

Capacity Interconnection Rights

Beyond Summer Peak Criteria?

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- Capacity Interconnection Rights:
 - The rights to input generation as a Generation Capacity Resource into the Transmission System at the Point of Interconnection where the generating facilities connect to the Transmission System
- Obtaining CIRs
 - Any increase in rights requires an application through the queue process under Attachment N to the Tariff (Form of Generation Interconnection Feasibility Study Agreement)
 - Begins queue studies (Feasibility-Impact-Facility)



Generation Testing in Baseline and Queue studies

- Summer Peak analysis
 - Single contingency analysis completed for Capacity Resource portion of facility to grant CIRs
- Light load and Winter deliverability testing
 - Dispatch of generation resource under various dispatch conditions based on fuel type
 - Does not take into account facility CIRs



- Testing CIRs beyond summer peak analysis
 - Additional case construction
 - Set appropriate ratings in case, establish appropriate MW values in case for generation resources, etc.
 - Additional analysis
 - Run studies, define constraint, open windows (baseline), extend queue timeline, test reinforcements, etc.



Additional CIR generation resource testing?

- Testing CIRs beyond summer testing
 - Requires additional tracking and validation



 PJM establishes level of CIRs to be granted for wind and solar without need for any supporting capability information

– Wind: 13%

Solar: 38%

- PJM allows granting additional CIRs with supporting information
 - Solar
 - Tracking capabilities, overbuild ratio (DC panel MW divided by AC inverter MW), Longitude
 - Wind
 - Meteorological tower data with wind study



Other questions?