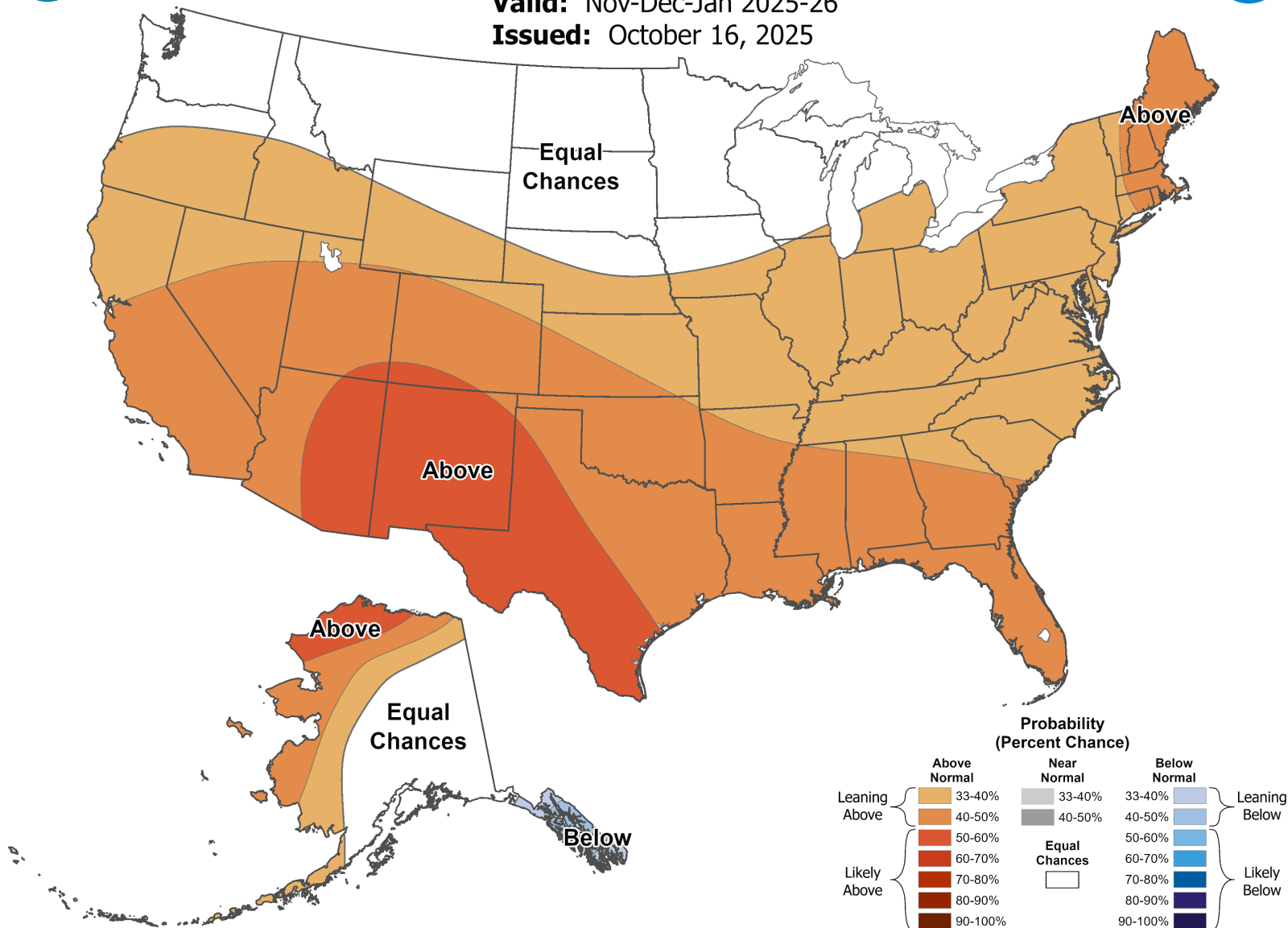


Seasonal Temperature Outlook



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BEFORE THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Power Act Section 202(c)	)	
Emergency Order: Midcontinent	)	Order No. 202-25-12
Independent System Operator and	)	
Northern Indiana Public Service	)	
Company LLC	)	

Federal Power Act Section 202(c)	)	
Emergency Order: Midcontinent	)	Order No. 202-25-13
Independent System Operator and	)	
CenterPoint Energy Indiana South	)	

Exhibit to
Motion to Intervene and Request for Rehearing and Stay of
Public Interest Organizations

Exhibit 60
MISO Tariff Section 38.2.7

38.2.7 Generation Suspension, Generation Retirement, and System Support Resources

a. Generator or SCU Notification of Change in Status.

(i) Notification Procedures for Units.

An owner of a Generation Resource, Synchronous Condenser Unit (SCU), or a Generator that is directly interconnected to the Transmission System but is Pseudo-tied out of the Transmission Provider's Balancing Authority Area that is planning to Suspend operations of all or any portion of that resource must notify the Transmission Provider of such a plan by submitting a completed Attachment Y Notice to the Transmission Provider. This notification provision also applies to a Generation Resource connected to the underlying lower voltage facilities within Transmission Provider region and to Generation Resources that are not directly interconnected to the Transmission System, but are External Resources that are Pseudo-tied into the Transmission Provider's Balancing Authority Area. The Transmission Provider shall coordinate with the entity to which the External Resource is directly connected to determine whether the External Resource is necessary for reliability of the Transmission System, in accordance with applicable coordinated planning provisions between the Transmission Provider and the regional planning entity to which the External Resource is interconnected.

The owner of a Generation Resource or SCU shall submit an Attachment Y Notice to the Transmission Provider at least four full Quarterly Study Periods prior to changing to Suspend status, unless the Generation Resource or SCU is inoperable due to Forced Outage in which case Attachment Y Notice must be submitted to the Transmission Provider at least thirty (30) days prior to changing to Suspend status. A Generation Resource that has undergone a Reliability Assessment Study that performs an Attachment Y equivalent study as part of the Generating

Facility Replacement process and all reliability violations identified through such study have been mitigated must submit an Attachment Y Notice to the Transmission Provider at least thirty (30) days prior to changing to Suspend status. The owner of a Pseudo-tied out Generator shall submit an Attachment Y Notice to the Transmission Provider at least thirty (30) days prior to the anticipated effective date of change of status.

A Generation Resource or SCU that is inoperable due to Forced Outage or a Pseudo-tied out Generator shall not be designated as an SSR Unit. The provisions for time limitations on suspension within Section 38.2.7 shall apply to a Generation Resource or SCU that is inoperable due to Forced Outage and a Pseudo-tied out Generator.

A Generation Resource that is designated as a Blackstart Unit by a Transmission Operator in its System Restoration Plans shall not be designated as an SSR Unit to solely provide Blackstart Service. However, the Transmission Provider may determine that SSR Unit status is justified if such Generation Resource is required to maintain the reliability of the Transmission System based on its Attachment Y Reliability Study. Section 38.2.7 shall not modify or alter a Transmission Operator's obligations under the Tariff to identify Blackstart Units that are included in its System Restoration Plans, or a Blackstart Unit Owner's obligations to comply with the terms of any Blackstart Service agreement, in accordance with Schedule 33, or the requirements of Commission approved reliability standards.

The following exception applies to the Generation Suspension, Generation Retirement and System Support Resource (SSR) provisions in Section 38.2.7: The owner of a Generation Resource or SCU that requests a Generator Planned Outage or submits a Generator Forced Outage through the Transmission Provider's outage scheduling system (Control Room

Operations Window – CROW or its successor) does not need to submit an Attachment Y Notice to the Transmission Provider if the request does not involve a change of status to Suspend.

An owner of a Generation Resource, SCU, or a Pseudo-tied out Generator certifies by submitting an Attachment Y Notice that it has elected to Suspend such resource and the Attachment Y Notice shall be executed by an officer of such owner attesting to that claim. The decision to Suspend may be modified by rescission as specifically provided in this Section 38.2.7.

An owner may not submit a new Attachment Y Notice to Suspend that supersedes a prior notification unless the prior Attachment Y Notice is rescinded. The new Attachment Y Notice shall be submitted to the Transmission Provider at least four full Quarterly Study Periods prior to changing to Suspend status.

(ii) Confidentiality of Attachment Y Notice.

The Transmission Provider shall treat all Attachment Y Notices as Confidential Information unless the Attachment Y Reliability Study is complete and any of the following occurs: 1) the owner has elected to waive its rescission rights; 2) the resource fails to return to operation before the period for rescission has lapsed; 3) public release is required under Section 38.2.7.b in order to evaluate the need for an SSR Agreement; or 4) the information is otherwise publicly disclosed by the owner of a Generation Resource, SCU, or a Pseudo-tied out Generator. The Transmission Provider shall promptly post on OASIS that an Attachment Y Notice was submitted, along with the effective date of retirement, under the first three of these circumstances.

(iii) Notification of the Outage Scheduler After Submittal of Attachment Y

Notice.

After receipt of an Attachment Y Notice, the Transmission Provider shall schedule such outage notification through the Transmission Provider's Control Room Operations Window ("CROW") outage scheduling system, or successor system, to coordinate the outage planning of a Generation Resource or SCU through CROW, on behalf of the owner.

b. SSR Unit Procedures.

System Support Resource (SSR) procedures provide a mechanism for the Transmission Provider to enter into agreements with Market Participants that own or operate Generation Resources or Synchronous Condenser Units (SCUs) that are required by the Transmission Provider to maintain reliability of the Transmission System, if all or a specified portion of the capacity of such Generation Resources or SCUs would otherwise either Retire or Suspend. SSR Agreements are a last-resort measure to address a reliability issue on the Transmission System facilities under the functional control of the Transmission Provider and shall only be entered into once all potential SSR Agreement alternatives have been examined.

An owner of a Generation Resource or SCU must submit all necessary information to enable the Transmission Provider to evaluate whether SSR Unit status is appropriate for such Generation Resource or SCU. If, after completing a reliability study (Attachment Y Reliability Study) and analyzing potential alternatives (Attachment Y Alternatives Study), the Transmission Provider determines that SSR Unit status is justified for a Generation Resource or SCU, that is not subject to an exception under Section 38.2.7.a, then the Transmission Provider and Market Participant of such Generation Resource or SCU shall enter into an SSR Agreement, in

accordance with the Attachment Y-1 form of agreement. The SSR Unit will be operated in accordance with the terms of the SSR Agreement, which contains detailed terms and conditions regarding operation and compensation of such Generation Resource or SCU. The Transmission Provider shall periodically review the reliability requirements of the Transmission Provider Region and shall determine which, if any, SSR Agreements should be extended.

The Transmission Provider shall use reasonable efforts to respond to the owner within 150 Calendar Days after the start of the individual Attachment Y Reliability Study, regarding whether the subject of an Attachment Y Notice appears to be required for transmission system reliability, unless an alternative date is agreed to by the owner and the Transmission Provider.

If the Attachment Y Reliability Study determines that a reliability concern exists, and a response is provided by the Transmission Provider to the owner, the Transmission Provider shall promptly post on OASIS: (1) that an Attachment Y Notice was submitted; (2) that the Transmission Provider's Attachment Y Reliability Study concluded that the Generation Resource or SCU was required for the reliability of the Transmission System; (3) the draft report on the Attachment Y Reliability Study with the CEII information redacted from the report; and (4) how the associated SSR Unit costs would be allocated in the event that the Generation Resource or SCU is required to provide service under an SSR designation.

The Transmission Provider shall discontinue Confidential treatment of an Attachment Y Notice and Attachment Y Reliability Study in the event that the Attachment Y Reliability Study results determine that the Generation Resource or SCU is required to maintain system reliability and would be eligible for treatment as an SSR Unit. The Transmission Provider may use information related to Retire or Suspend status in its Transmission Planning processes (pursuant

to Attachment FF and the Transmission Planning BPM) and in its Generator Interconnection process (pursuant to Attachment X and the Generation Interconnection BPM), provided that recipients of the information have signed appropriate Non-Disclosure Agreements with the Transmission Provider.

c. Evaluation of Need for the SSR Designation.

The Transmission Provider will perform an Attachment Y Reliability Study to determine whether the Generation Resource or SCU is necessary for the reliability of the Transmission System based on the analyses described in this section and the criteria set forth in the Business Practices Manuals, but will not determine in this initial analysis the available alternatives to designating the Generation Resource or SCU as an SSR Unit. The Transmission Provider will start the study process at the beginning of the Quarterly Study Period. A request to Suspend operations submitted in an Attachment Y Notice received during a quarter will be studied individually, beginning in the subsequent Quarterly Study Period.

In collaboration with the affected Transmission Owners, the Transmission Provider will cause an evaluation to be performed of transmission system conditions (an Attachment Y Reliability Study) that result from the change in status of the unit(s) subject to Attachment Y notification requirements. The evaluation will consider the performance of the transmission system to determine if thermal or voltage violations of applicable NERC Standards and Transmission Owner planning criteria occur when the unit is offline compared to conditions when the unit is online. The scope of this evaluation will include a steady state analysis, and may require analyses of stability and import limitations for the particular study area. Study cases will be derived from approved MTEP models that are representative of the period of time for

which the suspension of the unit(s) is requested, and will include models that represent near-term and/or longer-term scenarios as appropriate for the study period. Models that are developed to reflect both the online and offline status of the unit being evaluated will be analyzed to compare the differences in results to determine the impact of the unit on the transmission system. The results of the evaluation will be reviewed with the participating Transmission Owners to verify the Transmission Provider's findings and to evaluate proposed solutions that should be considered to address the reliability issues. The need to retain a unit(s) as a System Support Resource, absent implementation of a feasible alternative, shall be determined by the presence of unresolved reliability violations on the Transmission System that is under the functional control of the Transmission Provider.

The Transmission Provider shall post the determination of reliability need on the Transmission Provider's OASIS and shall: (1) begin negotiations of a potential SSR Agreement with the Market Participant owning or operating the Generation Resource or SCU; and (2) use reasonable efforts to hold a stakeholder meeting pursuant to Attachment FF within thirty (30) Calendar Days to review alternatives to the potential SSR Unit designation or designations (if multiple Attachment Y Notices apply). The Transmission Provider will schedule subsequent stakeholder meetings as needed. The Transmission Provider shall complete the Attachment Y Alternatives Study within four full Quarterly Study Periods after receipt of an Attachment Y Notice, if the Attachment Y Notice provides only four full Quarterly Study Periods of advance notification, unless otherwise agreed to by the owner of the potential SSR Unit. If no alternative is identified as available by the Attachment Y Notice date to Suspend, then the Transmission

Provider shall file the SSR Agreement with an effective date as of the Attachment Y Notice date to Suspend.

Before entering into an SSR Agreement with any Generation Resource or SCU, the Transmission Provider shall assess, in an open and transparent planning process in accordance with the provisions of the Transmission Expansion Planning Protocol Attachment FF to the Tariff, feasible alternatives to the proposed SSR Agreement. The list of alternatives to SSR Unit status that the Transmission Provider shall consider and expeditiously approve as applicable include (depending upon the type of reliability concern identified): (i) redispatch/reconfiguration through operator instruction; (ii) remedial action plans; (iii) special protection schemes initiated upon Generation Resource trips or unplanned Transmission Outages; (iv) contracted demand response or Generator alternatives; and (v) transmission expansions. Consistent with Section B.1.b of Attachment FF, the Transmission Provider will review and evaluate alternatives to an SSR Agreement on a comparable basis and select the most appropriate solution. Comparability includes the ability of the Transmission Provider to require contractual assurances that the party who provides the alternative solution will implement the solution before the Generation Resource or SCU with the Attachment Y Notice is permitted to Retire or Suspend. The executed contractual arrangements must provide a binding arrangement that obligates the Market Participant who provides the alternative solution to complete any required infrastructure changes that are needed to avoid the reliability issues that would otherwise be addressed by transmission upgrades. While the contractual arrangements will vary based on the particular solution, the terms of the contractual arrangements must further obligate the party who provides the alternative solution to implement actions when required by the Transmission Provider to provide

necessary relief. A Generator alternative may be a new Generator, an existing Generator that is made available after the Attachment Y Reliability Study is completed, or an increase to existing Generator capacity that has an executed Generator Interconnection Agreement pursuant to Attachment X for a Commercial Operation Date that is prior to the commencement of the change of status date of the Generation Resource or SCU that has submitted an Attachment Y Notice and must be registered as a Generation Resource that is obligated to offer into the market and respond to instructions from the Transmission Provider. Contractual commitments associated with demand-side resource alternative solutions shall require demonstration to the Transmission Provider of an executed contract between LSE or ARC and Energy Consumers as well as necessary procedures and protocols for responding to Transmission Provider instructions. Such demand-side contracts must be in place by the time that the SSR Agreement alternative solution would otherwise need to be committed in order to ensure a timely solution to the identified planning need, and must be of a sufficient duration such that a reliable alternative solution can be assured. In assessing applicability for SSR status, the Transmission Provider will not require continued operation when the continued operation of a portion or all of Generation Resources or SCUs would be contrary to applicable law, regulations, or court or agency orders (such as a settlement with an environmental agency or a consent decree approved by a court). In performing the Attachment Y Reliability Study and the Attachment Y Alternatives Study to an SSR Agreement, the Transmission Provider shall collaborate with the affected Transmission Owners and NERC-registered Transmission Planners, and if appropriate, may consult with a retained consultant. The Transmission Provider will appropriately identify any Confidential Information regarding a decision to Suspend before the Transmission Provider transfers such

information to any entity. An entity that receives Confidential Information must agree in writing to maintain such confidentiality, to comply with any confidentiality obligations owed to Transmission Provider under the Tariff or pursuant to a related non-disclosure agreement, and to comply with applicable Standards of Conduct found in 18 C.F.R. § 358. The owner of the Generation Resource or SCU subject to review under this section shall make good faith efforts to minimize the costs to be incurred by seeking any available waivers or exemptions from environmental or other regulatory requirements that would necessitate improvements to the potential SSR Unit. The Transmission Provider will reasonably assist the owner of a potential SSR Unit in working with regulatory agencies to obtain environmental or other waivers or exemptions to the extent necessary to maintain the reliability of the Transmission System. For purposes of determining whether a Generation Resource or SCU qualifies as an SSR Unit, the Transmission Provider will process multiple Attachment Y Notices in the order in which the Attachment Y Notices are received. If a subsequent Attachment Y Notice is received before a determination is made for a Generation Resource or SCU that is the subject of a prior Attachment Y Notice, the Generation Resource or SCU that is the subject of a prior Attachment Y Notice will not be the subject of an SSR Agreement to avoid reliability issues caused by the subsequently noticed suspension of another Generation Resource or SCU.

The filing of a SSR Agreement with FERC shall be accompanied by a corresponding report on the Attachment Y Reliability Study and the Attachment Y Alternatives Study that details the methodologies used, study assumptions, Transmission Owner planning criteria used (including when the criteria became effective and the approving regulatory body, if any), analysis results, an evaluation of alternatives and the conclusion of the study (including a short

explanation of the proposed solution to any reliability issue identified and estimated timetables for implementing the preferred solution). An affirmation that the results, in whole or in part, from a previously filed report remain applicable may substitute for filing an entirely new report on the Attachment Y Reliability Study and the Attachment Y Alternatives Study.

d. Modification or Rescission of an Attachment Y Notice.

(i) Rescission of an Attachment Y Notice Prior to the Transmission Provider's Reliability Study Response.

The Transmission Provider shall notify the owner prior to publicizing the Attachment Y Notice and Attachment Y Reliability Study results that the Attachment Y Reliability Study is complete. However, the Transmission Provider shall not provide any information related to the Attachment Y Reliability Study results to the owner at that time. The owner may rescind its Attachment Y Notice by submitting an amended Attachment Y Notice to the Transmission Provider stating its intention, not more than fifteen (15) Business Days after receiving notice from the Transmission Provider that the Attachment Y Reliability Study is complete. In the event of such rescission, the confidentiality of the Attachment Y Notice shall be preserved.

(ii) Modification or Rescission of an Attachment Y Notice After the Owner of Generation Resource or SCU Receives the Results of Attachment Y Reliability Study, but Prior to Commencing Suspension, Retirement, or an SSR Agreement.

(1) An owner of a Generation Resource or SCU that notifies the Transmission Provider in writing of a decision to Suspend, and for which the Transmission Provider has determined that the Generation Resource or SCU is not necessary for the reliability of the

Transmission System, may rescind its decision to Suspend any time prior to the end of the period for rescission following the effective date or may modify the start of the suspension any time prior to the original effective date by submitting an amended Attachment Y Notice to the Transmission Provider stating its intention. If the revised date for suspension is prior to the original date specified in the Attachment Y Notice, a new Attachment Y Notice shall be submitted to the Transmission Provider at least four full Quarterly Study Periods prior to the effective date of suspension.

At any time during the Attachment Y Conversion Period, the owner of the Generation Resource or SCU for which the Transmission Provider has determined is not necessary for the reliability of the Transmission System, may elect to convert the Attachment Y Notice to retirement by notifying the Transmission Provider of its intent to waive the right to both rescind and modify the Attachment Y Notice. After the owner has waived the right to both rescind and modify the Attachment Y Notice, the requested status of the Generation Resource will change to Retire, and the interconnection service will be terminated in accordance with Section 38.2.7.k. The Attachment Y Notice will no longer be treated as Confidential Information once the owner has elected to waive its right to both rescind and modify the Attachment Y Notice and committed to retirement of the Generation Resource or SCU.

(2) An owner of a Generation Resource or SCU that notifies the Transmission Provider in writing of a decision to Suspend, and for which the Transmission Provider has determined that the Generation Resource or SCU is required as an SSR Unit may rescind its decision to Retire or Suspend or modify the date of suspension at any time while designated as

an SSR Unit by submitting an amended Attachment Y Notice specifying the modified effective date or stating its decision to rescind.

At any time during the Attachment Y Conversion Period, the owner of the Generation Resource or SCU for which the Transmission Provider has determined is required as an SSR Unit may elect to convert the Attachment Y Notice to retirement by notifying the Transmission Provider of its intent to waive the right to both rescind and modify the Attachment Y Notice for the initial rescission period of the Attachment Y Notice. The owner that provides such notification will retain rescission rights (*i.e.* those additionally acquired by virtue of operating as an SSR Unit) only while designated as an SSR Unit after which time the Generation Resource or SCU will have a Retire status and the interconnection service will be terminated in accordance with Section 38.2.7.k.

(iii) Modification or Rescission of an Attachment Y Notice After Commencing a Suspension, Retirement, or an SSR Agreement.

(1) An owner of a Generation Resource or SCU that notifies the Transmission Provider in writing of a decision to Suspend, and for which the resource has not been designated as an SSR Unit or is not continuing to operate pursuant to an SSR Agreement, may rescind its decision to Suspend by submitting an amended Attachment Y Notice to the Transmission Provider stating its intention to rescind any time during the period for rescission following the effective date.

At any time during the Attachment Y Conversion Period, the owner of the Generation Resource or SCU for which the Transmission Provider has determined is not necessary for the reliability of the Transmission System, may elect to convert the Attachment Y Notice to

retirement by notifying the Transmission Provider of its intent to waive the right to rescind and modify the Attachment Y Notice. After the owner has waived the right to rescind, the Generation Resource will have a Retire status, and the interconnection service will be terminated in accordance with Section 38.2.7.k. The Attachment Y Notice will no longer be treated as Confidential Information once the owner has elected to waive their right to rescind and committed to retirement of the Generation Resource or SCU.

(2) An owner of an SSR Unit may rescind its decision to Suspend or to Retire or modify the effective date prior to the termination date of the SSR Agreement by submitting an amended Attachment Y Notice specifying the modified effective date or stating its intention to rescind. After receiving an amended Attachment Y Notice from an owner of an SSR Unit to rescind or modify its decision to Suspend or to Retire, the Transmission Provider will then exercise the termination provisions of the SSR Agreement.

At any time during the Attachment Y Conversion Period, the owner of the Generation Resource or SCU for which the Transmission Provider has determined is required as an SSR Unit may elect to convert the Attachment Y Notice to retirement by notifying the Transmission Provider of its intent to waive the right to both rescind and modify the Attachment Y Notice for the initial rescission period of the Attachment Y Notice. The owner that provides such notification will retain rescission rights (*i.e.* those additionally acquired by virtue of operating as an SSR Unit) only while designated as an SSR Unit after which time the Generation Resource or SCU will have a Retire status and the interconnection service will be terminated in accordance with Section 38.2.7.k.

e. Refund of Costs.

(i) If the owner of a Generation Resource or SCU that notifies the Transmission Provider of a decision to Suspend and for which the Transmission Provider has not determined the Generation Resource or SCU is needed for reliability rescinds an Attachment Y Notice prior to commencing suspension, then such owner shall pay the Transmission Provider all of the costs that the Transmission Provider incurred in conducting an Attachment Y Reliability Study.

(ii) The Market Participant that owns or operates an SSR Unit must refund to the Transmission Provider with interest at the FERC-approved rate, all costs, less depreciation, for repairs and capital expenditures that were needed to continue operation of the Generation Resource or SCU and to meet applicable regulations and other requirements (including environmental) while the Generation Resource or SCU was subject to an SSR Agreement if the owner: (1) rescinds its decision to Suspend or to Retire the unit while it is designated a SSR; (2) rescinds its decision to Suspend following its previous designation as an SSR Unit; or (3) returns a unit to service following its previous designation as an SSR Unit and later retirement of the unit.

(iii) An owner of a Generation Resource or SCU that returns the unit to service upon failure to Retire or Suspend according to an Attachment Y Notice (*i.e.* returns from retirement or rescinds the Attachment Y Notice, including a Generation Resource or SCU that was not a SSR Unit, a former SSR Unit that no longer operates pursuant to an SSR Agreement, or an SSR Unit) will be allocated the total costs of Network Upgrades incurred or financially committed to as of the date of the notification of modification of the decision to Retire or Suspend if all the following apply:

- the rescission obviates the need for such Network Upgrades that were identified by the Transmission Provider in an Attachment Y Reliability Study;
- such Network Upgrades were necessitated solely by the Attachment Y Notice to Suspend; and
- such Network Upgrades were approved by the Transmission Provider's Board of Directors as Attachment FF Appendix A projects.

The total costs will include all pre-construction costs and interest at the FERC-approved rate.

Such an owner will also be allocated the costs of expedited construction of such Network Upgrades that were approved for purposes other than dealing with needs identified in an Attachment Y Reliability Study to the extent that such expedited construction was necessitated by the Attachment Y Notice to Suspend.

In the event that multiple Attachment Y studies identified reliability issues that required the Network Upgrades and the owners of the units subject to the studies return their units to operation upon failure to Retire or Suspend (*i.e.* return from retirement or rescind the Attachment Y Notices, including Generation Resources and/or SCUs that were not SSR Units, former SSR Units that no longer operate pursuant to an SSR Agreement, or SSR Units), the owners will be allocated the total costs of such Network Upgrades incurred or financially committed to as of the date of notification of the last modification of a decision to Retire or Suspend if all the following apply:

- the rescission obviates the need for such Network Upgrades that were identified by the Transmission Provider in the Attachment Y Reliability Study;

- such Network Upgrades were necessitated solely by the Attachment Y Notice to Suspend; and
- such Network Upgrades were approved by the Transmission Provider's Board of Directors as Attachment FF Appendix A projects.

The total costs will include all pre-construction costs and interest at the FERC-approved rate.

Such owners will also be allocated the costs of expedited construction of such Network Upgrades that were approved for purposes other than dealing with needs identified in an Attachment Y Reliability Study to the extent that such expedited construction was necessitated by an Attachment Y Notice to Suspend.

Except as provided in this Section, cost responsibility is assigned only for Network Upgrades that are identified to fully alleviate the violations identified in the Attachment Y Reliability Study in connection with a change in a plan to Retire or Suspend a Generation Resource or SCU. Costs of Network Upgrades that have been identified in the MTEP to address Transmission issues other than the issues identified in the Attachment Y Reliability Study of a unit that requests suspension will not be allocated to the owner of that unit if such costs of construction were not expedited as the result of an Attachment Y Notice to Suspend. In accordance with Attachment FF of the Tariff, the estimated costs of such Network Upgrades are included in the MTEP when it is approved by the Board of Directors of the Transmission Provider for inclusion in the MTEP. The Transmission Provider will solicit from the constructing Transmission Owner the actual costs (including the costs of expediting construction, and pre-construction costs, if any) incurred or committed to as of the date of notification for the last modification of a decision to Retire or Suspend. Each owner shall pay its pro rata share of

the incurred or committed Network Upgrade costs, based on the relative Generation Verification Test Capacity of each resource whose operation causes the assignment of Network Upgrade costs to its owner. The Transmission Provider will promptly notify the responsible owner of their share of the total costs once actual costs are determined.

f. Execution and Filing of SSR Agreement.

The Transmission Provider shall enter into an SSR Agreement with the Market Participant owning or operating a Generation Resource or SCU that is needed for SSR purposes based on the *pro forma* Attachment Y-1. The SSR Agreement shall state that it incorporates by reference the compensation authorized by the Commission. Resources that are ineligible to continue operating for legal or regulatory reasons, however, shall not be required to enter into an SSR Agreement. If a potential SSR Unit is ineligible or an existing SSR Unit becomes ineligible to continue operation, then the Transmission Provider shall seek to minimize the impact to Load by operating the Transmission System in the same manner as for any Resource that becomes ineligible to continue operation due to Forced Outage.

The Transmission Provider will file an SSR Agreement with the Commission for approval if the Transmission Provider's analysis determines that the Generation Resource or SCU is required for reliability of the Transmission System. All potentially affected parties will receive notification of such Commission filing. SSR service is a contracted service between the Market Participant that owns or operates an SSR Unit and the Transmission Provider and shall be for a term of twelve (12) months, unless the Transmission Provider requires a different term. The Transmission Provider must have available the entire capacity specified in the SSR Agreement of each SSR Unit.

g. Operation of SSR Unit.

Once the Transmission Provider has entered into an SSR Agreement with a Generation Resource or SCU, the Transmission Provider shall have the right to dispatch the SSR Unit at any time for reliability of the facilities within the Transmission Provider Region. The Transmission Provider shall make every attempt to minimize the use of an SSR Unit for reliability purposes. The Transmission Provider will commit the SSR Unit when conditions are identified that require the use of the SSR Unit and will make best efforts to minimize the uneconomic commitment of the SSR Unit. The SSR Agreement found in Attachment Y-1 to this Tariff shall provide for equitable compensation to an SSR Unit when it is dispatched by the Transmission Provider.

h. Scheduling Rules for SSR Units.

The Transmission Provider shall notify Market Participants with SSR Units as to the time period of Energy, Operating Reserve, Up Ramp Capability, Down Ramp Capability, Short-Term Reserve, and/or Other Ancillary Services required from each SSR Unit in accordance with Section 39.1.5 for the Day-Ahead Energy and Operating Reserve Markets, Section 40.1 for Reliability Assessment Commitment processes, and Section 40.1.A.3 Look Ahead Commitment processes.

i. SSR Unit Participation in Markets.

A Market Participant may offer Energy or Ancillary Services from SSR Units into the Day-Ahead Energy and Operating Reserve Market, RAC, or Real-Time Energy and Operating Reserve Market during times when the Transmission Provider has not requested the Market Participant to run the SSR Unit at full capacity unless this would impair the ability of the SSR

Unit to provide the Energy, Operating Reserve, Up Ramp Capability, Down Ramp Capability, Short-Term Reserve, or Other Ancillary Services when requested by the Transmission Provider.

Market Participants that own or operate an SSR Unit shall not use the SSR Unit to: (i) participate in Interchange Schedules; (ii) except for plant auxiliary Load obligations under the SSR Agreement, use the SSR Unit as a Self-Scheduled Resource to submit Self-Schedules for Energy and/or Operating Reserve; or (iii) submit Self-Schedules for Other Ancillary Services, if applicable, to the extent that Other Ancillary Services are required by the Transmission Provider under this Section.

j. SSR Unit Compensation.

(i) The Market Participant will be compensated for only costs incurred for the extended operation as an SSR Unit that do not exceed the full cost-of-service (including the fixed cost of existing plant). The hourly component of compensation will be provided as stated in this Tariff. For the determination of any additional compensation, the Market Participant shall submit a filing to the Commission under Section 205 of the FPA that states the additional compensation the Market Participant deems appropriate that is associated with the SSR Agreement filed by the Transmission Provider, but the Market Participant shall not separately file an SSR Agreement. The Market Participant shall provide the Transmission Provider and the Independent Market Monitor with a copy of all compensation-related filings regarding a SSR-designated unit.

(ii) Any compensation for the SSR Unit will be reduced by payments for operation of the SSR Unit, according to the provisions in this Tariff. Monthly compensation under Schedule 2 of this Tariff and payments under resource adequacy programs (a percentage of such payments

to a Market Participant whose generating unit designations are not made) shall be identified in the filing for compensation submitted by the Market Participant.

Hourly compensation will be provided for those hours in which the SSR Unit has Actual Energy Injections and the SSR Unit is committed by the Transmission Provider in the Day-Ahead Energy and Operating Reserve Market or committed by the Transmission Provider in any of the RAC processes, or in the Look Ahead Commitment (“LAC”) process, including any Reliability Assessment Commitment (“RAC”) process conducted prior to the Day-Ahead Energy and Operating Reserve Market, in which hours the Transmission Provider shall calculate the Market Participants’ Production Cost and Operating Reserve Cost. For the purposes of this calculation, “Production Cost” means the Energy output cost pursuant to Section 39.3.2B Day-Ahead Revenue Sufficiency Guarantee Payments of the Tariff for commitments by the Transmission Provider in the Day-Ahead Energy and Operating Reserve Market or the Energy output cost pursuant to Section 40.2.19 Real-Time Sufficiency Guarantee of the Tariff for commitments by the Transmission Provider in any of the RAC processes, or in the LAC process, including any RAC process conducted prior to the Day-Ahead Energy and Operating Reserve Market, of each SSR Unit based upon Start Up, No Load, and Energy Offer cost components that reflect the actual costs of physically operating the SSR Unit(s). “Operating Reserve Cost” mean the actual cost to provide Operating Reserves. All Production Costs and Operating Reserve Costs will be subject to audit by the Transmission Provider, and will be subject to audit and enforcement by the Independent Market Monitor.

Through the Transmission Provider settlement process, the Transmission Provider will compare the “SSR Unit Compensation,” which (for each SSR Unit) is equal to the sum of

Production Cost and Operating Reserve Cost, to the SSR Unit Energy, Operating Reserve Credit, and Short-Term Reserve. The SSR Unit Energy, Operating Reserve, and Short-Term Reserve Credit are those charges and credits calculated pursuant to Sections 39.3 Day-Ahead Energy and Operating Reserve Market, 40.3 Real Time Energy and Operating Reserve Market Settlement and 40.7 Determination of Inadvertent Energy of the Tariff, plus any revenues from Schedule 2 associated with the SSR Unit or from Planning Resource designation and any charges assessed through Schedule 17 and Schedule 24. In those hours where the SSR Unit Compensation is greater than the SSR Unit Energy, Operating Reserve, and Short-Term Reserve Credit for that SSR Unit, the Transmission Provider will make the applicable make-whole payment to Market Participant (such make-whole payment to be equal to the difference between the SSR Unit Compensation and the SSR Unit Energy, Operating Reserve, and Short-Term Reserve Credit). In those hours where the SSR Unit Compensation is less than the SSR Unit Energy, Operating Reserve, and Short-Term Reserve Credit, the Transmission Provider will debit from Market Participant (such debit to be equal to the difference between the SSR Unit Energy, Operating Reserve, and Short-Term Reserve Credit and the SSR Unit Compensation). If the SSR Unit receives revenue pursuant to Sections 39.3 Day-Ahead Energy and Operating Reserve Market and 40.3 Real Time Energy and Operating Reserve Market Settlement of the Tariff in hours other than those described above, the Transmission Provider will debit those revenues from the Market Participant.

(iii) The Market Participant shall file with the Commission for a Monthly SSR Payment for compensation not covered by the hourly compensation stated in the previous subsection. The Market Participant's filing shall state the requested Monthly SSR Payment along

with its sub-components (including amounts for monthly Schedule 2 payments for each SSR Unit) and applicable cost support, including an affidavit executed by an officer of the Market Participant attesting to the accuracy of the submitted cost information. The Market Participant shall provide the Monthly SSR Payment information for each SSR Agreement, including any renewals of an SSR Agreement, and may update the information in a Section 205 filing to revise such Monthly SSR Payment following any material, unforeseen circumstances affecting the SSR Unit that changes the costs incurred by the Market Participant. The Transmission Provider shall pay the Market Participant the Monthly SSR Payment as directed by the Commission, commencing on the effective date established by the Commission.

The filing for the additional compensation should evaluate, at a minimum, the following factors in negotiating compensation for an SSR Unit: (1) operations and maintenance labor expenses directly related to the SSR Unit; (2) administrative expenses directly related to employees at the SSR Unit, including employee expenses environmental fees, safety and operator training, office supplies, communications, and plant inspection/testing expenses; (3) non-labor maintenance expenses, including chemical and materials consumed during maintenance of the SSR Unit and rental expenses for maintenance equipment used to maintain the SSR Unit; (4) taxes, permit and licensing fees, site security expenses, and insurance; (5) carrying charges, including charges for maintaining reasonable levels of inventories of fuel and spare parts that result from short-term operating unit decisions based on Good Utility Practice; (6) corporate expenses, including those incurred for legal services, environmental reporting, and procurement; (7) costs associated with capitalized projects; (8) depreciation, and (9) return on the undepreciated plant costs for the SSR Unit.

k. Termination of Interconnection Service.

Except as provided in Attachment X, the Transmission Provider shall file with the Commission to terminate the interconnection service to the Transmission Provider's system held by an owner of a Generation Resource or SCU or Pseudo-tied out Generator, that certifies by submitting an Attachment Y Notice that it plans to Suspend a Generation Resource or SCU or Pseudo-tied out Generator, upon the latter of: (1) the termination of an SSR Agreement; (2) the effective date for which the owner has elected to convert the Attachment Y Notice to retirement by waiving the right to rescind the decision; or (3) the end of the period for rescission for which the owner has not waived the right to rescind. Such termination of interconnection service shall be contained in a filing with the Commission and also posted by the Transmission Provider on its OASIS to the extent that such interconnection service was filed with the Commission, and shall otherwise be terminated by the Transmission Provider by a posting on its OASIS. If the owner rescinds or modifies the Attachment Y Notice in accordance with Section 38.2.7.d, the owner of such resource may retain its interconnection service and continue to operate after the conclusion of an SSR Agreement or the date specified in the Attachment Y Notice.

l. Allocation of SSR Unit Costs.

The costs pursuant to the SSR Agreement shall be allocated to the LSE(s) which require(s) the operation of the SSR Unit for reliability purposes.

m. Annual Review of SSR Unit Status.

On at least an annual basis, the Transmission Provider will review Generation Resource or SCU characteristics to determine whether the Generation Resource or SCU is qualified to remain as an SSR Unit in coordination with a review of the Transmission Provider's annual

regional transmission expansion plan in accordance with Attachment FF. If an SSR Unit continues to be required for reliability of the Transmission System, then the Transmission Provider will have the unilateral right to negotiate and enter into a subsequent SSR Agreement by providing the Market Participant at least ninety (90) days advance notice prior to the termination date of the existing SSR Agreement and by negotiating and filing a new SSR Agreement at the Commission. If not, the SSR Agreement will expire by its own terms and the Generation Resource or SCU will lose its SSR Unit status and will resume suspension in accordance with the Attachment Y Notice or Retire. Any subsequent SSR Agreement also shall be filed with the Commission.

n. Time Limitations on Suspension.

An owner of a Generation Resource or a SCU or a Pseudo-tied out Generator may request suspension pursuant to the provisions of this Section 38.2.7 and remain for a maximum of thirty-six (36) cumulative months during any five (5) year period under any combination of suspended and SSR-designated statuses. An owner of a Generation Resource or a SCU or a Pseudo-tied out Generator that had not exhausted its maximum period may request an additional suspension period by submitting a new Attachment Y Notice four full Quarterly Study Periods prior to the effective date of the extension period, provided that the combined period is not greater than thirty-six (36) months in a five (5) year period. If a Generation Resource or a SCU or a Pseudo-tied out Generator does not return to service at the end of the thirty-six (36) month maximum suspension period, the Transmission Provider will terminate interconnection service of the resource pursuant to Section 38.2.7.

o. Non-Binding Informational Studies.

An owner of a Generation Resource or a SCU may complete an Attachment Y-2 to request that the Transmission Provider conduct a study to determine whether it is likely that a portion or all of such Generation Resource or SCU would qualify as an SSR Unit. The Transmission Provider will collaborate with the affected Transmission Owners and NERC-registered Transmission Planners, and if appropriate, will consult with a retained consultant to evaluate whether the facility is required for the reliability of the Transmission System. The Transmission Provider will appropriately identify any Confidential Information regarding a decision to Suspend that the Transmission Provider transfers to any entity. An entity that receives Confidential Information must agree in writing to maintain such confidentiality, or to any confidentiality obligations owed to Transmission Provider under the Tariff or related non-disclosure agreement, and to comply with applicable Standards of Conduct found in 18 C.F.R. § 358. The owner will not be bound to the change of status indicated in an Attachment Y-2 request. Along with a completed Attachment Y-2, such owner shall submit a study deposit of \$70,000 to the Transmission Provider for the reasonable costs and expenses of such study. The Transmission Provider shall invoice such owner for all costs and expenses incurred in addition to the deposit amount, or shall refund any unused portion of such deposit upon completion of the study.

The Transmission Provider will process multiple Attachment Y-2 requests in the order in which the Attachment Y-2 requests are received. The Transmission Provider shall use reasonable efforts to submit the results of such study to the owner upon its completion within 150 days of receipt of the deposit and completed Attachment Y-2, unless an alternative period is mutually agreed to. The Transmission Provider shall treat Attachment Y-2 as Confidential

Information. If an owner rescinds an Attachment Y-2 study request, then such owner shall not receive the results of the study and the owner shall pay the Transmission Provider all of the costs incurred in conducting the study up until the date of such rescission.

Once a response is provided by the Transmission Provider to the owner, the Transmission Provider shall promptly notify the Independent Market Monitor of any Resource that may qualify as an SSR Unit. The results of such study will provide the owner with the outcome if the owner elects to submit an Attachment Y Notice to request SSR status in the future and does so in accordance with Section 38.2.7.p.

The Transmission Provider shall maintain regional power flow models pursuant to Section I.C of Attachment FF, for use by the owner of a Generation Resource or a SCU choosing to conduct a study.

p. Submission of Attachment Y Notice Following Non-Binding Reliability Studies Under Y-2.

The Attachment Y Notice following a non-binding Y-2 request must be submitted at least four full Quarterly Study Periods prior to the date of the planned change of status. The Transmission Provider shall conduct the subsequent Attachment Y process consistent with timeline and milestones in Section 38.2.7.