

Inter-Regional Interchange Scheduling: Analysis and Options

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Agenda

- Today: A high-level overview of the Inter-Regional Interchange Scheduling (IRIS) initiative to improve efficiency of energy interchange at the NYISO / ISO-NE border. Initiative is a component of the NYISO's Broader Regional Market: Enhanced Interregional Transaction Coordination effort.
 - What's the problem?
 - Why is it worth fixing?
 - What options have been identified?
 - Next Steps
- January 21st: Joint NYISO MIWG and NEPOOL Markets Committee meeting to provide detailed review and discussion of the options proposed.
- White paper providing an in-depth analysis of the efficiency of the existing scheduling protocols and options and recommendation for improving the market performance has been developed jointly with ISO-NE staff and has been distributed as part of today's meeting materials.



Background

- Participants schedule energy transactions between NY and NE
- Many practical concerns with the existing scheduling system and resulting efficiency:
 - Myriad rules and costs that differ between ISO-NE and NYISO
 - Cumbersome ISOs require everything twice (once for each ISO)
 - Inflexibility rigid schedules can't match fastchanging LBMPs



What are the Consequences?

- Interface with ISO-NE is underutilized
 - Data indicates ample transmission capacity is available to move additional power across the interface from low to high-cost ISO
- Higher production costs and higher consumer costs than necessary



Why is it worth fixing?

 Potomac Economics previously evaluated potential benefits for both NY and NE, if the interface was efficiently scheduled:

Table 2: Estimated Benefits of Coordinated External Interface Scheduling Interface Between Upstate NY and New England, 2006 – 2009

	2006	2007	2008	2009
Estimated Production Cost Net Savings (in Millions)	\$17	\$21	\$19	\$10
Estimated Consumer Net Savings (in Millions):				
New England Customers	\$61	\$22	\$25	\$64
New York Customers	\$59	\$177	\$127	\$65
Total for New England and New York Customers	\$120	\$199	\$152	\$129
During Reserve Shortage Hours	\$16	\$75	\$31	\$13

 Analysis ongoing with Potomac Economics to update analysis and evaluate the efficiency gains captured with the proposed solution options.

Source: David Patton. "2009 Assessment of the Electricity Markets in New England." http://www.iso-ne.com/markets/mktmonmit/rpts/ind_mkt_advsr/2009_immu_report_final.pdf.



Solution Options

- To address inefficient interface schedules, two options have been identified that provide the greatest potential efficiency improvements
 - Tie Optimization
 - Tie Optimization (TO) option is consistent with the least-cost economic dispatch system used internally for each ISO's energy market. TO is a coordinated dispatch that relies on the bid-based supply offers from generators and demand resources in both markets to determine the optimal level of interchange to maximize transmission utilization and minimize production costs.
 - Coordinated Transaction Scheduling
 - Coordinated Transaction Scheduling (CTS) option is more like the current inter-regional trading system. CTS retains a role for external transaction offers ("Interface Bids") to help determine real-time interface schedules between regions. An Interface Bid is a single bid to simultaneously buy and sell power across an interface based upon a difference in each markets' marginal costs.
 - Simply scheduling the interface more frequently is insufficient to address the primary sources of existing inefficiencies.



Solution Options

- Both solution options incorporate several common elements:
 - Higher frequency schedule changes across external interfaces;
 - Elimination of charges/credits on external transactions that deter trade;
 - Congestion Pricing and Financial instruments (FTR/TCC) to hedge price risk on external interfaces.
 - Similar Day-Ahead Market operation to today



Solution Options

- Either Tie Optimization (TO) or Coordinated Transaction Scheduling (CTS) would lower production cost and result in significant consumer savings.
 - Potomac Economics is quantifying the efficiency gains captured with the each of the proposed solution options.
- The ISO's jointly recommend Tie Optimization as the preferred solution due to its overall solution efficiency.



Next Steps

January 21 2011

*Joint NYISO/ISO-NE meeting to commence detailed discussion on improving interchange efficiency.

Review of white paper material

-Additional meetings scheduled for 2/14(@ISO-NE), 3/7(@ISO-NE), 3/28(@NYISO) and 4/28(@NYISO).

May 2011

•BIC concept approval to select a solution to pursue in additional detail.

September 2011

BIC and MC (and ISO-NE MC and

PC) tariff approval

December 2011

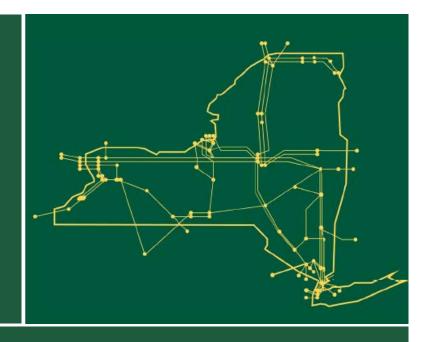
FERC filings

Early 2013

Implementation complete



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