

# Education for Off SCED Control and Output Consistency Check Thresholds

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#### What is Off SCED Control?

- Time period where Dispatchers are unable to dispatch the system using RTSCED due to scheduled or unscheduled events
- Dispatchers decide when to go Off SCED and come back On SCED control
- Dispatchers make an all-call to notify GOs and TOs that PJM is manually controlling the system (Off SCED)
- During such periods:
  - EMS system is used to send zonal dispatch rates (drates) via AGC to manage generation
  - Drates are calculated based on current total generation output and anticipated required total generation
  - Transmission constraints are manually controlled
  - M2M constraint coordination is suspended
  - CTS coordination is suspended
  - Current regulation assignments may be carried forward



#### Reasons for Off SCED Control

- Loss or degradation of PJM systems
  - EMS capabilities
    - Telemetry (ICCP)
    - State Estimator
  - Dispatch tools and systems
- Miscellaneous/other

- Information Technology Impacts
  - Data transfer failures
  - Loss of internet
  - Network loss or degradations
  - Servers or database outages
  - System upgrades
  - Security patching
  - Code releases



- During the LMP verification process, LMPs and Ancillary Services prices need to be calculated for the impacted intervals
  - Using an approved RT SCED case closest to the event
  - Modify case input data to reflect the zonal dispatch rates communicated during the Off SCED period
  - Manually controlled constraints are reflected in the formation of LMPs
- During Off SCED periods, LMPs posted to the Operational Data page may be stale
  - May not reflect the current state of the system

### **Off SCED Time Periods**

	Number of	Total Number of 5	% of 5 minute	
Year	Events	minute intervals	intervals per year	
2013	15	270	0.047%	
2014	11	100	0.031%	
2015	15	115	0.015%	
2016	15	486	0.137%	
2017	20	124	0.014%	
2018	16	241	0.068%	
2019	3	45	0.017%	

- Very small number of Off SCED events over the past 6 years
- Average of 0.05% intervals per year over the past 6 years\*
- 90% of the total events are less than 2 hours long
  - 61% of the total events are less than 1 hour

\*Includes 2019 YTD



Man Disp Duration (# of Events)

- < 30 Minutes (38)</p>
- 30 to 59 Minutes (18)
- 60 to 89 Minutes (20)
- 90 to 119 Minutes (7)
- > 120 Minutes (9)



#### **Off SCED Control Challenges**

- Overall process to calculate prices for the impacted LPC intervals is manual and cumbersome
  - Time consuming
  - Lack of Transparency
- Drates sent out during Off SCED control may not align with LMPs calculated through the optimization engine
- Depending on the severity of the event, it may cause delays in posting verified LMPs the next business day



- Create an automated and transparent process to calculate prices for the pricing intervals impacted by the Off SCED event
- Streamline the LMP Verification process for Off SCED Control
- Updated related documents (Tariff, Manuals, Internal Procedures)
- Provide member visibility for pricing intervals where Off SCED control occurred



## LMP Output Consistency Checks



- Reasonability check of the LPC solution performed automatically in real-time for every LPC case.
- If the solution passes the OCC check, data is posted for market participants
- If the solution fails the OCC check, no data is posted for the given interval
- OCC check failures will be further investigated to determine if prices need to be revised
- Predefined thresholds established to prevent posting suspect LMPs



#### LMP Price Bounding Thresholds

- Price Bounding Thresholds:
  - Total LMP : Maximum (\$6000) and minimum (-\$2000)
  - SRMCP: Maximum (\$1701) and minimum (\$0)
  - PRMCP: Maximum (\$851) and minimum (\$0)
  - Reg MCP/CCP: Maximum (\$6000) and minimum (\$0)
  - Price differences between RTSCED and LPC cases (\$0.01)
    - Energy LMP, SRMCP, and PRMCP
  - Maximum (45%) and minimum (-30%) Loss Percentage LMP



- Transient Reserve Shortage observed on 4/8/2019 causing high Energy and Reserve prices
  - More <u>details</u> on the event
- The following Price Bounding Thresholds triggered
  - Max Total LMP Price (including congestion and loss LMP)
  - Max Total Regulation Market Clearing Price (MCP)
  - Max Total Regulation Capability Clearing Price (CCP)
- Thresholds updated after the April 8<sup>th</sup> event

Threshold Name	Observed Max Prices on April 8 (\$/MWh)	OCC Threshold on April 8 (\$/MWh)	New OCC Threshold (\$/MWh)
Maximum Total LMP	5118.44	3000	6000
Maximum MCP	5112.03	2000	6000
Maximum CCP	5111.23	2000	6000

#### \*New Thresholds set on 4/16/2019



**OCC Check Rationale** 

- Thresholds are predefined based on historical prices
- Designed to prevent posting prices that exceed predefined thresholds
  - QA check of the LPC solution
- Balance between posting suspect prices versus accurate prices