

Interval-Level Bid Production Cost Guarantee for Price Correction Events Straw Proposal

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Presentation Outline

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Background

- Issue Summary:
 - Generators who act in accordance with NYISO dispatch signals should not be subject to financial harm by a subsequent price correction. Although current BPCG rules protect suppliers from losses in a given day, the cost incurred during price correction intervals could erode profits earned in other hours.
- FERC instructed NYISO (ER06-1014) to initiate a stakeholder process to design a resolution
 - Discussions initiated at August 7, 2006 MSWG with follow-up straw proposal at October 27, 2006 MSWG



Recommended Approach

- Preventative Measures
 - Reduce the number of price errors to minimize, ideally prevent, the occurrence of price corrections
 - NYISO efforts continue to identify and eliminate reoccurring causes of price errors
 - Implement tools and staff to enable monitoring of market prices in near real-time, preventing persistent errors that lead to extended correction periods
 - NYISO has initiated the Enhanced Price Validation project to develop new Price Validation tools with near real-time monitoring capabilities



Recommended Approach (ctd.)

- Remedial Measures
 - Provide a targeted Bid Production Cost Guarantee payment for periods of price correction
 - NYISO presented conceptual straw proposal for this remedial measure at the October 27, 2006 MSWG



Next Steps from Last Meeting

- Next steps from October 27, 2006 MSWG discussion included:
 - Evaluate questions raised during MSWG discussion, and consider refinement to draft rules as necessary
 - Elaborate on straw proposal concepts, defining the specific business and implementation requirements necessary to drive implementation estimates
 - Obtain LOE estimates and determine feasible implementation timeframe



Refined Requirements

- Consecutive Price Correction intervals are viewed as a 'Price Correction Event'
 - The eligible intervals are all price corrected intervals plus the following three intervals
- For all identified intervals, the real time BPCG is calculated on an interval basis and margins in one interval do not offset losses in other event specific intervals
- Price Correction Event intervals that result in a loss will be paid as an interval-level uplift, separate from the 24-hour BPCG calculation
 - E.g., If 24-hour BPCG calculation results in a margin, it will not be eroded by losses during Price Correction Events
- Price Correction Event intervals that result in a margin will offset supplemental payments calculated for the 24-hour BPCG calculation
 - E.g., If the 24-hour BPCG calculation results in an uplift, it will be offset by margins during Price Correction Events



Refined Requirements (ctd.)

- Real time guarantee payment mitigation evaluation is performed on an interval level
 - Conduct failing components are substituted and if impact is found, GP is calculated using reference bid component(s)
- Treatment would be applied to suppliers at nodes impacted by price corrections
- Treatment would apply to all units who are otherwise eligible to receive BPCG, based on existing criteria
 - Fixed schedules not eligible
 - Exception: During the event the ramp rate down real-time BPCG qualification constraint is suspended
- All payments will be charged in accordance with NYISO Tariff instructions for recovering BPCG costs



Implementation Timeline

- Implementation requires MIS changes to "flag" intervals with 'Price Correction Event'
 - Will be implemented with EPV Phase 1 (February 2007)
- Implementation requires changes in the NYISO BAS to apply interval-level BPCG settlement rules and associated mitigation logic to 'Price Correction Events'
 - Freeze on changes to current BAS software pending completion of Settlement System Replacement Project (May 2007)
 - Must also consider constraints associated with the NYISO data center migration and summer peak periods
- Considering these dependencies / constraints, the first feasible implementation window is late Summer 2007



Next Steps

- Continue to reduce the number of price errors to minimize, ideally prevent, the occurrence of price corrections
- Continue MSWG discussions on proposed rules
 - Publish Concept of Operations for MP review
- Refine implementation estimates and summarize cost / schedule for PPT consideration
 - Pending approval, initiate implementation phase
 - Includes technical design, development, testing, deployment
- Determine requirements for tariff modification and schedule necessary committee approvals