



# Installed Capacity Requirement Development Webinar

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Resource Studies and Assessments

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# Purpose

**Explain how Installed Capacity Requirement (ICR) and other associated values used in the Forward Capacity Market (FCM) are developed**



# Topics

- ICR Background
- ICR Calculations
- Simulation Model for Resource Adequacy Reliability Assessments
- System and Locational Capacity Requirements
- FCM System and Zonal Demand Curves
- ICR Assumption Developments
- Tie Benefits
- Summary



# Installed Capacity Requirement Background



# Interesting Random Historical Facts you May not Know

Since the formation of NEPOOL in 1971, New England has calculated ICR

- Used to be called Objective Capability (OC)
- Always calculated as a single system
  - Transmission constraints not modeled
- OC at one point or another were monthly, seasonal or annual
- Loads were assumed normally distributed
  - Added the skewness component sometime in the 1980s
- Demand resources (DR) were not capacity resources
  - DR were modeled as a part load relief from Operating Produce No. 4, Action During a Capacity Deficiency
  - OC designed to accommodate 1,000 MW of DR but subscription never surpassed ~600 MW



## Interesting Random Historical Facts you May not Know, cont.

- Capacity imports had priority over tie benefits
  - Limited by transmission line import capability
  - Tie benefits based on left over import capability
- OP-4 load relief were not used to meet ICR
- OP-4 load relief assumption used to include load relief from customer appeals
- Tie benefits were seasonal – summer and winter
  - Reflect the value of the Firm Energy Contract with hydro Quebec over the Phase II tie
- ICR would change based on the performance of new units
  - Credits for units that decrease ICR
  - Penalties for units that increase ICR



## Installed Capacity Requirement (ICR)

Amount of capacity in New England need to meet the resource planning reliability criterion

## Net Installed Capacity Requirement (NICR)

- ICR minus Hydro Quebec Interconnection Capability Credits (HQICCs)
- Value used in Forward Capacity Market auction





# Installed Capacity Requirement Needed to Meet Compliance

## ISO is required to conduct ICR calculations to meet compliance requirements

- Section III.12 of ISO Market Rule 1 – Calculation of Capacity Requirements
  - Develop Installed Capacity Requirement (ICR)-Related Values for each FCM auction: FCA, ARA1, ARA2, and ARA3
  - Use a stakeholder process (NEPOOL committee processes) to develop ICR-Related Values
  - File values with FERC for approval
- Northeast Power Coordinating Council (NPCC) Regional Reliability Reference Directory # 1 – Design and Operation of Bulk Power System requires ISO New England to do the following:
  - Conduct comprehensive review of resource adequacy every three years with an interim update for years in between
  - Demonstrate to NPCC that New England system meets the resource adequacy design criterion



# ISO New England Planning Criterion

**Compliance requirement is documented in Section III.12 of Market Rule 1, which states:**

*“[t]he ISO shall determine the Installed Capacity Requirement such that the probability of disconnecting non-interruptible customers due to resource deficiency, on average, will be no more than once in ten years. Compliance with this resource adequacy planning criterion shall be evaluated probabilistically, such that the Loss of Load Expectation (“LOLE”) of disconnecting non-interruptible customers due to resource deficiencies shall be no more than 0.1 day each year. The forecast Installed Capacity Requirement shall meet this resource adequacy planning criterion for each Capacity Commitment Period.”*

# Northeast Power Coordinating Council Resource Adequacy Planning Criterion

- New England is one of the Planning Authorities of the Northeast Power Coordinating Council (NPCC)
- New England's resource adequacy has to meet NPCC's resource adequacy planning criterion,\* which states:

*“R4 - Each Planning Coordinator or Resource Planner shall probabilistically evaluate resource adequacy of its Planning Coordinator Area portion of the bulk power system to demonstrate that the loss of load expectation (LOLE) of disconnecting firm load due to resource deficiencies is, on average, no more than 0.1 days per year.*

*R4.1 - Make due allowances for demand uncertainty, scheduled outages and deratings, forced outages and deratings, assistance over interconnections with neighboring Planning Coordinator Areas, transmission transfer capabilities, and capacity and/or load relief from available operating procedures.”*

\*[https://www.npcc.org/Standards/Directories/Directory\\_1\\_TFCP\\_rev\\_20151001\\_GJD.pdf](https://www.npcc.org/Standards/Directories/Directory_1_TFCP_rev_20151001_GJD.pdf)

# Installed Capacity Requirement Needed to Meet Resource Adequacy Assessments

Results of up to 10 years of ICR calculations are used in:

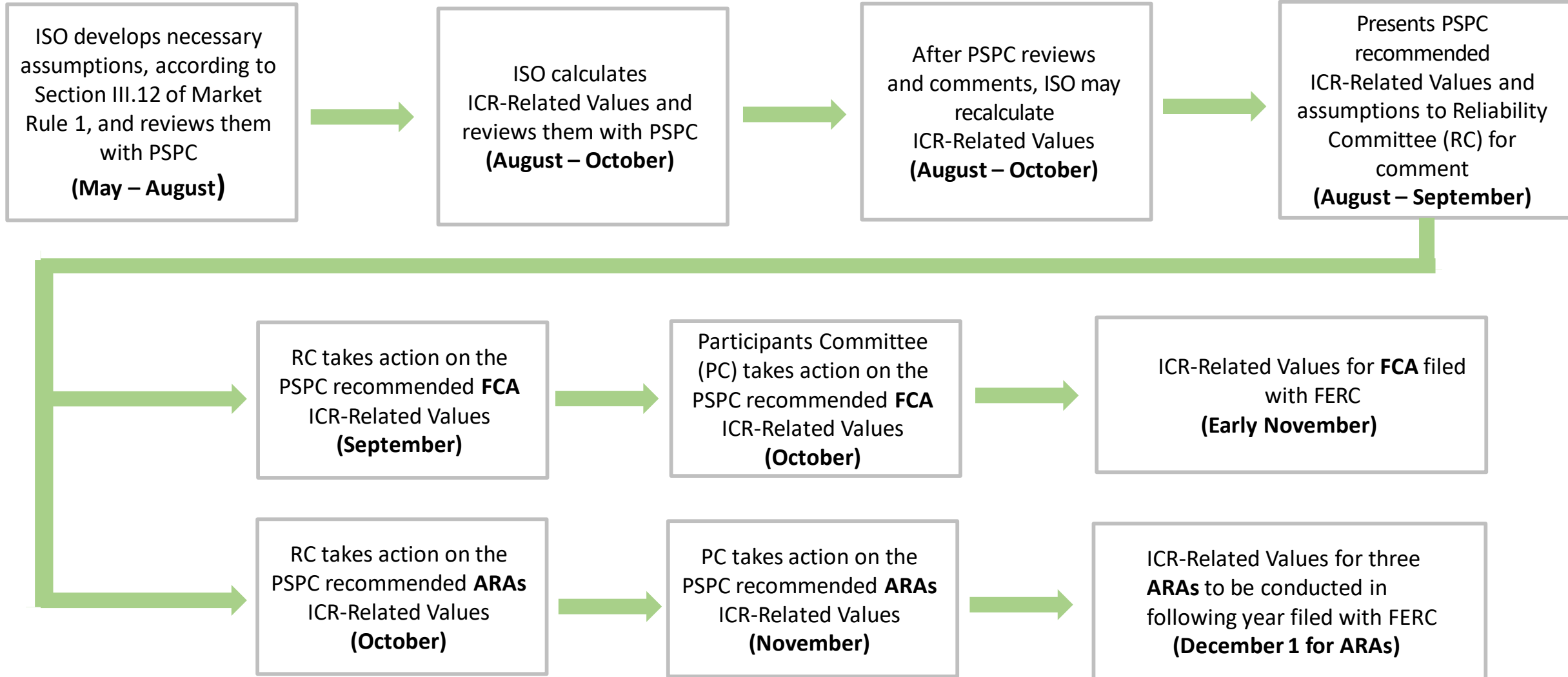
**Regional System Plan (RSP)**

**Shows market participants expected capacity needs of region**

- FCM Period (Years 1-3) - Actual ICRs are the latest values approved by FERC for the FCM auctions
- Beyond FCM timeframe - Representative ICRs are values calculated to inform market participants of region's needs

# Installed Capacity Requirement Development Process Timeline for FCM

Annual process involving stakeholders normally runs from April through December and consists of the following:



# Installed Capacity Requirement Development Process Timeline for RSP, NPCC, and NERC Assessments

Actual and representative ICR values are developed in around May of Regional System Plan (RSP) publication year

ISO reviews with Planning Advisory Committee

New England resource needs for Northeast Power Coordinating Council (NPCC) Resource Adequacy Review are developed in September

ISO reviews with NPCC CP 8 Working Group, NPCC Task Force on Coordination of Planning and Reliability Coordinating Committee

# What are the ICR-related values?

**Each year, the following values are calculated/developed as part of the ICR development process:**

- Installed Capacity Requirement (ICR)
- Capacity Zone(s)
  - Import-constrained
  - Export-constrained
- For the import-constrained Capacity Zone(s)
  - Local Resource Adequacy Requirement (LRA)
  - Transmission Security Analysis Requirement (TSA)
  - Local Sourcing Requirement (LSR)
- For the export-constrained Capacity Zone(s)
  - Maximum Capacity Limit (MCL)
- Tie benefits and Hydro Quebec Interconnection Capability Credits (HQICCs)
- Marginal Reliability Impact System and Capacity Zone Demand Curves



# What are Capacity Zones?

**Two types of capacity zones with identified capacity requirements:**

## **Import-constrained capacity zones**

Areas within New England that, due to transmission constraints, are close to the threshold where they may not have enough local resources and transmission import capability to reliably serve local demand

## **Export-constrained capacity zones**

Areas within New England where the available resources, after serving local load, may exceed the areas' transmission capability to export excess resource capacity



## Local Resource Adequacy Requirement (LRA)

Minimum amount of resources, determined probabilistically, that must be located in a zone to meet system-reliability requirement

## Transmission Security Assessment Requirement (TSA)

- Deterministic reliability screen of an import-constrained area
- Basic security review to determine requirement of import-constrained area to meet its load through internal generation and import capability

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of the  
Two

## Local Sourcing Requirement (LSR)

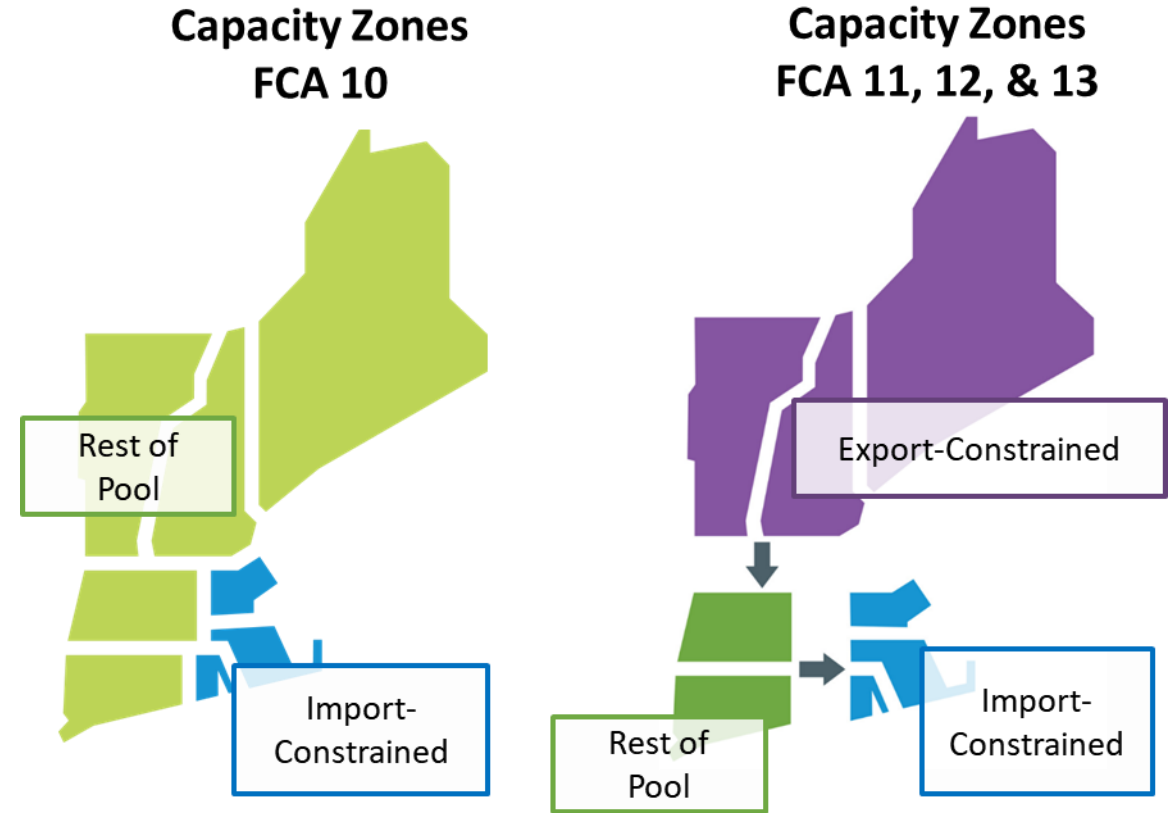
Minimum amount of capacity that must be electrically located within an import-constrained capacity zone

- Value representing point where adding more capacity in an import-constrained zone may no longer improve system reliability more than adding capacity elsewhere in system
- Mechanism used to assist in valuing capacity appropriately in constrained areas
- Amount of capacity needed to satisfy *the higher of* LRA or TSA

# What is Maximum Capacity Limit?

Maximum amount of capacity that is electrically located in an export-constrained capacity zone used to meet the Installed Capacity Requirement

- Value representing point where adding more capacity in an export-constrained zone may no longer improve system reliability as much as adding capacity elsewhere in the system



# What are Tie Benefits?

Amount of emergency assistance assumed obtainable from New England's directly connected neighboring electric systems of Quebec, Maritimes (New Brunswick), and New York during New England expected capacity shortage conditions



# What are Hydro Quebec Interconnection Capability Credits?

- Tie benefits associated with Hydro Quebec Phase I/II HVDC Transmission Facilities (*HQ Phase II*)
- Capacity credits that are allocated to Interconnection Rights Holders, which are entities that pay for and, consequently, hold certain rights over the HQ Phase II interconnection, in proportion to their individual rights over the HQ Phase II interconnection
- ISO must file Hydro Quebec Interconnection Capability Credits (HQICCs) values with FERC for FCM

# What are Marginal Reliability Impact Demand Curves?

## System-wide and Capacity Zone Marginal Reliability Impact (MRI) Demand Curves

- Mechanism used in annual Forward Capacity Market (FCM) auctions
- Used to clear capacity resources to meet ICR and zonal requirements based on:
  - Marginal reliability contribution
  - Capacity offer prices

# Installed Capacity Requirement Calculations

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Based on probabilistic analysis to measure the risks of insufficient resources to serve load

- Reliability indices that quantify risks are a part of simulation model output

## Loss of Load Expectation (LOLE)

Expected days of system not having enough capacity to serve load



Used for determining ICR values

## Loss of Load Hours (LOLH)

Expected hours of system not having enough capacity to serve load



Used in developing the demand curves

## Expected Energy Not Served (EENS)

Expected amount of energy from loss of load events

# Benefits of Probabilistic Analysis

Provides an expected outcome based on many possible conditions

**Captures risks associated with:**

Unit size  
impacts

Randomness  
of unit  
outage  
impacts

Unit  
performance

Uncertainty  
associated  
with load  
forecast due  
to weather



# Risk Factors Considered in Installed Capacity Requirement Calculations

- Resource availability due to planned and unplanned outages
  - Risks from resource unplanned outages are considered random and independent; one resource outage does not affect outage of another resource
  - Resource annual maintenance requirement is an input to represent planned outage (MARS would distribute resource Maintenance to the weeks with the lowest risk of load loss)

## Examples of correlated risks:

- All areas/regions see the same heat wave at the same time
  - Resource outage can be correlated to an interface rating change
  - Seasonal derating affecting similar generator
- Deliverability of resources due to transmission limitation
  - Load forecast uncertainty (due to weather)

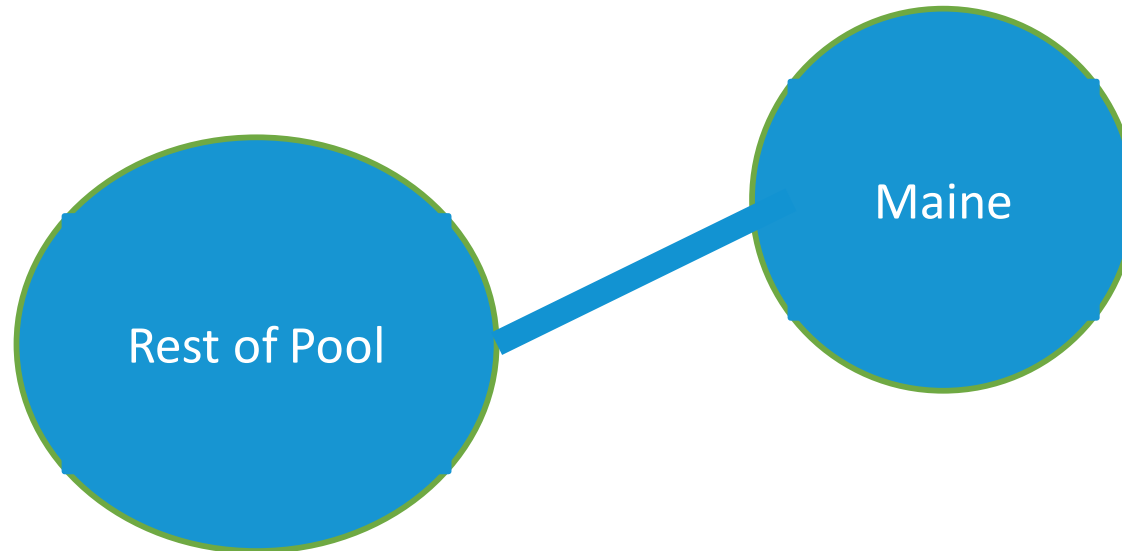
## Operational risks are not considered (perfect foresight)

- All resources are assumed to be available if they are not on outage
- All resources are assumed to be committed in a timely manner
- No resources are unavailable due to higher than expected loads

# Simulation Model for Resource Adequacy Reliability Assessments

# General Electric Multi-Area Reliability Simulation Model (MARS)

- Computer program that uses a sequential Monte Carlo simulation to probabilistically compute the resource adequacy of the system by simulating the random nature of resources and the uncertainty of load forecast
- Major transmission interfaces are modeled by using the pipe and bubble approach (subarea presentation with limitations between subareas) between subareas
  - Loads and generators are assumed to be connected to different subareas within the system



# Monte Carlo Simulation Process

Simulates system for all 8760 hours of the year repeatedly (multiple replications) to evaluate impact of a wide-range of possible random combinations of generator forced outages

## Chronological system histories are developed for each hour

Compute isolated margin for each subarea based on available capacity and demand

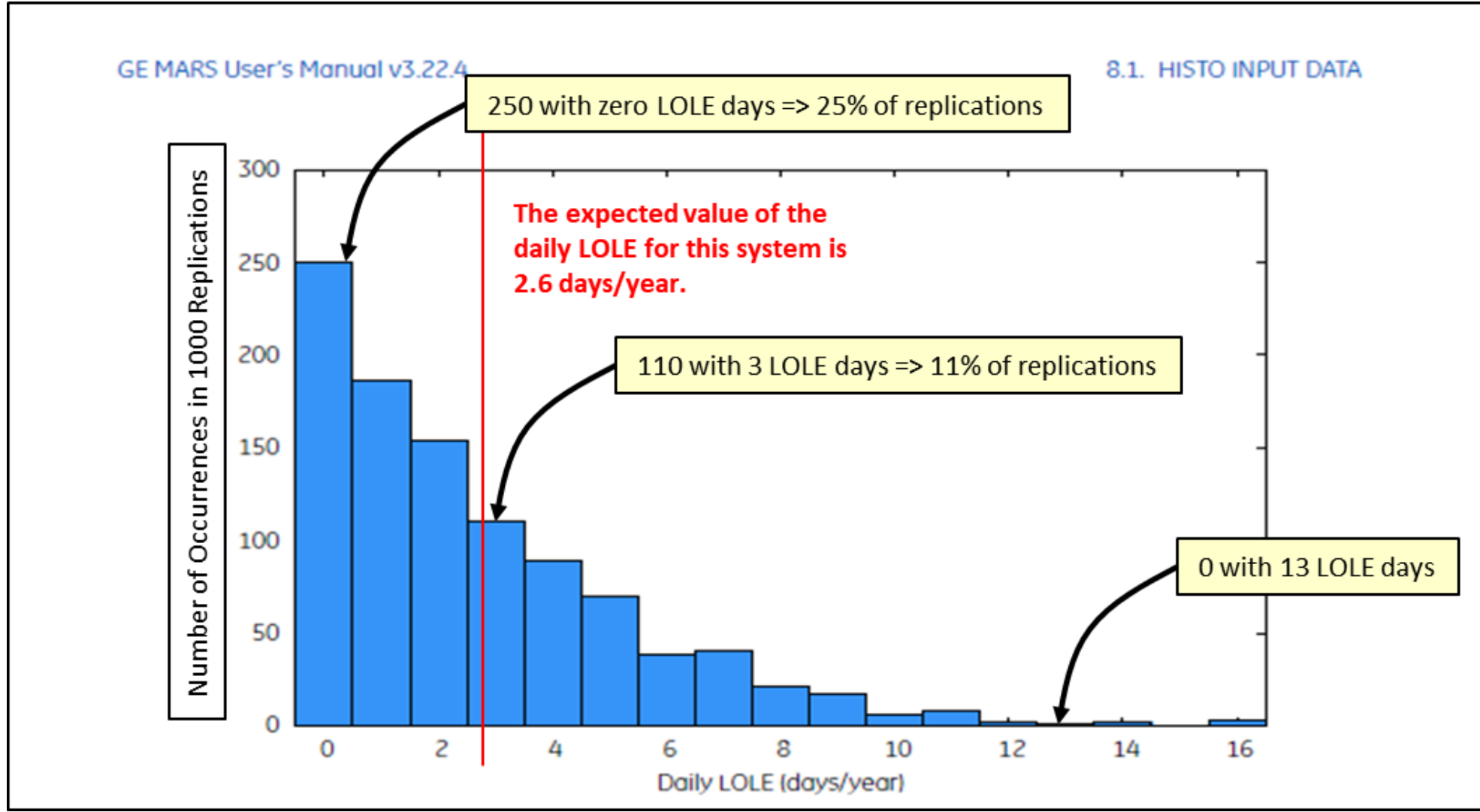
Use a transportation algorithm to determine the extent subareas with negative margin can be assisted by subareas having positive (excess) margin, subject to available transfer constraints between subareas

Collect statistics for computing reliability indices, and proceeds to the next hour

After simulating all hours in the year, the program computes annual indices and tests for convergence

If simulation has not converged to an acceptable level, it proceeds to another replication of the study year

# Results from Monte Carlo *Synthetic* Histories



# ICR Simulation Produced Reliability Indices

## System Loss of Load Expectation (LOLE) [days/years]

- Expected number of days during year where loss of load events (interrupting firm customer load) occur in the system
  - Firm customer load interrupted when system reserve is below 700 MW
- A loss of load day may consist of loss of load events that last one hour or multiple hours during the day
- System is considered to have a loss of load day whenever capacity is not able to meet load and minimum amount of reserve system-wide or in any of the subareas

## Loss of Load Hours (LOLH)

Expected hours during year where loss of load events (interrupting firm customer load) occur in the system

## Expected Energy Not Served (EENS)

Expected amount of energy not served during the year from the loss of load events

# System and Locational Capacity Requirements



# System-Wide and Zonal Requirements

For each FCM auction, ISO establishes:

System-Wide ICR	Locational Requirements
Minimum amount of resources needed system-wide to meet the reliability target	Given the total amount of resources needed for the system, where should these resources be located within the system to reflect possible transmission bottle necks
Determine without assuming transmission bottle necks (one bus system)	Minimum requirement established for areas with limited import capability
	Maximum requirement established for areas with limited export capability



# Calculating Installed Capacity Requirement

Using General Electric (GE) Multi-Area Reliability Simulation (MARS) model, the ISO determines system loss-of-load expectation (LOLE) for given set of inputs

- If model determines system is:
  - **Less** reliable than reliability criterion (LOLE > 0.1 days per year), proxy unit(s) are added
  - **More** reliable than reliability criterion (LOLE < 0.1 days per year), load is increased so that LOLE equals 0.1 days per year
    - Additional load is termed Additional Load Carrying Capability (ALCC)
      - Amount of extra load that can be served by surplus capacity resources
    - ICR can then be calculated (notice the inputs are also used in this calculation)

$$\text{Installed Capacity Requirement (ICR)} = \frac{\text{Capacity} - \text{Tie Benefits} - \text{OP4 Load Relief}}{1 + \frac{\text{Additional Load Carrying Capability}}{\text{Annual Peak Load}}} + \text{HQICCs}$$

# Net Installed Capacity Requirement

- Tie benefits from Hydro Québec Phase II Interconnection Capability Credits (HQICCs) are allocated to specific entities holding contractual rights to this interconnection, and monetized as credits in the form of reduced capacity requirements
- When referencing New England's Installed Capacity Requirement, we generally mean the Net Installed Capacity Requirement

$$\text{Net Installed Capacity Requirement (Net ICR)} = \text{Installed Capacity Requirement (ICR)} - \text{HQICCs}$$

$$\text{Net Installed Capacity Requirement (ICR)} = \frac{\text{Capacity} - \text{Tie Benefits} - \text{OP4 Load Relief}}{1 + \frac{\text{ALCC}}{\text{Annual Peak Load}}}$$

# Capacity Zones – Why Location Matters

Capacity zones reflect the fact that there are transmission constraints within the system

## Import-Constrained Capacity Zones (IC CZ)

- In some areas behind a constraint there is *too much load and too little capacity*
- Transmission constraints may limit the amount of energy that can be brought into the zone
- Adding more capacity in these areas may improve system reliability more than adding capacity elsewhere in the system

Consequently, the value of capacity in these zones may be worth relatively more than capacity located somewhere else in the system

## Export-Constrained Capacity Zones (ECCZ)

- In some areas behind a constraint there is *too much capacity and too little load*
- Transmission constraints may limit the amount of energy that can be taken out of the zone
- Adding more capacity in these areas may improve system reliability less than adding capacity elsewhere in the system

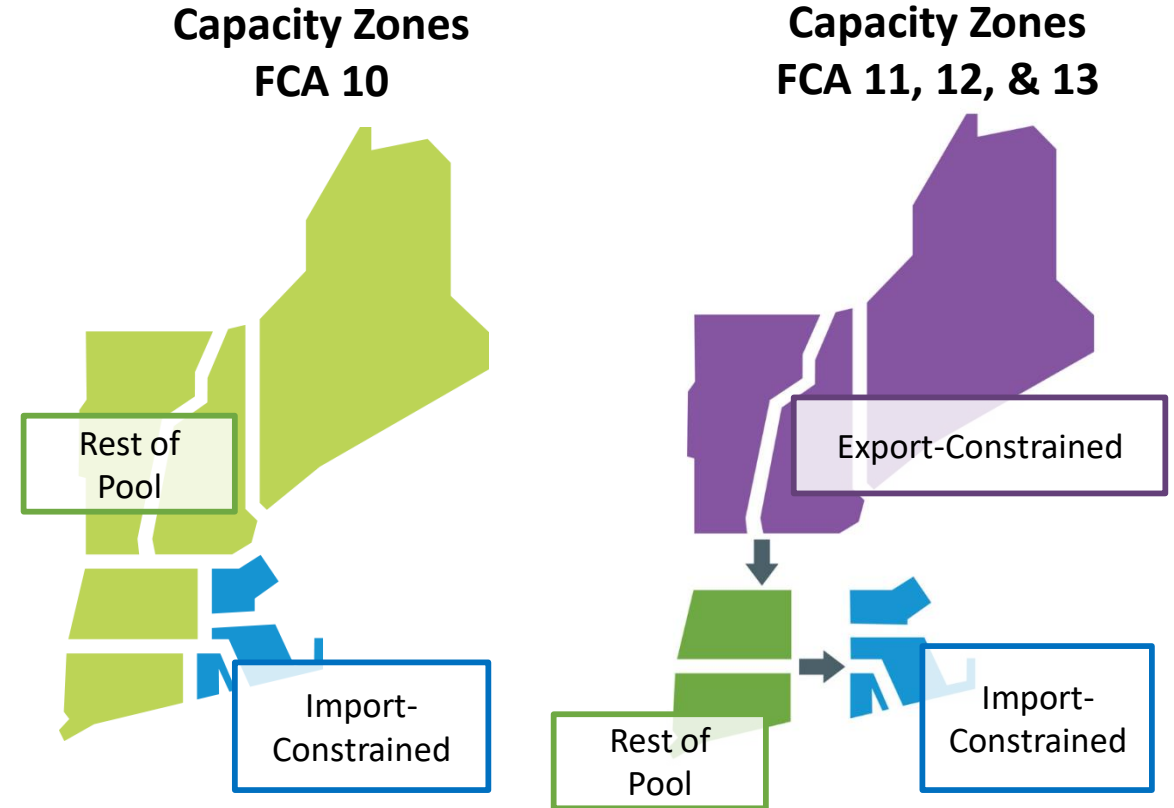
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# Identifying Potential Zonal Boundaries

- ISO performs an annual assessment of transmission transfer capabilities to identify potential zonal boundaries and associated transfer limits between those boundaries for capacity zone modeling in the Forward Capacity Auction
- Changes in power grid are also assessed and would include updates to transmission topology, retirements of existing resources, and addition of new capacity resources

# Examples of Capacity Zones Used in Past FCAs

- ISO analyzes and identifies capacity zones for every Capacity Commitment Period (CCP)
- Once established for a CCP, capacity zones will not change
- Capacity zones provide locational market signals



# Zonal Requirements Determination

- ISO uses the same GE MARS model and assumptions used for the ICR calculation to determine expected capacity zone demand requirements for Capacity Commitment Periods where internal constraints are modeled
- Two area model (Capacity Zone vs. Rest-of-Pool)

With amount of capacity in system being held constant at ICR level, capacity is transferred from:

## **Import-constrained capacity zone into Rest-of-Pool**

until system LOLE reaches at 0.105 days per year  
(indicating interface is binding)

For import-constrained zone this point is called  
local-resource adequacy requirement (LRA)

## **Rest-of-Pool into export-constrained capacity zone**

until system LOLE reaches at 0.105 days per year  
(indicating interface is binding)

For export-constrained zone this point is called  
maximum capacity limit (MCL)

# FCM System and Zonal Demand Curves



# Demand Curves: Marginal Reliability Impact Approach

Beginning with Capacity Commitment Period 11 (FCA 11), the marginal reliability impact (MRI) based system and zonal demand curves were implemented

- Approach combines both engineering and economics to derive a sloped demand curve that represents the incremental value of capacity across a range of total capacity amounts and locations (zones)
- Engineering method employs the same techniques used to determine requirements covered earlier, but rather than calculate only one value, many values are calculated to create a curve
- Economics means that the engineering curve is converted into a demand curve based on the net cost of new entry (Net CONE)



# Marginal Reliability Impact

- Represents incremental impacts on system reliability
  - Reflects incremental improvement in reliability associated with adding incremental capacity
  - Calculated at various capacity levels in 10 MW blocks
    - Requires hundreds of simulations for each curve
- MRI curve is derived using the same MARS model and inputs used to derive the ICR requirements covered earlier

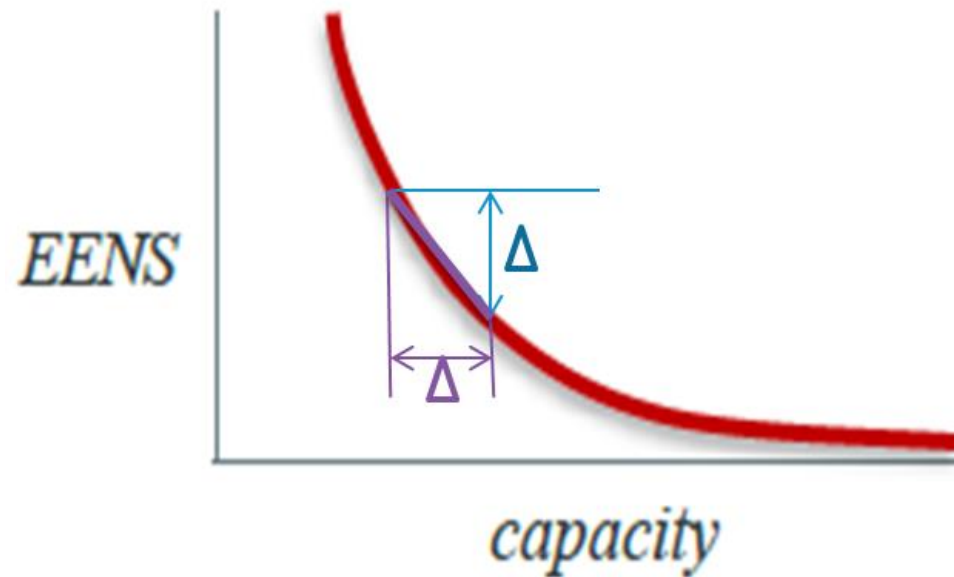


# Marginal Reliability Impact Curve

Derived from Expected Energy Not Served (EENS) curve generated by MARS model

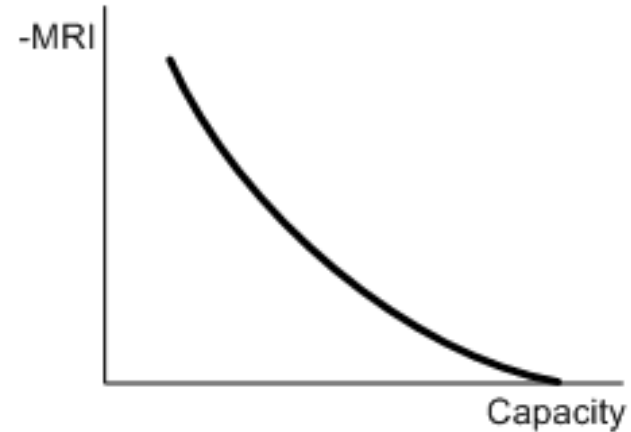
- Expected *lost load* amount calculated on a MWh per year basis at various capacity levels

$$\text{MRI}_{(\text{capacity } i)} = \Delta \text{EENS} / \Delta \text{Capacity}$$



# Marginal Reliability Impact Curve Characteristics

MRI (after sign change) declines smoothly with capacity (as shown to right)



When system is **short**, deficiencies can occur more frequently, so an additional MW of capacity significantly reduces EENS because:

- At low MW quantities, MRI value is high
- As capacity is added, MRI decreases quickly meaning slope is relatively steep

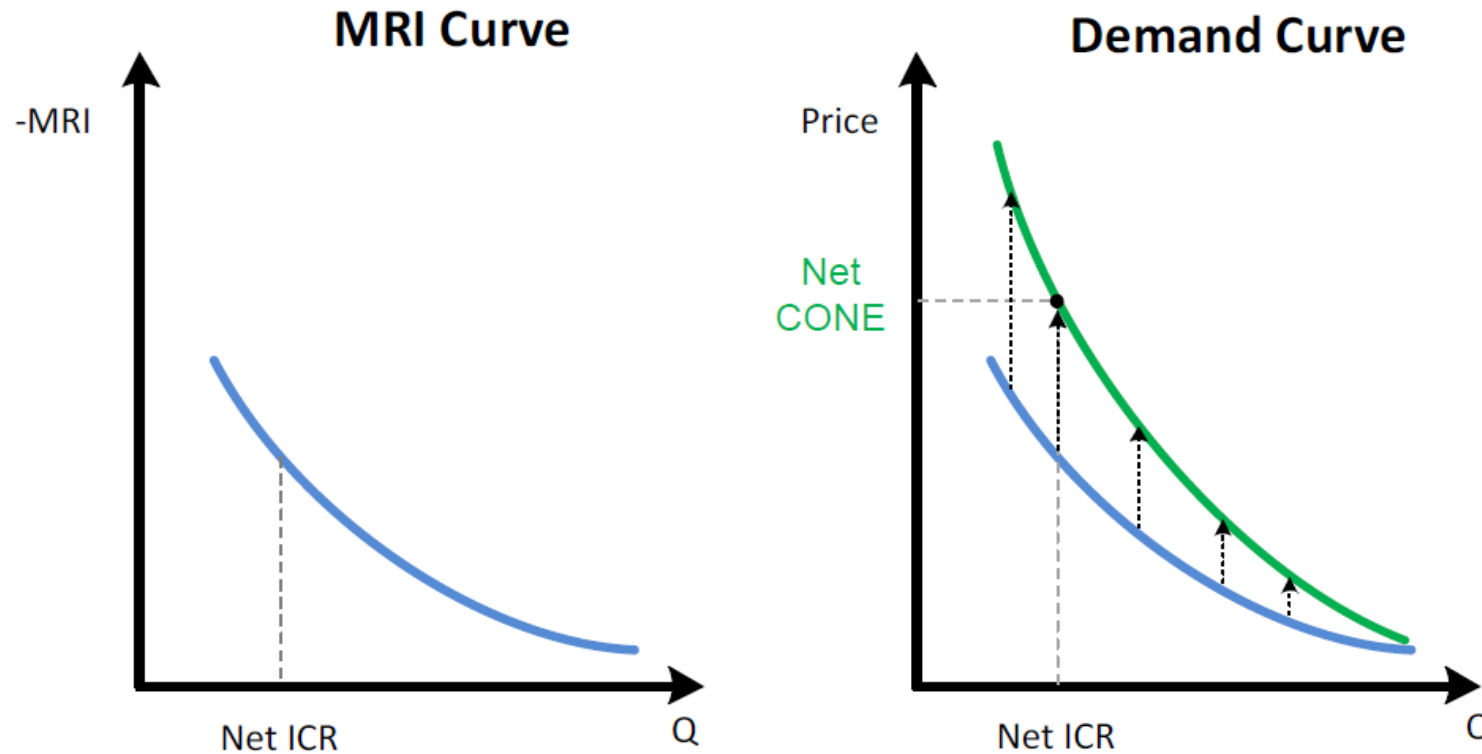
When system is **long**, deficiencies are infrequent, so an additional MW of capacity has a small impact on EENS

- At high MW quantities, MRI value is low and relatively flat

# Economics of a MRI Based Demand Curve

## System MRI curve is converted into a price-quantity curve

- This is done by scaling curve so price at intersection of Net Installed Capacity Requirement (ICR) is equal to net cost of new entry (Net CONE)



# Scaling Factor Ensures Curves Meet Reliability Criteria

Scaling factor used to translate MRI curves to Price Demand curve (in prior slide) is not an assumed value

- It is **derived**, and is the (lowest) value that ensures the curves satisfy reliability criteria and pay an average of the estimated Net CONE

If **less than** derived value, demand curves would not meet reliability criteria

If **greater than** derived value, consumers would buy more reliability than criteria requires



Same scaling factor is used to convert zonal MRI curve to zonal Price Demand curve

# Import-Constrained Zonal Demand Curve

- Reliability impacts between capacity in import-constrained capacity zone and rest-of-pool
  - When there is no constraint between import-constrained zone and rest-of-pool, capacity in import-constrained zone is equally substitutable by capacity in rest-of-pool
  - When transfer levels from rest-of-pool into import-constrained zone are close to or at transfer capabilities, capacity in import-constrained zone is no longer equally substitutable by capacity in rest-of-pool
    - Still substitutable, but no longer at 1 to 1
    - Marginal capacity in import-constrained zone has higher reliability impacts
- Import-constrained zone curves are derived using the *additional* marginal reliability impact of procuring a MW of capacity in the zone, representing the *additional* price paid to capacity in the zone, above the system's capacity clearing price
  - Same congestion pricing interpretation as Energy Market
  - Relative MRI function is zero for high MW quantities as capacity in rest-of-system provides equal reliability value to that in import-constrained zone
  - At lower MW quantities, relative MRI function slopes upward because marginal reliability impact of capacity in the zone increases

# Import-Constrained Zonal Demand Curve, *continued*

Import-constrained zonal demand curve is generated using similar process for developing system-wide demand curve

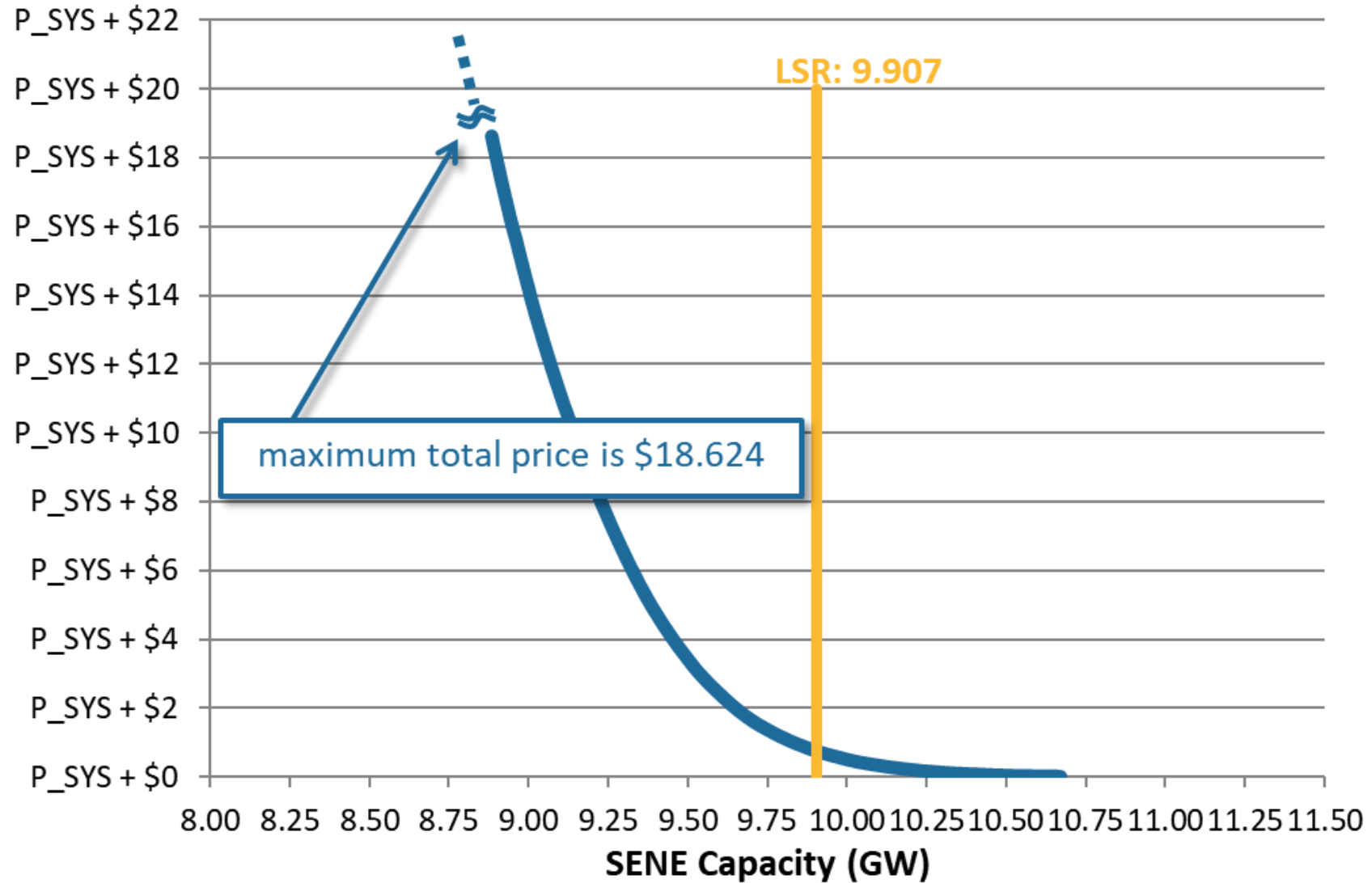
- Generate EENS curve for various zonal capacity levels using two area model (import-constrained zone vs. rest-of-pool)
  - Import capability is adjusted if zonal TSA requirement is greater than LRA requirement

$$= (\text{N-1 limit}) - \max(\text{TSA-LRA}, 0)$$

- Derive MRI curve from EENS curve
- Translate MRI curve into demand curve using same Scaling Factor used for system-wide demand curve



# Import-Constrained Zonal Demand Curve (FCA 11 Example for SENE)





# Export-Constrained Zonal Demand Curve

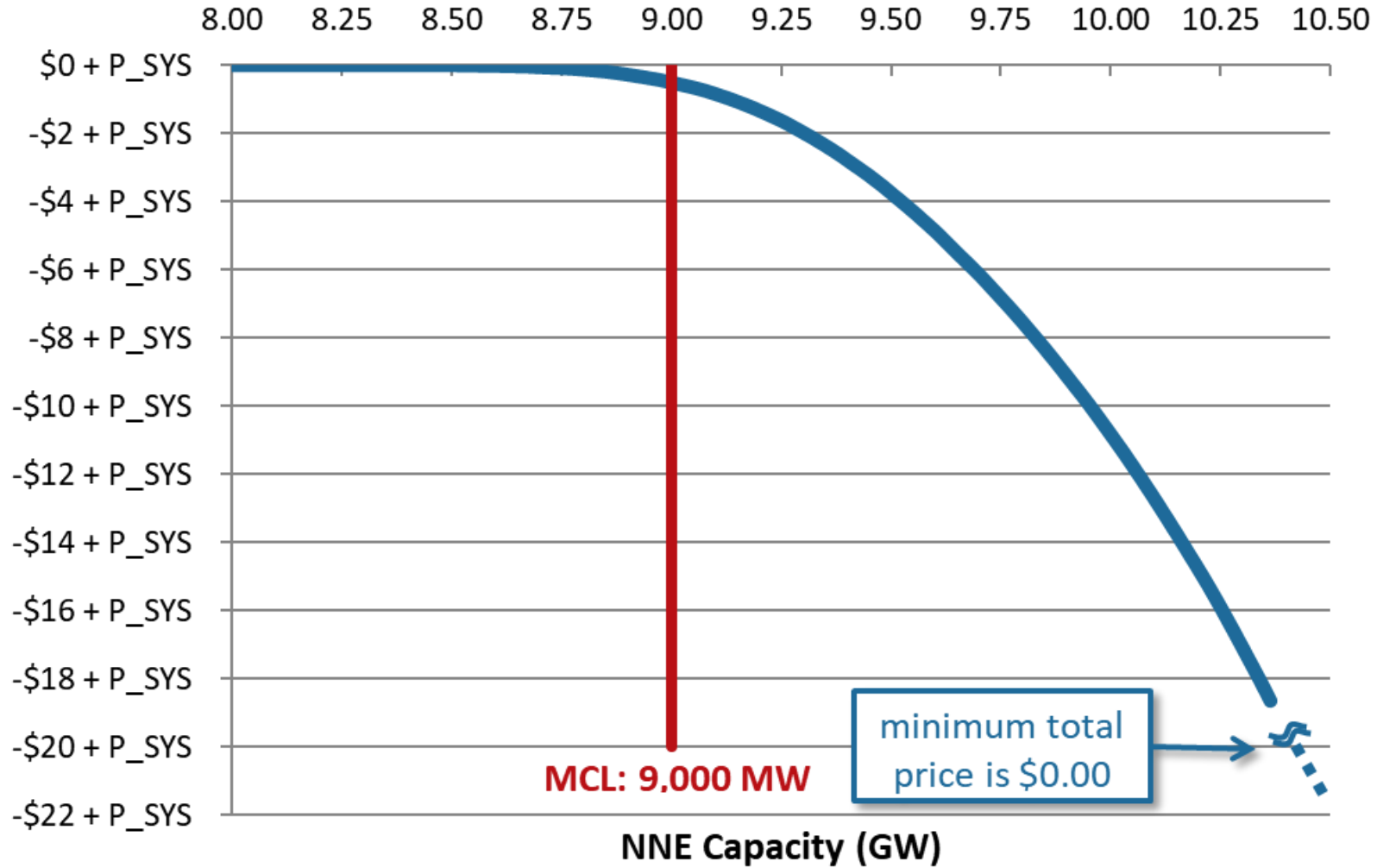
- Reliability impacts between capacity in export-constrained capacity zone and rest-of-pool
  - When there is no constraint between export-constrained zone and rest-of-pool, capacity in rest-of-pool is equally substitutable by capacity in export-constrained zone
  - When transfer levels from export-constrained zone into rest-of-pool are close to or at transfer capabilities, capacity in rest-of-pool is no longer equally substitutable by capacity in export-constrained zone
    - Still substitutable, but no longer at 1 to 1
    - Marginal capacity in export-constrained zone has lower reliability impacts
- Export-constrained zone curves are derived using the *additional* marginal reliability impact of procuring a MW of capacity in the zone, representing the *additional* price paid to capacity in the zone, above the system's capacity clearing price
  - Additional price is negative as capacity in export-constrained zone has lower reliability impact due to constraints
  - Relative MRI function is zero for lower MW quantities as capacity in export-constrained zone provides equal reliability value to that in rest-of-pool
  - At higher MW quantities, relative MRI function slopes downward because marginal reliability impact of capacity in export-constrained zone decreases

## Export-Constrained Zonal Demand Curve, *continued*

Export-constrained zonal demand curve is generated using similar process for developing system-wide demand curve

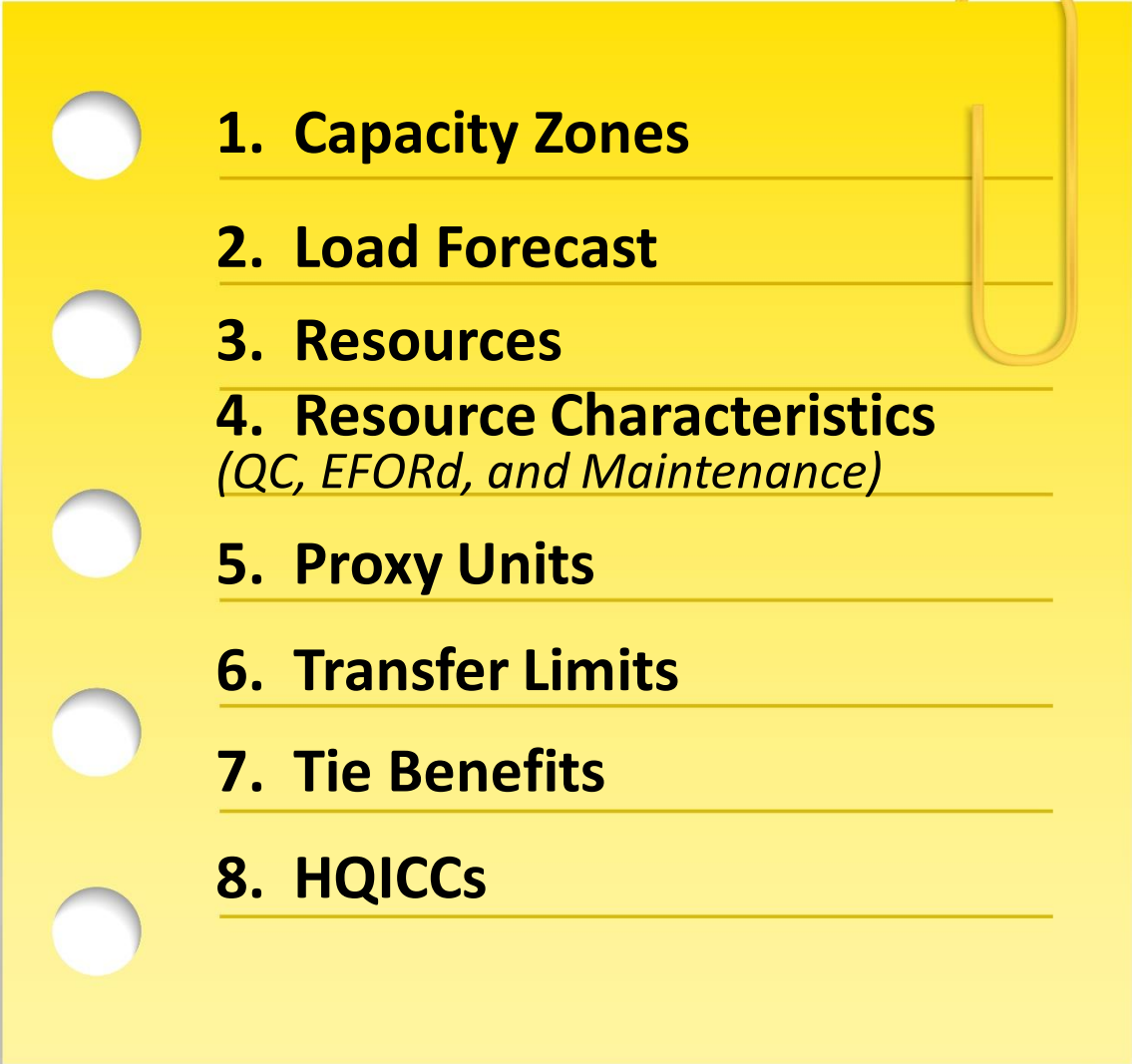
- Generate EENS curve for various zonal capacity levels using two area model (export-constrained zone vs. rest-of-pool)
- Derive MRI curve from EENS curve
- Translate MRI curve into Demand Curve using same Scaling Factor used for system-wide demand curve

# Export-Constrained Zonal Demand Curve (FCA 11 Example for NNE)



# Installed Capacity Requirement Assumption Developments

# Assumptions Used in Installed Capacity Requirement

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1. Capacity Zones
  2. Load Forecast
  3. Resources
  4. Resource Characteristics  
*(QC, EFORd, and Maintenance)*
  5. Proxy Units
  6. Transfer Limits
  7. Tie Benefits
  8. HQICCs

# Load Forecast Used for Installed Capacity Requirement Calculation

- Latest load forecast is used in ICR development and updated on annual basis
  - Load forecast goes through a stakeholder process (LFC, DGFWG, EEFWG, RC, PAC)
  - Published in CELT report: [System Planning > Plans and Studies > CELT Reports](#)
- Component of Load Forecast Model
  - Annual peak demands
  - Distributions of weekly peak loads (Load Forecast Uncertainty due to Weather)
  - Hourly gross load shape (2002)
  - Hourly peak load reduction from BTM PV
- Methodology and assumptions for the Load Forecast are developed by the ISO based on guidelines in the Market Rule and discussions with stakeholders throughout the committee processes

# Load Models for Installed Capacity Requirement Calculation

ICR calculation uses load distributions, including 50/50 and 90/10 peak

## Gross Hourly Load Forecast

is based on 2002 historical hourly shape

## Used by NPCC for Resource Adequacy studies

- Deemed to have adequate number of peak load days
- Representative of the load correlation between control areas

## Weekly peak load distribution

reflects load variation due to weather uncertainty

## Parameters estimated for three moments of distribution:

1. Mean
2. Standard deviation
3. Skewness (fat / skinny tails)

## Behind the Meter(BTM) PV Hourly Forecast

is also based on 2002 weather

**Peak load reduction uncertainty is modeled (randomly selected by MARS from seven day window)**



# Existing Capacity Resources

When calculating ICR-Related Values, model utilizes qualified capacity of Existing Capacity Resources

## Generation

Qualified Existing  
Non-Intermittent Generating  
Capacity Resources

Qualified Existing  
Intermittent Power  
Resources

## Imports

Qualified Existing  
Import Capacity  
Resources

## Demand Response

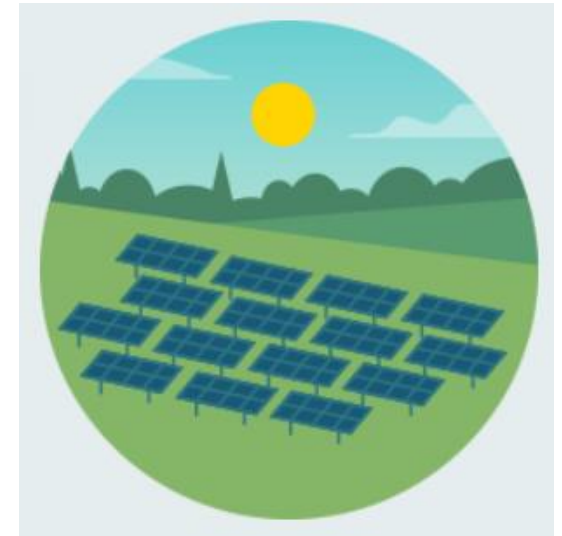
Qualified Existing  
Demand Capacity Resources  
(DCR)

- On-Peak (Passive)
- Seasonal Peak (Passive)
- Active Demand Capacity Resource (ADCR)



# Capacity Resource Data

- Only FCM resources are modeled
  - Resources that participate in Energy Market only are not included
- Intermittent Power Resources
  - Scheduled maintenance is not modeled specifically because it is considered to be reflected in resource rating
  - Forced outages are not modeled specifically because it is considered to be reflected in resource rating
  - Resource rating is based on the actual MW output during the reliability hours, therefore maintenance and outages have been accounted for



# Capacity Resource Data, *continued*

**Non-intermittent existing resources are modeled within ICR-related value calculations at their summer Qualified Capacity (QC) rating, a forced outage rate (EFORd), and scheduled maintenance outages**

- Both are based on historical data; most recent 5-years of data

## Forced outage assumptions

- Each generating units equivalent forced outage rate - demand is used and is based on a five-year average of submitted Generating Availability Data System (GADS) data
- EFORd is a outage parameter that best describe units that are infrequently operated

## Scheduled maintenance outage assumptions

Each generating units annual weeks of maintenance are used and based on a five-year average of each generator's actual historical average of planned and maintenance outages (i.e., outages scheduled at least 14 days in advance)

If unit is not operational for a full 5 years, NERC-GADS class average data is used to substitute for the missing EFORd and maintenance outage assumptions.



# Capacity Resource Data, *continued*

## Qualified Existing Import Capacity Resources

- Unit contract – Scheduled and forced outages are based on the contracted unit
- System contract – Scheduled and forced outages are based on import interface's availability assumptions

## Qualified Existing Demand Resources

- On-Peak – Assumed 100 % available
- Seasonal Peak – Assumed 100% available
- Active Demand Capacity Resource (ADCR)\*

\*At present, availability of ADCR is measured by actual response during performance audits and Operating Procedure No. 4 events that occurred in the summer and winter of the most recent five-year period, currently 2014 through 2018. In the future, the availability assumption of ADCR will be based on each resource's performance in the energy market. A methodology has been developed by ISO which will be presented to PSPC for their review and comment in June. Data collected under this new methodology will be effective once an adequate amount of data deemed statistically valid becomes available.

# New Capacity Resources

- Non-commercial resources that cleared in previous FCA(s) are modeled
  - MW amount based on CSO (not QC)
  - Maintenance weeks assumed based on US NERC-GADS class average for the resource technology type
  - EFORd assumed based on US NERC-GADS class average for resource technology type
- New Capacity Resources seeking qualification for the CCP in which ICR-Related Values are being developed are not included in the model

For more information on NERC-GADS data: <https://www.nerc.com/pa/RAPA/gads/Pages/Reports.aspx>

# Proxy Units

## Why use proxy units when calculating ICR-Related Values?

- Use of proxy units avoids an unjustified increase or decrease in the system LOLE that may result from assuming a specific type of resource addition
- *Proxy unit* is effectively neutral to ICR calculations

## What are proxy unit\* characteristics?

- 400 MW generator
- Scheduled outage – 4 weeks/year
- Forced outages – 5.47 EFORd

\*Based on a study conducted in 2014. ISO plans to conduct a new study this year. Copy of the presentation is available at [https://www.iso-ne.com/static-assets/documents/committees/comm\\_wkgrps/relblty\\_comm/pwrsuppln\\_comm/mtrls/2014/may222014/proxy\\_unit\\_2014\\_study.pdf](https://www.iso-ne.com/static-assets/documents/committees/comm_wkgrps/relblty_comm/pwrsuppln_comm/mtrls/2014/may222014/proxy_unit_2014_study.pdf)

# Proxy Unit, *continued*

## One megawatt (MW) of:

### **Neutral (proxy) resource adjustment capacity**

- Worth 1.00 MW of typical capacity
- Zero change in ICR

### **Perfect capacity**

- Could be worth, 1.10 MW of typical capacity
- 0.10 MW reduction in ICR per MW of installed capacity

### **Poorly performing resource**

- Could be worth (something like) only 0.80 MW of typical capacity
- ICR would increase by some amount
- Depends upon size and forced outage rates

# Transmission Limits

## Interface limits are determined pursuant to ISO Tariff Section II, Attachment K

*Use network models that include all resources, existing transmission lines and proposed transmission lines that the ISO determines, in accordance with Section III.12.6, will be in service no later than the first day of the relevant Capacity Commitment Period. The transmission interface limits shall be established, using deterministic analyses, at levels that provide acceptable thermal, voltage and stability performance of the system both with all lines in service and after any criteria contingency occurs as specified in ISO New England Manuals and ISO New England Administrative Procedures.*

## Transmission Limits, *continued*

- System ICR calculation do not model transmission constraints
- Capacity zone requirements (LRA and MCL) use the N-1 limit of the transmission interface associated with capacity zone
- Import constrained capacity zone requirement (TSA) use N-1 and N-1-1 limits of the transmission interface associated with capacity zone
- Tie Benefits study use both internal and external transmission interface (N-1)
  - External interfaces availability assumptions are based on historical maintenance and forced outages
  - Currently the EFORd associated with external ties are:

External Tie	Forced Outage Rate (%)	Maintenance (Weeks)
HQ Phase II	0.39	2.7
Highgate	0.07	1.3
New Brunswick Ties	0.08	0.4
New York AC Ties	0	0
Cross Sound Cable	0.89	1.5

Update to table will be discussed at May 30, 2019 PSPC Meeting:  
<https://www.iso-ne.com/event-details?eventId=137697>



# Load or Capacity Relief from OP-4 Actions

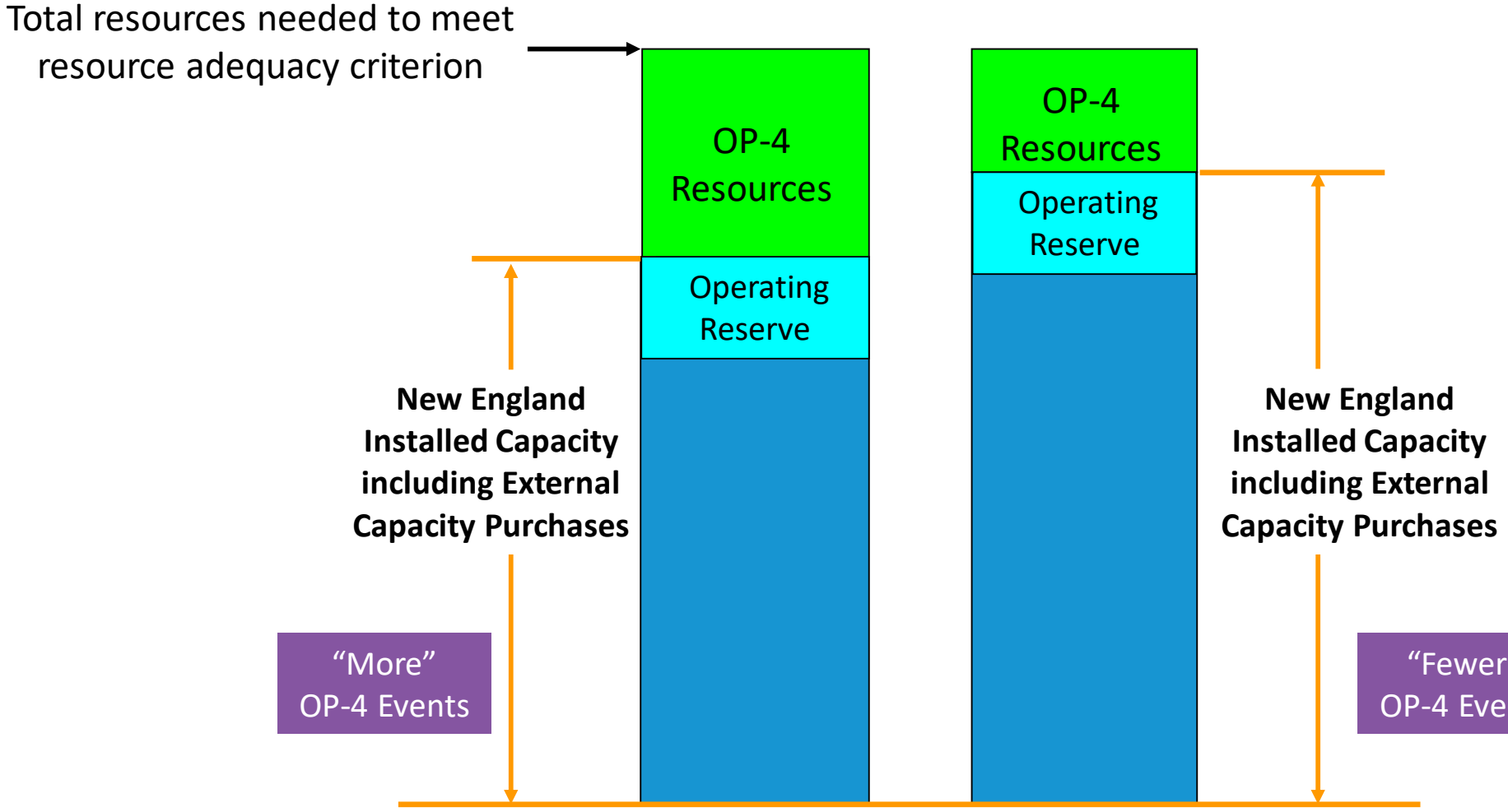
- Tie Benefits (Action 5) – Represents possible emergency energy assistance from the directly interconnected neighboring Control Areas with which the ISO has in effect agreements providing for emergency support to New England, including but not limited to:
  - Inter-Control Area coordination agreements
  - Emergency aid agreements
  - NPCC Regional Reliability Plan when a capacity shortage occurs
- Tie benefits are calculated for each FCA and the third ARA
  - First and second ARAs use the tie benefits established for their corresponding FCA

## Load or Capacity Relief from OP-4 Actions, *continued*

- 5% voltage reduction (Action 8) – Assumes that peak load would be reduced by 1%\* when operators implement a 5% voltage reduction of the normal voltage that is attainable in 10 minutes
  - Amount modeled in ICR-related value calculations is equal to the system 90/10 peak demand (net of BTM PV) minus (all) DR times 1.0%
- Minimum operating reserve represents essential amount of operating reserves maintained by system operators for transmission system protection, system load balancing, and tie control, prior to invoking manual load shedding
  - Beginning with FCA 13, after discussions with stakeholder, it was updated to 700 MW
  - Historically, ICR calculation has assumed a minimum level of operating reserve of 200 MW system-wide

*\*1% reduction in demand is the value used by ISO operators to estimate the effect of implementing the 5% voltage reduction in OP-4*

# OP-4 Resources and Total Resources Needed to Meet Resource Adequacy Criterion



# Tie Benefits

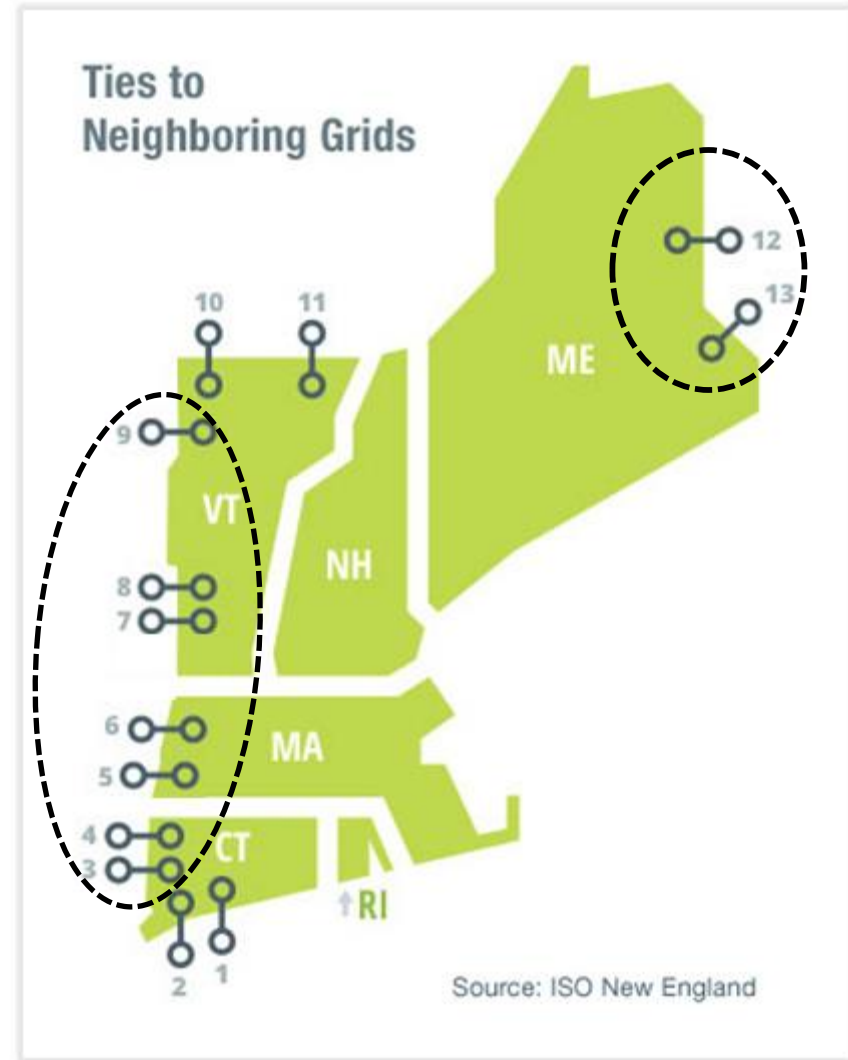


# Tie Benefits

- In the event of a capacity shortage in New England, tie benefits reflect the amount of emergency assistance assumed to be available from neighboring control areas
- Tie benefits are an input in the determination of ICR-Related Values and displace (i.e., lower) the capacity amount needed to meet reliability criterion by an almost one-to-one ratio
- Tie benefits from Hydro Québec Phase II interconnection, called Interconnection Capability Credits (HQICCs) are allocated to specific entities holding contractual rights to this interconnection, and monetized as credits in the form of reduced capacity requirements

# Neighboring Control Areas and Tie Lines

- New England has thirteen total interconnections to neighboring control areas
- NY (ties 1-9), which ties New England to the Eastern Interconnection
- HQ (ties 10-11), which ties New England to the Quebec Interconnection through direct-current (DC) transmission
- New Brunswick (ties 12-13), which tied to the Eastern Interconnection through New England



# Tie Benefits Methodology – Calculation Process

## Process 1.0

Calculate the tie benefits values for all possible interconnection states using isolated New England system as the reference

## Process 2.0

Calculate initial total tie benefits for New England from all neighboring control areas

## Process 3.0

- Calculate initial tie benefits for each individual neighboring control area
- Pro-rate tie benefits values of individual control areas based on the total tie benefits, if necessary

## Process 4.0

- Calculate initial tie benefits for individual interconnection or group of interconnections
- Pro-rate tie benefits values of individual interconnection or group of interconnections based on the individual control area tie benefits, if necessary

## Process 5.0

Adjust tie benefits of individual interconnection or group of interconnections to account for capacity imports

## Process 6.0

Calculate the final tie benefits for each individual neighboring control area

## Process 7.0

Calculate the final total tie benefits for New England

# Process 1.0 Calculation of Tie Benefits for All Interconnection States (FCA 13 Tie Benefits as an Example)

Interconnection State	Discription	Interconnection Status					FCA13 LOLE after cut	FCA13 Equivalent TB (MW)
		Maritimes	Ph II	Highgate	NY-AC	CSC		
1	Cut All	x	x	x	x	x	0.4075	0
2	Cut None	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	0.1006	2,000
3	Cut MT	x	✓	✓	✓	✓	0.1384	1,485
4	Cut Ph II	✓	x	✓	✓	✓	0.1814	1,080
5	Cut Highgate	✓	✓	x	✓	✓	0.1109	1,830
6	Cut NY-AC	✓	✓	✓	x	✓	0.1153	1,770
7	Cut CSC	✓	✓	✓	✓	x	0.1006	2,000
8	Cut MT & Ph II	x	x	✓	✓	✓	0.2383	705
9	Cut MT & Highgate	x	✓	x	✓	✓	0.1498	1,365
10	Cut MT & NY-AC	x	✓	✓	x	✓	0.1603	1,270
11	Cut MT & CSC	x	✓	✓	✓	x	0.1384	1,485
12	Cut Ph II & Highgate	✓	x	x	✓	✓	0.1950	975
13	Cut Ph II & NY-AC	✓	x	✓	x	✓	0.2274	770
14	Cut Ph II & CSC	✓	x	✓	✓	x	0.1814	1,080
15	Cut Highgate & NY-AC	✓	✓	x	x	✓	0.1276	1,610
16	Cut Highgate & CSC	✓	✓	x	✓	x	0.1109	1,830
17	Cut NY-AC & CSC	✓	✓	✓	x	x	0.1153	1,770
18	Cut MT, Ph II & Highgate	x	x	x	✓	✓	0.2557	610
19	Cut MT, Ph II & NY-AC	x	x	✓	x	✓	0.3498	200
20	Cut MT, Ph II & CSC	x	x	✓	✓	x	0.2383	705
21	Cut MT, Highgate & NY-AC	x	✓	x	x	✓	0.1761	1,120
22	Cut MT, Highgate & CSC	x	✓	x	✓	x	0.1498	1,365
23	Cut MT, NY-AC & CSC	x	✓	✓	x	x	0.1603	1,270
24	Cut Ph II, Highgate & NY-AC	✓	x	x	x	✓	0.2555	615
25	Cut Ph II, Highgate & CSC	✓	x	x	✓	x	0.1950	975
26	Cut Ph II, NY-AC & CSC	✓	x	✓	x	x	0.2274	770
27	Cut Highgate, NY-AC & CSC	✓	✓	x	x	x	0.1276	1,610
28	Cut MT, Ph II, Highgate & NY-AC	x	x	x	x	✓	0.4075	0
29	Cut MT, Ph II, Highgate & CSC	x	x	x	✓	x	0.2557	610
30	Cut MT, Ph II, NY-AC & CSC	x	x	✓	x	x	0.3498	200
31	Cut MT, Highgate, NY-AC & CSC	x	✓	x	x	x	0.1761	1,120
32	Cut Ph II, Highgate, NY-AC & CSC	✓	x	x	x	x	0.2555	615

x - disconnected ✓ - connected





## Process 2.0 Calculation of Initial Total Tie Benefits

Compare state 1 (without any ties) and state 2 (with all the ties)

- $TB_{total\_initial} = 2,000$  MW
- This value is subject to the adjustment later to account for imports



# Process 3.0 Calculation of Tie Benefits for Neighboring Control Areas

All interconnections connected to a given neighboring control area are grouped together to represent the state of interconnection between New England and that neighboring control area. The simple average of values for all the interconnection states represents the tie benefits of the target neighboring control area (four states for each area)

## Tie Benefits from Maritimes

- 1 vs. 32 = 615      2 vs. 3 = 515      12 vs. 18 = 365      17 vs. 23 = 500
- Average = 499 MW

## Tie Benefits from Hydro Quebec

- 1 vs. 23 = 1,270      2 vs. 12 = 1,025      3 vs. 18 = 875      17 vs. 32 = 1,155
- Average = 1,081 MW

## Tie Benefits from New York

- 1 vs. 18 = 610      2 vs. 17 = 230      3 vs. 23 = 215      12 vs. 32 = 360
- Average = 354 MW

## Tie Benefits after Proration (since $499 + 1,081 + 354 = 1,934 \neq 2,000$ )

- $TB\_MTCA\_initial = 2,000 * 499 / (499 + 1,081 + 354) = 2,000 * 0.2579 = 516$  MW
- $TB\_HQCA\_initial = 2,000 * 1,081 / (499 + 1,081 + 354) = 2,000 * 0.5591 = 1,118$  MW
- $TB\_NYCA\_initial = 2,000 * 354 / (499 + 1,081 + 354) = 2,000 * 0.1829 = 366$  MW



# Process 4.0 Calculation of Tie Benefits for Individual or Group of Interconnections

Each individual interconnection or group of interconnections subject to the individual tie benefits contribution calculation is treated independently. The simple average of values for all the interconnection states represents tie benefits of the target interconnection or group of interconnections

## Interconnections with Maritimes

- No individual interconnections subject to the calculation

## Interconnections with Quebec

- Phase II and Highgate are subject to the calculation

- Phase II

- 1 vs. 31 = 1,120                      2 vs. 4 = 920                      3 vs. 8 = 780                      5 vs. 12 = 855
- 9 vs. 18 = 755                      17 vs. 26 = 1,000                      23 vs. 30 = 1,070                      27 vs. 32 = 995
- Average = 937 MW

- Highgate

- 1 vs. 30 = 200                      2 vs. 5 = 170                      3 vs. 9 = 120                      4 vs. 12 = 105
- 8 vs. 18 = 95                      17 vs. 27 = 160                      23 vs. 31 = 150                      26 vs. 32 = 155
- Average = 144 MW

- Tie Benefits after proration (since  $937 + 144 = 1,081 \neq 1,118$ )
  - $TB_{Ph-II\_initial} = 1,118 * 937 / (937 + 144) = 1,118 * 0.8665 = 969$  MW
  - $TB_{HG\_initial} = 1,118 * 144 / (937 + 144) = 1,118 * 0.1335 = 149$  MW



# Process 4.0 (cont.)

## Interconnections with New York

- NY AC ties and Cross Sound Cable (CSC) are subject to the calculation
- NY AC ties
  - 1 vs. 29 = 610                      2 vs. 6 = 230                      3 vs. 10 = 215                      7 vs. 17 = 230
  - 11 vs. 23 = 215                      12 vs. 24 = 360                      18 vs. 28 = 610                      25 vs. 32 = 360
  - Average = 354 MW
- CSC
  - 1 vs. 28 = 0                      2 vs. 7 = 0                      3 vs. 11 = 0                      6 vs. 17 = 0
  - 10 vs. 23 = 0                      12 vs. 25 = 0                      18 vs. 29 = 0                      24 vs. 32 = 0
  - Average = 0 MW
- Tie Benefits after proration (since  $354 + 0 = 354 \neq 366$ )
  - $TB\_NYAC\_initial = 366 * 354 / (354 + 0) = 366 * 1.0 = 366$  MW
  - $TB\_CSC\_initial = 0 * 354 / (354 + 0) = 0 * 1.0 = 0$  MW



# Process 5.0 Adjustment to Initial Tie Benefits Values

**Tie benefits determined in Process 4.0 for individual interconnection or group of interconnections are adjusted to account for capacity imports**

## **Interconnections with Maritimes**

- No adjustments required as no existing capacity imports

## **Interconnections with Quebec**

- Phase II
  - No adjustments required as no existing capacity imports
- Highgate
  - No adjustments required as no existing capacity imports

## **Interconnections with New York**

- NY AC Ties
  - Existing import = 79.8 MW
  - Assumed total import capability = 1,400 MW
  - Remaining import capability after import =  $1,400 - 79.8 = 1,320.2$  MW
  - Tie benefits value calculated in Process 4.0 = 366 MW
  - Since  $366 < 1,320.2$  MW, no adjustment is required
  - TB\_NYAC = 366 MW
- CSC
  - No adjustments required since there are no tie benefits
  - TB\_CSC = 0 MW



## **Process 6.0 Determination of Tie Benefits for Individual Neighboring Control Area**

**Final tie benefits for each neighboring control area are the sum of the tie benefits from the individual interconnections or groups of interconnections with that control area, after accounting for the adjustments for capacity imports as determined in Process 5.0**

- Maritimes
  - $TB_{MTCA} = 516 \text{ MW}$
- Quebec
  - $TB_{HQCA} = 969 + 149 = 1,118 \text{ MW}$
- New York
  - $TB_{NYCA} = 366 + 0 = 366 \text{ MW}$



## **Process 7.0 Determination of Total Tie Benefits for New England**

**Final tie benefits for each neighboring control area are the sum of the tie benefits from the individual interconnections or groups of interconnections with that control area after accounting for the adjustments for capacity imports as determined in Process 5.0**

- $TB_{Total} = 516 + 1,118 + 366 = 2,000$  MW



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# Summary

**In this workshop, we explained how the Installed Capacity Requirement and other associated values used in the Forward Capacity Market are developed including:**

- The reason Installed Capacity Requirement (ICR) is developed
- Where ICR and related values (ICR-Related Values) are used
- Defining the components associated with ICR
- Inputs to ICR (specifically capacity zones and transmission interface limits)
- Assumptions used to develop ICR
- Methodology and software used to calculate ICR
- Development of System-Wide and Capacity Zone Marginal Reliability Impact (MRI) Demand Curve Values based on ICR