

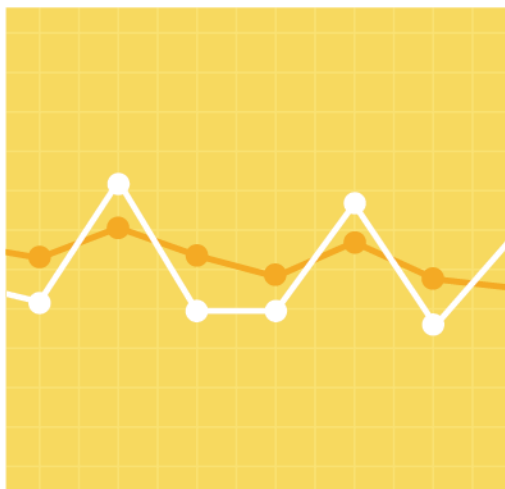


Interim Reconfiguration Auction Qualification Process Guide

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Section 1 - Purpose

Pursuant to Tariff revisions that the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) accepted as part of the filing that effected the FCA 19 delay, the ISO will conduct interim RA qualification processes to support reconfiguration auction participation for New Capacity Resources that intend to achieve Commercial Operation as defined in Section III.13.1.1.2.2.2.(h) of Tariff before June 1, 2028.

The purpose of this guide is to provide information on the steps and submissions necessary to participate in interim RA qualification processes.

Section 2- Interim RA Qualification

Step 1: Meet the Participation Eligibility Criteria

Pursuant to Section III.13.A.2 of the Tariff, interim RA qualification processes are open to New Generating Capacity Resources, Import Capacity Resources and Demand Capacity Resources¹ that (1) have not acquired a CSO, and (2) intend to achieve Commercial Operation as defined in Section III.13.1.1.2.2.2(h) of the Tariff before June 1, 2028.

Step 2: Complete and Submit Qualification Materials

The following submissions and activities are required to participate in and complete interim RA qualification processes:²

1. Show of Interest (SOI) Form
2. Qualification Process Cost Reimbursement Deposit (QPCRD)³
3. New Capacity Qualification Package (NCQP)
4. Critical Path Schedule Monitoring Election

The information requested in these required materials, submissions, and activities is consistent with the information requested in new capacity qualification processes for recent Forward Capacity Auctions (FCAs). Additional details can be found on the [Interim Reconfiguration Auction Process portion of the FCM Participation Guide](#).

All qualification materials must be submitted to the ISO via the Forward Capacity Tracking System ([FCTS](#)). A digital certificate with the proper role is required to access this application and submit qualification materials. Contact [ISO Participant Support and Solutions](#) to obtain access.

The ISO will use FCTS functionality consistent with the functionality used for recent FCA qualification processes to facilitate interim RA qualification processes, including user interfaces for submitting an SOI Form and NCQP.

On May 14, 2024, ISO, the New England Power Pool Participants Committee, and the Participating Transmission Owners Administrative Committee on behalf of the New England Participating Transmission Owners (together, Filing Parties), submitted revisions to ISO New England's Transmission, Markets and Services Tariff in compliance with, and related to, Order Nos 2023 and 2023-A. On April 4, 2025, the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) issued an order accepting the compliance filing in part, and directed the Filing Parties to submit a further compliance filing within 60 days of the order.

¹ Pursuant to Section III.13.A.3 and for the purposes of interim RA qualification processes, a New Demand Capacity Resource is an Active Demand Capacity Resource that has not cleared in a previous Forward Capacity Auction, or an On-Peak or Seasonal Peak Demand Capacity Resource that has not cleared in a previous Forward Capacity Auction and consists of measures that were not in service prior to June 1, 2024.

² Pursuant to Section III.13.1.1.2.7, the ISO may consult with Project Sponsors to seek clarification, gather additional necessary information, or address questions or concerns arising from the materials submitted.

³ The QPCRD is billed as a line item on the Non-Hourly invoice that the ISO issues, typically in May after the close of the SOI submission window. The ISO will withdraw projects from interim RA qualification processes if it does not receive the required payment by the invoice due date. See Section III.13.1.9.3 of the Tariff for required QPCRD amounts.

The ISO is reviewing the April 4, 2025 order in detail and assessing next steps, which may have impacts on activities related to the 2025 interim reconfiguration auction (RA) qualification process. The ISO will update materials related to the 2025 interim RA qualification process if, and soon after, any decision related to compliance with Order No. 2023 impacts the 2025 interim RA qualification process.

Submitting an SOI Form

Training videos with step-by-step instructions to submit an SOI are available for each resource type:

- [Submitting a Show of Interest for New Generating Capacity Resources using FCTS \(video\)](#)
- [Submitting a Show of Interest for New Import Capacity Resources using FCTS \(video\)](#)
- [Submitting a Show of Interest for New Demand Capacity Resources using FCTS \(video\)](#)⁴

There are slight changes to the interim RA qualification SOI user interface in FCTS as compared to the same user interface for recent FCA qualification processes. These changes include:

1. To submit a Show of Interest for an interim RA qualification process, select the FCA 19 commitment period, CP 2028-29. Once CP 2028-29 is selected, the FCTS UI will automatically display the round of interim RA qualification currently taking place.
2. Project Type selections associated with Existing Capacity Resources will not be available. Only New Capacity Resources that have never obtained a CSO can participate in interim RA qualification processes.
3. Upon submitting the SOI Form, a message will remind the user that the SOI Form submission is only for an interim RA qualification process (i.e., the submission is not for participation in the FCA 19 qualification process).

Submitting an NCQP

Training videos on submitting an NCQP are also available:

- [Submitting a New Capacity Qualification Package for Generating Capacity Resources \(video\)](#)
- Import Capacity Resources:
 - [Submitting an NCQP for Import Capacity Resources Backed by a Control Area \(video\)](#)
 - [Submitting an NCQP for Import Capacity Resources Backed by an Existing External Generator that Is New to New England \(video\)](#)
- [Submitting a New Capacity Qualification Package for Demand Resources \(video\)](#)⁵

Changes to the NCQP user interfaces in FCTS for interim RA qualification processes as compared to recent FCA qualification processes include:

1. The “Additional Requirements” tab will be shown for both Intermittent and Non-Intermittent Generating Capacity Resources. This will support submission of requested

⁴ Active Demand Capacity Resources will select a Dispatch Zone when submitting an SOI Form. There are no changes to the [existing Dispatch Zones](#).

⁵ For the Simple Critical Path Schedule submitted by Demand Capacity Resources, Target Dates 1 and 2 will be December 29, 2025 and January 4, 2027 respectively.

capacity values and supporting documentation for the intermittent technology portion of a co-located facility represented by a single resource.

2. The “Offer Floor Price” tab is not shown as it is not required to support participation in RAs.
3. The “Substitution Auction⁶” tab is not shown as it is not required to support participation in RAs.
4. The “Elections” tab includes only the CPS Monitoring election. Other election options seen in this tab for recent FCA qualification processes are not required to support participation in RAs (e.g. rationing election).

Step 3: Become a Market Participant

Project Sponsors must be a Market Participant to complete interim RA qualification processes. See the [ISO calendar page](#) for Market Participant deadlines for specific rounds of interim RA qualification. Please review the step-by-step [New Participant Registration Instructions](#) for information on how to become a Market Participant if you are a Project Sponsor that is not currently a Market Participant.

Step 4: Receive a Qualification Determination Notification

The ISO will review all projects seeking to successfully complete an interim RA qualification process and will issue a qualification determination notification via the FCTS. Please see the [ISO calendar page](#) to see when qualification determination notifications will be published for specific rounds of interim RA qualification.

Step 5: Elect Critical Path Schedule (CPS) Monitoring

Pursuant to Section III.13.A.2 of the Tariff, projects with a positive qualification determination notification must request that the ISO monitor the New Capacity Resource’s compliance with its critical path schedule as described in Section III.13.3.1.1 in order to successfully complete an interim RA qualification process. To view the CPS monitoring election window for a specific round of interim RA qualification, please visit the [ISO calendar page](#). Projects that do not make the CPS monitoring election by the deadline will be deemed withdrawn from their respective interim RA qualification process.

A project that elects CPS monitoring is subject to the provisions in Section III.13.3 of the Tariff.

⁶ Substitution auctions will not be held as part of an FCA after FCA 18.