

ICAP Demand Curve

Interviewer: Mathangi Srinivasan Kumar

Market Training Program Administrator, Market Training, NYISO

Subject Matter Expert: Zachary T. Smith

Manager, Capacity Market Design, NYISO

Intermediate ICAP Course

June 27-28, 2023

Remote Learning

Topics of Discussion

- **Background and Implementation of Sloped ICAP Demand Curves**
- **Development of ICAP Demand Curves**
 - **Example**
- **ICAP Demand Curve Reset (DCR) process**
- **Translation of the ICAP Demand Curves to UCAP values**
- **Demand Curves and the Spot Market Auction**

Topic 1:

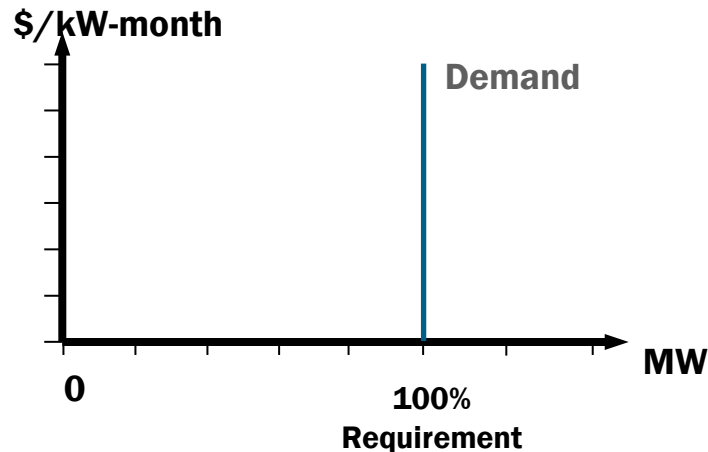
Background and Implementation of the Sloped Demand Curve

Sloped Demand Curve

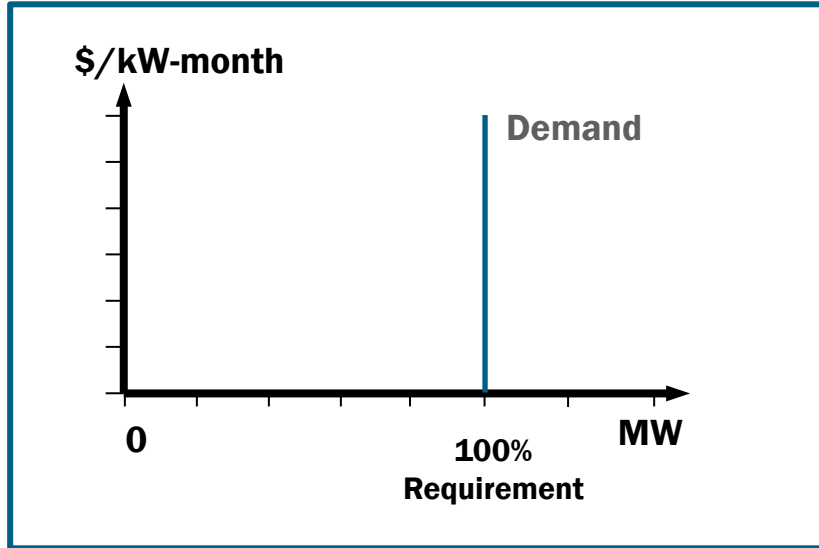
- Implemented to determine the ICAP Spot Market Auction Market-Clearing Price
- An enhancement to the previously used inelastic vertical demand curve
 - Incorporates a more gradual slope that will value additional capacity beyond the minimum requirement
- First ICAP Spot Market Auction using sloped demand curve was conducted at the end of April 2003 for the first month of the 2003-2004 Capability Year (i.e., May 2003)

Inelastic Demand Curve

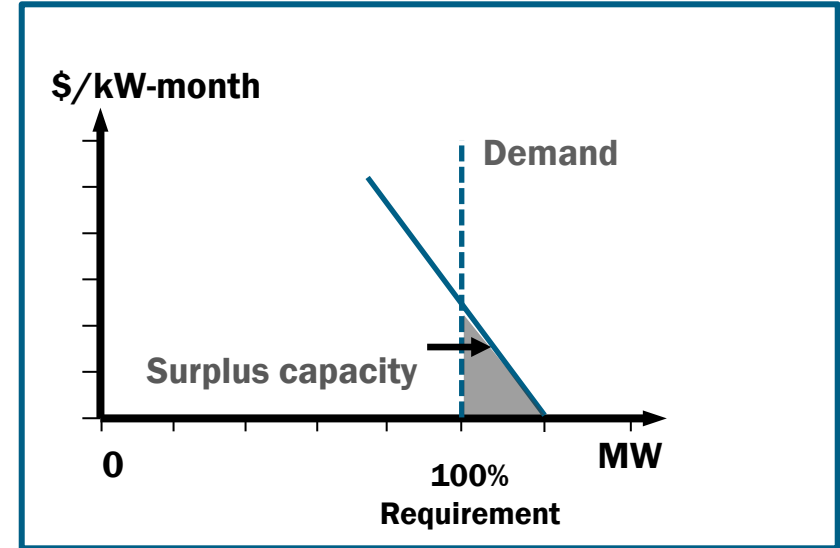
- Market Clearing Price of capacity was previously set by a deficiency auction construct using a vertical (inelastic) demand curve through the 2002-2003 Capability Year
- Designed such that supply and demand converge at an administratively determined point
 - Price of any excess capacity beyond the minimum requirement is valued at zero



Inelastic vs. Sloped Demand Curve



Inelastic



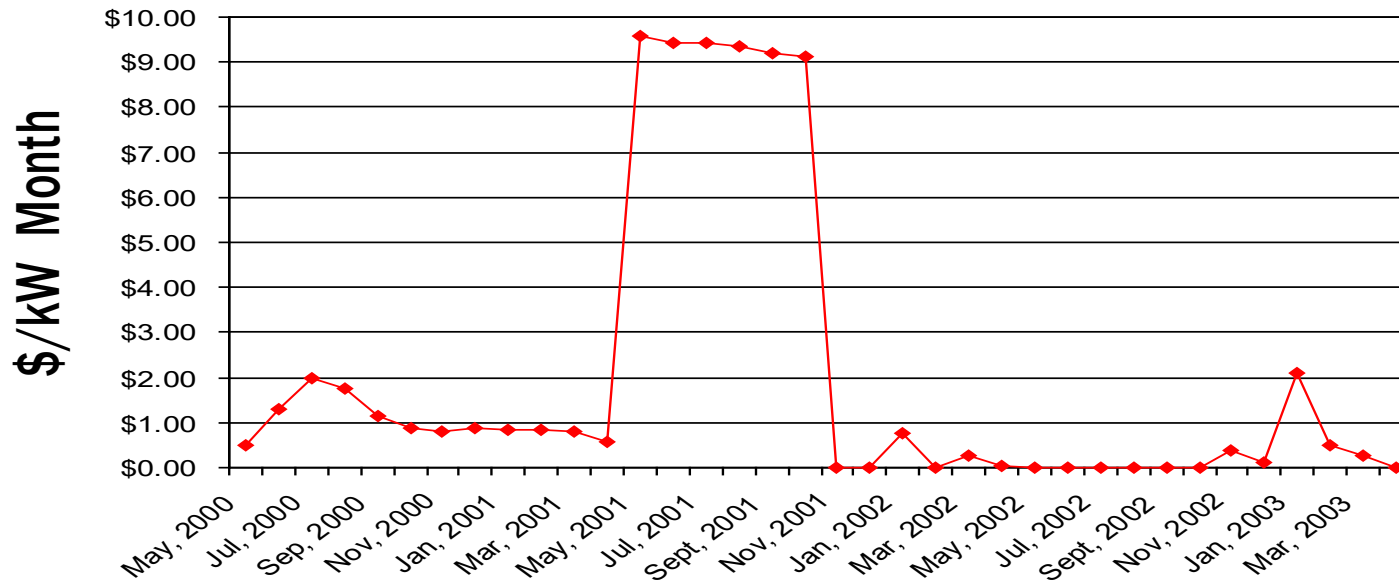
Sloped Demand Curve

Inelastic Demand Curve

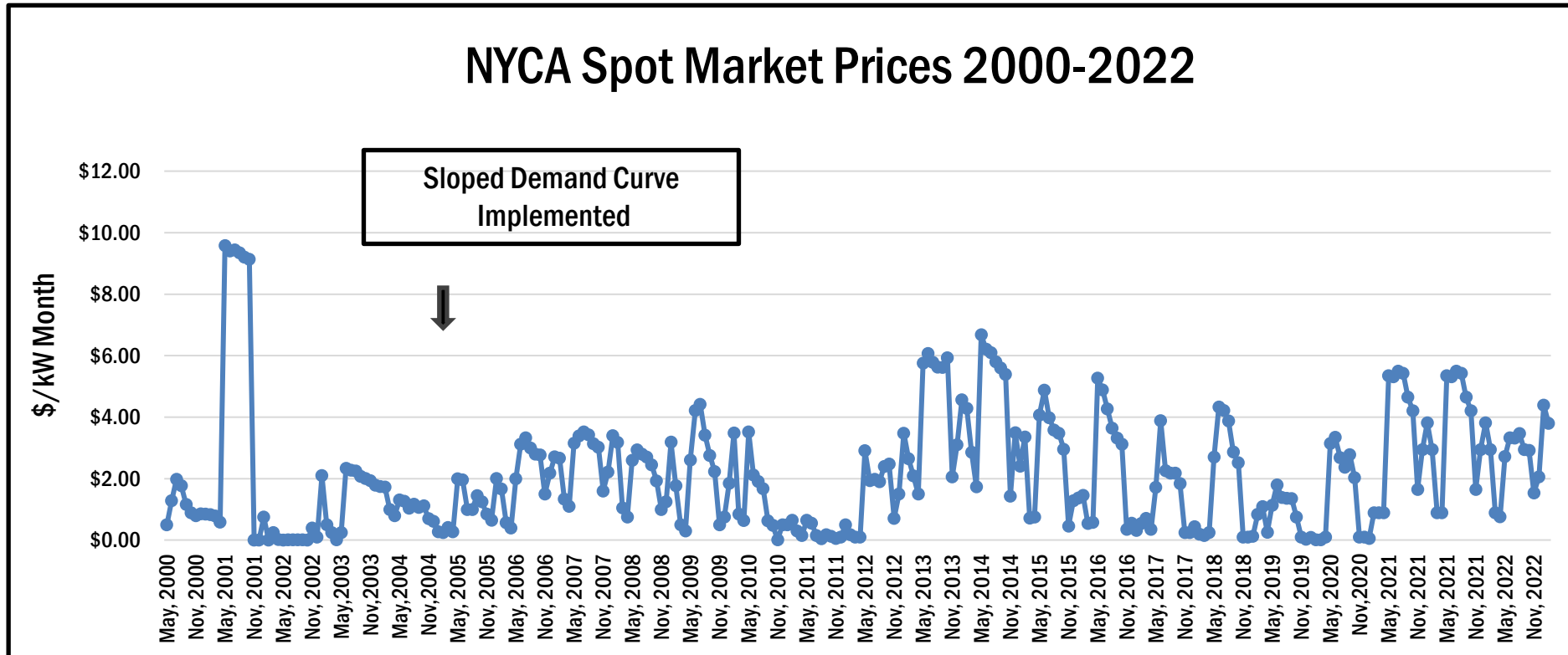
- **Disadvantages of inelastic Demand Curve**
 - **Price Volatility** – potential for large price variations resulting from small changes in supply curve
 - **Resulted in very high ICAP prices during deficiency and extremely low prices at times of surplus capacity**
 - **Discouraged generators from participating in the New York markets**
 - **Poor signals for planning and financing new capacity**
 - **Unpredictable revenue streams**
 - **Undermining the incentive for Market Participants (MPs) to enter into long term contracts for ICAP supply**

Market Prices with Inelastic Demand

NYCA Spot Market Prices



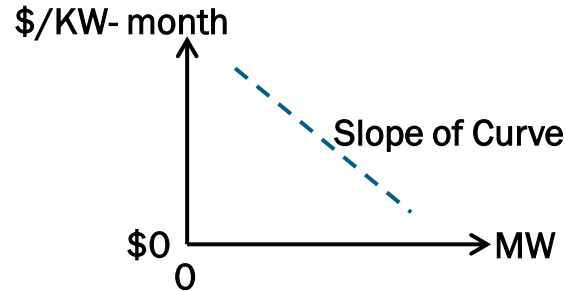
NYCA Spot Market Auction Prices



Sloped Demand Curve

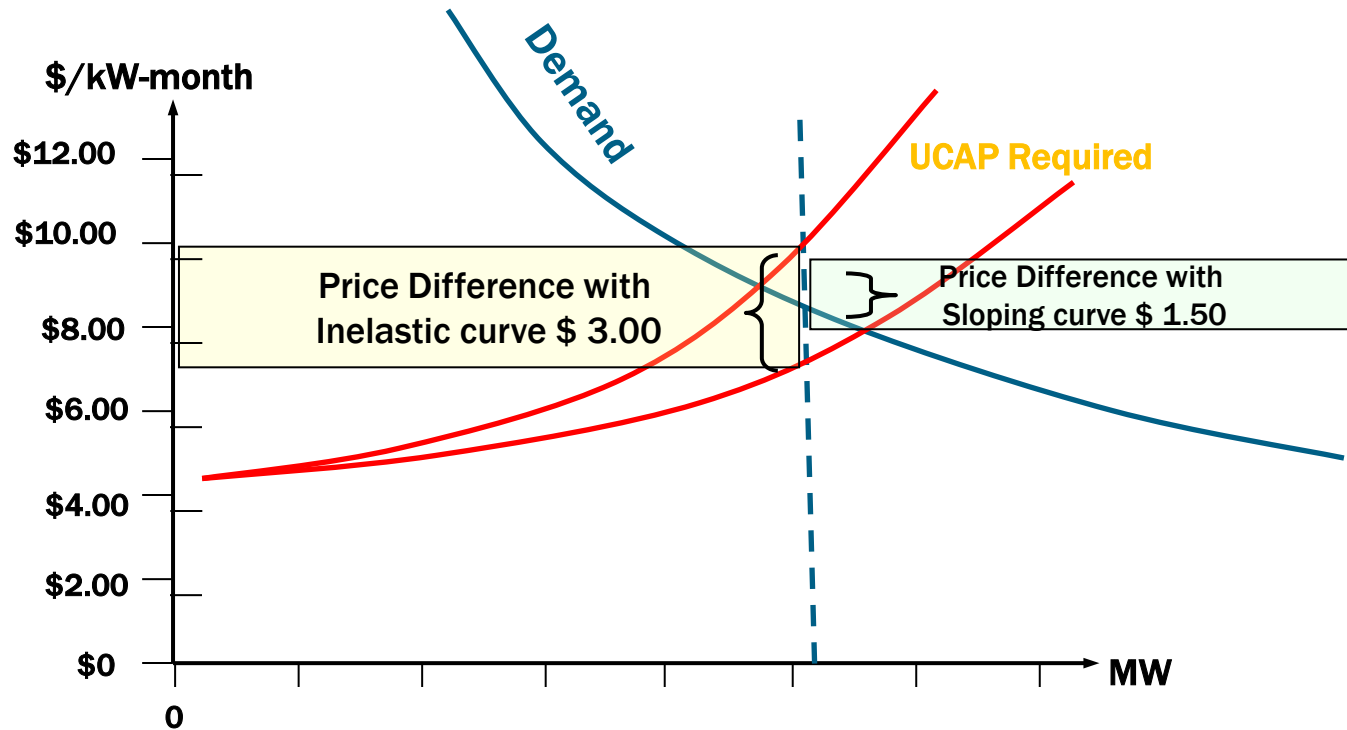
- Advantages of a sloped Demand Curve
 - Increases system and resource reliability
 - Values additional UCAP above NYCA and Locational Minimum Installed Capacity Requirements
 - Reduces price volatility and provides more accurate price signals
 - Provides signals for capacity investment

Benefits of Sloped Demand Curve



- Reduce potential impact of exercise of market power
 - Reduce revenues from withholding vs. receiving capacity payment
- Lessen price fluctuations
 - Effect of supply changes on clearing prices
- Correlation with costs
 - Guide market towards adequacy of capacity investment
- Identifies value of excess capacity

Inelastic vs. Sloped Demand Curve



Topic 2:

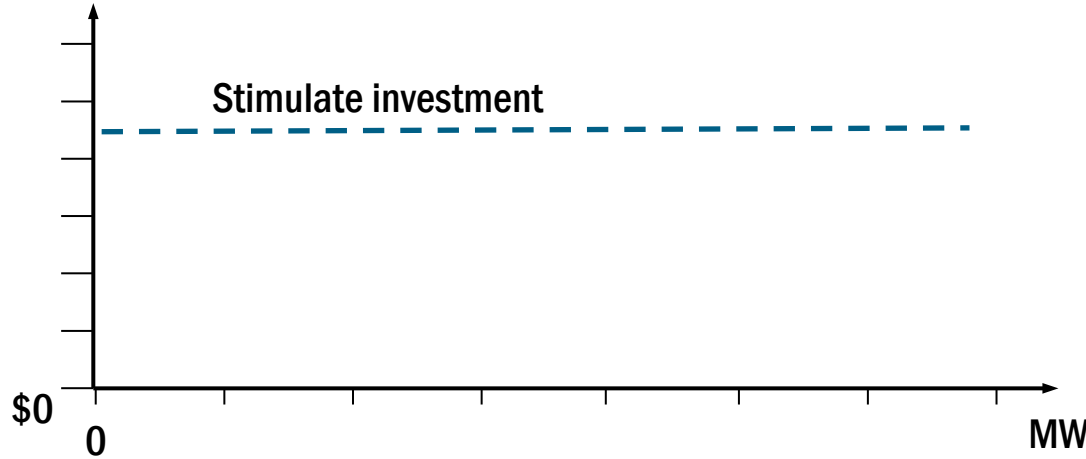
Development of ICAP Demand Curves

Development of the ICAP Demand Curves

- **ICAP Demand Curve considers:**
 1. Projected annual net Energy and Ancillary Services revenues of peaking plant
 2. Locational Minimum Installed Capacity Requirement for Locality, and NYCA Minimum Installed Capacity Requirement for NYCA-wide
 3. The point at which the value of additional surplus capacity above the applicable minimum requirement declines to \$0 (“zero-crossing point”)
 4. Levelized embedded cost of a new peaking plant in each Locality, as well as the rest of state capacity region

Projected Annual Net EAS Revenues of Peaking Plant

\$/kW-month



ICAP market price required for adequate revenues to cover costs for new peaking plant

Or

net cost of new entry

$$[\text{Cost} - (\text{Energy} + \text{Ancillary Services revenues})] = \text{Annual ICAP Spot Market Auction revenue required}$$

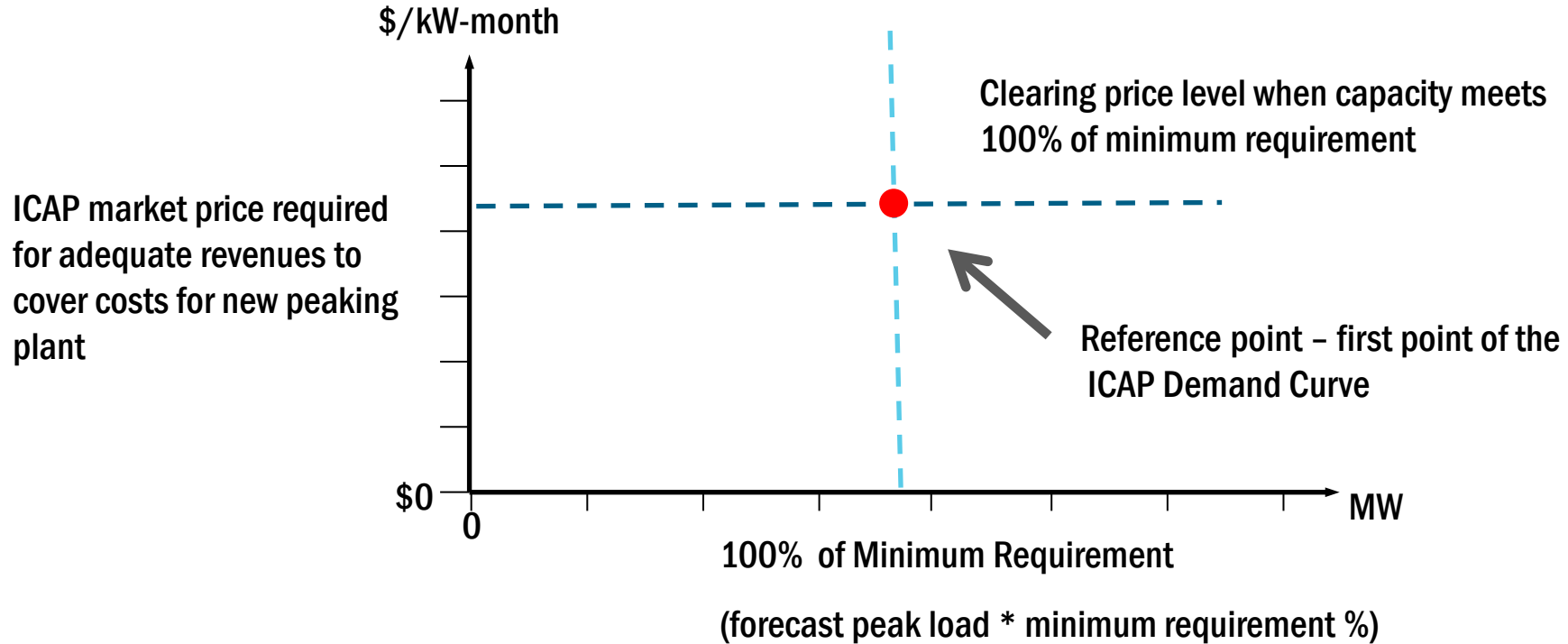
Development of the Demand Curve

- **The ICAP Demand Curves are established based on supply conditions that slightly exceed the applicable minimum requirement (“level of excess” conditions)**
 - **Level of excess**
 - **Locational Minimum Installed Capacity Requirement for Locality, and NYCA Minimum Installed Capacity Requirement for NYCA-wide, plus**
 - **MW value of the relevant peaking plant’s capacity**

Minimum Installed Capacity Requirement

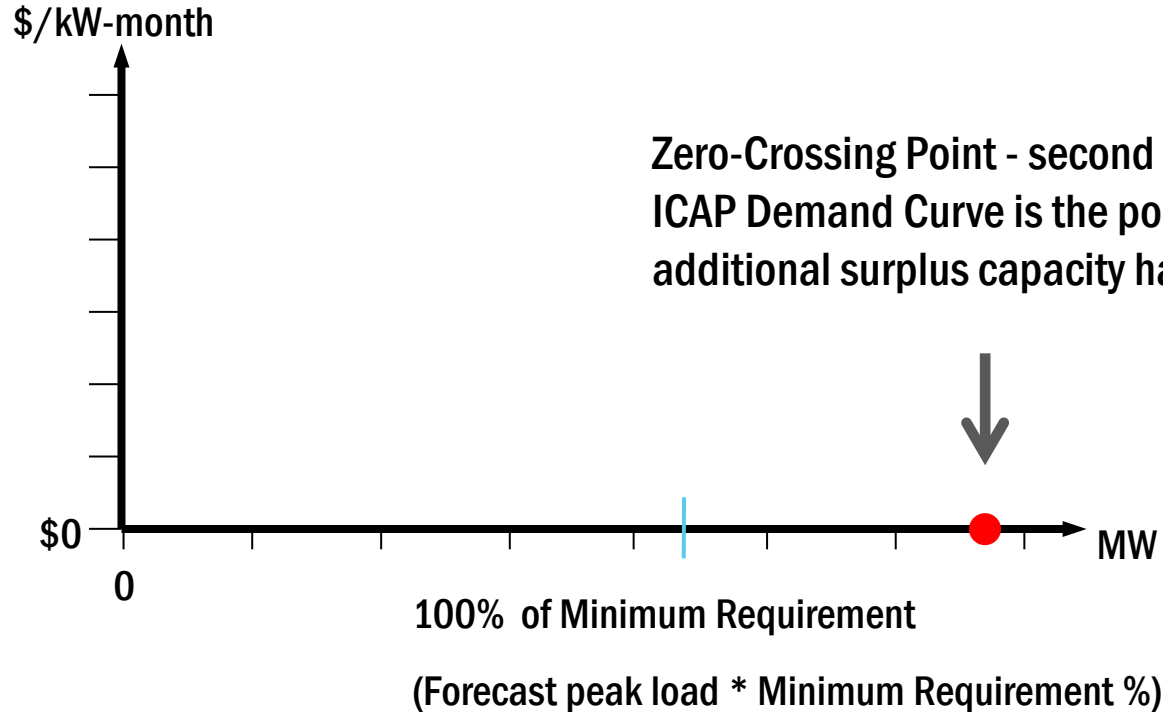
Reference Point

2



Zero-Crossing Point

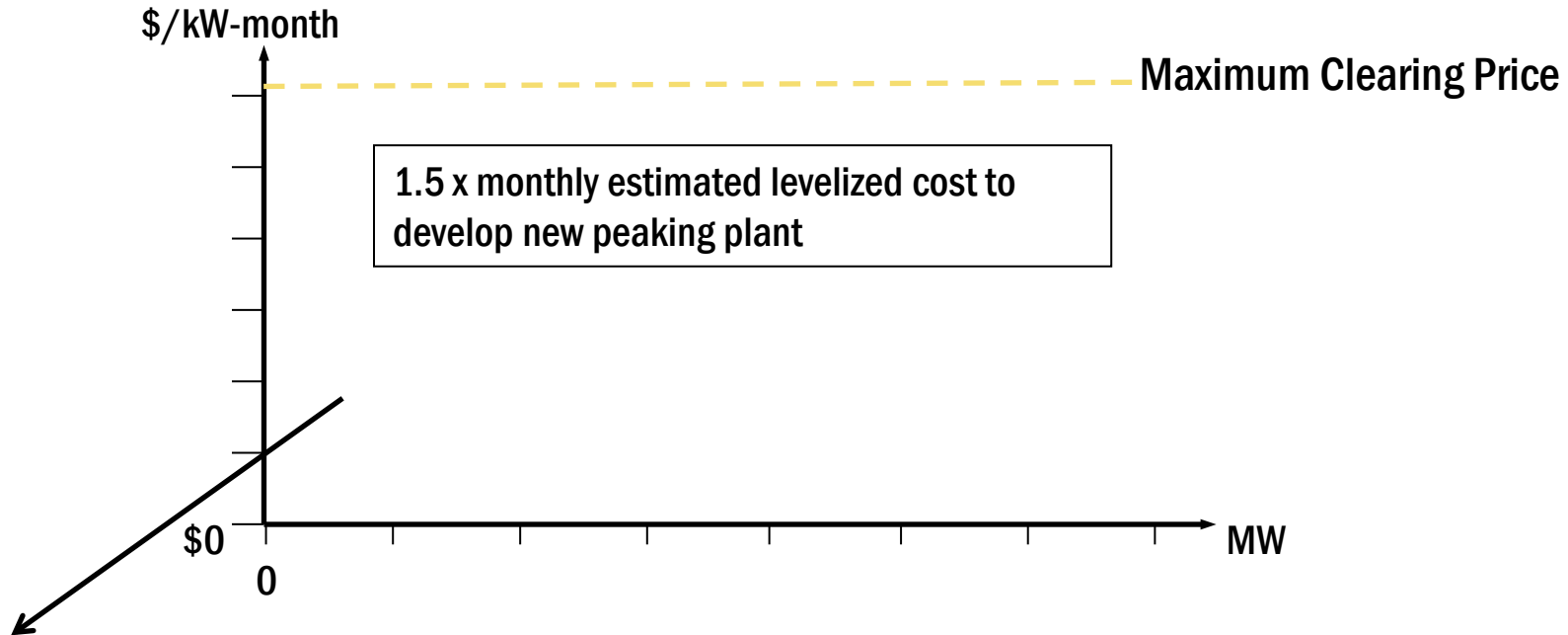
3



Development of the ICAP Demand Curves

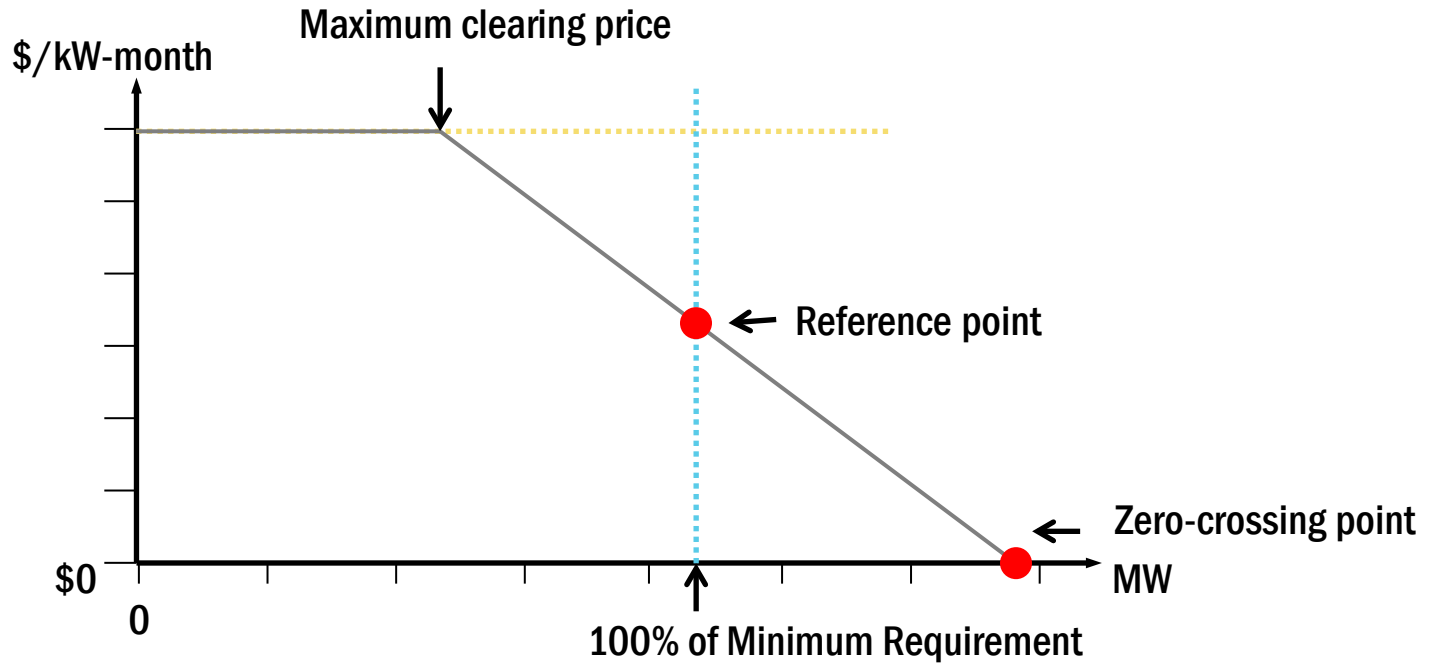
- Levelized embedded cost of a new peaking plant
 - Technology that results in lowest fixed cost and highest variable cost among technologies that are economically viable
 - May be a plant comprised of more than one unit

Maximum Clearing Price

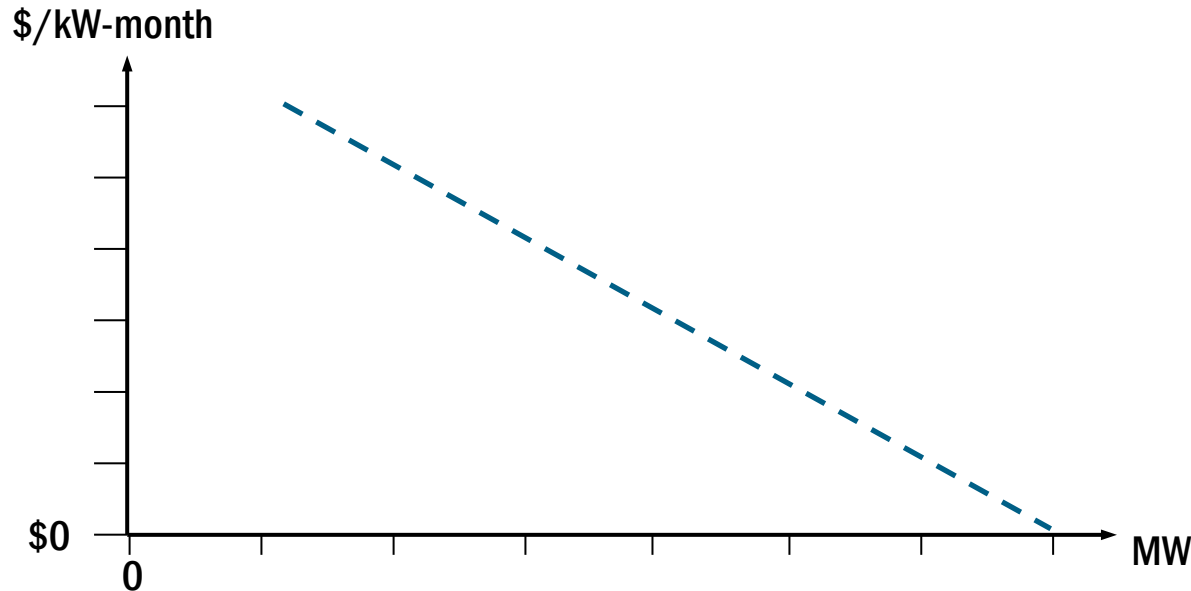


$$[\text{cost} - (\text{Energy} + \text{Ancillary Services revenues})] = \text{Annual ICAP Spot Market Auction revenue required}$$

ICAP Demand Curve Slope



ICAP Demand Curve Slope



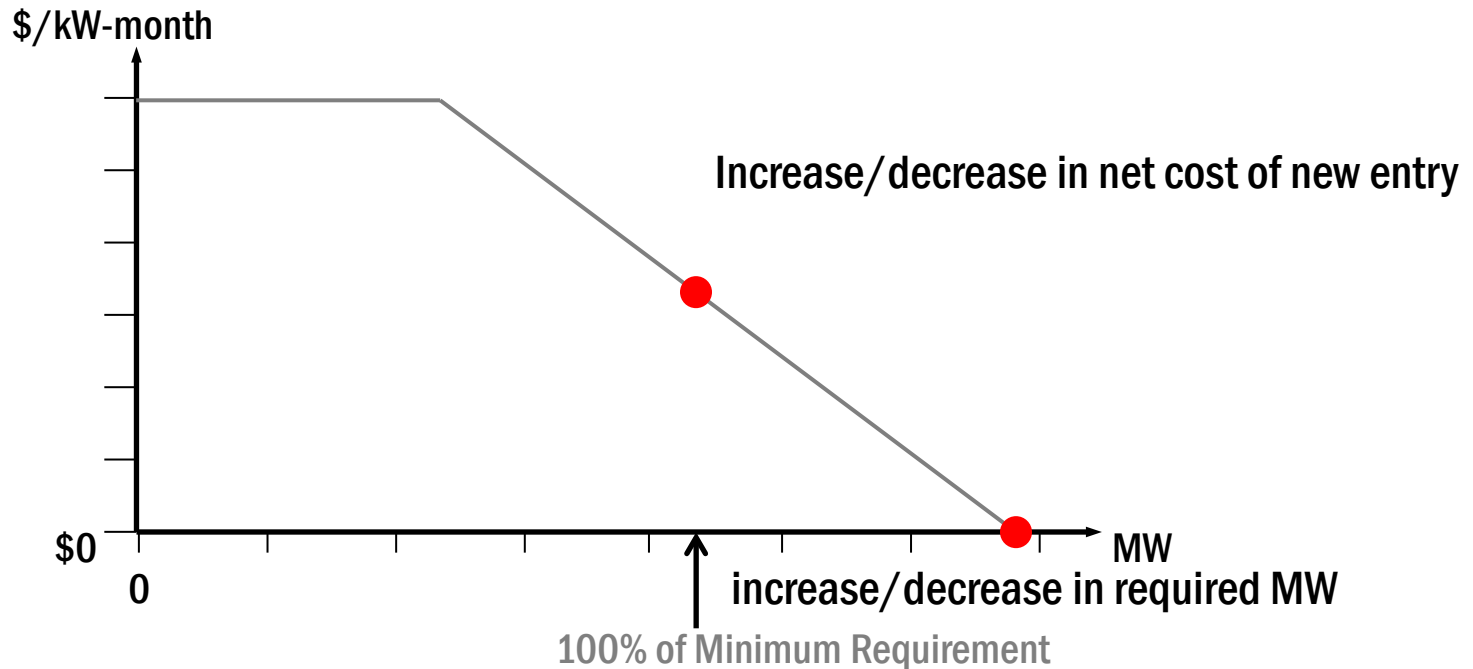
If surplus:

- Price is below reference price

If shortage:

- Adequate revenues to recover cost and induce investment

Factors Impacting ICAP Demand Curves



Steps to Determining an ICAP Demand Curve

Example: Determining the NYC ICAP Demand Curve 2022-2023

ICAP Reference point

- Annual levelized embedded cost of new peaking plant
 - Construction/installation
 - Fixed operation and maintenance (O&M)
 - Miscellaneous adjustments
 - NYC peaking plant: dual-fuel H-Class Frame Turbine with selective catalytic reduction (SCR) emissions control technology
 - Annual levelized embedded cost \$195.05/kW-year

Example: Determining the NYC ICAP Demand Curve 2022-2023

ICAP Reference point

- Net of projected annual revenues from Energy and Ancillary Services
 - Estimated net Energy and Ancillary Services revenues for NYC peaking plant: \$30.71/kW-year
- Annual ICAP revenue required (i.e., net cost of new entry)
 - $\$195.05/\text{kW-year} - \$30.71/\text{kW-year} = \$164.34/\text{kW-year}$
 - [cost – (Energy + Ancillary Services revenues)] = annual ICAP market revenue required

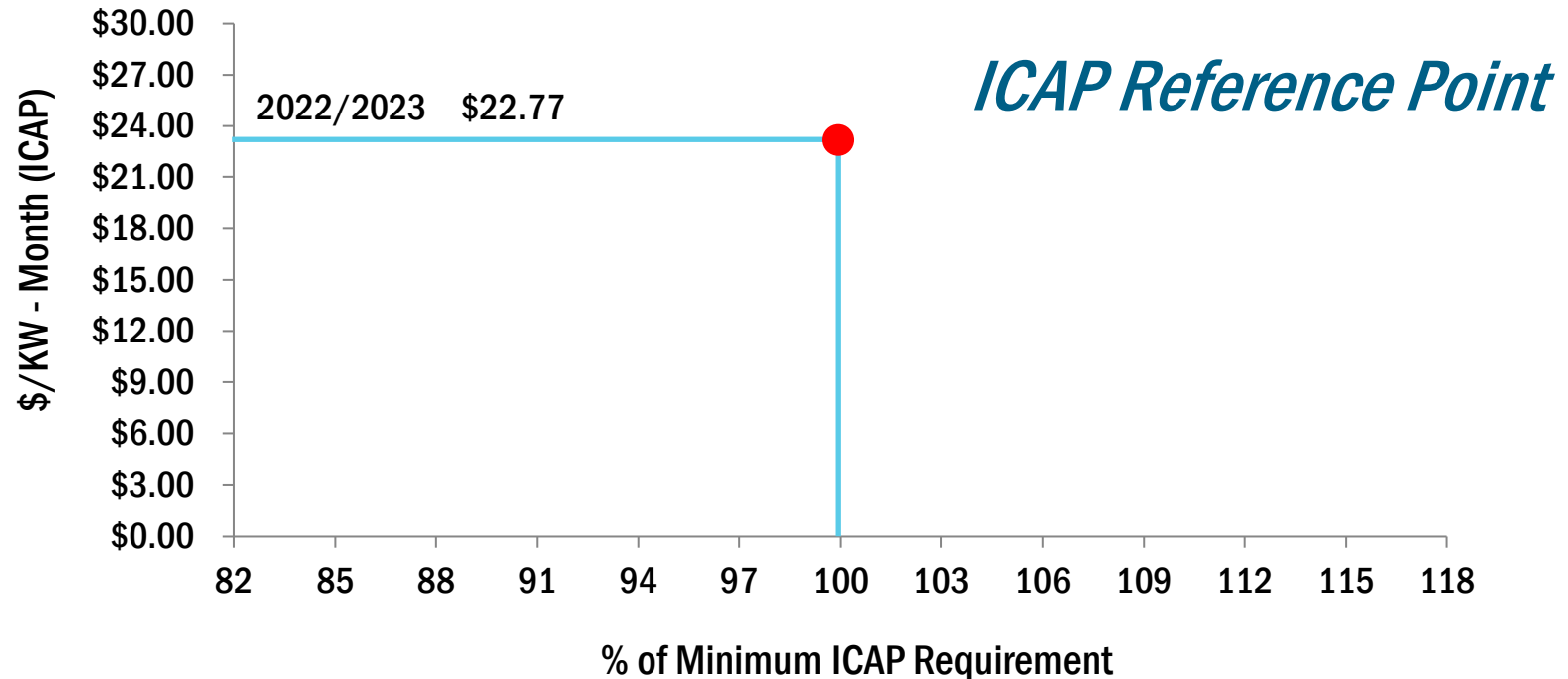
Example: Determining the NYC ICAP Demand Curve 2022-2023

ICAP Reference point

- Annual ICAP revenue required: \$164.34/kW-year
 - Account for seasonal changes in capacity availability (WSR)
 - Convert to \$/kW-month
 - \$22.77/kW-month is NYC ICAP Demand Curve reference point at 100% of the applicable minimum ICAP requirement

Example: Determining the NYC ICAP Demand Curve 2022-2023

1 and 2



Example: Determining the NYC ICAP Demand Curve 2022-2023

Zero-Crossing Point

Determine % capacity above requirement when clearing price is \$0

- **Zero-crossing point: 115% for G-J Locality**

- **G-J Locality:**

Locational Forecast Peak Load x Locational Minimum Installed Capacity Requirement (LCR) x 115%

- **Zero-crossing point: 118% for NYC & LI**

- **NYC & LI:**

Locational Forecast Peak Load x Locational Minimum Installed Capacity Requirement (LCR) x 118%

- **Zero-crossing point: 112% for NYCA**

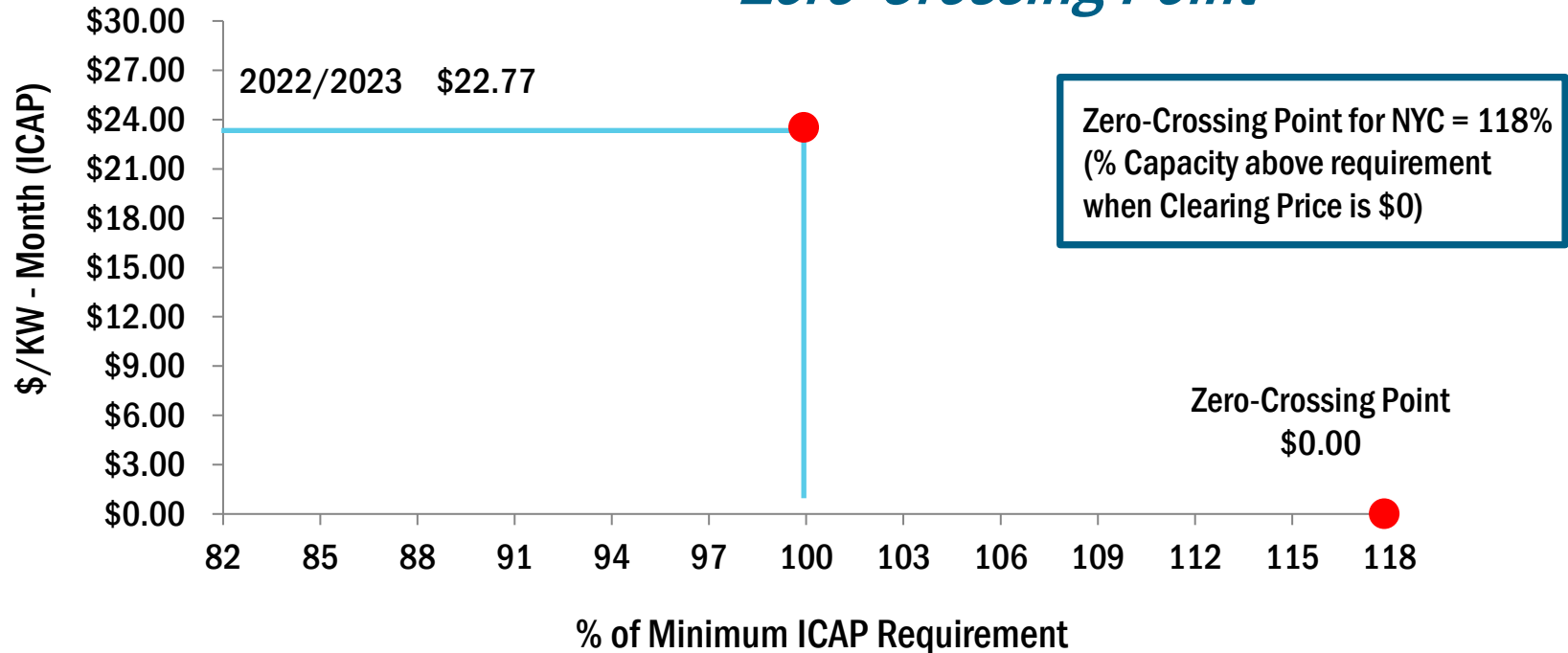
- **NYCA:**

Forecast NYCA Peak Load x NYCA Minimum Installed Capacity Requirement (IRM) x 112%

Example: Determining the NYC ICAP Demand Curve 2022-2023

3

Zero-Crossing Point



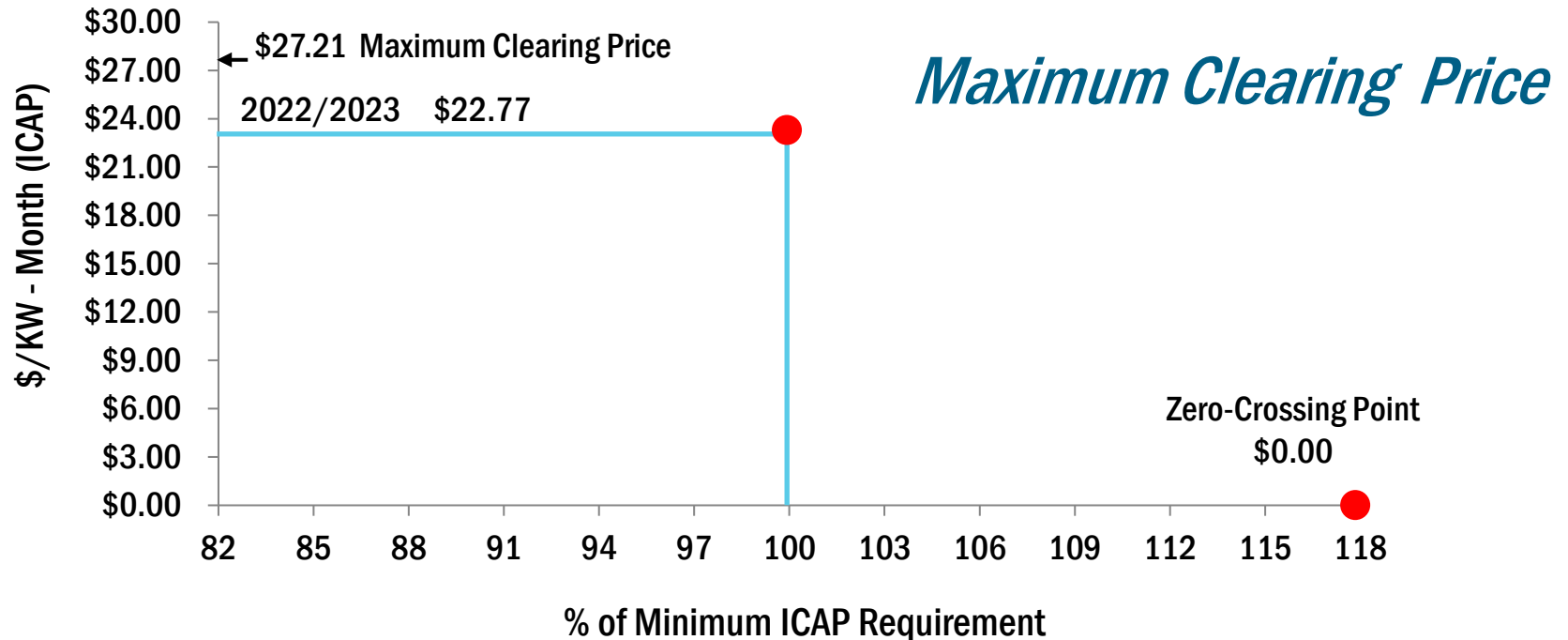
Example: Determining the NYC ICAP Demand Curve 2022-2023

Maximum Clearing Price

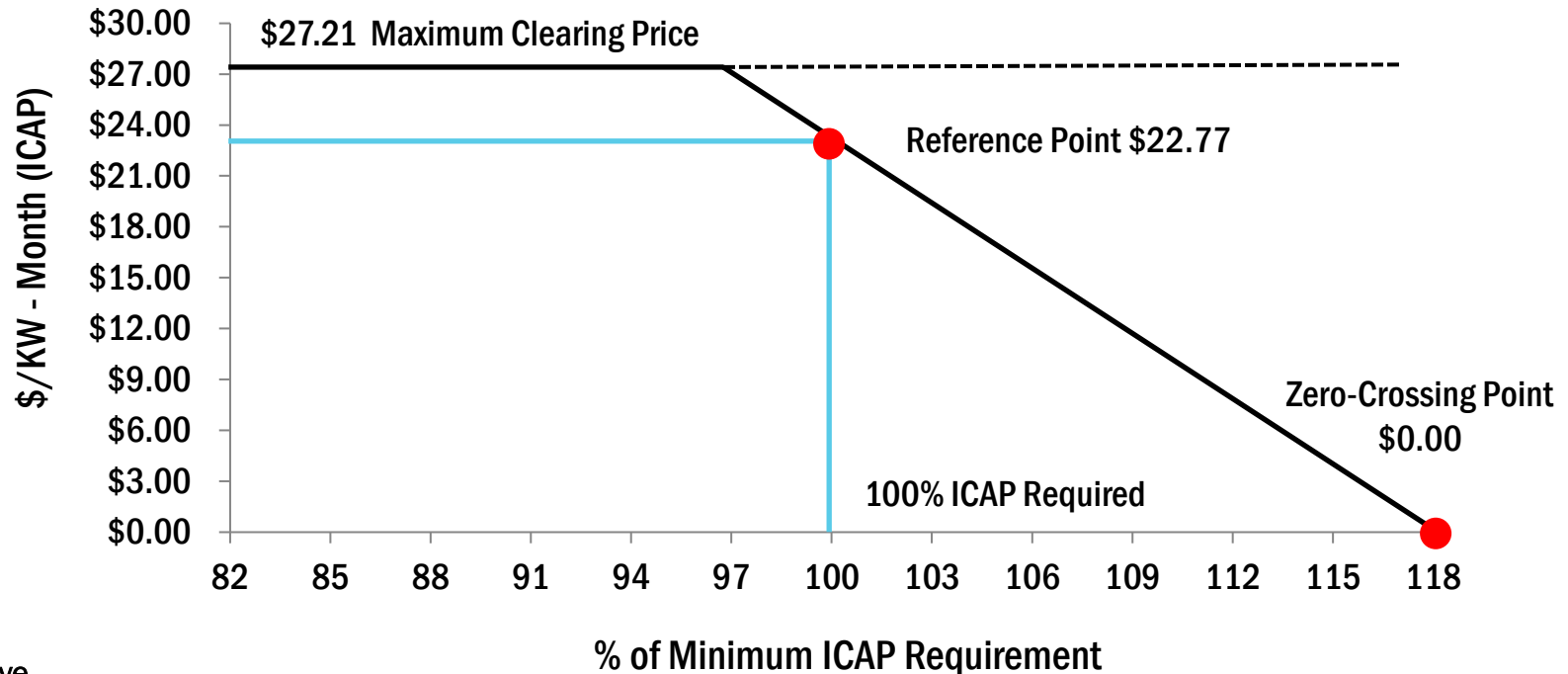
- Maximum Clearing Price = $1.5 \times (\text{levelized embedded cost of NYC peaking plant} / 12) \times \text{WSR} * \text{Capacity at LOE}$
- Annual levelized embedded cost for NYC peaking plant = \$195.05/kW-year
- Max Clearing Price = $1.5 \times (\$195.05/\text{kW-year} / 12) \times 1.0780 \times 103.5\%$
= \$27.21/kW-month
- Maximum ICAP clearing price values are not seasonally adjusted

Example: Determining the NYC ICAP Demand Curve 2022-2023

4



Example: Determining the NYC ICAP Demand Curve 2022-2023



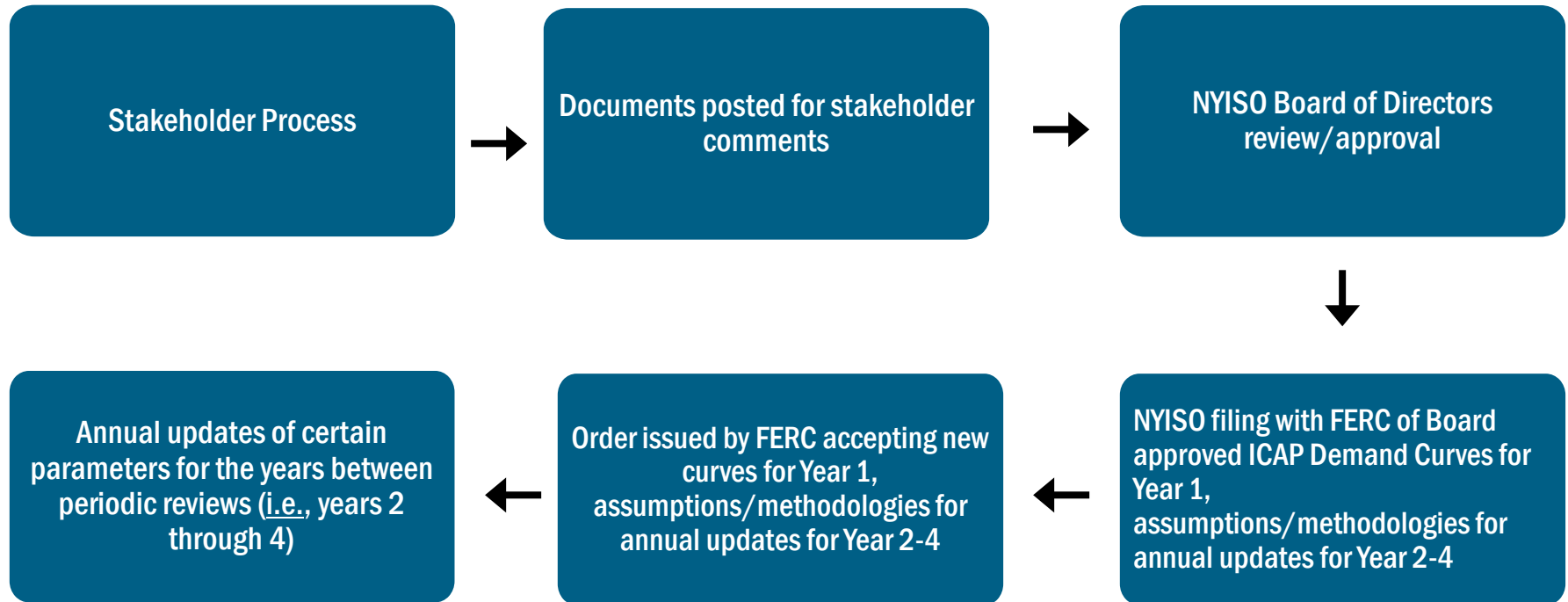
Representative
For Training Use Only

Topic 3:

The ICAP Demand

Curve Reset (DCR) Process

ICAP Demand Curve Reset (DCR) Process



ICAP Demand Curve Reset (DCR) Process

Stakeholder Process



- Reviewed every 4 years
- ICAP Working Group
- Independent consultant to develop/recommend ICAP Demand Curves
- Review of consultant's recommendation (MMU, Stakeholders)
- NYISO report and recommended ICAP Demand Curves
- Review of NYISO's report (MMU, Stakeholders)

ICAP Demand Curve Timeline

Demand Curve Reset – Every 4 years

- Year 1 ICAP Demand Curve parameters are in the Services Tariff in ICAP values
- UCAP values listed in the NYISO ICAP Automated Market System (AMS)

Every Capability Period

- ICAP Demand Curves translated from ICAP to UCAP
- ICAP Demand Curves developed for
 - G-J Locality, NYC, LI and NYCA



Year 1 ICAP Demand Curves
Established by quadrennial review process

ICAP Demand Curve, Year 2-4
Established by an annual update process

Annual Update Process

- Set in place to update the ICAP Demand Curves formulaically each year beyond the first year of the reset period, for the remaining three years of each period
- Annual Update is designed to provide more accurate price signals for the capacity market by incorporating updated information through an open and formulaic process, using publically available data and models
- Updated ICAP Demand Curves posted on the NYISO website on/before November 30th of year prior to start of Capability Year to which updated curves will apply

Annual Update Components

- **Net Energy and Ancillary Services revenue estimates revised based on most recent three years of historic data**
 - Energy Market Prices (Energy and Ancillary Services)
 - Fuel Costs
 - Emission Costs
- **Estimated levelized cost of new peaking plant updated using a composition escalation factor**
 - General Inflation
 - Construction Labor
 - Material Costs
 - Turbine Costs
- **The winter-to-summer ratio (WSR) updated using data from same historic period as updated net Energy and Ancillary Services revenue estimates**
 - Reflects the existing capacity in the market, as well as how temperature sensitive the existing capacity is, to allow proper shaping of the ICAP Demand Curve

Topic 4: Translating ICAP Demand Curves to UCAP Values

Translating ICAP Demand Curves to New York ISO UCAP Values

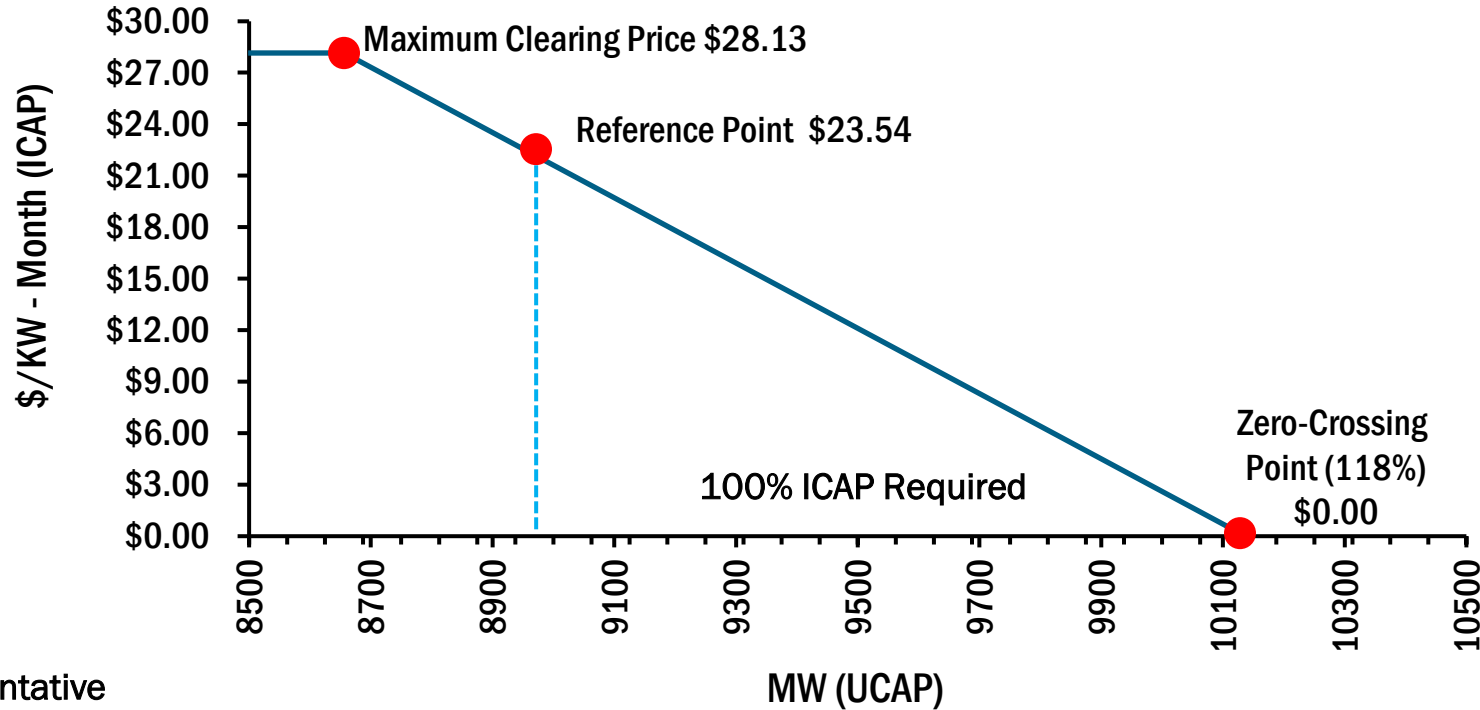
Example: NYC 2022 Summer Capability Period

- Determine UCAP reference point
 - UCAP Reference Point = ICAP Reference Point / (1 - AvgEFORd)
 - \$23.54/kW-month = \$22.77/kW-month / (1 - 3.26%)
- Determine UCAP at Zero-Crossing Point
 - UCAP at \$0 = UCAP required x 118%
 - UCAP required = NYC Forecast Peak Load x LCR x (1 - AvgEFORd)
 - UCAP required = 10,906 MW x 81.2% x (1 - 3.26%) = 8,567 MW
 - UCAP at \$0 = 8,567 MW x 118% = 10,109 MW

NYC Demand Curve ICAP/UCAP Translation Summer 2014

- Determine UCAP Maximum Clearing Price
 - UCAP Maximum Clearing Price = ICAP Maximum Price / (1 - AvgEFORd)
 - UCAP Maximum Price = $\$27.21/\text{kW-month} / (1 - 3.26\%) = \underline{\underline{\$28.13/\text{kW-month}}}$

NYC UCAP Demand Curve Summer 2022



Representative
For Training Use Only

Topic 5: Demand Curves and the ICAP Spot Market Auction

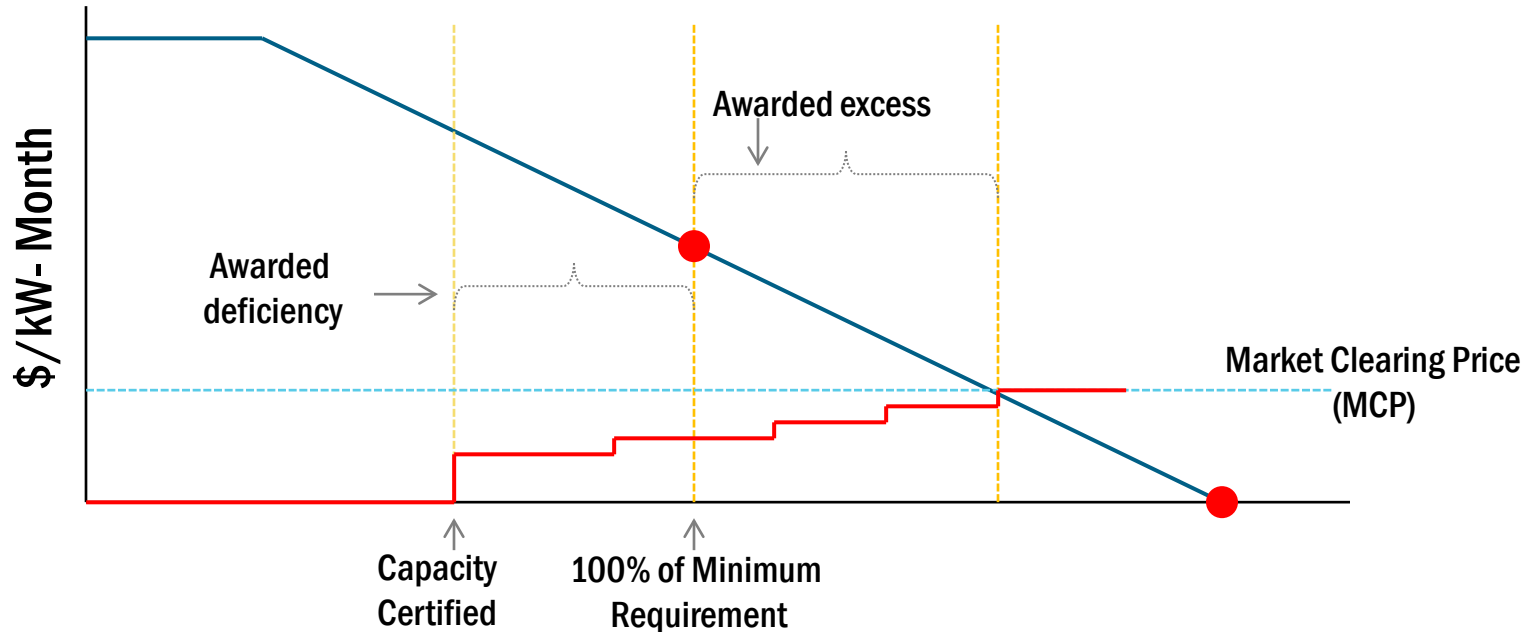
Use of Demand Curves in the ICAP Spot Market Auction

- As discussed earlier, the ICAP Spot Market Auction uses the demand curves
- The Demand Curve serves to replace bids to purchase capacity
 - Offers to sell capacity are still accepted
- All offers that are at or below the Demand Curve are awarded, and these MW are allocated out to Market Participants based upon deficiencies and LSE capacity requirements

Solving the Spot Market Auction

- **Market positions are calculated for all Market Participants**
 - Deficiencies
 - Excess
- **Total capacity certified is calculated**
- **Starting at the total capacity certified, offers are then ranked based upon economics, and evaluated against the demand curve**
- **Market Participants that are deficient are awarded MW to cover deficiencies**
- **Excess MW purchased above requirements are allocated to LSEs based upon a load-ratio share**
 - These MW can be used in other locations to either meet deficiencies or be sold to other Market Participants

Solving the ICAP Spot Market Auction



Summary- Topics of Discussion

- Background and Implementation of Sloped ICAP Demand Curves
- Development of ICAP Demand Curves
 - Example
- ICAP Demand Curve reset (DCR) process
- Translation of the ICAP Demand Curves to UCAP values
- Demand Curves and the Spot Market Auction

References

- **NYISO Services Tariff Section 5.14**
- **NYISO Installed Capacity Manual**
- **ICAP sections of NYISO website**
 - ICAP Market System
 - ICAP Working Group
- **FERC Orders and Filings—NYISO website**