

Buyer Side Mitigation (BSM) Process Improvements

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Agenda

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Background



Background

- The current BSM processes were developed over the last decade, focused on how best to administer the process within the study.
- Until recently, the BSM process was usually performed on around 5 resources over the course of a Class Year Study that could take up to two years.
- This is no longer representative of the current environment.
 - The number of resources evaluated for BSM in a given Class Year (CY) is expected to increase 5-10x historic levels.
 - CY2019 had over 50 resources to be evaluated in a MCZ at the start of the study, only about 30 resources were evaluated for a complete BSM determination.
 - CY2017 had about 7 resources evaluated for BSM.
 - In addition, the CY process is now shorter in length and expected to only take around one year.
 - Lastly, several other BSM evaluations may be required outside of the CY process throughout the year Additional SDU Studies and Expedited Deliverability Studies (EDS). These could result in at least four to six BSM determination for 2021.
- The current processes were not designed to be able to be administered effectively under this expected work load; two years between studies vs. two months.



Purpose



Buyer Side Mitigation (BSM) Process Improvements

- The objective of this initiative is to identify opportunities to improve the current BSM process in an effort to:
 - Enable greater transparency and understanding for stakeholders and Developers
 - Decrease the administrative burden associated with the current BSM processes
 - Reduce risk of delays to the Class Year timelines due to BSM
 - Enable, where appropriate, consistency with other NYISO processes
 - Reduce tariff ambiguity
- This initiative will not discuss new BSM designs or exemptions relating to BSM
 - NYISO intends to continue to pursue changes as part of the Comprehensive Mitigation Review (CMR) effort



Potential Topics for Discussion

Forecast Assumptions:

- Timing/lockdown of input assumptions
 - Many ISO studies have a lockdown of assumptions
 - Would allow for discussion of inputs with stakeholders
 - Would allow for posting of assumptions well in advance of Initial Determinations
- Could allow for certainty in assumptions
 - IRM and LCR values
 - Winter-to-Summer Ratio values
- Alignment with Demand Curve Reset/Annual Update processes
 - Escalation Rate
 - LBMP projections
- Consistent assumptions across the CY/EDS/Additional SDU Studies



Tariff Clarity

- Add language to clarify calculations related to the Renewable Exemption Limit
 - URM component
 - Renewable Bank component
- Revise language addressing the inclusion of units
 - Supply stack Inclusion Rules
- Inflation rate terminology



Requesting Feedback

- NYISO would like to hear from Stakeholders if there are other areas of the process or tariff that could be improved/clarified consistent with the objectives of this initiative
- NYISO is requesting feedback by January 27th



Next Steps



Next Steps

- Receive and review feedback from Stakeholders
- Propose specific enhancements consistent with initiative objectives at upcoming ICAPWGs



Proposed Timeline

- Return to the February 9th and 25th ICAPWGs to discuss proposals
- March ICAPWG with proposed tariff changes
- April BIC/MC
- May BOD and File with FERC



Questions?



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