

# LBMP Shortage Cost Example

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- > There has been some concern regarding the additive nature of the LBMP and reserve shortage costs.
- > Concern expressed that in situations where energy prices are high (e.g. \$650) in the interval prior to going into a reserve shortage that the price will be \$650 + reserve demand curve shortage cost in the reserve short RTD interval.
- > Following example has been developed to illustrate that this is not the case.



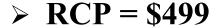
#### > Scenario:

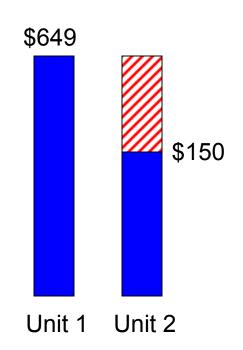
- One operating reserve requirement
- A corresponding reserve demand curve shortage cost of \$500
- 2 available units
  - $\triangleright$  One 30-minute GT. Online at cost = \$649
    - Providing energy. Not eligible to provide reserves.
  - ▶ One on-dispatch unit. Online at cost = \$150
    - Providing energy and reserve.
- Nearly capacity constrained.



- > In the RTD interval preceding the shortage condition:
  - Unit 1 is dispatched to meet the next MW of load and is setting LBMP at \$649.
  - Unit 2 is being held back for reserves at a cost of \$649-\$150 = \$499 which will be the Reserve Clearing Price (i.e. Lost Opportunity Cost on Unit 2).

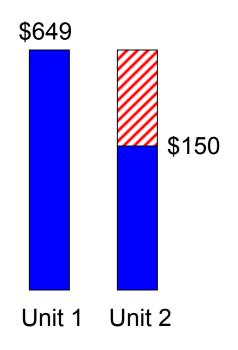








- ➤ In the next RTD interval, load increases slightly resulting in a shortage condition. The last MW of reserve that was scheduled must be converted to energy:
  - Unit 2, representing the lowest cost reserve provider, is dispatched to meet the next MW of load (\$150) and a reserve shortage cost (\$500) is incurred, setting the LMBP at \$650 (i.e. \$150 + \$500 = \$650).
  - The reserve clearing price is determined by the demand curve shortage cost of \$500.
- $\rightarrow$  LBMP = \$650
- $\triangleright$  RCP = \$500





	Prior to Shortage	Post Shortage
LBMP	\$649	\$650
Reserve CP	\$499	\$500

- > Note that both the price of energy and reserve are only \$1/MWh higher in the post shortage condition.
- > The LBMP in the shortage condition equals the energy bid of the MW converted to energy plus the reserve shortage costs.