

New Jersey and the State Agreement Approach

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State Agreement Approach and Coordinate Planning

- In Order 1000, FERC required regional grid operators to "provide for the consideration of transmission needs driven by public policy requirements in the regional transmission planning processes."
- The State Agreement Approach is a provision in the OA (*developed with input from PJM states*) where a state or group of states can sponsor a project to meet its state public policy requirements, as long as it agrees to voluntarily be responsible for cost responsibility for transmission project.

State Agreement Approach

- •• RTEP planning process
- •• Baseline project (or Supplemental Project)
- •• Subject to state's commitment for cost responsibility
- •• Transmission investment is recovered through transmission cost of service rates





New Jersey Request to Use the SAA Process

- On November 18, 2020, the NJ Board of Public Utilities (NJBPU) issued an order formally requesting that PJM open a competitive proposal window to solicit project proposals to identify a transmission project that addresses NJ's public policy goals for 7,500 MW for offshore wind (OSW)
- Concurrently with receiving notice from NJ, PJM notified stakeholders of the request and posted the information regarding the request on the PJM Interconnection Planning page

Public Policy Requirements

The State Agreement Approach detailed in the PJM Operating Agreement, Schedule 6, section 1.5.9 (WEB | (PDF) provides a mechanism whereby a state or group of states can submit a public policy project to PJM to address state-specific public policy requirements, so long as the state(s) agrees to pay all costs associated with the state-selected build-out included in the Regional Transmission Expansion Plan.

New Jersey Board of Public Utilities Order

On Nov. 18, 2020, the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities (NJBPU) notified PJM of an Offshore Wind Transmission Order (PDF) specifying its public policy requirements for offshore wind. The order requested that PJM open a competitive proposal window in 2021 to solicit onshore and offshore project proposals that address New Jersey's public policy needs. PJM opened a 120 day State Agreement Approach proposal window on April 15, 2021 to solicit proposals. On June 30, 2021, the NJBPU notified PJM of two Board Orders announcing awards of offshore wind generation Solicitation #2 to Ocean Wind II and Atlantic Shores Offshore Wind Project I.

Point of Interconnection & Associated Injected Amounts

| Location | State | Transmission Owner | MFO | MW Energy | MW Capacity | Notification Date | Requested In-Service Date |
|------------------|-------|--------------------|-------|-----------|-------------|-------------------|---------------------------|
| Deans 500 kV | NJ | PSEG | 3,100 | 3,100 | 930 | 11.18.2020 | 2028-2035 |
| Smithburg 500 kV | NJ | JCPL | 1,200 | 1,200 | 360 | 11.18.2020 | 2028-2035 |
| Larrabee 230 kV | NJ | JCPL | 1,200 | 1,200 | 360 | 11.18.2020 | 2028-2035 |
| Cardiff 230 kV | NJ | AEC | 900 | 900 | 270 | 11.18.2020 | 2028-2035 |



2021 SAA Proposal Window

- PJM opened an RTEP proposal window to solicit submissions to build the necessary transmission to meet New Jersey's goal of facilitating the delivery of a total of 7,500 MW of offshore wind through 2035
 - Window opened April 15, 2021
 - Window closed September 17, 2021
- Proposals were sought for upgrades for the following options:
 - Option 1a Onshore Upgrades on Existing Facilities
 - Option 1b Onshore New Transmission Connection Facilities
 - Option 2 Offshore New Transmission Connection Facilities
 - Option 3 Offshore Network





Evaluation Process Overview





SAA Project Overview

- In November 2022, the evaluation process concluded with the section of the SAA Project
- The SAA Project consists of a portfolio of transmission upgrades that collectively make up the project to effectuate the NJ public policy
- The solution includes new transmission that extends new lines from existing NJ substations and establishes a new collector substation for the NJ-selected offshore wind generators to interconnect to
- The SAA Project also includes a portfolio of transmission upgrades that collectively create system capability that accommodates the injection of offshore wind generation in the amounts specified as SAA Capability memorialized in the SAA Agreement between PJM and NJBPU and also posted on the PJM Interconnection Planning page
- Details of the SAA Project can be found on the TEAC page

https://www.pjm.com/-/media/committees-groups/committees/teac/2022/20221104-special/item-01---nj-osw-saa.ashx



A new term was developed in the NJ SAA Agreement (FERC Docket ER23-775) between PJM and New Jersey that defines SAA Capability

"SAA Capability" shall mean all transmission capability created by a SAA Project(s), including but not limited to the capability to integrate resources injecting energy up to the Maximum Facility Output ("MFO"), capability which may become CIRs through the PJM interconnection process, and any other capability or rights under the PJM Tariff, and consistent with the reliability study criteria applied to the evaluation of a SAA Project(s) as set forth in Paragraph 6 below.



SAA Capability Created by the NJ SAA Project

On October 26, 2022, the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities issued a Board Order (PDF) notifying PJM of its selection of the transmission project(s) that it will sponsor to achieve its stated public policy goals of injecting 7,500 MW of offshore wind into New Jersey by 2035. PJM will convene a special TEAC meeting on November 4, 2022, to discuss the project(s) that they have selected and will seek PJM Board approval in December 2022.

The NJBPU-selected project(s) will include the construction of a new Larrabee Collector substation (LCS). Following PJM Board approval in December, generators will be able to request the LCS as a point of interconnection (POI) when submitting an interconnection queue request.

The selected SAA project will result in creating SAA Capability as follows:

| Location | State | Transmission Owner | SAA Capability | MFO | MW Energy | MW Capacity |
|---------------------------------------|-------|--------------------|----------------|-------|-----------|-------------|
| Larrabee Collector 230 kV - Larrabee | NJ | MAOD | 1,200 | 1,200 | 1,200 | 360 |
| Larrabee Collector 230 kV - Atlantic | NJ | MAOD | 1,200 | 1,200 | 1,200 | 360 |
| Larrabee Collector 230 kV - Smithburg | NJ | MAOD | 1,342 | 1,342 | 1,342 | 402.6 |
| Smithburg 500 kV | NJ | JCPL | 1,148 | 1,148 | 1,148 | 327 |

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- Eligibility to use SAA Capability
 - OSW Generator must be selected by the NJBPU through its OREC Solicitation process
 - OSW Generator must be assigned SAA Capability by the NJBPU following its selection
 - OSW Generator must notify PJM of the amount and type of SAA Capability assigned prior to the Application Deadline
 - PJM will perform the OSW Generator's interconnection study utilizing the SAA Capability consistent with the process currently described in M14G section 4.4 (applicable to CIR transfers)
 - Each OSW Generator must proceed through the PJM interconnection study process and execute an ISA (GIA) to be awarded CIRs





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Offshore Wind Solicitation Schedule for New Jersey

| Solicitation | Minimum Capacity Target (MW)* | Capacity Awarded (MW) | Issue Date | Submittal Date | Award Date | Estimated COD |
|---------------------------|-------------------------------------|-----------------------------|---------------|-------------------|---------------|------------------|
| 1 | 1100 | 1100 | Q3 2018 | Q4 2018 | Q2 2019 | 2024-25 |
| 2 | 1,200 - 2,400 | 2658 | Q3 2020 | Q4 2020 | Q2 2021 | 2027-29 |
| 3 | 1,200 - 4,000 | | Q1 2023 | Q2 2023 | Q4 2023 | 2030 |
| 4 | 1,200** | | Q3 2024 | Q4 2024 | Q2 2025 | 2032 |
| 5 | 1,200** | | Q3 2026 | Q4 2026 | Q2 2027 | 2034 |
| 6 | 1,200** | | Q3 2028 | Q4 2028 | Q2 2029 | 2036 |
| 7 | 1,200** | | Q3 2030 | Q4 2030 | Q2 2031 | 2038 |
| Total Awarded + Target | 11000 | | | | | |



Timeline for New Jersey Request to Use the SAA Process

- On November 18, 2020, the NJ Board of Public Utilities (NJBPU) issued an order formally requesting that PJM open a competitive
 proposal window to solicit project proposals to identify a transmission project that addresses NJ's public policy goals for 7,500 MW for
 offshore wind (OSW)
- On February 16, 2021, the Commission accepted the State Agreement Approach (SAA) Study Agreement (FERC Docket ER21-689) between PJM and the NJBPU that authorized PJM to implement the SAA process to conduct an open proposal window for OSW transmission facilities that effectuate NJ's public policy goals; and established key dates and milestones
- On April 15, 2021 PJM convened a competitive transmission window to solicit solutions to meet the public policy needs of NJ
- On April 14, 2022, FERC accepted the SAA Agreement between PJM and NJBPU (FERC Docket ER22-902), which memorializes the rights and obligations of PJM and NJ BPU with respect to the SAA project and SAA Capability that will be created by the transmission projects, should NJ opt to sponsor transmission upgrades and agree to cost responsibility for the upgrades
- On October 26, 2022, following completion of the proposal evaluation process by PJM and NJBPU, the NJBPU announced it would sponsor transmission upgrades pursuant to the State Agreement Approach (NJ BPU Docket No. QO20100630)
- On Dec 2, 2022 FERC accepted the SAA Cost Allocation methodology (FERC Docket ER22-2690) that was filed on behalf of the PJM TOs on the NJ BPU requested cost allocation methodology
- On March 6, 2023, FERC accepted the amended SAA Agreement (FERC Docket ER23-775), which incorporated the selected NJSAA Project and the details regarding the SAA Capability