

## **4.4 Real-Time Markets and Schedules**

### **4.4.1 Real-Time Commitment (“RTC”)**

#### **4.4.1.1 Overview**

RTC will make binding unit commitment and de-commitment decisions for the periods beginning fifteen minutes (in the case of Resources that can respond in ten minutes) and thirty minutes (in the case of Resources that can respond in thirty minutes) after the scheduled posting time of each RTC run, will provide advisory commitment information for the remainder of the two and a half hour optimization period, and will produce binding schedules for External Transactions to begin at the start of each quarter hour. RTC will treat Behind-the-Meter Net Generation Resources and Energy Storage Resources, and Aggregations as already being committed and available to be scheduled. RTC will co-optimize to solve simultaneously for all Load, Operating Reserves and Regulation Service and to minimize the total as-bid production costs over its optimization timeframe. RTC will consider SCUC’s Resource commitment for the day, load forecasts that RTC itself will produce each quarter hour, binding transmission constraints, and all Real-Time Bids and Bid parameters submitted pursuant to Section 4.4.1.2 below.

#### **4.4.1.2 Bids and Other Requests**

After the Day-Ahead schedule is published and before the close of the Real-Time Scheduling Window for each hour, Customers may submit Real-Time Bids into the Real-Time Market for real-time evaluation by providing all information required to permit real-time evaluation pursuant to ISO Procedures. If the Supplier elects to participate in the Real-Time Market, and is within a defined electrical boundary, electrically interconnected with, and routinely serves a Host Load (which Host Load does not exclusively consist of Station Power) at

a single PTID, it can only participate in the Real-Time Market as a Behind-the-Meter Net Generation Resource. If a Behind-the-Meter Net Generation Resource submits Bids into the Real-Time Market for real-time evaluation, such Bids shall provide the forecasted Host Load for each hour for which Bids are submitted.

An Energy Storage Resource shall indicate in its Real-Time Bids whether its Energy Level will be ISO- or Self-Managed. An Energy Storage Resource that elects to Self-Manage its Energy Level shall be responsible for managing its Energy Level through its Bids. An Energy Storage Resource, including an Energy Storage Resource that received a Day-Ahead Schedule, may change its Energy Level Management election for each operating hour in the Real-Time Market day. Provided however, a Fast-Start Resource that receives a Day-Ahead schedule may submit Minimum Generation Bids or Regulation Service Bids using ISO-Committed Fixed, ISO-Committed Flexible, and Self-Committed Flexible bid modes that exceed the dollar component of the Bids submitted in the Day-Ahead Market, or the dollar component of the mitigated Day-Ahead Bids where appropriate, if not otherwise prohibited pursuant to other provisions of the tariff.

Co-located Storage Resources can each offer all of their available capability into the Real-Time Market. RTC will account for the CSR Scheduling Limits in the schedules it determines for CSR Generators.

A Supplier's Real-Time Market Self-Committed Flexible Bid for a DER Aggregation may include Energy withdrawals if the DER Aggregation includes at least one Withdrawal-Eligible Generator. A Supplier's Real-Time Market Bids for a DER Aggregation to withdraw Energy and to supply Energy shall be submitted in a single, continuous bid curve representing the Capacity, in MW, available. When the Energy Bid for the DER Aggregation includes both

Energy supply and Energy withdrawal by a Withdrawal-Eligible Generator that is a component of the Aggregation, each point of the DER Aggregation's Bid curve shall reflect the net offer, such that any Energy withdrawals reduce the Energy the DER Aggregation is capable of supplying.

A Supplier may submit a Real-Time Market Self-Committed Fixed Bid for a DER Aggregation to withdraw Energy if the DER Aggregation includes at least one Withdrawal-Eligible Generator. When a Self-Committed Fixed Bid for a DER Aggregation reflects both Energy supply and Energy withdrawals by a Withdrawal-Eligible Generator that is a component of the Aggregation, the DER Aggregation's Bid shall reflect the net offer, such that any Energy withdrawals reduce the Energy the DER Aggregation is capable of supplying. However, if the Monthly Net Benefit Threshold price is less than the LBMP, Demand Side Resources shall not be permitted to net Energy withdrawals of Withdrawal-Eligible Generators in the DER Aggregation.

#### **4.4.1.2.1 Real-Time Bids to Supply or Withdraw Energy and Supply Ancillary Services, other than External Transactions**

Intermittent Power Resources and Aggregations that depend solely on wind or solar energy as their fuel submitting new or revised offers to supply Energy shall bid as ISO-Committed Flexible and shall submit a Minimum Generation Bid of zero MW and zero cost and a Start-Up Bid at zero cost. Eligible Customers may submit new or revised Bids to supply or withdraw Energy, and to supply Operating Reserves and/or Regulation Service. Customers that submit such Bids may specify different Bid parameters in real-time than they did Day-Ahead. Incremental Energy Bids, for portions of the Capacity of Resources that were scheduled in the Day-Ahead Market, and/or Start-Up Bids may be submitted by Suppliers bidding Resources using ISO-Committed Fixed, ISO-Committed Flexible, and Self-Committed Flexible bid modes

that exceed the Incremental Energy Bids or Start-Up Bids submitted in the Day-Ahead Market or the mitigated Day-Ahead Incremental Energy Bids or Start-Up Bids where appropriate, if not otherwise prohibited pursuant to other provisions of the tariff. Minimum Generation Bids or Regulation Service Bids for any hour in which such Resources received a Day-Ahead Energy schedule or a Regulation Service schedule, as appropriate, may not exceed the Minimum Generation Bids or Regulation Service Bids, as appropriate, submitted for those Resources in the Day-Ahead Market. Provided however, a Fast-Start Resource that receives a Day-Ahead schedule may submit Minimum Generation Bids or Regulation Service Bids using ISO-Committed Fixed, ISO-Committed Flexible, and Self-Committed Flexible bid modes that exceed the dollar component of the Bids submitted in the Day-Ahead Market, or the dollar component of the mitigated Day-Ahead Bids where appropriate, if not otherwise prohibited pursuant to other provisions of the tariff. Additionally, Real-Time Minimum Run Qualified Gas Turbine Customers shall not increase their previously submitted Real-Time Incremental Energy Bids, Minimum Generation Bids, or Start-Up Bids within 135 minutes of the dispatch hour. Bids to supply Energy or Ancillary Services shall be subject to the rules set forth in Section 4.2.1 of this ISO Services Tariff. For Behind-the-Meter Net Generation Resources, the ISO will consider only those segments of the Resource's Incremental Energy Bids above the forecasted Host Load and subject to the Injection Limit.

Suppliers bidding on behalf of Generators or Aggregations (except Aggregations comprised of only Intermittent Power Resource) that did not receive a Day-Ahead schedule for a given hour may offer their Generators or Aggregations, for those hours, using the ISO-Committed Flexible, Self-Committed Flexible, Self-Committed Fixed bid mode or, with ISO approval, the ISO-Committed Fixed bid modes in real-time. For Behind-the-Meter Net

Generation Resources, the ISO will consider only those segments of the Resource's Incremental Energy Bids above the forecasted Host Load and subject to the Injection Limit. A Supplier bidding on behalf of a Generator or Aggregation that received a Day-Ahead schedule for a given hour may not change the bidding mode for that Generator or Aggregation for the Real-Time Market for that hour provided, however, that Generators or Aggregations that were scheduled Day-Ahead in Self-Committed Fixed mode may switch, with ISO approval, to ISO-Committed Fixed bidding mode in real-time. Generators or Aggregations that were scheduled Day-Ahead in ISO-Committed Fixed mode will be scheduled as Self-Committed Fixed in the Real-Time Market unless, with ISO approval, they change their bidding mode to ISO-Committed Fixed.

Co-located Storage Resources must each submit a CSR injection Scheduling Limit and a CSR withdrawal Scheduling Limit for each hour of the Real-Time Market to indicate the expected capability of the relevant facilities. An Energy Storage Resource that participates in a CSR shall not submit Real-Time Market Bids that would Self-Commit the Generator to inject or to withdraw a quantity of Energy that exceeds an applicable CSR Scheduling Limit.

Generators and Aggregations with a real time physical operating problems that makes it impossible for them: (a) to operate in the bidding mode in which the Generator [or Aggregation] was scheduled Day-Ahead; or (b) to provide all of the Energy or Ancillary Services offered in their Bids, or (c) to achieve or comply with applicable operating parameters or other requirements, shall notify the ISO. Additionally, if the Host Load of a Behind-the-Meter Net Generation Resource is greater in real-time than was forecasted Day-Ahead such that it cannot meet its Day-Ahead schedule, it must notify the ISO.

Generators and Aggregations may not submit separate Operating Reserves Availability Bids in real-time and will instead automatically be assigned a real-time Operating Reserves

Availability Bid of zero for the amount of Operating Reserves they are capable of providing in light of their response rate (as determined under Rate Schedule 4).

## **4.4.2 Real-Time Dispatch**

### **4.4.2.1 Overview**

The Real-Time Dispatch will make dispatching decisions, send Base Point Signals to Internal Generators and Aggregations, produce schedules for intra-hour External Transactions at Dynamically Scheduled Proxy Generator Buses, calculate Real-Time Market clearing prices for Energy, Operating Reserves, and Real-Time Market Prices for Regulation Service, and establish real-time schedules for those products on a five-minute basis, starting at the beginning of each hour. The Real-Time Dispatch will not make commitment decisions and will not consider start-up costs in any of its dispatching or pricing decisions, except as specifically provided in Section 4.4.2.4 below. In each interval, Real-Time Dispatch will review the Beginning Energy Level of each Energy Storage Resource's and of each Aggregation comprised only of Energy Storage Resources. Real-Time Dispatch will attempt to prevent dispatching a Self-Managed Energy Storage Resource or Aggregation composed only of Energy Storage Resources in a manner that would be infeasible based on its Beginning Energy Level. Instead, Real-Time dispatch will consider an Energy Storage Resource's Beginning Energy Level in developing a schedule for the binding interval Upper Operating Limit or increase the Lower Operating Limit, as appropriate, to an achievable value for the or Aggregation composed only of Energy Storage Resources. An Energy Storage Resource's Beginning Energy Level will be used to ensure that Operating Reserves scheduled from the Resource can be sustained for one hour if the Operating Reserves are converted to Energy. The Real-Time Dispatch will account

for the CSR Scheduling Limits in the schedules and dispatch instructions it issues to CSR  
Generators.

Each Real-Time Dispatch run will co-optimize to solve simultaneously for Load, Operating Reserves, and Regulation Service and to minimize the total cost of production over its bid optimization horizon (which may be fifty, fifty-five, or sixty minutes long depending on where the run falls in the hour.) In addition to producing a binding schedule for the next five minutes, each Real-Time Dispatch run will produce advisory schedules for the remaining four time steps of its bid-optimization horizon (which may be five, ten, or fifteen minutes long depending on where the run falls in the hour). An advisory schedule may become binding in the absence of a subsequent Real-Time Dispatch run. RTD will use the most recent system information and the same set of Bids and constraints that are considered by RTC.