

## Financial Transmission and Auction Revenue Rights

In an LMP market, the lowest cost generation is dispatched to meet the load, subject to the ability of the transmission system to deliver that energy. When the lowest cost generation is remote from load centers, the physical transmission system permits that lowest cost generation to be delivered to load, subject to transmission limits. This was true prior to the introduction of LMP markets and continues to be true in LMP markets. Prior to the introduction of LMP markets, payment for the delivery of low cost generation to load was based both on intrazonal generation and intrazonal transmission under cost of service rates, and on contracts with specific remote generation outside the local zone and the associated point to point transmission contracts. In both cases, customers paid for the physical rights associated with the transmission system used to provide for the delivery of low cost generation to load. Firm transmission customers who paid for the transmission system through cost of service rates or through bilateral contracts paid for the low cost generation. Most generation was intrazonal and the transmission system used to deliver the related energy was also intrazonal.

After the introduction of LMP markets, financial transmission rights (FTRs) were introduced, effective April 1, 1999, for the real-time market and June 1, 2000, for the day-ahead and balancing markets, to permit the loads which pay for the transmission system to continue to receive the benefits of access to either local or remote low cost generation in the form of FTR revenues which offset congestion.<sup>1</sup> FTRs and the associated congestion revenues were directly provided to load in recognition of the fact that, as a result of LMP, load pays more for low cost generation than is paid to low cost generation. Under LMP, load pays and generation is paid locational prices which result in load payments in excess of generation revenues. The excess payments are congestion. The origin of FTRs was the recognition that the way to hold load harmless from making these excess payments created by the LMP system was to return the excess payments to load through the mechanism of FTRs. The rights to congestion belong to load.

In an LMP system, the only way to ensure that load receives the benefits associated with the use of the transmission system to deliver low cost energy is to use FTRs, or an equivalent mechanism, to pay back to load the difference between the total load payments and the total generation revenues. FTRs were the mechanism selected in PJM to offset the congestion costs that load pays in an LMP market. Congestion revenues are the source of the funds to pay FTRs. Congestion revenues are assigned to the load that paid them through FTRs.<sup>2</sup> The only way to ensure that load receives the benefits associated with the use of the transmission system to deliver low cost energy is to ensure that all congestion revenues are returned to load.

Effective April 1, 1999, FTRs were introduced with the LMP market, there was a real-time market but no day-ahead market, and FTRs returned real-time congestion revenue to load. Effective June 1, 2000, the day-ahead market was introduced and FTRs returned total congestion including day-ahead and balancing congestion to load. Effective June 1, 2003, PJM replaced the direct allocation of FTRs to load with an allocation of Auction Revenue Rights (ARRs). Under the ARR construct, the load still owns the rights to congestion revenue, but the ARR construct allows load to either claim the FTRs directly (through a process called self scheduling), or to sell the rights to congestion revenue in the FTR auction in exchange for a revenue stream based on the auction clearing prices of the FTRs. Under the ARR construct, the right to all congestion revenues should belong to load. All auction surplus and all congestion surplus should be assigned to ARRs. load.

The current ARR/FTR design does not serve as an efficient way to ensure that load receives all the congestion revenues, and has the ability to receive the auction revenues associated with rights to all the potential congestion revenues. Total ARR and self scheduled FTR revenue offset only 74.5 percent of total congestion costs including congestion in the Day-Ahead Energy Market and the balancing energy market, for the 2011/2012 planning period through the 2016/2017 planning period, before the FERC decision to allocate balancing congestion and M2M payments to load.<sup>3</sup> For

<sup>1</sup> See 81 FERC ¶ 61,257 at 62,241 (1997).

<sup>2</sup> See *id.* at 62, 259–62,260 & n. 123.

<sup>3</sup> On September 15, 2016, FERC ordered PJM to allocate balancing congestion to load, rather than to FTRs, to modify PJM's Stage 1A ARR allocation process and to continue to use portfolio netting. 153 FERC ¶ 61,180.

the 2017/2018 planning period, after the implementation of the FERC decision to reallocate balancing congestion and M2M payments to load, ARR and self-scheduled FTR revenue offset 50.0 percent of total congestion.

On May 31, 2018, a rule change was implemented to offset the more egregious effects of the allocation of balancing congestion to load.<sup>4</sup> Effective for the 2018/2019 planning period, surplus day-ahead congestion and surplus FTR auction revenue were allocated to ARR holders.<sup>5</sup>

Surplus congestion revenue should be allocated to ARR holders because surplus day-ahead congestion and surplus auction revenue are associated with system capability that was, inappropriately, never assigned to ARRs. This residual capacity is unallocated in part as a result of PJM's conservative modeling designed to improve FTR funding and in part due to not assigning to ARRs the capability sold in the long-term FTR auctions. Had this surplus allocation been implemented in the 2017/2018 planning period, the percent of congestion offset by ARRs and FTRs would have increased from 50.0 percent to 74.3 percent. For the first seven months of the 2019/2020 planning period, over 100 percent of total congestion was offset by ARR credit allocations to ARR holders including FTR auction revenues, self-scheduled FTR revenue, surplus from the FTR auction, and day-ahead congestion in excess of target allocations. This result is primarily a result of FTR buyers paying more for FTRs than actual congestion in the first seven months of the planning period.

The ARR/FTR design does not serve as an efficient mechanism for returning congestion to load as a result of an FTR design that was flawed from its introduction and as a result of various distortions added to the design since its introduction. The distortions include the definition of target allocations based on day-ahead congestion only, the failure to assign all FTR auction revenues to ARR holders, differences between modeled and actual system capability and numerous cross-subsidies among participants. One of the key flaws in the original design was the assignment of the rights to congestion revenue based on specific generation to load transmission paths. This approach retained the contract path-based view of

congestion rooted in physical transmission rights and inconsistent with the role of FTRs in a nodal, network system with locational marginal pricing.

If the original PJM FTR approach had been designed to return congestion revenues to load without use of the generation to load paths, and if the distortions subsequently introduced into the FTR design had not been added, many of the subsequent issues with the FTR design would have been avoided. The design should simply have provided for the return of all congestion revenues to load. Now is a good time to address the issues of the FTR design and to return the design to its original purpose. This would eliminate much of the complexity associated with ARRs and FTRs and eliminate unnecessary controversy about the appropriate recipients of congestion revenues.

To address the issues with the current path-based ARR/FTR market construct, the MMU is proposing that the current construct be replaced with a network construct in which the rights to actual congestion are assigned directly to load by node. The assigned right is to the actual congestion collected, both day-ahead and balancing, between the load at a bus and the generation used to serve that load. The load can retain the right to the network congestion or sell the right through auctions with the desired frequency.

The network assignment of actual congestion has a number of advantages over the current path-based approach. There are no cross-subsidies among rights holders and no over or under allocation of rights relative to actual network market solutions. There are no revenue shortfalls as congestion payments equal congestion collected. There is no risk of prevailing flow FTRs flipping in value because congestion is always positive or zero and the full amount of congestion is always allocated. The risk of default is isolated to the buyer and seller of the right, and any default is not socialized to other right holders. In the case of a defaulting buyer, the rights to the congestion revenues revert to the load.

The *2019 State of the Market Report for PJM* focuses on the 2019/2022 Long Term FTR Auction, the 2019/2020 Annual FTR Auction and the 2018/2019 Monthly Balance of Planning Period FTR Auctions covering January 1, 2019, through December 31, 2019.

<sup>4</sup> On May 31, 2018, FERC issued an order accepting PJM's proposal to allocate surplus day-ahead congestion charges and surplus FTR auction revenue that remain at the end of the Planning Period to ARR holders, rather than to FTR holders. 163 FERC ¶ 61,165.

<sup>5</sup> 163 FERC ¶ 61,165 (2018).

**Table 13-1 The FTR auction markets results were competitive**

Market Element	Evaluation	Market Design
Market Structure	Competitive	
Participant Behavior	Partially Competitive	
Market Performance	Competitive	Flawed

- Market structure was evaluated as competitive. The ownership of FTR obligations is unconcentrated for the individual years of the 19/22 Long Term FTR Auction and the 19/20 Annual FTR Auction. The ownership of FTR options is moderately or highly concentrated for every Monthly FTR Auction period and unconcentrated for the 19/20 Annual FTR Auction. Ownership of FTRs is disproportionately (70.9 percent) by financial participants.
- Participant behavior was evaluated as partially competitive as a result of the behavior of GreenHat Energy, LLC.
- Market performance was evaluated as competitive because it reflected the interaction between participant demand behavior and the expected system capability that PJM made available for sale as FTRs. It is not clear, in a competitive market, why FTR purchases by financial entities remain persistently profitable. The fact that load is not able to define its willingness to sell FTRs or the prices at which it is willing to sell FTRs also raises questions about the market structure, the market performance and the market design.
- Market design was evaluated as flawed because there are significant flaws with the basic ARR/FTR design. The market design is not an efficient or effective way to ensure that all congestion revenues are returned to load. ARR holders' rights to congestion revenues are not defined clearly enough. The path based assignment of congestion rights is inadequate and incorrect. ARR holders cannot determine the price at which they are willing to sell rights to congestion revenue. Ongoing PJM subjective intervention in the FTR market that affects market fundamentals is also an issue.

## Overview

### Auction Revenue Rights

#### Market Structure

- **Residual ARRs.** If ARR allocations are reduced as the result of a modeled transmission outage and the transmission outage ends during the relevant planning year, the result is that residual ARRs may be available. These residual ARRs are automatically assigned to eligible participants the month before the effective date. Residual ARRs are only available on paths prorated in Stage 1 of the annual ARR allocation, are only effective for single, whole months and cannot be self scheduled. Residual ARR clearing prices are based on monthly FTR auction clearing prices. Residual ARRs with negative target allocations are not allocated to participants. Instead they are removed and the model is rerun.

In 2019, PJM allocated a total of 26,262.6 MW of residual ARRs, down from 31,554.6 MW in 2018, with a total target allocation of \$11.7 million for 2019, down from \$15.3 million for 2018.

- **ARR Reassignment for Retail Load Switching.** There were 24,341 MW of ARRs associated with \$404,700 of revenue that were reassigned in the 2019/2020 planning period. There were 25,488 MW of ARRs associated with \$301,000 of revenue that were reassigned for the same time frame of the 2018/2019 planning period.

#### Market Performance

- **Revenue Adequacy.** For the first seven months of the 2019/2020 planning period, the ARR target allocations, which are based on the nodal price differences from the Annual FTR Auction, were \$438.2 million, while PJM collected \$971.7 million from the combined Long Term, Annual and Monthly Balance of Planning Period FTR Auctions, making ARRs revenue adequate. The new allocation of surplus congestion revenue provides for revenue adequacy for FTRs first, and any remaining revenues at the end of the planning period are allocated to ARR holders. For the same time frame of the 2018/2019 planning period, the ARR target allocations were \$424.9 million while PJM collected \$895.2 million from the combined Annual and Monthly Balance of Planning Period FTR Auctions.

- **ARRs as an Offset to Congestion.** ARRs did not serve as an effective way to return all congestion revenues to load. For the first seven months of the 2019/2020 planning period, over 100 percent of total congestion was offset by ARR credit allocations to ARR holders. Congestion payments by load in some zones was more than offset and congestion payments in some zones was less than offset. The goal of the FTR market design should be to ensure that load has the rights to 100 percent of their congestion revenues. Under the current rules, ARR holders would have received an offset of 65.6 percent from the 2011/2012 planning period through the first seven months of the 2019/2020 planning period.

## Financial Transmission Rights

### Market Structure

- **Sell Offers.** In a given auction, market participants can sell FTRs that they have acquired in preceding auctions or preceding rounds of auctions. In the Monthly Balance of Planning Period FTR Auctions for the first seven months of the 2019/2020 planning period, total participant FTR sell offers were 6,574,237 MW, up from 5,705,610 MW for the same period during the 2018/2019 planning period.
- **Buy Bids.** The total FTR buy bids from the Monthly Balance of Planning Period FTR Auctions for the first seven months of the 2019/2020 planning period increased 15.8 percent from 13,631,502 MW for the same time period of the prior planning period, to 15,789,001 MW.
- **Patterns of Ownership.** For the Monthly Balance of Planning Period Auctions, financial entities purchased 74.3 percent of prevailing flow and 81.2 percent of counter flow FTRs for January through December, 2019. Financial entities owned 70.9 percent of all prevailing and counter flow FTRs, including 63.7 percent of all prevailing flow FTRs and 81.0 percent of all counter flow FTRs during the period from January through December 2019.

### Market Behavior

- **FTR Forfeitures.** For the period January 19, 2017, through December 31, 2019, total FTR forfeitures were \$20.1 million.

- **Credit.** There were no collateral defaults in 2019. There were 58 payment defaults in 2019 not involving GreenHat Energy, LLC for a total of \$59,933. GreenHat Energy continued to accrue payment defaults of \$70.0 million in 2019, for a total of \$147.0 million in defaults to date, which will continue to accrue through May 2021, including the auction liquidation costs.

## Market Performance

- **Volume.** In the first seven months of the 2019/2020 planning period, Monthly Balance of Planning Period FTR Auctions cleared 2,690,460 MW (15.9 percent) of FTR buy bids and 1,390,171 MW (21.1 percent) of FTR sell offers. For the first seven months of the 2018/2019 planning period, Monthly Balance of Planning Period FTR Auctions cleared 2,039,265 MW (14.5 percent) of FTR buy bids and 1,181,126 MW (20.7 percent) of FTR sell offers.
- **Price.** The weighted average buy bid cleared FTR price in the Monthly Balance of Planning Period FTR Auctions for the first seven months of the 2019/2020 planning period was \$0.17, down from \$0.20 per MW for the same period in the 2018/2019 planning period.
- **Revenue.** The Monthly Balance of Planning Period FTR Auctions generated \$42.6 million in net revenue for all FTRs of the first seven months of the 2019/2020 planning period, down from \$47.3 million for the same time period in the 2018/2019 planning period.
- **Revenue Adequacy.** FTRs were paid at 100.0 percent of the target allocation level for the first seven months of the 2019/2020 planning period, assuming the distribution of the current (as of December) surplus revenue.
- **Profitability.** FTR profitability is the difference between the revenue received for an FTR and the cost of the FTR. In the first seven months of the 2019/2020 planning period, physical entities made -\$31.3 million in profits on FTRs purchased directly (not self scheduled) and financial entities made \$22.7 million in profits.



## Markets Timeline

Any PJM member can participate in the Long Term FTR Auction, the Annual FTR Auction and the Monthly Balance of Planning Period FTR Auctions.

Table 13-2 shows the date of first availability and final closing date for all annual ARR and FTR products.

**Table 13-2 Annual FTR product dates**

Auction	Initial Open Date	Final Close Date
2020/2023 Long Term	6/3/2019	12/11/2019
2018/2019 ARR	3/4/2019	4/5/2019
2018/2019 Annual	4/9/2019	5/6/2019

## Recommendations

- The MMU recommends that the ARR/FTR design be modified to ensure that the rights to all congestion revenues are assigned to load. (Priority: High. First reported 2015. Status: Not adopted.)
- The MMU recommends that all historical generation to load paths be eliminated as a basis for assigning ARRs. (Priority: High. First reported 2015. Status: Partially adopted.)
- The MMU recommends that the Long Term FTR product be eliminated. (Priority: High. First reported 2018. Status: Not adopted.)
- The MMU recommends that, if the Long Term FTR product is not eliminated, the Long Term FTR Market be modified so that the supply of prevailing flow FTRs in the Long Term FTR Market is based solely on counter flow offers in the Long Term FTR Market. (Priority: High. First reported 2017. Status: Not adopted.)
- The MMU recommends that, under the current FTR design, the full capability of the transmission system be allocated as ARRs prior to sale as FTRs. Reductions for outages and increased system capability should be reserved for ARRs rather than sold in the Long Term FTR Auction. (Priority: High. First reported 2017. Status: Not adopted.)
- The MMU recommends that all FTR auction revenue be distributed to ARR holders monthly, regardless of FTR funding levels. (Priority: High. First reported 2015. Status: Not adopted.)
- The MMU recommends that, under the current FTR design, all congestion revenue in excess of FTR target allocations be distributed to ARR holders on a monthly basis. (Priority: High. First reported 2018. Status: Not adopted.)
- The MMU recommends that FTR auction revenues not be used to buy counter flow FTRs for the purpose of improving FTR payout ratios.<sup>6</sup> (Priority: High. First reported 2015. Status: Not adopted.)
- The MMU recommends that PJM eliminate portfolio netting to eliminate cross subsidies among FTR market participants. (Priority: High. First reported 2012. Status: Not adopted. Rejected by FERC.)
- The MMU recommends that PJM eliminate subsidies to counter flow FTRs by applying the payout ratio to counter flow FTRs in the same way the payout ratio is applied to prevailing flow FTRs. (Priority: High. First reported 2012. Status: Not adopted.)
- The MMU recommends that PJM eliminate geographic cross subsidies. (Priority: High. First reported 2013. Status: Not adopted.)
- The MMU recommends that PJM examine the mechanism by which self scheduled FTRs are allocated when load switching among LSEs occurs throughout the planning period. (Priority: Low. First reported 2011. Status: Not adopted.)
- The MMU recommends that PJM improve transmission outage modeling in the FTR auction models, including the use of probabilistic outage modeling. (Priority: Low. First reported 2013. Status: Not adopted.)
- The MMU recommends that PJM reduce FTR sales on paths with persistent overallocation of FTRs including clear rules for what defines persistent overallocation and how the reduction will be applied. (Priority: High. First reported 2013. Status: Partially adopted, 2014/2015 planning period.)
- The MMU recommends that PJM and its members continue to review the management of a defaulted member's FTR portfolio, including options other than immediate liquidation. (Priority: High. First reported 2018. Status: Not adopted.)
- The MMU recommends that PJM continue to evaluate the bilateral indemnification rules and any asymmetries they may create. (Priority: Low. First reported 2018. Status: Not adopted.)

<sup>6</sup> See "PJM Manual 6: Financial Transmission Rights," Rev. 23 (Sep. 1, 2019).

- The MMU recommends that PJM examine the source and sink node combinations available in the FTR market and eliminate generation to generation paths and all other paths that do not represent the delivery of power to load. (Priority: High. First reported 2018. Status: Not adopted.)
- The MMU recommends that the forfeiture amount from the FTR forfeiture rule be based on the correct hourly cost of an FTR, rather than a simple daily price divided by 24. (Priority: High. First reported 2018. Status: Not adopted. Pending at FERC.)
- The MMU recommends that IARRs be eliminated from PJM's tariff, but that if IARRs are not eliminated, IARRs should be subject to the same proration rules that apply to all other ARR rights. (Priority: Low. First reported 2018. Status: Not adopted.)

## Conclusion

The annual ARR allocation should be designed to ensure that the rights to all congestion revenues are assigned to firm transmission service customers, without requiring contract path physical transmission rights that are inconsistent with the network based delivery of power and the actual way congestion is generated in security constrained LMP markets. The fixed charges paid for firm transmission services result in the transmission system which provides physically firm transmission service, which results in the delivery of low cost generation, which results in load paying congestion revenues, in an LMP market.

Revenue adequacy is misunderstood and generally incorrectly defined. Revenue adequacy has received a lot of attention in the PJM FTR Market and conclusions based on the incorrect definition have led to significant changes in the design of the ARR/FTR market that have distorted the function and purpose of ARRs and FTRs as a means of allocating congestion and congestion rights. Correctly defined, revenue adequacy for ARRs means that ARRs have the rights to 100 percent of congestion revenue. FTR holders, with the creation of ARRs, do not have a right to receive revenues equal to CLMP differentials on individual FTR paths.

The current ARR/FTR design does not serve as an efficient way to ensure that load receives the rights to all the congestion revenues and has the ability to

receive the auction revenues associated with all the potential congestion revenues. Total ARR and self scheduled FTR revenue offset 65.3, 90.3, 103.6, 50.0 and 92.1 percent of total congestion costs including congestion in the Day-Ahead Energy Market and the balancing energy market for the 2014/2015, 2015/2016, 2016/2017, 2017/2018, and 2018/2019 planning periods in aggregate. The aggregate offset is highly dependent on the valuation of ARRs compared to day-ahead target allocations. Within the planning period, surplus monthly revenue can be distributed to FTRs to achieve revenue adequacy for the planning year to date, but at the end of the planning period any remaining surplus revenue left after paying FTR target allocations is assigned to ARR holders. Distributing surplus to FTR holders first does not preserve ARR's rights to congestion revenue. If the surplus revenue available through December 2019 were distributed to ARR holders, total ARR and self scheduled FTR revenue would offset 106.4 percent, and 88.6 percent without distribution of surplus revenue, of total congestion costs for the first seven months of the 2019/2020 planning period.

The inconsistency between actual network use and generation to load paths used to assign ARRs results in an underassignment of congestion to ARRs. In addition, this inconsistency has very different results by zone. Load in some zones receives congestion revenues well in excess of the congestion they pay. The reverse is true for other zones. For the first seven months of the 2019/2020 planning period, BGE offset 353.8 percent of their congestion costs while JCPJ offset only 15.5 percent. These disparities indicate that the path based construct is not functioning properly on a zonal basis.

PJM has persistently and subjectively intervened in the FTR market in order to affect the payments to FTR holders. These interventions are not appropriate. For example, in the 2014/2015, 2015/2016 and 2016/2017 planning periods, PJM significantly reduced the allocation of ARR capacity, and FTRs, in order to guarantee full FTR funding. PJM reduced system capability in the FTR auction model by including more outages, reducing line limits and including additional constraints. PJM's modeling changes resulted in significant reductions in Stage 1B and Stage 2 ARR allocations, a corresponding reduction in the available quantity of FTRs, a reduction in congestion revenues assigned to ARRs, and an associated surplus of congestion revenue relative to

FTR target allocations. This also resulted in a significant redistribution of ARRs among ARR holders based on differences in allocations between Stage 1A and Stage 1B ARRs. Starting in the 2017/2018 planning period, with the allocation of balancing congestion and M2M payments to load rather than FTRs, PJM increased system capability allocated to Stage 1B and Stage 2 ARRs, but continued to conservatively select outages to manage FTR funding levels.

PJM has intervened aggressively in the FTR market since its inception in order to meet various subjective objectives. PJM should not intervene in the FTR market to subjectively manage FTR funding. PJM should fix the FTR/ARR design and then should let the market work to return congestion to load and to let FTR values reflect actual congestion.

Load should never be required to subsidize payments to FTR holders, regardless of the reason. Such subsidies have been suggested repeatedly.<sup>7</sup> The FERC order of September 15, 2016, introduced a subsidy to FTR holders at the expense of ARR holders.<sup>8</sup> The order requires PJM to ignore balancing congestion when calculating total congestion dollars available to fund FTRs. As of the 2017/2018 planning period, as a result of the FERC order, balancing congestion and M2M payments are assigned to load, rather than to FTR holders. The Commission's order shifts substantial revenue from load to the holders of FTRs and reduces the ability of load to offset congestion. This approach ignores the fact that loads must pay both day-ahead and balancing congestion, and that congestion is defined, in an accounting sense, to equal the sum of day-ahead and balancing congestion. Eliminating balancing congestion from the FTR revenue calculation requires load to pay twice for congestion. Load pays for the physical transmission system, pays in excess of generator revenues and pays negative balancing congestion again. The result is that load gets back less than total congestion. Based on a recent rule change, balancing congestion is allocated to load on a load ratio share, rather than on the basis of location or source of the balancing congestion. This rule creates inappropriate cross subsidies among loads.

These changes were made in order to increase the payout to holders of FTRs who are not loads. Load will continue to be the source of all the funding for FTRs, while payments to FTR holders who did not receive ARRs exceed total congestion on their FTR paths and result in profits to FTR holders. Increasing the payout to FTR holders at the expense of the load is not a supportable market objective. Under the current FTR design, FTR holders should receive actual congestion on the relevant FTR paths and paths should be limited to actual physical source and sink points to align congestion rights with the paths that generate congestion and to limit cross subsidies. But PJM should implement an FTR design that calculates and assigns congestion rights to load rather than continuing to modify the current design.

Load was made significantly worse off as a result of the changes made to the FTR/ARR process by PJM based on the FERC order of September 15, 2016. ARR revenues were significantly reduced for the 2017/2018 FTR Auction, the first auction under the new rules. ARRs and self scheduled FTRs offset 50.0 percent of total congestion costs for the 2017/2018 planning period rather than the 60.5 percent offset that would have occurred under the prior rules, a difference of \$125.8 million. There was a significant amount of congestion in January 2018 which adversely affected the congestion offset value of ARRs. ARR revenue is fixed at annual auction prices, but congestion revenue varies with market conditions. If these allocation rules had been in place beginning with the 2011/2012 planning period, ARR holders would have received a total of \$1,160.0 million less in congestion offsets from the 2011/2012 through the 2017/2018 planning period. The total overpayment to FTR holders for the 2011/2012 through 2018/2019 planning period would have been \$1,427.4 million.

The actual underpayment to load and the overpayment to FTR holders was a result of several rules, all of which mean the transfer of revenues to FTR holders and the shifting of costs to load. Load is not assigned rights to all congestion as a result of using generation to load paths. Load is required to pay for balancing congestion, which significantly increases costs to load and significantly increases revenues paid to FTR holders while degrading the ability of ARRs to provide a predictable offset to congestion costs. Surplus revenues from the FTR auction are not assigned to ARR holders, but are used by PJM to clear counter flow FTRs in the

<sup>7</sup> See FERC Dockets Nos. EL13-47-000 and EL12-19-000.

<sup>8</sup> See 156 FERC ¶ 61,180 (2016), *reh'g denied*, 156 FERC ¶ 61,093 (2017).

Monthly FTR Auctions in order to make it possible to sell more prevailing flow FTRs and to insure revenue adequacy for FTRs before distribution to ARR holders. Under the prior rules, surplus revenues in the day-ahead market were assigned directly to FTR holders along with surplus auction revenues.

A rule change was implemented by PJM that offset the more egregious effects of the allocation of balancing congestion to load. Beginning with the 2018/2019 planning period, surplus revenues in the day-ahead market and surplus auction revenue are assigned to FTR holders only up to revenue adequacy, and then distributed to ARR holders. This is consistent with a recognition that PJM's modeling does not assign the full capacity of the system to ARR holders.<sup>9</sup>

All congestion revenue belongs to ARR holders, and PJM's new surplus congestion allocation rule is consistent with that goal. However, under the rules, ARR holders will only be allocated this surplus after full funding of FTRs is accomplished. The new rules do not fully recognize ARR holders' primary rights to surplus congestion revenue. With this rule in effect for the 2018/2019 planning period, ARRs and FTRs offset 92.1 percent of total congestion rather than 78.1 percent.

The overallocation of Stage 1A ARRs results in FTR overallocations on the same facilities. While Stage 1A overallocation has been reduced, Stage 1A ARR overallocation is a source of reduced revenue and cross subsidy.

The MMU recommends that the basis for the Stage 1A assignments be reviewed and made explicit and that the role of out of date generation to load paths be reviewed beyond the replacement of retired generation that was implemented. There is a reason that transmission is not built to address the Stage 1A overallocation issue. PJM's transmission planning process (RTEP) does not identify a need for new transmission because many of the over allocations are due to outages in the FTR model, or are not actual system limitations. Capacity issues do not persist if the modeled outages are removed, so there is no need to expand the transmission system to support them. The Stage 1A overallocation issue is a fiction based on the use of outdated and irrelevant generation

to load paths to assign Stage 1A rights that have nothing to do with actual power flows.

In addition to addressing these issues, the approach to the question of FTR funding should also examine the fundamental reasons that there has been a significant and persistent difference between day-ahead and balancing congestion. The MMU recommends that the transmission modeling in the FTR auction and persistent FTR path overallocation issues be reviewed and addressed. In addition the role of UTCs in taking advantage of these modeling differences and creating negative balancing congestion that must be paid for by load should be addressed. Regardless of how these issues are addressed, funding issues that persist as a result of modeling differences and flaws in the design of the FTR Market should be borne by FTR holders operating in the voluntary FTR Market and not imposed on load through the mechanism of balancing congestion.

Another issue with the current market design is that there is no effective way for the market to result in price discovery in the annual auctions because the sellers of congestion rights, ARR holders, cannot set a reserve price or otherwise actually participate in what is called the FTR market. ARR holders cannot claim the capability of all of the network that serves their load, cannot choose how much of the system they want to sell and cannot set a reserve price on what is made available in the market. PJM, as the system administrator, chooses what is available to sell, including system capability that cannot be claimed by load, and then offers that market model capability as a price taker in the FTR auction. Due to this design, FTR prices are consistently below the value of congestion. When FTR prices begin to converge towards expected congestion levels in near term monthly auctions it is the result of the active participation as sellers by entities who have purchased FTRs in the long term and annual auctions, who set explicit reserve prices reflecting the expected value of congestion.

The MMU recommends that the Long Term FTR product be eliminated. If the Long Term FTR product is not eliminated, the MMU recommends that Long Term FTR Market be modified so that the supply of prevailing flow FTRs in the Long Term FTR Market is based solely on counter flow offers in the Long Term FTR Market. This would ensure ARR holders' rights to congestion while

<sup>9</sup> 163 FERC ¶61,165 (2018).



maintaining the ability for participants to purchase congestion offsets for future planning periods.

## Auction Revenue Rights

### ARRs

Auction Revenue Rights (ARRs) are the mechanism used to assign the rights to congestion revenues to load. ARRs define the rights to congestion. ARRs are assigned to load using an archaic path based approach. ARRs are sold to FTR buyers in FTR Auctions. ARR values are based on nodal price differences established by cleared FTR bids in the Annual FTR Auction. ARR sellers have no opportunity to define a price at which they are willing to sell. ARR holders must accept the prices as defined by FTR buyers. ARR revenues are a function of FTR auction participants' expectations of congestion, risk, competition and available system capability. PJM has significant discretion over that level of system capability. The appropriate goals of that discretion need to be significantly limited and defined clearly in the tariff.

ARRs are available only as obligations (not options) and only as a 24 hour product. ARRs are available to the nearest 0.1 MW. The ARR target allocation is equal to the product of the ARR MW and the price difference between the ARR sink and source from the Annual FTR Auction.<sup>10</sup> An ARR's target allocation, or value, which is established from the Annual FTR Auction, can be a benefit or liability depending on the price difference between sink and source. If the combined net revenues from the Long Term, Annual and Monthly Balance of Planning Period FTR Auctions are greater than the sum of all ARR target allocations, ARRs are fully funded, otherwise, available revenue is proportionally allocated among all ARR holders. If auction revenues are greater than ARR target allocations, the revenue is first used to fully fund ARRs in previous months, then fully fund FTRs, and then provided to ARR holders at the end of the planning period.

The goal of the ARR/FTR design should be to provide an efficient mechanism to ensure that load receives the rights to all congestion revenues, and that ARR holders receive the auction revenues associated with

all potential congestion revenues whether through self scheduling or selling the rights to FTR holders. Given that ARR holders have rights to all congestion revenue and the FTR auction is the way in which ARR holders exchange rights to congestion for fixed payments, then 100 percent of the FTR auction revenue should be assigned to ARR holders. The MMU recommends that all FTR auction revenues be allocated to ARR holders.

When a new control zone is integrated into PJM, firm transmission customers in that control zone may choose to receive either an FTR allocation or an ARR allocation before the start of the Annual FTR Auction for two consecutive planning periods following their integration date. After the transition period, such participants receive ARRs from the annual allocation process and are not eligible for directly allocated FTRs. Network service users and firm transmission customers cannot choose to receive both an FTR allocation and an ARR allocation. This selection applies to the participant's entire portfolio of ARRs that sink into the new control zone. During this transitional period, the directly allocated FTRs are reallocated, as load shifts between LSEs within the transmission zone.

### IARRs

Incremental Auction Revenue Rights (IARRs) are ARRs made available by physical transmission system upgrades from customer funded transmission projects or from merchant transmission or generation interconnection requests. In order for a transmission project to result in IARRs, the project must create simultaneously feasible incremental market flow capability in PJM's ARR market model, over and above all system capability being used by existing allocated ARRs and/or would be used by granting any prorated outstanding ARR requests, in the ARR market model.<sup>11</sup>

There are three approaches to the creation and assigning of IARRs: IARRs can be requested based on specific transmission investment; IARRs can be granted based on merchant transmission or generation interconnection projects; and IARRs can be the result of RTEP upgrades. In each case, the participants paying for the upgrades are allocated the IARR that are created.

<sup>10</sup> These nodal prices are a function of the market participants' annual FTR bids and binding transmission constraints. An optimization algorithm selects the set of feasible FTR bids that produces the most net revenue.

<sup>11</sup> See PJM Incremental Auction Revenue Rights Model Development and Analysis, PJM June 12, 2017. <<https://www.pjm.com/~media/markets-ops/ptr/pjm-iarr-model-development-and-analysis.ashx>>.

IARRs are allocated to customers that have been assigned cost responsibility for certain upgrades included in PJM's RTEP. These customers as defined in Schedule 12 of the Tariff are network service customers and/or merchant transmission facility owners that are assigned the cost responsibility for upgrades included in the PJM RTEP. PJM calculates IARRs for each regionally assigned facility and allocates the IARRs, if any are created by the upgrade, to eligible customers based on their share of cost responsibility. The customers may choose to decline the IARR allocation during the annual ARR allocation process.<sup>12</sup> Each network service customer within a zone is allocated a share of the IARRs in the zone based on their share of the network service peak load of the zone.

The MMU recommends that IARRs be eliminated from the PJM tariff. The MMU supports increased competition to provide transmission using market mechanisms. The IARR process is not a viable mechanism for facilitating competitive transmission investments. Continuing to pretend that the IARR process is viable may impede the search for real solutions. PJM's process for using IARRs is fundamentally flawed and cannot be made consistent with the requirements of Order No. 681 which established IARRs.<sup>13</sup>

Order No. 681 requires that long-term firm transmission rights made feasible by transmission upgrades or expansions must be available upon request to the party that pays for such upgrades or expansions.<sup>14</sup> Order No. 681 also requires that the rights granted by upgrades/expansions cannot come at the expense of transmission rights held by others. IARRs are treated as Stage 1A rights. Granting Stage 1A status to IARRs is preferential treatment of IARR rights relative to the ARR rights belonging to load. Only a subset of the ARR rights are treated as Stage 1A rights. Stage 1A rights are given first and absolute priority in PJM's annual allocation process. If the annual market model used to assign existing ARR rights in a given year cannot simultaneously support all Stage 1A ARR requests, the system model is modified so as to make the Stage 1A ARR requests feasible. The result is an over allocation of congestion rights relative

to expected congestion. To avoid having FTR target allocations exceed expected congestion, PJM reduces annual market model system capability available to non-Stage 1A rights through selective line outages and line rating reductions. The resulting market model artificially supports all the Stage 1A ARR requests and artificially reduces the amount of remaining later tier ARR from other rights holders. Stage 1A ARRs, including IARRs, are artificially approved at the expense of other preexisting congestion rights. In the case of IARRs, this is in violation of Order No. 681.

If IARRs are not eliminated, the MMU recommends that IARRs be subject to the same proration rules that apply to all other ARR rights.

## Market Structure

ARRs have been available to network service and firm, point to point transmission service customers since June 1, 2003, when the annual ARR allocation was first implemented for the 2003/2004 planning period. The initial allocation covered the Mid-Atlantic Region and the APS Control Zone. For the 2006/2007 planning period, the choice of ARRs or direct allocation FTRs was available to eligible market participants in the AEP, DAY, DLCO and Dominion control zones. For the 2007/2008 and subsequent planning periods through the present, all eligible market participants were allocated ARRs.

## Supply and Demand

System capability available to ARR holders is limited by the system capability made available in PJM's annual FTR transmission system market model. PJM's annual FTR transmission market model represents annual, expected system capability, modified by PJM to achieve PJM's goal of guaranteeing revenue equal to target allocations for FTRs, and subject to the requirement that all Stage 1A ARR requests must be allocated. Stage 1A ARR right requests are guaranteed and system capability necessary to accommodate the rights must be included in PJM's annual FTR transmission system market model.

## ARR Allocation

For the 2007/2008 planning period, the annual ARR allocation process was revised to include Long Term ARRs that would be in effect for 10 consecutive planning

<sup>12</sup> "PJM Manual 6: Financial Transmission Rights," Rev. 23 (Sep. 1, 2019); "IARRs for RTEP Upgrades Allocated for 2016/2017 Planning Period," <<http://www.pjm.com/~media/markets-ops/ftr/annual-arr-allocation/2018-2019/2018-2019-iarrs-for-rtep-upgrades-allocated.ashx>>.

<sup>13</sup> See November 7, 2019 Comments on TranSource, LLC v. PJM, 168 FERC ¶ 61,119 (2019) ("Opinion No. 566").

<sup>14</sup> Long-Term Firm Transmission Rights in Organized Electricity Markets, Order No. 681, 116 FERC ¶61,077 (2006) ("Order No. 681"), order on reh'g, Order No. 618-A, 117 FERC ¶ 61,201 (2006), order on reh'g, Order No. 681-A, 126 FERC ¶ 61,254 (2009).

periods.<sup>15</sup> Stage 1A ARRs can give LSEs the ability to offset their congestion costs, through the return of congestion revenues, on a long-term basis. Stage 1B and Stage 2 ARRs provide a method for ARR holders to have additional congestion revenues returned to them in the planning period over their Stage 1A allocation, but may be prorated. ARR holders can self schedule ARRs as FTRs during the Annual FTR Auction.<sup>16</sup>

Each March, PJM allocates annual ARRs to eligible customers in a three stage process:

- **Stage 1A.** In the first stage of the allocation, network transmission service customers can obtain ARRs, up to their share of Zonal Base Load, which is the lowest daily peak load in the prior twelve month period increased by load growth projections. The amount of Stage 1A ARRs a participant can request is based on generation to load paths that reflect generation resources that had historically served load, or their qualified replacements if the resource has retired, in the historical reference year for the zone. The historical reference year is the year prior to the creation of PJM markets, which is 1999 for the original zones, or the year in which a zone joined PJM. Firm, point to point transmission service customers can obtain Stage 1A ARRs, up to 50 percent of the MW of firm, point to point transmission service provided between the receipt and delivery points for the historical reference year. Stage 1A ARRs cannot be prorated. If Stage 1A ARRs are found to be infeasible, transmission system upgrades must be undertaken to maintain feasibility.<sup>17</sup>
- **Stage 1B.** Transmission capacity unallocated in Stage 1A is available in the Stage 1B allocation for the planning period. Network transmission service customers can obtain ARRs up to their share of zonal peak load, which is the highest daily peak load in the prior twelve month period increased by load growth projections, based on generation to load paths and up to the difference between their share of zonal peak load and Stage 1A allocations. Firm, point to point transmission service customers can obtain ARRs based on the MW of long-term, firm,

point to point service provided between the receipt and delivery points for the historical reference year.

- **Stage 2.** Stage 2 of the annual ARR allocation allocates the remaining system capability equally in three steps. Network transmission service customers can obtain ARRs from any hub, control zone, generator bus or interface pricing point to any part of their aggregate load in the control zone or load aggregation zone up to their total peak network load in that zone. Firm, point to point transmission service customers can obtain ARRs consistent with their transmission service as in Stage 1A and Stage 1B.

Prior to the start of the Stage 2 annual ARR allocation process, ARR holders can relinquish any portion of their ARRs resulting from the Stage 1A or Stage 1B allocation process, provided that all remaining outstanding ARRs are simultaneously feasible following the return of such ARRs.<sup>18</sup> Participants may seek additional ARRs in the Stage 2 allocation.

Effective for the 2015/2016 planning period, when residual zonal pricing was introduced, an ARR will default to sinking at the load settlement point if different than the zone, but the ARR holder may elect to sink their ARR at the zone instead.<sup>19</sup>

ARRs can be traded between LSEs prior to the first round of the Annual FTR Auction. Traded ARRs are effective for the full 12 month planning period.

When ARRs are allocated after Stage 1A, all ARRs must be simultaneously feasible, meaning that the modeled transmission system can support the approved set of ARRs. In making simultaneous feasibility determinations, PJM uses a power flow model of security constrained dispatch based on assumptions about generation and transmission outages.<sup>20</sup> If the requested set of ARRs is not simultaneously feasible, customers are allocated prorated shares in direct proportion to their requested MW and in inverse proportion to their impact on binding constraints, except Stage 1A ARRs:

<sup>15</sup> See *2006 State of the Market Report* (March 8, 2007) for the rules of the annual ARR allocation process for the 2006 to 2007 and prior planning periods.

<sup>16</sup> OATT Attachment K 7.1.1.(b).

<sup>17</sup> See "PJM Manual 6: Financial Transmission Rights," Rev. 23 (Sep. 1, 2019).

<sup>18</sup> *Id.* at 21.

<sup>19</sup> See "Residual Zone Pricing," PJM Presentation to the Members Committee (February 23, 2012) <<http://www.pjm.com/~media/committees-groups/committees/mc/20120223/20120223-Item-03-residual-zone-pricing-presentation.ashx>>.

<sup>20</sup> "PJM Manual 6: Financial Transmission Rights," Rev. 23 (Sep. 1, 2019).

**Equation 13-1 Calculation of prorated ARR<sup>21</sup>**

$$MW = \text{Constraint Capability} \times \left( \frac{\text{Individual Requested MW}}{\text{Total Requested MW}} \right) \times \left( \frac{1}{\text{MW impact on line}} \right)$$

The effect of an ARR request on a binding constraint is measured using the ARR's power flow distribution factor. An ARR's distribution factor is the percent of each requested ARR MW that would have a power flow on the binding constraint. The PJM method prorates ARR requests in proportion to their MW value and impact on the binding constraint. The PJM method prorates only ARRs that cause the greatest flows on the binding constraint. Were all ARR requests prorated equally, regardless of their impact on the binding constraints, the result would reduce allocated ARRs below actually available ARRs.

**FERC Order EL16-121: Stage 1A ARR Allocation**

FERC ordered PJM to remove retired resources from the generation to load paths used to allocate Stage 1A ARRs.<sup>22</sup> PJM replaced retired units with operating generators, termed qualified replacement resources (QRRs).<sup>23</sup>

The method PJM implemented continues to rely on a contract path based approach. Existing Stage 1A resources are given their current allocations, while ARR allocations to QRRs that replace retired Stage 1A resources are prorated based on the feasibility of these ARRs after existing resources are allocated. As a result of this proration, ARRs for QRRs have lower priority than ARRs from generators that existed in 1998.

Generation to load paths, even from active generators, are based on a contract path model rather than a network model. Generation to load paths should not be used as a basis for assigning ARR capability. Contract paths are not an accurate representation of the reasons that congestion is created or that load is served in a network and will, by definition, not accurately measure the exposure of load to congestion, especially by location.

**Market Performance****Revenue**

ARRs are allocated to qualifying customers rather than sold, so ARR revenue (target allocation) is different from the revenue that results from the FTR auctions which generally exceeds the sum of the ARR target allocations.

**ARR Reassignment for Retail Load Switching**

PJM rules provide that when load switches between LSEs during the planning period, a proportional share of associated ARRs that sink in a given control or load aggregation zone is automatically reassigned to follow that load.<sup>24</sup> ARR reassignment occurs daily only if the LSE losing load has ARRs with a net positive economic value. An LSE gaining load in the same control zone is allocated a proportional share of positively valued ARRs within the control zone based on the shifted load. ARRs are reassigned to the nearest 0.001 MW and may be reassigned multiple times over a planning period. Residual ARRs are also subject to reassignment. This practice supports competition by ensuring that the offset to congestion follows load, thereby removing a barrier to competition among LSEs and, by ensuring that only ARRs with a positive value are reassigned, preventing an LSE from assigning poor ARR choices to other LSEs. However, when ARRs are self scheduled as FTRs, the self scheduled FTRs do not follow load that shifts while the ARRs do follow load that shifts, and this may result in lower value of the ARRs for the receiving LSE compared to the total value held by the original ARR holder.

There were 35,571 MW of ARRs associated with \$423,100 of revenue that were reassigned for the 2018/2019 planning period. There were 24,341 MW of ARRs associated with \$404,700 of revenue that were reassigned in the first seven months of the 2019/2020 planning period.

Table 13-3 summarizes ARR MW and associated revenue reassigned for network load in each control zone where changes occurred between June 2018 and December 2019.

<sup>21</sup> See the *MMU Technical Reference for PJM Markets*, at "Financial Transmission Rights and Auction Revenue Rights," for an illustration explaining this calculation in greater detail. <[http://www.monitoringanalytics.com/reports/Technical\\_References/references.shtml](http://www.monitoringanalytics.com/reports/Technical_References/references.shtml)>.

<sup>22</sup> 156 FERC ¶ 61,180 (2016).

<sup>23</sup> See FERC Docket No. EL16-6-003.

<sup>24</sup> See "PJM Manual 6: Financial Transmission Rights," Rev. 23 (Sep. 1, 2019).



**Table 13-3 ARRs and ARR revenue automatically reassigned for network load changes by control zone: June 2018 through December 2019**

Control Zone	ARRs Reassigned (MW-day)		ARR Revenue Reassigned [Dollars (Thousands) per MW-day]	
	2018/2019 (12 months)	2019/2020 (7 months)	2018/2019 (12 months)	2019/2020 (7 months)
AECO	392	231	\$2.1	\$2.2
AEP	2,730	4,931	\$35.0	\$126.5
APS	945	984	\$17.6	\$27.0
ATSI	4,923	1,658	\$49.9	\$16.9
BGE	1,732	1,755	\$46.1	\$42.2
ComEd	3,261	1,705	\$43.9	\$14.4
DAY	718	612	\$3.7	\$6.1
DEOK	2,442	547	\$60.3	\$31.1
DLCO	4,576	1,362	\$44.6	\$3.1
Dominion	70	186	\$0.6	\$1.7
DPL	1,932	522	\$43.3	\$32.7
EKPC	0	0	\$0.0	\$0.0
JCPL	1,172	737	\$1.6	\$2.9
Met-Ed	604	329	\$4.7	\$3.5
OVEC	NA	0	NA	\$0.0
PECO	2,997	2,727	\$20.9	\$16.5
PENELEC	716	392	\$8.4	\$9.6
Pepco	1,477	1,595	\$18.1	\$23.0
PPL	3,643	3,029	\$8.0	\$25.1
PSEG	1,195	1,012	\$14.2	\$20.4
RECO	46	27	\$0.0	\$0.1
Total	35,571	24,341	\$423.1	\$404.7

## Residual ARRs

Introduced August 1, 2012, Residual ARRs are available for eligible ARR holders when a transmission outage was modeled in the Annual ARR Allocation, but the transmission facility returns to service during the planning period. Residual ARRs are effective for single months, and cannot be self scheduled. Residual ARR target allocations are based on the clearing prices from FTR obligations in the relevant monthly auction, may not exceed zonal network services peak load or firm transmission reservation levels and are only available up to the prorated ARR MW capacity as allocated in the Annual ARR Allocation. For the following planning period, these Residual ARRs are available as ARRs in the annual ARR allocation. Residual ARRs are a separate product from incremental ARRs. Beginning with the June 2017 monthly auction, Residual ARRs that would have cleared with a negative target allocation are not assigned to participants.<sup>25</sup>

Table 13-4 shows the Residual ARRs (cleared volume) allocated to participants, along with the target allocations (bid and requested) from the effective month. In the 2019/2020 planning period, PJM allocated a

total of 14,390.3 MW of Residual ARRs with a target allocation of \$5.6 million. In the same time period for the 2018/2019 planning period, PJM allocated a total of 15,463.3 MW of residual ARRs with a target allocation of \$5.7 million. In the 2017/2018 planning period, PJM allocated a total of 39,597.4 MW of residual ARRs, up from 35,034.9 MW for the 2016/2017 planning period. Residual ARRs had a total target allocation of \$17.5 million for the 2017/2018 planning period, up from \$7.0 million for the 2016/2017 planning period. In prior planning years, PJM's modeling of excess outages resulted in the allocation of some ARRs that could have been allocated in Stage 1B being allocated as Residual ARRs on a month to month basis without the option to self schedule.

**Table 13-4 Residual ARR allocation volume and target allocation: January through December, 2019**

Month	Available Volume (MW)	Cleared Volume (MW)	Cleared Volume (%)	Target Allocation
Jan-19	3,964.1	2,796.7	70.6%	\$2,764,132
Feb-19	3,399.5	2,455.6	72.2%	\$1,380,364
Mar-19	2,737.7	2,109.3	77.0%	\$850,832
Apr-19	6,180.9	2,022.1	32.7%	\$467,726
May-19	7,105.6	2,488.6	35.0%	\$676,447
Jun-19	2,016.0	1,633.8	81.0%	\$795,709
Jul-19	3,232.0	2,251.9	69.7%	\$750,500
Aug-19	3,040.8	2,271.3	74.7%	\$780,765
Sep-19	2,873.9	1,991.3	69.3%	\$367,478
Oct-19	5,215.3	2,142.9	41.1%	\$529,431
Nov-19	2,678.2	2,097.0	78.3%	\$747,219
Dec-19	3,469.5	2,002.1	57.7%	\$1,602,189
Total	45,913.5	26,262.6	57.2%	\$11,712,792

## Financial Transmission Rights

FTRs are financial instruments that entitle their holders to receive revenue or require them to pay charges based on locational congestion price differences in the Day-Ahead Energy Market across specific FTR transmission paths. The value of the day-ahead congestion price differences, termed the FTR target allocation, defines the maximum, but not guaranteed, payout for FTRs. The target allocation of an FTR reflects the difference in day-ahead congestion prices rather than the difference in LMPs, which includes both congestion and marginal losses. Negative target allocations require the FTR holder to pay into the FTR market. After FERC's order assigning balancing congestion and M2M payments directly to load, available revenue to pay FTR holders' target allocations in a given month is based on the amount of day-ahead congestion, payments by holders of negatively valued FTRs, additional auction revenues available at the end

<sup>25</sup> See FERC Letter Order, Docket No. ER17-1057 (April 5, 2017).

of a month over ARR target allocations, any charges made to day-ahead operating reserves and any surplus revenue from preceding months in these categories. The target allocations are a cap on payments to FTR holders. At the end of the planning period, any surplus revenue above the target allocations is distributed proportionally to ARR holders.

FTR funding is not on a path specific basis or on an hour to hour basis and treats all FTRs the same. The result is widespread cross subsidies because assignment of path specific ARRs/FTRs may exceed system capability and affect the payments to FTRs on other paths. FTR auction revenues and excess revenues are carried forward from prior months and distributed back from later months within a planning period. At the end of a planning period, if some months remain not fully funded, an uplift charge is collected from any FTR market participants that hold FTRs for the planning period based on their pro rata share of total net positive FTR target allocations, excluding any charge to FTR holders with a net negative FTR position for the planning year.

Auction market participants are free to request FTRs between any eligible pricing nodes on the system. For the Long Term FTR Auction there is a more restricted set of available hubs, control zones, aggregates, generator buses and interface pricing points available. For the Annual FTR Auction and FTRs bought for a quarterly period in the monthly auction, the available FTR source and sink points include hubs, control zones, aggregates, generator buses, load buses and interface pricing points. An FTR bought in the Monthly FTR Auction for any single calendar month following that auction may include any bus for which an LMP is calculated in the FTR model used. PJM does not allow FTR buy bids to clear with a price of zero unless there is at least one constraint in the auction which affects the FTR path. FTRs are available to the nearest 0.1 MW. The FTR target allocation is calculated hourly and is equal to the product of the FTR MW and the congestion price difference between sink and source that occurs in the Day-Ahead Energy Market.

## Market Structure

FTRs are bought from system capability defined by PJM. There are no sellers of system FTR capability, although FTR buyers can resell FTRs. Load cannot determine the price at which PJM sells system FTR capability. PJM's

objective in the auctions is to maximize auction revenue. The absence of sellers who can decide at what price to sell FTRs is a fundamental flaw in the FTR market.

Once bought from PJM, FTRs can be bought, sold and self scheduled. Buy bids are bids to buy FTRs in the auctions; sell offers are offers to sell existing FTRs in the auctions; and self scheduled bids are FTRs that have been directly converted from ARRs in the Annual FTR Auction. Self scheduled FTRs represent the choice by an ARR holder to be paid based on actual day-ahead congestion revenue rather than the fixed ARR value determined in the annual FTR auction.

There are two types of FTR products: obligations and options. An obligation provides a credit, positive or negative, equal to the product of the FTR MW and the congestion price difference between FTR sink (destination) and source (origin) that occurs in the Day-Ahead Energy Market. An option provides only positive credits and options are available for only a subset of the possible FTR transmission paths.

There are three classes of FTR products: 24 hour, on peak and off peak. The 24 hour products are effective 24 hours a day, seven days a week, while the on peak products are effective during on peak periods defined as the hours ending 0800 through 2300, Eastern Prevailing Time (EPT) Mondays through Fridays, excluding North American Electric Reliability Council (NERC) holidays. The off peak products are effective during hours ending 2400 through 0700, EPT, Mondays through Fridays, and during all hours on Saturdays, Sundays and NERC holidays.

PJM operates three types of auctions for FTRs. The objective function of all FTR auctions is to maximize the bid based value of FTRs awarded in each auction. PJM conducts an Annual FTR Auction, Monthly Balance of Planning Period FTR Auctions for the remaining months of the planning period and a Long Term FTR Auction for the following three consecutive planning years.<sup>26</sup> FTR options are not available in the Long Term FTR Auction.

A self scheduled FTR must have the same source and sink points as the ARR and be a 24 hour obligation product. Self scheduled FTRs exchange an ARR for a

<sup>26</sup> See "PJM Manual 6: Financial Transmission Rights," Rev. 23 (Sep. 1, 2019).

matching FTR without making a payment. From a settlements perspective, the self scheduling participant is paid the ARR target allocation, which is used to pay the price of the FTR. The participant then receives the hourly congestion LMP difference of their source and sink points as any other FTR would.

A secondary bilateral market is also administered by PJM to allow participants to buy and sell existing FTRs. FTRs can also be exchanged bilaterally outside PJM markets. FTR self scheduled bids by ARR holders are available only as obligations for the 24 hour product and only in the Annual FTR Auction.

### Supply and Demand

Total FTR supply in each auction is limited by the capability of the transmission system included in the PJM FTR market model as modified, for example, by PJM assumptions about outages, for which there are no clear rules. PJM may also limit available capability through subjective judgment exercised without any clear guidelines. PJM outage assumptions are a key factor in determining the supply of ARRs and the related supply of FTRs in the Annual FTR Auction. Long Term FTR Auction capability is determined by removing all outages and running an offline model of the previous Annual FTR Auction model with all ARR bids. Any ARR MW that clear are reserved for ARR holders in their effective planning periods, and are removed from the Long Term FTR Auction capability. This does not, and cannot, preserve all possible capacity for ARR holders before a long term auction due to changes in system topology and outage selection between planning periods. Total Monthly FTR Auction capacity is based on the residual capacity available after the Long Term and Annual FTR auctions are conducted and adjustments are made to outages to reflect anticipated system conditions for the time periods auctioned.

The MMU recommends that the full transmission capacity of the system be allocated as ARRs prior to sale as FTRs.

Depending on assumptions used in the auction transmission model, the total FTR supply can be greater than or less than system capability in aggregate and/or on a path basis. FTR supply greater than system capability contributes to FTR target allocations

exceeding congestion revenue. FTR supply less than system capability contributes to congestion revenue in excess of target allocations.

PJM can also make further subjective adjustments to the auction model to manage FTR revenues. PJM can assume arbitrarily higher outage levels and PJM can decide to include additional constraints (closed loop interfaces) both of which reduce system capability in the auction model. These PJM actions reduce the supply of available Stage 1B and Stage 2 ARRs, which in turn reduce the number of FTRs available for purchase. PJM made very significant adjustments starting in the 2014/2015 planning period auction model through the 2016/2017 planning period resulting in a drop of Stage 1B and Stage 2 ARR capacity of 86.1 percent from the 2013/2014 to the 2014/2015 planning periods. After balancing congestion was assigned to load and exports, beginning in the 2017/2018 planning period, PJM partially reversed their approach and ARR capacity increased to 2013/2014 planning period levels.

The auction process does not account for the fact that significant transmission outages, which have not been provided to PJM by transmission owners prior to the auction date, will occur during the periods covered by the auctions. Such transmission outages may or may not be planned in advance or may be emergency outages.<sup>27</sup> In addition, it is difficult to model in an annual auction two outages of similar significance and similar duration in different areas which do not overlap in time. The choice of which to model may have significant distributional consequences. The fact that outages are modeled at significantly lower than historical levels results in selling too many FTRs which creates downward pressure on revenues paid to each FTR. To address this issue, the MMU recommends that PJM use probabilistic outage modeling to better align the supply of ARRs and FTRs with actual system capabilities.

### Long Term FTR Auctions

In July 2006, FERC issued a Final Rule mandating the creation of long term firm transmission rights in transmission organizations with organized electricity markets (FERC Docket No. RM06-8-000; Order No. 681).<sup>28</sup> FERC's goal was that "load serving entities be

<sup>27</sup> See the 2019 State of the Market Report for PJM, Volume 2, Section 12: Transmission Facility Outages: Transmission Facility Outages Analysis for the FTR Market.

<sup>28</sup> 116 FERC ¶ 61,077 (2006).

able to request and obtain transmission rights up to a reasonable amount on a long-term firm basis, instead of being limited to obtaining exclusively annual rights.” Despite that order and inconsistent with the directive in that order, LSEs are not able to request ARR nor are LSEs guaranteed rights to the revenue from Long Term FTR Auctions in PJM’s long term FTR auction market design. Excess system capability in years two and three of the long term FTR auction are never made available to load in the form of ARRs and are only made available to FTR buyers.

PJM conducts a Long Term FTR Auction for the next three consecutive planning periods. The capacity offered for sale in Long Term FTR Auctions is the residual system capability assuming that all allocated ARRs are self scheduled as FTRs. PJM expands the available transmission capacity for the Long Term FTR Auction by removing all the transmission outages included in the model when allocating ARRs.

Beginning with Round 2 of the 2019/2022 Long Term FTR Auction, PJM implemented revisions to the determination of residual system capability made available in the Long Term FTR Auctions, and eliminated the YRALL product, consistent with the MMU’s recommendation. The revisions affect the determination of ARR rights reserved for ARR holders. Rather than simply preserving the ARR cleared capacity from the previous annual allocation, PJM reruns the simultaneous feasibility test for the ARR/FTR market model, without outages, using the previous year’s ARR requests, prorated when necessary, and use the resulting ARRs as the basis for reserving capability for ARR holders in the Long Term FTR Auction. The ARR requests are greater than previously cleared ARRs. The difference between the requested ARRs and ARR/FTR market model’s system capability, without outages, determines the residual capability offered in the Long Term FTR Auction. This method provides ARR holders with an improved representation of future system capability and preserves more congestion rights in the Long Term FTR Auction for ARR holders that will carry into the Annual FTR Auction than was preserved for ARR holders before this change. But this change does not address the system capability sold in years two and three of the Long Term FTR Auction which remains unavailable to ARRs. Capacity awarded in the Long Term FTR Auction is modeled as a fixed injection/withdrawal in the Annual FTR Auction, and is therefore

unavailable in upcoming auctions. While the new rules will improve the allocation of congestion rights to ARR holders, a proportion of congestion revenues will still be assigned to the Long Term FTR Auction without ever having been made available to ARR holders. Due to the duration of long term FTRs and the variable nature of the ARR/FTR model’s outage selections and system topology, reserving the previous year’s ARR bids does not capture all of the capability that should be available to ARR holders. Any capability that is auctioned in the Long Term FTR Auction, and that should otherwise be available to ARR holders, results in lost revenue to ARR holders. That outcome is inconsistent with the basic logic of ARRs and inconsistent with the stated intent of the market design which is to return all congestion revenues to load.

The 2009/2012 and 2010/2013 Long Term FTR Auctions consisted of two rounds.<sup>29</sup> Subsequent Long Term FTR Auctions consist of three rounds. FTRs purchased in prior rounds may be offered for sale in subsequent rounds. FTRs obtained in the Long Term Auctions may have terms of any one of the next three. FTR products available in the Long Term Auction include 24 hour, on peak and off peak FTR obligations. FTR option products are not available in Long Term FTR Auctions.

- Round 1. The first round is conducted in the June prior to the start of the term covered by the Long Term FTR Auction and uses PJM’s Summer Model build. Market participants make offers for FTRs between any source and sink.
- Round 2. The second round is conducted in September, uses the Summer Model build and follows the same rules as Round 1.
- Round 3. The third round is conducted in December, uses the Fall Model build and follows the same rules as Round 1.

### Annual FTR Auctions

Annual FTRs are effective beginning June 1 of the planning period through May 31. Outages expected to last two or more months, as well as any outages of a shorter duration that PJM determines would cause FTR revenue inadequacy if not modeled, are included in the

<sup>29</sup> FERC approved, on December 7, 2009, the addition of a third round to the Long Term FTR Auction. FERC letter order accepting PJM Interconnection, LLC’s revisions to Long-Term Financial Transmission Rights Auctions to its Amended and Restated Operating Agreement and Open Access Transmission Tariff, Docket No. ER10-82-000 (December 7, 2009).



determination of the simultaneous feasibility for the Annual FTR Auction.<sup>30</sup> While the full list of outages selected is publicly posted, PJM exercises significant subjective judgment in selecting outages to accomplish FTR revenue adequacy goals and the process by which these outages are selected is not clear and is not documented. ARR holders who wish to self-schedule must inform PJM prior to round one of the annual auction. Any self-scheduled ARR requests clear 25 percent of the requested volume in each round of the Annual FTR Auction as price takers. This auction consists of four rounds that allow any transmission service customers or PJM members to bid for any FTR or to offer for sale any FTR that they currently hold. FTRs in this auction can be obligations or options for peak, off-peak or 24-hour periods. FTRs purchased in one round of the Annual FTR Auction can be sold in later rounds or in the Monthly Balance of Planning Period FTR Auctions.

The FTRs sold in the Long Term FTR Auction for a future delivery year may conflict with the ARRs assigned to load in the ARR allocation process when that delivery year is effective. By not properly reserving all ARR capacity in the Long Term FTR Auction, it is possible that a SFT violation may occur between a long-term FTR and a self-scheduled ARR, resulting in revenue adequacy issues.

### Monthly Balance of Planning Period FTR Auctions

The residual capability of the PJM transmission system, after the Long Term and Annual FTR Auctions are concluded, is offered in the Monthly Balance of Planning Period FTR Auctions. Outages expected to last five or more days are included in the determination of the simultaneous feasibility test for the Monthly Balance of Planning Period FTR Auction. These are single-round monthly auctions that allow any transmission service customer or PJM member to bid for any FTR or to offer for sale any FTR that they currently hold. Market participants can bid for or offer monthly FTRs for any of the next three months remaining in the planning period, or quarterly FTRs for any of the quarters remaining in the planning period. FTRs in the auctions include obligations and options and 24-hour, on-peak and off-peak products.<sup>31</sup> Beginning with the 2018/2019 planning

period, to address performance issues in solving the Monthly Balance of Planning Period Auctions, participants may no longer place bids that overlap three available monthly periods.<sup>32</sup>

### Secondary Bilateral Market

Market participants can buy and sell existing FTRs through the PJM-administered, bilateral market, or market participants can trade FTRs among themselves without PJM involvement. Bilateral transactions that are not done through PJM can involve parties that are not PJM members. PJM has no knowledge of bilateral transactions, or the terms and risks of bilateral transactions, that are done outside of PJM's bilateral market system.

For bilateral trades done through PJM, the FTR transmission path must remain the same, FTR obligations must remain obligations, and FTR options must remain options. However, an individual FTR may be split up into multiple, smaller FTRs, down to increments of 0.1 MW. FTRs can also be given more restrictive start and end times, meaning that the start time cannot be earlier than the original FTR start time and the end time cannot be later than the original FTR end time.

### Patterns of Ownership

In order to evaluate the ownership of prevailing flow and counter-flow FTRs, the MMU categorized all participants owning FTRs in PJM as either physical or financial. Physical entities include utilities and customers which primarily take physical positions in PJM markets. Financial entities include banks, trading firms and hedge funds which primarily take financial positions in PJM markets. International market participants that primarily take financial positions in PJM markets are generally considered to be financial entities even if they are utilities in their own countries.

Table 13-5 presents the monthly balance of planning period FTR auction cleared FTRs for 2019 by trade type, organization type and FTR direction. Financial entities purchased 74.3 percent of prevailing flow FTRs, up 2.6 percentage points, and 81.2 percent of counter-flow FTRs, up 1.3 percentage points, for the year, with the result that financial entities purchased 77.4 percent, up

<sup>30</sup> See "PJM Manual 6: Financial Transmission Rights," Rev. 23 (Sep. 1, 2019).

<sup>31</sup> "PJM Manual 6: Financial Transmission Rights," Rev. 23 (Sep. 1, 2019).

<sup>32</sup> "PJM Manual 6: Financial Transmission Rights," Rev. 23 (Sep. 1, 2019).

2.1 percentage points, of all prevailing and counter flow FTR buy bids in the monthly balance of planning period FTR auction cleared FTRs for 2019.

**Table 13-5 Monthly Balance of Planning Period FTR Auction patterns of ownership by FTR direction: 2019**

Trade Type	Organization Type	FTR Direction		All
		Prevailing Flow	Counter Flow	
Buy Bids	Physical	25.7%	18.8%	22.6%
	Financial	74.3%	81.2%	77.4%
	Total	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
Sell Offers	Physical	14.0%	15.6%	14.5%
	Financial	86.0%	84.4%	85.5%
	Total	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%

Table 13-6 shows the HHI values for cleared MW for the 2019/2020 planning period monthly auctions by period. Cleared obligation buy bids are Unconcentrated or Moderately Concentrated. Cleared option buy bids range from Unconcentrated to Highly Concentrated.<sup>33</sup>

**Table 13-6 Monthly Balance of Planning Period FTR Auction HHIs by period**

Auction	Hedge Type	Prompt	Prompt	Prompt	Q2	Q3	Q4
		Month	Month+1	Month+2			
Jun-19	Obligation	254	386	411	552	525	552
	Option	1948	3973	3848	1728	3044	2224
Jul-19	Obligation	205	297	526	395	407	445
	Option	1962	2594	2837	2202	3114	3479
Aug-19	Obligation	256	558	689	708	443	552
	Option	1245	2415	2850	4100	2450	3418
Sep-19	Obligation	237	436	454		455	528
	Option	1070	2287	2085		2033	2770
Oct-19	Obligation	244	354	580		484	483
	Option	1582	2534	2503		3690	2253
Nov-19	Obligation	366	393	465		557	559
	Option	2490	5718	3583		2975	2293
Dec-19	Obligation	348	314	322			444
	Option	3403	3640	3428			2774

Table 13-7 shows the average daily net position ownership for all FTRs for 2019, by FTR direction.

**Table 13-7 Daily FTR net position ownership by FTR direction: 2019**

Organization Type	FTR Direction		All
	Prevailing Flow	Counter Flow	
Physical	36.3%	19.0%	29.1%
Financial	63.7%	81.0%	70.9%
Total	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%

<sup>33</sup> See 2019 State of the Market Report for PJM, Vol. 2, Section 3: Energy Market, Competitive Assessment for HHI definitions.

## Market Performance

### Volume

PJM regularly intervenes in the FTR market based on subjective judgment which is not based on clear or documented guidelines. Such intervention in the FTR, or any market, is not appropriate and not consistent with the operation of competitive markets. In an apparent effort to manage FTR revenues, PJM may adjust normal transmission limits in the FTR auction model. If, in PJM's judgment, the normal capability limit is not consistent with revenue adequacy goals and simultaneous feasibility, then FTR Auction capability reductions are undertaken pro rata based on the MW of Stage 1A infeasibility and the availability of auction bids for counter flow FTRs.<sup>34</sup> PJM may also remove or reduce infeasibilities caused by transmission outages by clearing counter flow bids without being required to clear the corresponding prevailing flow bids.<sup>35</sup> The use of both of these procedures is contingent on PJM actions not affecting the revenue adequacy of allocated ARRs, all requested self scheduled FTRs clear and net FTR auction revenue is positive.

### Monthly Balance of Planning Period Auctions

Table 13-8 provides the monthly balance of planning period FTR auction market volume for the entire 2018/2019 and 2019/2020 planning periods. There were 15,789,001 MW of FTR obligation buy bids and 13,556,127 MW of FTR obligation sell offers for all bidding periods in the first seven months of the 2019/2020 planning period. The monthly balance of planning period FTR auction cleared 2,570,158 (19.0 percent) of FTR obligation buy bids and 1,102,598 MW (20.3 percent) of FTR obligation sell offers.

There were 2,232,875 MW of FTR option buy bids and 1,144,367 MW of FTR option sell offers for all bidding periods in the Monthly Balance of Planning Period FTR Auctions for the first seven months of the 2019/2020 planning period. The monthly auctions cleared 120,302 MW (5.4 percent) of FTR option buy bids, and 287,573 MW (25.1 percent) of FTR option sell offers.

<sup>34</sup> See "PJM Manual 6: Financial Transmission Rights," Rev. 23 (Sep. 1, 2019).

<sup>35</sup> See *id.*

Table 13–8 Monthly Balance of Planning Period FTR Auction market volume: 2019

Monthly Auction	Type	Trade Type	Bid and Requested Count	Bid and Requested Volume (MW)	Cleared Volume (MW)	Cleared Volume	Uncleared Volume (MW)	Uncleared Volume
Jan-19	Obligations	Buy bids	345,894	1,161,069	217,303	18.7%	943,766	81.3%
		Sell offers	223,686	499,331	79,704	16.0%	419,627	84.0%
	Options	Buy bids	6,069	89,470	9,046	10.1%	80,424	89.9%
Sell offers		14,752	110,725	36,445	32.9%	74,280	67.1%	
Feb-19	Obligations	Buy bids	397,644	1,299,918	263,448	20.3%	1,036,470	79.7%
		Sell offers	187,553	428,231	72,378	16.9%	355,852	83.1%
	Options	Buy bids	5,250	89,017	8,297	9.3%	80,720	90.7%
Sell offers		12,207	101,025	33,532	33.2%	67,492	66.8%	
Mar-19	Obligations	Buy bids	385,192	1,189,201	247,546	20.8%	941,655	79.2%
		Sell offers	316,967	647,968	111,174	17.2%	536,794	82.8%
	Options	Buy bids	4,146	103,905	13,701	13.2%	90,204	86.8%
Sell offers		13,355	128,952	37,054	28.7%	91,899	71.3%	
Apr-19	Obligations	Buy bids	303,663	999,335	198,854	19.9%	800,481	80.1%
		Sell offers	205,875	419,577	67,870	16.2%	351,707	83.8%
	Options	Buy bids	2,672	66,021	9,844	14.9%	56,177	85.1%
Sell offers		9,430	94,794	25,509	26.9%	69,285	73.1%	
May-19	Obligations	Buy bids	200,388	701,681	145,331	20.7%	556,350	79.3%
		Sell offers	94,152	219,427	40,052	18.3%	179,375	81.7%
	Options	Buy bids	1,350	23,096	5,218	22.6%	17,878	77.4%
Sell offers		4,672	54,636	18,704	34.2%	35,932	65.8%	
Jun-19	Obligations	Buy bids	635,410	2,302,609	394,147	17.1%	1,908,462	82.9%
		Sell offers	422,022	830,772	185,375	22.3%	645,398	77.7%
	Options	Buy bids	9,380	284,551	24,668	8.7%	259,884	91.3%
Sell offers		25,151	223,507	54,050	24.2%	169,457	75.8%	
Jul-19	Obligations	Buy bids	605,057	2,136,249	381,949	17.9%	1,754,300	82.1%
		Sell offers	352,515	836,464	174,950	20.9%	661,514	79.1%
	Options	Buy bids	9,554	324,252	22,045	6.8%	302,207	93.2%
Sell offers		20,076	169,920	43,618	25.7%	126,301	74.3%	
Aug-19	Obligations	Buy bids	585,448	2,012,663	376,474	18.7%	1,636,190	81.3%
		Sell offers	279,599	636,860	135,214	21.2%	501,646	78.8%
	Options	Buy bids	9,925	344,278	19,052	5.5%	325,226	94.5%
Sell offers		16,727	150,565	39,922	26.5%	110,643	73.5%	
Sep-19	Obligations	Buy bids	522,797	1,837,604	355,039	19.3%	1,482,565	80.7%
		Sell offers	323,752	868,089	160,915	18.5%	707,174	81.5%
	Options	Buy bids	8,974	312,938	14,972	4.8%	297,967	95.2%
Sell offers		18,993	165,087	38,788	23.5%	126,299	76.5%	
Oct-19	Obligations	Buy bids	533,907	1,757,390	346,096	19.7%	1,411,294	80.3%
		Sell offers	336,576	736,921	142,801	19.4%	594,120	80.6%
	Options	Buy bids	9,079	319,942	16,220	5.1%	303,722	94.9%
Sell offers		17,875	145,595	35,653	24.5%	109,942	75.5%	
Nov-19	Obligations	Buy bids	510,219	1,803,067	355,120	19.7%	1,447,947	80.3%
		Sell offers	347,550	661,658	139,560	21.1%	522,098	78.9%
	Options	Buy bids	12,461	384,520	15,325	4.0%	369,195	96.0%
Sell offers		15,395	136,670	38,097	27.9%	98,573	72.1%	
Dec-19	Obligations	Buy bids	488,106	1,706,545	361,334	21.2%	1,345,211	78.8%
		Sell offers	430,466	859,105	163,783	19.1%	695,322	80.9%
	Options	Buy bids	8,138	262,393	8,021	3.1%	254,372	96.9%
Sell offers		16,276	153,025	37,446	24.5%	115,579	75.5%	
2018/2019*	Obligations	Buy bids	4,329,182	15,659,008	2,966,810	18.9%	12,692,199	81.1%
		Sell offers	2,843,624	6,774,436	1,237,274	18.3%	5,537,162	81.7%
	Options	Buy bids	84,129	4,168,186	191,043	4.6%	3,977,143	95.4%
Sell offers		195,333	1,708,827	466,274	27.3%	1,242,553	72.7%	
2019/2020**	Obligations	Buy bids	3,880,944	13,556,127	2,570,158	19.0%	10,985,968	81.0%
		Sell offers	2,492,480	5,429,870	1,102,598	20.3%	4,327,272	79.7%
	Options	Buy bids	67,511	2,232,875	120,302	5.4%	2,112,573	94.6%
Sell offers		130,493	1,144,367	287,573	25.1%	856,794	74.9%	

\* Shows 12 months for 2018/2019 \*\* Shows 7 months for 2019/2020

Table 13-9 presents the buy bid, bid and cleared volume of the Monthly Balance of Planning Period FTR Auction, and the effective periods for the volume. The average monthly cleared volume for 2019 was 327,106 MW. The average monthly cleared volume for 2018 was 226,127.6 MW.

**Table 13-9 Monthly Balance of Planning Period FTR Auction buy bid, bid and cleared volume (MW per period): 2019**

Monthly Auction	MW Type	Prompt Month	Second Month	Third Month	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Total
Jan-19	Bid	631,086	244,214	179,770				195,470	1,250,540
	Cleared	140,962	43,731	14,753				26,903	226,349
Feb-19	Bid	752,082	233,401	192,921				210,531	1,388,935
	Cleared	171,787	42,077	28,958				28,924	271,745
Mar-19	Bid	742,020	286,529	264,556					1,293,106
	Cleared	154,347	61,658	45,242					261,246
Apr-19	Bid	774,909	290,447						1,065,356
	Cleared	160,482	48,215						208,698
May-19	Bid	724,776							724,776
	Cleared	150,549							150,549
Jun-19	Bid	843,374	385,114	365,163	351,566	326,152	315,791		2,587,161
	Cleared	183,826	59,047	49,645	44,839	46,480	34,979		418,815
Jul-19	Bid	847,147	353,308	288,710	301,876	349,742	319,718		2,460,501
	Cleared	182,798	60,318	28,151	41,353	51,397	39,976		403,994
Aug-19	Bid	965,511	308,880	251,834	218,194	312,893	299,629		2,356,942
	Cleared	195,400	51,907	37,063	21,687	46,598	42,871		395,526
Sep-19	Bid	891,140	327,419	305,269		316,330	310,384		2,150,542
	Cleared	184,552	59,711	41,150		45,205	39,393		370,011
Oct-19	Bid	843,374	385,114	365,163		326,152	315,791		2,587,161
	Cleared	183,826	59,047	49,645		46,480	34,979		418,815
Nov-19	Bid	847,147	353,308	288,710		349,742	319,718		2,460,501
	Cleared	182,798	60,318	28,151		51,397	39,976		403,994
Dec-19	Bid	965,511	308,880	251,834			299,629		2,356,942
	Cleared	195,400	51,907	37,063			42,871		395,526

## Secondary Bilateral Market

Table 13-10 provides the PJM registered secondary bilateral FTR market volume for the entire 2018/2019 and the first seven months of the 2019/2020 planning periods. Bilateral FTR transactions registered through PJM do not need to include an accurate price. Bilateral FTR transactions are not required to be registered through PJM.

**Table 13-10 Secondary bilateral FTR market volume: 2018/2019 and 2019/2020<sup>36</sup>**

Planning Period	Type	Class Type	Volume (MW)
2018/2019	Obligation	24-Hour	2,782.1
		On Peak	21,423.5
		Off Peak	21,636.9
		Total	45,842.5
	Option	24-Hour	0.0
	On Peak	0.0	
	Off Peak	40.0	
	Total	40.0	
2019/2020	Obligation	24-Hour	5,032.9
		On Peak	1,979.2
		Off Peak	1,646.9
		Total	8,659.0
	Option	24-Hour	0.0
		On Peak	0.0
		Off Peak	0.0
		Total	0.0

<sup>36</sup> The 2018/2019 planning period covers bilateral FTRs that are effective for any time between June 1, 2018 through May 31, 2019, which originally had been purchased in a Long Term FTR Auction, Annual FTR Auction or Monthly Balance of Planning Period FTR Auction.



Figure 13-1 shows the FTR bid, net bid and cleared volume from June 2003 through December 2019 for Long Term, Annual and Monthly Balance of Planning Period Auctions. Cleared volume includes FTR buy and sell offers that were accepted. The net bid volume includes the total buy, sell and self scheduled offers, counting sell offers as a negative volume. The bid volume is the total of all bid and self scheduled offers, excluding sell offers. The cleared volume in August 2018 was negative due to the liquidation of the GreenHat FTR portfolio, which resulted in a large quantity of FTRs selling in the monthly auction.

**Figure 13-1 Long Term, Annual and Monthly FTR Auction bid and cleared volume: June 2003 through December 2019**

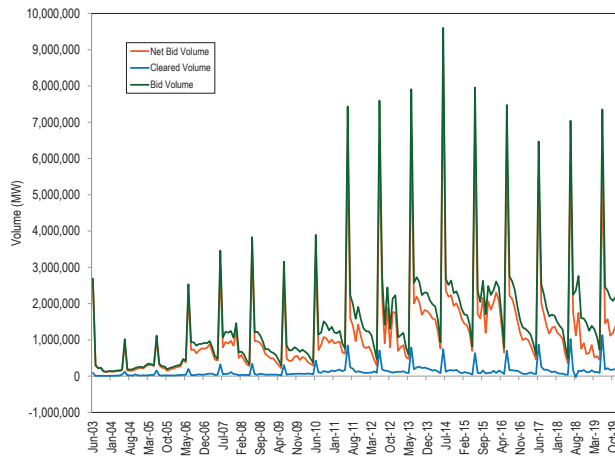
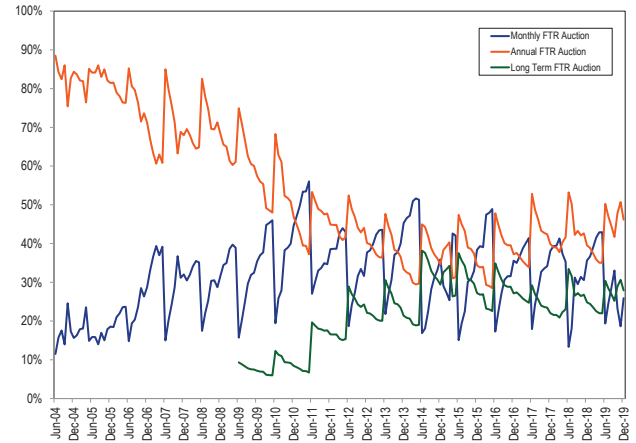


Figure 13-2 shows cleared auction volumes by auction type as a percent of the total FTR cleared volume by calendar months for June 2004 through December 2019. FTR volumes are included in the calendar month they are effective, with long term and annual FTR auction volumes spread equally to each month in the relevant planning period. Over the course of each planning period an increasing number of Monthly Balance of Planning Period FTRs are purchased, resulting in a greater share of total FTRs. When the Annual FTR Auction occurs, FTRs purchased in previous Monthly Balance of Planning Period Auctions, other than the current June auction, are no longer effective, resulting in a smaller share for monthly and a greater share for annual FTRs.

**Figure 13-2 Cleared auction volume (MW) as a percent of total FTR cleared volume by calendar month: June 2004 through December 2019**



**Price**

Table 13-11 shows the weighted average cleared buy bid price in the Monthly Balance of Planning Period FTR Auctions by bidding period for 2019. For example, for the January Monthly Balance of Planning Period FTR Auction, the current month column is January, the second month column is February and the third month column is March. Quarters 1 through 4 are represented in the Q1, Q2, Q3 and Q4 columns. The total column represents all of the activity within the January Monthly Balance of Planning Period FTR Auction.

The cleared weighted-average price paid in the Monthly Balance of Planning Period FTR Auctions for 2019 was \$0.17 per MW, down from \$0.20 per MW for the same period last year, a 15.0 percent decrease in FTR prices. The cleared weighted-average price for the first seven months of the current planning period was \$0.17 per MW, down 19.0 percent from \$0.21 per MW for the same period last year.

**Table 13-11 Monthly Balance of Planning Period FTR Auction cleared, weighted-average, buy bid price per period (Dollars per MW): 2019**

Monthly Auction	Prompt Month	Second Month	Third Month	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Total
Jan-19	\$0.22	\$0.35	\$0.16				\$0.20	\$0.23
Feb-19	\$0.22	\$0.27	\$0.15				\$0.15	\$0.20
Mar-19	\$0.16	\$0.22	\$0.24				\$0.00	\$0.19
Apr-19	\$0.10	\$0.17						\$0.12
May-19	\$0.09							\$0.09
Jun-19	\$0.11	\$0.19	\$0.20	\$0.25	\$0.31	\$0.18	\$0.20	\$0.20
Jul-19	\$0.10	\$0.18	\$0.13	\$0.25	\$0.24	\$0.18	\$0.18	\$0.18
Aug-19	\$0.07	\$0.17	\$0.21	\$0.18	\$0.17	\$0.17	\$0.17	\$0.14
Sep-19	\$0.09	\$0.16	\$0.16			\$0.23	\$0.13	\$0.15
Oct-19	\$0.09	\$0.15	(\$0.05)			\$0.31	\$0.19	\$0.17
Nov-19	\$0.08	\$0.12	\$0.37			\$0.34	\$0.17	\$0.18
Dec-19	\$0.10	\$0.27	\$0.28				\$0.19	\$0.17

## Profitability

FTR profitability is the difference between the revenue received for an FTR and the cost of the FTR for entities that purchase FTRs. For a prevailing flow FTR, the FTR credits are the actual revenue that an FTR holder is paid and the auction price is the cost. For a counter flow FTR, the auction price is the revenue from the auction that an FTR holder is paid and the FTR credits are the cost to the FTR holder. ARR holders that self schedule FTRs do not receive a profit on the transaction because ARR holders are assigned rights to congestion revenues which they swap for corresponding FTRs.

The fact that FTRs have been consistently profitable for financial entities regardless of the payout ratio raises questions about the competitiveness of the market. Accounting for payment of target allocations and the distribution of surplus congestion revenue, FTR purchases by financial entities were not profitable in 2012/2013, but were profitable in every completed planning year from 2013/2014 through 2018/2019, and were profitable if summed over the entire period (Table 13-14). It is not clear, in a competitive market, why FTR purchases by financial entities remain persistently profitable. In a competitive market, it would be expected that profits would be competed to zero.

Table 13-12 lists FTR profits and congestion returned through self scheduled FTRs by organization type and FTR direction for the first seven months of the 2019/2020 planning period for FTRs effective in the

day-ahead market. This table does not include revenue produced through the sale of FTRs in various auctions.

Some participants classified as physical, such as a company that owns only generation, are not eligible for ARRs but do have a physical presence on the PJM system are classified in the physical category. FTR profits are the sum of the daily FTR target allocations, adjusted by the payout ratio minus the daily FTR auction costs for each FTR (not self scheduled) held by an organization. Self scheduled FTRs can have a negative value, depending on the congestion on the FTR path. The FTR target allocation is equal to the product of the FTR MW and congestion price

differences between sink and source in the Day-Ahead Energy Market. The FTR credits do not include after the fact adjustments which are very small and do not occur in every month. The FTR credits also do not include any surplus congestion revenue distributions made at the end of the planning period. The daily FTR auction costs are the product of the FTR MW and the auction price divided by the time period of the FTR in days. Self scheduled FTRs have zero cost. FTR profitability is the difference between the revenue received for an FTR and the cost of that FTR, not including self scheduled FTRs. ARR holders who self scheduled FTRs received \$70.4 million in congestion revenues. Revenues from self scheduled FTRs are a return of congestion to the load that paid the congestion and are not profits.

**Table 13-12 FTR profits and revenues by organization type and FTR direction: 2019/2020: June through December**

Organization Type	Purchased FTRs Profit			Self Scheduled FTRs Revenue Returned		
	Prevailing Flow	Counter Flow	Total	Prevailing Flow	Counter Flow	Total
Financial	(\$98,538,105)	\$121,282,178	\$22,744,074	\$0	\$0	\$0
Physical	(\$54,688,836)	\$23,407,863	(\$31,280,973)	\$70,092,097	\$342,145	\$70,434,243
Total	(\$153,226,941)	\$144,690,041	(\$8,536,900)	\$70,092,097	\$342,145	\$70,434,243

Table 13-13 lists the monthly FTR profits for the 2018/2019 and the first seven months of the 2019/2020 planning periods by organization type. FTR revenues for ARR holders who self schedule are not included. FTR profits for ARR holders who purchase FTRs in auctions are included.

**Table 13-13 Monthly FTR profits by organization type: 2018/2019 and 2019/2020**

Month	Organization Type		Total
	Physical	Financial	
Jun-18	\$8,959,001	\$16,374,714	\$25,333,715
Jul-18	(\$7,329,905)	\$8,826,482	\$1,496,576
Aug-18	(\$2,093,482)	\$6,880,524	\$4,787,043
Sep-18	\$19,875,921	\$16,799,058	\$36,674,979
Oct-18	\$9,065,717	\$20,328,429	\$29,394,146
Nov-18	\$7,892,354	\$8,051,851	\$15,944,205
Dec-18	(\$4,074,003)	\$16,403,516	\$12,329,514
Jan-19	(\$55,670)	\$41,735,751	\$41,680,080
Feb-19	(\$26,059,909)	(\$621,454)	(\$26,681,363)
Mar-19	(\$17,165,099)	\$210,844	(\$16,954,255)
Apr-19	(\$25,737,657)	(\$12,160,549)	(\$37,898,206)
May-19	(\$15,606,225)	(\$6,333,907)	(\$21,940,132)
Summary for Planning Period 2018/2019			
Total	(\$52,328,957)	\$116,495,260	\$64,166,303
Jun-19	(\$15,129,405)	(\$10,759,060)	(\$25,888,465)
Jul-19	(\$1,457,786)	\$9,027,150	\$7,569,365
Aug-19	(\$12,477,247)	(\$13,051,378)	(\$25,528,625)
Sep-19	\$6,480,908	\$11,664,401	\$18,145,309
Oct-19	\$2,584,186	\$6,725,823	\$9,310,009
Nov-19	\$419,633	\$4,493,556	\$4,913,189
Dec-19	(\$11,701,264)	\$14,643,582	\$2,942,318
Summary for Planning Period 2019/2020			
Total	(\$31,280,973)	\$22,744,074	(\$8,536,900)

Table 13-14 lists the historical profits by calendar year by organization type beginning in the 2012/2013 planning period, excluding revenue to self scheduled FTRs for physical participants. The profits include any end of planning period surplus distribution or uplift, where applicable, that affects profitability as shown in the surplus row. The surplus or uplift was distributed prorata based on FTR positive target allocations through the 2017/2018 planning period. Beginning with the 2018/2019 planning period, surplus congestion revenue was distributed to ARR holders instead of FTR holders if there was a net surplus at the end of the planning year.

**Table 13-14 FTR profits by organization type: 2012/2013 through 2019/2020**

	2012/2013	2013/2014	2014/2015	2015/2016	2016/2017	2017/2018	2018/2019	2019/2020	
Financial	Profit	\$63,457,511	\$557,583,317	\$236,692,290	\$41,264,165	(\$13,519,824)	\$246,317,915	\$116,495,260	\$22,744,074
	Surplus	(\$80,450,357)	(\$256,820,253)	\$44,410,625	\$11,897,525	\$20,968,663	\$147,413,287		
	Total	(\$16,992,846)	\$300,763,064	\$281,102,915	\$53,161,690	\$7,448,839	\$393,731,202	\$116,495,260	\$22,744,074
Physical	Profit	(\$65,702,875)	\$401,144,350	\$160,694,399	\$22,585,629	(\$112,955,478)	\$88,426,464	(\$52,328,957)	(\$31,280,973)
	Surplus	(\$83,332,665)	(\$104,947,376)	\$14,485,066	\$5,072,985	\$10,533,444	\$67,512,070		
	Total	(\$149,035,540)	\$296,196,975	\$175,179,465	\$27,658,614	(\$102,422,034)	\$155,938,535	(\$52,328,957)	(\$31,280,973)
Total	(\$166,028,386)	\$596,960,039	\$456,282,380	\$80,820,304	(\$94,973,195)	\$549,669,736	\$64,166,303	(\$8,536,900)	

\* Seven months of the 2019/2020 planning period

## Revenue

### Monthly Balance of Planning Period FTR Auction Revenue

Table 13-15 shows monthly balance of planning period FTR auction revenue by trade type, type and class type for 2019. The Monthly Balance of Planning Period FTR Auctions for the first seven months of the 2019/2020 planning period netted \$42.6 million in revenue, the difference between buyers paying \$267.8 million and sellers receiving \$225.1 million. For the entire 2018/2019 planning period, the Monthly Balance of Planning Period FTR Auctions netted \$59.7 million in revenue with buyers paying \$324.9 million and sellers receiving \$265.2 million.

Table 13-15 Monthly Balance of Planning Period FTR Auction revenue: 2019

Monthly Auction	Type	Trade Type	Class Type			
			24-Hour	On Peak	Off Peak	All
Jan-19	Obligations	Buy bids	\$7,429,663	\$9,608,687	\$4,887,280	\$21,925,630
		Sell offers	\$987,205	\$6,540,062	\$4,065,408	\$11,592,675
	Options	Buy bids	\$1,240,922	\$1,030,156	\$736,432	\$3,007,510
		Sell offers	\$14,822	\$6,069,106	\$3,845,740	\$9,929,668
Feb-19	Obligations	Buy bids	\$8,986,453	\$8,637,432	\$5,482,321	\$23,106,206
		Sell offers	\$48,475	\$7,523,942	\$6,034,319	\$13,606,736
	Options	Buy bids	\$838,173	\$771,411	\$729,381	\$2,338,964
		Sell offers	\$32,186	\$5,356,597	\$3,251,805	\$8,640,588
Mar-19	Obligations	Buy bids	\$5,815,450	\$7,982,901	\$3,873,158	\$17,671,509
		Sell offers	\$1,666,791	\$5,726,644	\$2,935,930	\$10,329,364
	Options	Buy bids	\$111,401	\$903,499	\$528,783	\$1,543,682
		Sell offers	\$11,372	\$3,178,368	\$1,908,681	\$5,098,421
Apr-19	Obligations	Buy bids	\$1,001,882	\$4,982,173	\$2,271,137	\$8,255,192
		Sell offers	\$242,252	\$3,444,912	\$1,632,619	\$5,319,784
	Options	Buy bids	\$37,128	\$704,332	\$362,419	\$1,103,879
		Sell offers	\$4,980	\$1,645,001	\$898,043	\$2,548,024
May-19	Obligations	Buy bids	(\$504,881)	\$3,675,925	\$1,696,524	\$4,867,568
		Sell offers	\$449,130	\$1,607,559	\$672,541	\$2,729,231
	Options	Buy bids	\$40,292	\$250,657	\$130,412	\$421,361
		Sell offers	\$3,022	\$1,417,317	\$660,872	\$2,081,211
Jun-19	Obligations	Buy bids	\$18,794,860	\$21,532,330	\$7,902,040	\$48,229,231
		Sell offers	\$1,543,921	\$19,847,506	\$9,338,719	\$30,730,145
	Options	Buy bids	\$20,873	\$2,431,176	\$1,191,402	\$3,643,451
		Sell offers	\$207,836	\$7,053,424	\$4,166,792	\$11,428,052
Jul-19	Obligations	Buy bids	\$16,096,332	\$19,769,258	\$7,121,940	\$42,987,529
		Sell offers	\$678,798	\$20,795,090	\$10,601,466	\$32,075,354
	Options	Buy bids	\$39,338	\$2,227,193	\$1,436,853	\$3,703,383
		Sell offers	\$88,775	\$4,761,883	\$2,649,983	\$7,500,641
Aug-19	Obligations	Buy bids	\$11,315,365	\$13,413,111	\$6,104,555	\$30,833,032
		Sell offers	\$623,419	\$13,147,202	\$7,070,769	\$20,841,391
	Options	Buy bids	\$64,870	\$1,655,836	\$1,085,370	\$2,806,076
		Sell offers	\$109,056	\$3,986,008	\$2,537,970	\$6,633,034
Sep-19	Obligations	Buy bids	\$12,042,726	\$12,337,035	\$3,909,227	\$28,288,988
		Sell offers	\$373,684	\$12,963,176	\$6,034,595	\$19,371,455
	Options	Buy bids	\$94,223	\$1,512,002	\$757,673	\$2,363,898
		Sell offers	\$94,624	\$4,104,817	\$2,197,651	\$6,397,092
Oct-19	Obligations	Buy bids	\$25,302,335	\$9,547,510	(\$282,430)	\$34,567,415
		Sell offers	(\$228,053)	\$15,632,569	\$8,708,232	\$24,112,748
	Options	Buy bids	\$123,960	\$1,611,926	\$976,484	\$2,712,370
		Sell offers	\$163,827	\$5,175,844	\$2,711,174	\$8,050,845
Nov-19	Obligations	Buy bids	\$24,168,878	\$9,653,515	\$1,358,932	\$35,181,325
		Sell offers	\$957,341	\$15,432,744	\$9,046,796	\$25,436,881
	Options	Buy bids	\$113,901	\$1,622,852	\$1,504,123	\$3,240,875
		Sell offers	\$248,871	\$4,804,825	\$3,137,696	\$8,191,393
Dec-19	Obligations	Buy bids	\$8,018,813	\$13,895,544	\$5,987,326	\$27,901,684
		Sell offers	\$732,195	\$11,778,544	\$4,495,564	\$17,006,303
	Options	Buy bids	\$99,335	\$672,050	\$526,112	\$1,297,498
		Sell offers	\$122,244	\$4,172,262	\$3,049,300	\$7,343,806
2018/2019*	Obligations	Buy bids	\$93,669,208	\$132,488,450	\$61,989,515	\$288,147,173
		Sell offers	\$11,150,630	\$104,938,558	\$61,964,081	\$178,053,269
	Options	Buy bids	\$4,501,727	\$18,020,791	\$14,189,999	\$36,712,518
		Sell offers	\$1,042,372	\$54,821,585	\$31,237,878	\$87,101,835
Net Total		\$85,977,934	(\$9,250,902)	(\$17,022,444)	\$59,704,587	
2019/2020**	Obligations	Buy bids	\$115,739,310	\$100,148,304	\$32,101,591	\$247,989,204
		Sell offers	\$4,681,306	\$109,596,832	\$55,296,140	\$169,574,278
	Options	Buy bids	\$556,501	\$11,733,035	\$7,478,017	\$19,767,552
		Sell offers	\$1,035,234	\$34,059,063	\$20,450,567	\$55,544,863
Net Total		\$110,579,271	(\$31,774,557)	(\$36,167,099)	\$42,637,615	

\* Shows Twelve Months for 2018/2019 \*\*Shows seven months for 2019/2020



### FTR Target Allocations

FTR target allocations were examined separately by source and sink contribution. Hourly FTR target allocations were divided into those that were benefits and liabilities and summed by sink and by source. Figure 13-3 shows the 10 largest positive and negative FTR target allocations, summed by sink, for the 2019/2020 planning period. The top 10 sinks that produced financial benefit accounted for 31.1 percent of total positive target allocations with the Western Hub accounting for 11.3 percent of all positive target allocations. The top 10 sinks that created liability accounted for 19.6 percent of total negative target allocations with PSEG accounting for 3.5 percent of all negative target allocations.

Figure 13-3 Ten largest positive and negative FTR target allocations summed by sink: 2019/2020

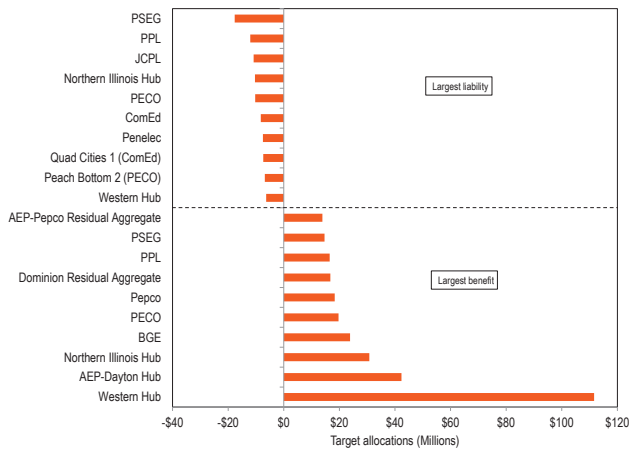
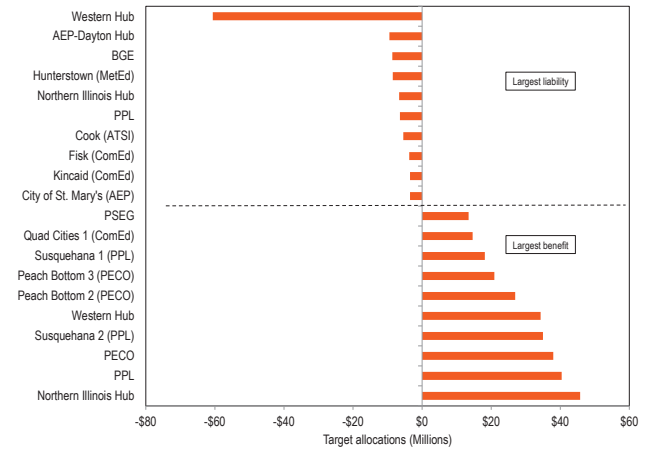


Figure 13-4 shows the 10 largest positive and negative FTR target allocations, summed by source, for the 2019/2020 planning period. The top 10 sources with a positive target allocation accounted for 29.0 percent of total positive target allocations with the Northern Illinois Hub accounting for 4.6 percent of total positive target allocations. The top 10 sources with a negative target allocation accounted for 23.4 percent of all negative target allocations, with the Western Hub accounting for 12.2 percent.

Figure 13-4 Ten largest positive and negative FTR target allocations summed by source: 2019/2020



### Revenue Adequacy

FTR revenue adequacy simply compares congestion revenues to FTR target allocations. Target allocations define the maximum payments to FTRs but target allocations are not congestion. FTR revenue adequacy is not equivalent to the adequacy of ARRs/FTRs as an offset for load against total congestion. A path specific target allocation is not a guarantee of payment.

Under the current, market rules, FTR revenues are primarily comprised of hourly congestion revenue, from the day-ahead market, but also include payments by holders of negative FTR target allocations.<sup>37</sup> Total day-ahead congestion revenues in excess of FTR target allocations are carried forward from prior months and distributed back from later months within each planning year. At the end of a planning period, if there are any months in which FTR holders were not paid their target allocations, an uplift charge is collected from any FTR holders during the planning period based on their pro rata share of total net positive FTR target allocations, excluding any charge to FTR holders with a net negative FTR position for the planning year. The rules required, prior to the 2018/2019 planning period, that at the end of the planning period, surplus congestion revenue, after paying any monthly shortfalls, was distributed to FTR participants using the same rules applied to the allocation of FTR uplift. The rules require, beginning with the 2018/2019 planning period, at the end of

37 When hourly congestion revenues are negative, it is defined as a net negative congestion hour.

the planning period, surplus congestion revenue is distributed to ARR holders pro rata based on their target allocations, after paying FTRs their target allocations. The rules covering the allocation of FTR uplift were not changed.

The new rules about the distribution of the surplus improved the return of congestion to load, but does not ensure that load has the right to receive all surplus revenue or all congestion revenue.

## FTR Revenue Adequacy and Stage 1B/ Stage 2 ARR Allocations

PJM's subjective decision to reduce available system capability in FTR auctions for the 2014/2015 through 2016/2017 planning periods resulted in a high level of revenue adequacy. As congestion revenues are unrelated to PJM's decisions about the FTR auction model, the fewer FTRs sold, the higher the probability that congestion will exceed the sum of the FTR target allocations. PJM's decisions included the arbitrary use of higher outage levels and the decision to include additional constraints (closed loop interfaces) both of which reduced system capability in the FTR auction model. PJM's actions led to a significant reduction in the allocation of Stage 1B and Stage 2 ARRs and therefore a reduction in available FTRs.

While PJM's arbitrary decision to increase outages in the ARR allocation and in the Annual FTR Auction reduced FTR revenue inadequacy, it did not address the Stage 1A ARR over allocation issue directly because Stage 1A ARR allocations cannot be prorated. PJM's actions for the 2014/2015 through 2016/2017 planning periods resulted in decreased Stage 1B ARR allocations, decreased Stage 2 ARR allocations and decreased FTR capability. Following the assignment of balancing congestion and M2M payments to load beginning in the 2017/2018 planning period, PJM reduced the number of outages taken in the ARR allocation and in the Annual FTR Auction, increasing ARR allocations and FTR availability. The direct assignment of negative balancing congestion to load increased the congestion revenue available to pay FTR holders.

## Surplus Congestion Revenue

Beginning in the 2018/2019 planning period, surplus congestion revenue, including surplus FTR auction

revenue, is distributed to ARR holders in proportion to their ARR target allocations.<sup>38</sup> Surplus FTR auction revenue is the difference between ARR target allocations and the sum of FTR auction revenues. This PJM initiated change to surplus congestion revenue recognizes that any surplus revenue is a result of unallocated system capability that belongs to ARR holders, not FTR holders, although FTR holders had received this surplus revenue after the creation of ARRs.

Under the new allocation process, at the end of the planning period, any surplus congestion revenue will first go to ARR holders until they are revenue adequate relative to their target allocations if they are not already. The remaining surplus congestion revenue is then applied to cover FTR target allocations, if they are not already. Then at the end of the planning period, any remaining surplus congestion revenue after funding ARRs and FTRs to 100 percent, will go to ARR holders in proportion to their target allocations. While the new allocation process returns the value of some of the unallocated rights to ARR holders, it does not fully recognize that ARR holders own the rights to all congestion revenues.

Figure 13-5 shows the total monthly ARR auction revenue surplus, and its distribution to ARR and FTR holders within a month. In any month that is not revenue adequate from day-ahead congestion, the surplus auction revenue is first used to meet revenue adequacy for FTRs. In months that are FTR revenue inadequate even after the allocation of surplus auction revenue of that month, any remaining shortfall from the target allocations is funded from surplus revenue from previous or future months within the planning period. At the end of the planning period, any remaining surplus auction revenue is distributed, prorata, to ARR holders along with other surplus transmission congestion charges.

The market rules should recognize that ARR holders have the right to all auction revenue, not just the surplus after funding FTRs. The MMU recommends that all FTR auction revenue be distributed directly to ARR holders on a monthly basis. In Figure 13-5 this would mean that the full bars would be assigned to ARR holders in every month. In the first seven months of the 2019/2020 planning period, the current rules resulted in

<sup>38</sup> 163 FERC ¶61,165 (2018).

\$44.5 million of surplus auction revenue being diverted to FTR holders.

**Figure 13-5 Monthly surplus ARR revenue to ARR and FTR holders: 2017/2018 through 2019/2020**

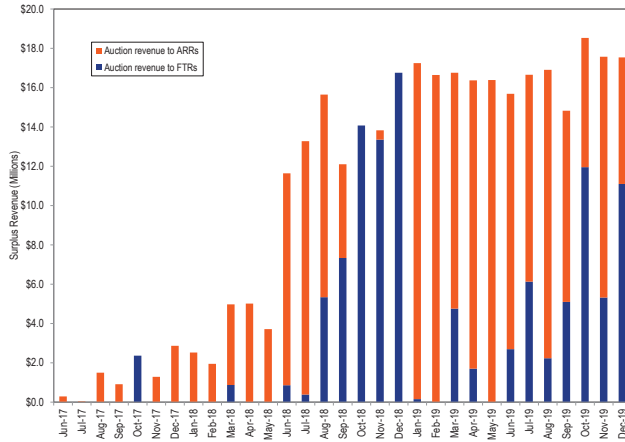


Figure 13-6 shows the monthly auction revenue collected each month from FTR auctions above ARR target allocations from the 2011/2012 planning period through the first seven months of the 2019/2020 planning period. Each new planning period introduces a new FTR model, including outages and PJM’s discretionary adjustments for revenue adequacy. The differences in the assumptions in the market model can result in large differences in ARR surplus and ARR revenue from one planning period to another.

Beginning with the 2014/2015 planning period, market rules allow PJM to decrease prevailing flow target allocations by clearing counter flow FTRs using FTR auction revenue, without making the opposite prevailing flow FTR available, as long as ARRs remain revenue adequate.<sup>39</sup> The result has been to increase FTR funding, but to decrease ARR revenue.

FTR auction revenue is the value that FTR buyers assign to congestion rights that belong to ARR holders. There is no logical or market based reason to assign any part of that auction revenue back to the FTR buyers. It is an unsupported wealth transfer. Auction revenue from the sale of FTRs should be distributed directly and completely to ARR holders. The MMU recommends that all FTR auction revenue be distributed to ARR holders on a monthly basis.

<sup>39</sup> See "PJM Manual 6: Financial Transmission Rights," Rev. 23 (Sep. 1, 2019).

**Figure 13-6 Monthly surplus ARR revenue: 2011/2012 through 2019/2020**

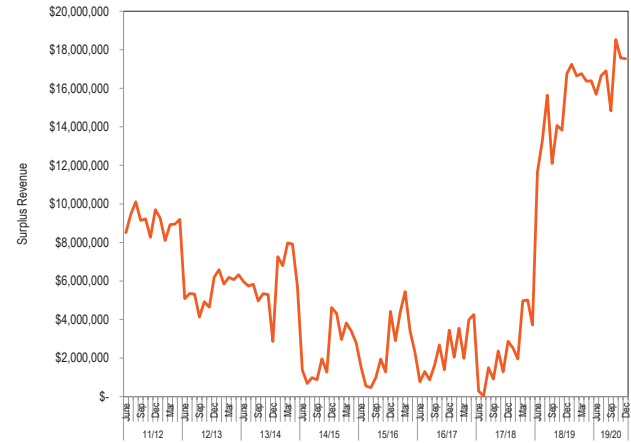


Table 13-16 shows the auction revenue over ARR target allocations, by planning period, for planning periods 2010/2011 through the first seven months of 2019/2020. Surplus auction revenue represents both FTR capacity sold over ARR capacity on identical paths, as well as FTR capacity sold on paths not available to ARR holders.

**Table 13-16 Additional Auction Revenue: 2010/2011 through 2019/2020**

Planning Period	Surplus Auction Revenue (Millions)
2010/2011	\$29.7
2011/2012	\$108.9
2012/2013	\$66.7
2013/2014	\$71.7
2014/2015*	\$29.0
2015/2016	\$29.6
2016/2017	\$27.9
2017/2018	\$27.4
2018/2019	\$180.8
2019/2020**	\$117.7
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$689.4</b>

\*Start of counter flow "buy back"  
 \*\*First seven months

### ARR and FTR Revenue Adequacy

Revenue adequacy for ARRs is an almost meaningless concept. Revenue adequacy for ARRs means that FTR buyers collectively pay more than zero for FTRs in FTR auctions, and that those payments were received by ARR holders. Unsurprisingly, ARRs have been revenue adequate for every auction to date. ARR revenue adequacy has nothing to do with the adequacy of ARRs as an offset to total congestion. ARRs can be revenue adequate at the same time that ARRs return only half of congestion to load.

Total net FTR auction revenue for the 2018/2019 planning period, before accounting for self scheduling, load shifts or residual ARRs, was \$907.6 million. The FTR auction revenue pays ARR holders' credits. For the first seven months of the 2019/2020 planning period, total net FTR auction revenue was \$971.7 million.

Table 13-17 lists expected ARR target allocations from the Annual ARR Allocation and net revenue sources from the Long Term, Annual and Monthly Balance of Planning Period FTR Auctions for the 2018/2019 planning period and 2019/2020 planning periods. FTRs were paid at 100 percent of the target allocation level for the 2014/2015, 2015/2016 and 2016/2017 planning periods. PJM collected \$1,457.1 million, \$1,003.3 million and \$828.7 million of FTR revenues during the 2014/2015, 2015/2016 and the 2016/2017 planning periods.

Table 13-17 presents the PJM FTR revenue detail for the 2018/2019 planning period and the first seven months of the 2019/2020 planning period. In this table, under the new balancing congestion and M2M payment rules, any negative congestion is from day-ahead congestion and does not include balancing congestion.

**Table 13-17 Total annual PJM ARR and FTR revenue detail (Dollars (Millions)): 2018/2019 and 2019/2020**

Accounting Element	2018/2019	2019/2020*
<b>ARR information</b>		
ARR target allocations	\$726.8	\$438.2
ARR credits	\$726.8	\$438.2
FTR auction revenue	\$907.6	\$971.7
Annual FTR Auction net revenue	\$822.6	\$844.6
Long Term FTR Auction net revenue	\$25.2	\$84.5
Monthly Balance of Planning Period FTR Auction net revenue	\$59.7	\$42.6
<b>Surplus auction revenue</b>		
ARR Surplus	\$180.8	\$117.7
ARR payout ratio	100%	100%
<b>FTR targets</b>		
Positive target allocations	\$1,137.6	\$618.5
Negative target allocations	(\$234.2)	(\$145.2)
FTR target allocations	\$903.3	\$473.3
<b>Adjustments:</b>		
Adjustments to FTR target allocations	(\$2.1)	(\$6.0)
Total FTR targets	\$901.2	\$467.3
FTR payout ratio	100%	100%
<b>FTR revenues</b>		
ARR excess	\$180.8	\$117.7
<b>Congestion</b>		
Net Negative Congestion (enter as negative)	\$0.0	\$0.0
Hourly congestion revenue	\$832.7	\$422.8
Midwest ISO M2M (credit to PJM minus credit to Midwest ISO)	\$0.0	\$0.0
<b>Adjustments:</b>		
Surplus revenues carried forward into future months	\$6.5	\$0.0
Surplus revenues distributed back to previous months	\$0.0	\$0.0
Other adjustments to FTR revenues	\$0.0	\$0.0
<b>Total FTR revenues</b>		
Surplus revenues distributed to other months	\$6.5	\$0.0
Net Negative Congestion charged to DA Operating Reserves	\$0.0	\$0.0
<b>Total FTR congestion credits</b>	\$1,020.0	\$540.5
Total congestion credits (includes end of year distribution)	\$1,020.0	\$540.5
Remaining deficiency	(\$112.3)	(\$73.2)

\* First seven months of 2019/2020 planning period

FTR target allocations are based on hourly CLMP differences in the Day-Ahead Energy Market for FTR paths. FTR credits are paid to FTR holders and, depending on market conditions, can be less than the target allocations but are capped at target allocations. Table 13-18 lists the FTR revenues, target allocations, credits, payout ratios, congestion credit deficiencies and excess congestion charges by month.

The total row in Table 13-18 is not the sum of each of the monthly rows because the monthly rows may include excess revenues carried forward from prior months and excess revenues distributed back from later months. October and December 2018 had revenue shortfalls totaling \$6.5 million, but were fully funded using excess revenue from previous months.

Table 13-18 Monthly FTR accounting summary (Dollars (Millions)): 2018/2019 and 2019/2020

Period	FTR		FTR		FTR		Monthly Credits Surplus/Deficiency (with adjustments)
	Revenues (with adjustments)	FTR Target Allocations	Payout Ratio (original)	FTR Credits (with adjustments)	Payout Ratio (with adjustments)		
Jun-18	\$106.8	\$96.0	100.0%	\$106.8	100.0%	(\$10.8)	
Jul-18	\$84.1	\$71.3	100.0%	\$84.1	100.0%	(\$12.9)	
Aug-18	\$84.8	\$74.6	100.0%	\$84.8	100.0%	(\$10.3)	
Sep-18	\$107.3	\$102.8	100.0%	\$107.3	100.0%	(\$4.8)	
Oct-18	\$109.1	\$113.8	95.9%	\$113.8	100.0%	\$4.7	
Nov-18	\$83.0	\$82.5	100.0%	\$83.0	100.0%	(\$0.5)	
Dec-18	\$79.8	\$81.9	97.5%	\$81.9	100.0%	\$1.8	
Jan-19	\$138.0	\$120.9	100.0%	\$138.0	100.0%	(\$17.1)	
Feb-19	\$53.1	\$34.8	100.0%	\$53.1	100.0%	(\$18.3)	
Mar-19	\$61.8	\$49.8	100.0%	\$61.8	100.0%	(\$12.3)	
Apr-19	\$41.8	\$27.1	100.0%	\$41.8	100.0%	(\$14.8)	
May-19	\$63.9	\$47.0	100.0%	\$63.9	100.0%	(\$17.0)	
Summary for Planning Period 2018/2019							
Total	\$1,013.5	\$902.5		\$1,020.2		(\$112.3)	
Jun-19	\$52.1	\$39.4	100.0%	\$52.1	100.0%	(\$13.0)	
Jul-19	\$91.7	\$82.0	100.0%	\$91.7	100.0%	(\$10.5)	
Aug-19	\$57.1	\$42.8	100.0%	\$57.1	100.0%	(\$14.7)	
Sep-19	\$83.4	\$73.6	100.0%	\$83.4	100.0%	(\$9.7)	
Oct-19	\$91.1	\$84.5	100.0%	\$91.1	100.0%	(\$6.6)	
Nov-19	\$84.6	\$72.3	100.0%	\$84.6	100.0%	(\$12.3)	
Dec-19	\$80.6	\$74.1	100.0%	\$80.6	100.0%	(\$6.4)	
Summary for Planning Period 2019/2020							
Total	\$540.5	\$468.7		\$540.5		(\$73.2)	

Figure 13-7 shows the original PJM reported FTR payout ratio by month, excluding excess revenue distribution, for January 2004 through December 2019. The months with payout ratios above 100 percent have congestion revenue greater than the target allocations and the months with payout ratios under 100 percent have congestion revenue that is less than the target allocations. Figure 13-7 also shows the payout ratio after distributing surplus congestion revenue across months within the planning period. If there are surplus congestion revenues in a given month, the surplus is distributed to other months within the planning period that were revenue deficient. The payout ratio for revenue inadequate months in the current planning period may change if surplus congestion revenue is collected in the remainder of the planning period. March 2015 had high levels of negative balancing congestion that resulted in a payout ratio of 64.6 percent. However, there was enough surplus from previous months to bring the payout ratio to 100 percent. Congestion in December 2017 and January 2018 was high relative to other months in the planning period, resulting in an extremely high payout ratio.

Figure 13-7 FTR payout ratio by month, excluding and including excess revenue distribution: January 2004 through December 2019

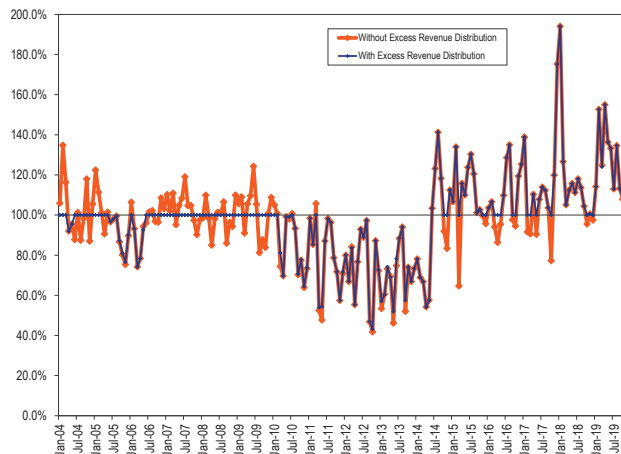




Table 13-19 shows the FTR payout ratio by planning period from the 2003/2004 planning period forward. Planning periods with a payout ratio over 100 percent are listed at 100 percent. Planning period 2013/2014 includes the additional revenue from unallocated congestion charges from Balancing Operating Reserves. For the 2014/2015, 2015/2016 and 2016/2017 planning periods, there was surplus congestion revenue to pay FTR holders pro rata in proportion to their net positive target allocations, resulting in a payout ratio of 116.2 percent, 106.8 and 113.1 percent for the planning periods.

**Table 13-19 PJM reported FTR payout ratio by planning period**

Planning Period	FTR Payout Ratio
2003/2004	97.7%
2004/2005	100.0%
2005/2006	90.7%
2006/2007	100.0%
2007/2008	100.0%
2008/2009	100.0%
2009/2010	96.9%
2010/2011	85.0%
2011/2012	80.6%
2012/2013	67.8%
2013/2014	72.8%
2014/2015	100.0%
2015/2016	100.0%
2016/2017	100.0%
2017/2018	100.0%
2018/2019	100.0%
2019/2020	100.0%

### FTR Uplift Charge

At the end of the planning period, an uplift charge may be assigned to FTR holders. This charge is to cover the net of the monthly deficiencies, if any, in the target allocations calculated for individual participants. An individual participant’s uplift charge allocation is the ratio of their share of net positive target allocations to the total net positive target allocations.

### Revenue Adequacy Issues and Solutions

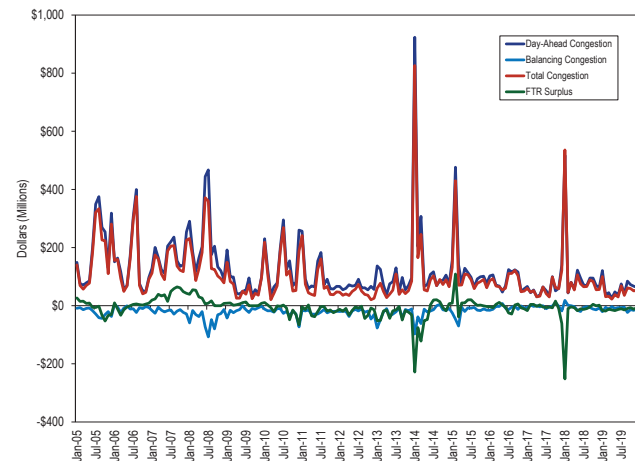
The current ARR/FTR design does not serve as an efficient way to ensure that load receives all the congestion revenues or has the ability to receive the auction revenues associated with all the potential congestion revenues. There are several reasons for the disconnect between congestion revenues and ARR/FTR revenues. The reasons include: the use of generation to load paths rather than a measure of total congestion to assign congestion revenue rights; the failure to provide to ARR holders the full system capability that

is provided to FTR purchasers in the Long Term FTR Auction; unavoidable modeling differences such as emergency outages; avoidable modeling differences such as outage modeling decisions; and cross subsidies among and between FTR participants and ARR holders.

The issuance of the September 15, 2016, FERC order increased the gap between congestion revenue and ARR/FTR revenue collected. The result of allocating balancing congestion and M2M payments to load, and allocating surplus congestion revenue, which includes excess day-ahead congestion revenue and FTR auction revenue, solely to FTR holders, increased revenue to FTRs and reduced payments to load. Under the new rules, effective for the 2018/2019 planning period, ARR holders may receive surplus congestion revenue, but must still pay balancing congestion. FTR portfolio netting leads to cross subsidies among FTR participants which treat FTRs differently depending on how a participant’s portfolio is constructed. Restructuring Stage 1A allocations using QRRs for retired resources addresses only the most egregious error in the flawed system of assigning congestion revenue rights. The rule change does not address the problem with using contract paths and gives priority to units based on financial, not physical, determinations. The purpose of the FTR/ARR system is to return congestion revenue to load. The current and newly modified rules do not meet this goal.<sup>40</sup>

Figure 13-8 shows the FTR surplus, day-ahead, balancing and total congestion payments from January 2005 through December 2019.

**Figure 13-8 FTR surplus and day-ahead, balancing and total congestion: January 2005 through December 2019**



40 2018 State of the Market Report for PJM, Vol. 2, Section 13: FTRs and ARRs.

## ARRs as an Offset to Congestion for Load

Load pays for the transmission system and pays congestion revenues. FTRs, and later ARRs, were intended to return congestion revenues to load. With the implementation of the current, path based FTR/ARR design, the purpose of FTRs has been subverted. The inconsistencies between actual network solutions used to serve load and path based rights available to load cause a misalignment of congestion collected from ARR holders and the congestion that is collectable by the same ARR holders. These inconsistencies between actual network use and path based rights cause cross subsidies among ARR holders and between ARR holders and FTR holders. The result of this misalignment is individual zones with vastly different offsets due to cross subsidies between zones based on the location of their path based ARRs compared to their actual congestion costs.

## FERC Order on FTRs: Balancing Congestion and M2M Payment Allocation

On September 15, 2016, FERC issued an order removing balancing congestion and market to market (M2M) payments from the FTR funding equation and assigned them, on a load ratio basis, to load and exports.<sup>41</sup> The new rule for calculating congestion revenues went into effect on June 1, 2017, for the 2017/2018 planning period. In its compliance filing PJM redefined balancing congestion as balancing congestion plus market to market (M2M) payments between MISO and NYISO.<sup>42</sup>

In addition, FERC ordered that all day-ahead congestion revenue in excess of FTR target allocations and additional FTR auction revenue over ARR target allocations, belongs to FTR holders. This further increased the underlying problem with the FTR design and reduced the probability that congestion revenues will be returned to load.

Beginning with the 2018/2019 planning period, surplus congestion revenue, which is defined as day-ahead congestion revenue and surplus auction revenue

remaining after funding FTRs, will be allocated to ARRs prorata based on ARR target allocations.<sup>43</sup>

Table 13-20 shows the ARR and FTR revenue paid to load, the congestion offset available to load with and without allocating balancing congestion to load and the congestion offset when surplus congestion revenue is allocated to load. Offsets highlighted are the actual offsets based on the effective rules in that planning period. The pre 2017/2018 offset is calculated as the ARR credits and the FTR credits excluding balancing congestion and M2M payments, divided by the total congestion and the load share of balancing and M2M payments. The 103.6 percent payout ratio in the 2016/2017 planning period, which was the last planning period before balancing congestion was assigned to load, is likely due to PJM selecting an overly conservative ARR/FTR model to improve FTR revenue adequacy. The 2017/2018 offset is the sum of the ARR credits, adjusted FTR credits and the load share of balancing congestion and M2M payments. The post 2017/2018 offset is calculated identically to the 2017/2018 offset, but includes any surplus congestion revenue remaining in the planning period. FTRs are fully funded before ARR holders have access to the surplus, so in planning periods with revenue inadequacy there is no difference between 2017/2018 and post 2017/2018. In planning periods that are fully funded, the surplus goes to load, and provides an increased congestion offset.

The allocation of balancing congestion and M2M payments to load went into effect in the 2017/2018 planning period. If these rules had been in place beginning with the 2011/2012 planning period, ARR holders would have received a total of \$1,305.1 million less in congestion offsets from the 2011/2012 through the 2018/2019 planning period. The total overpayment to FTR holders for the 2011/2012 through 2018/2019 planning period would have been \$1,427.4 million.

If the surplus revenue available through December 2019 were distributed to ARR holders, total ARR and self scheduled FTR revenue would offset 106.4 percent, and 88.6 percent without distribution of surplus revenue, of total congestion costs for the first seven months of the 2019/2020 planning period. For the first seven months of the 2019/2020 planning period, FTR bidders paid more in the auctions than actual day-ahead target allocations

<sup>41</sup> See 156 FERC ¶ 61,180 (2016), *reh'g denied*, 156 FERC ¶ 61,093 (2017).

<sup>42</sup> 2018 State of the Market Report for PJM, Vol. 2, Section 13: FTRs and ARRs.

<sup>43</sup> 163 FERC ¶ 61,165 (2018).

for the same paths. This resulted in an offset over 100 percent because the resulting ARR value was above congestion costs. This has not happened previously, and is a result of a potentially unexpected reduction in day-ahead target allocations compared to FTR bid prices.

**Table 13–20 ARR and FTR total congestion offset (in millions) for ARR holders: 2011/2012 through 2019/2020**

Planning Period	Revenue						Pre 2017/2018 (Without Balancing)		2017/2018 (With Balancing)		Post 2017/2018 (With Surplus)	
	ARR Credits	FTR Credits	Day Ahead Congestion	Balancing + M2M Congestion	Total Congestion	Surplus Revenue	Total ARR/FTR Offset	Percent Offset	Current Revenue Received	Percent Offset	New Revenue Received	New Offset
2011/2012	\$512.2	\$249.8	\$1,025.4	(\$275.7)	\$749.7	(\$192.5)	\$762.0	101.6%	\$598.6	79.8%	\$563.0	79.8%
2012/2013	\$349.5	\$181.9	\$904.7	(\$379.9)	\$524.8	(\$292.3)	\$531.4	101.3%	\$275.9	52.6%	\$257.5	52.6%
2013/2014	\$337.7	\$456.4	\$2,231.3	(\$360.6)	\$1,870.6	(\$678.7)	\$794.0	42.4%	\$574.1	30.7%	\$623.1	30.7%
2014/2015	\$482.4	\$404.4	\$1,625.9	(\$268.3)	\$1,357.6	\$139.6	\$886.8	65.3%	\$686.6	50.6%	\$715.0	52.7%
2015/2016	\$635.3	\$223.4	\$1,098.7	(\$147.6)	\$951.1	\$42.5	\$858.8	90.3%	\$744.8	78.3%	\$745.2	78.4%
2016/2017	\$640.0	\$169.1	\$885.7	(\$104.8)	\$780.8	\$72.6	\$809.1	103.6%	\$727.7	93.2%	\$763.8	97.8%
2017/2018	\$427.3	\$294.2	\$1,322.1	(\$129.5)	\$1,192.6	\$371.2	\$721.5	60.5%	\$595.7	50.0%	\$886.5	74.3%
2018/2019	\$529.1	\$130.1	\$832.7	(\$152.6)	\$680.0	\$112.3	\$675.93	99.4%	\$530.8	78.1%	\$626.3	92.1%
2019/2020*	\$315.8	\$66.1	\$438.9	(\$104.3)	\$334.6	\$73.2	\$395.38	118.2%	\$296.3	88.6%	\$356.1	106.4%
Total	\$4,229.4	\$2,175.3	\$10,365.3	(\$1,923.4)	\$8,441.9	(\$352.2)	\$6,434.9	76.2%	\$5,030.7	59.6%	\$5,536.7	65.6%

\* Seven months of 2019/2020 planning period

Table 13–20 demonstrates the inadequacies of the ARR/FTR design. The goal of the design should be to return 100 percent of the congestion revenues to the load.

## Zonal ARR Congestion Offset

ARRs are allocated to zonal load based on historical generation to load transmission paths, in many cases based on pre 1999 paths. ARR revenue is the result of the prices that result from the sale of FTRs through the FTR auctions. ARR revenue for each zone is the revenue for the ARRs that sink in each zone.

Congestion paid by load in a zone is the total difference between what the zonal load pays in congestion charges net of payments to the generation that serves the zonal load, including generation in the zone and outside the zone.

Table 13–21 shows the congestion offsets paid to load: FTR auction revenue; self scheduled FTR revenue; and the allocation of end of planning year surplus. The offset for the 2019/2020 planning period assigns the current surplus revenue at the end of December 2019 to ARR holders. Table 13–21 also shows payments by load for balancing congestion and M2M payments. The total congestion offset paid to load is the sum of all of those credits and charges.

Table 13–21 shows day-ahead congestion and balancing congestion and M2M charges paid by load in each zone.<sup>44</sup>

The zonal offset percentage shown in Table 13–21 is the sum of the congestion related revenues (offset) paid to load in each zone divided by the total congestion payment made by load in each zone.

<sup>44</sup> See 2019 State of the Market Report for PJM, Volume 2, Section 11: Congestion and Marginal Losses

Table 13-21 Zonal ARR and FTR total congestion offset (in millions) for ARR holders: 2019/2020 planning period

Zone	ARR Credits	FTR Credits	Balancing+ M2M Charge	Surplus Allocation	Total Offset	Day Ahead Congestion	Balancing Congestion	M2M Payments	Total Congestion	Total Offset
AECO	\$4.6	\$0.0	(\$1.3)	\$0.8	\$4.0	\$4.2	(\$1.0)	(\$0.3)	\$2.9	137.3%
AEP	\$39.5	\$23.3	(\$15.9)	\$16.2	\$63.2	\$80.4	(\$13.3)	(\$3.7)	\$63.3	99.7%
APS	\$24.4	\$6.2	(\$6.1)	\$6.1	\$30.5	\$29.5	(\$4.6)	(\$1.4)	\$23.5	129.7%
ATSI	\$20.5	\$0.1	(\$8.3)	\$3.4	\$15.7	\$35.0	(\$6.3)	(\$1.9)	\$26.8	58.8%
BGE	\$37.1	\$2.2	(\$4.0)	\$6.5	\$41.7	\$15.9	(\$3.1)	(\$0.9)	\$11.8	353.8%
ComEd	\$31.6	\$6.0	(\$12.2)	\$6.2	\$31.5	\$60.7	(\$9.5)	(\$2.9)	\$48.3	65.3%
DAY	\$6.4	\$0.3	(\$2.2)	\$1.1	\$5.7	\$9.6	(\$1.9)	(\$0.5)	\$7.2	78.7%
DEOK	\$20.1	\$3.3	(\$3.5)	\$4.3	\$24.1	\$15.3	(\$2.9)	(\$0.8)	\$11.6	208.0%
DLCO	\$3.1	\$0.1	(\$1.7)	\$0.5	\$2.0	\$5.8	(\$1.3)	(\$0.6)	\$4.0	49.7%
Dominion	\$2.8	\$17.1	(\$13.0)	\$6.4	\$13.4	\$54.1	(\$10.0)	(\$0.4)	\$43.8	30.5%
DPL	\$29.2	\$0.9	(\$2.4)	\$5.0	\$32.7	\$21.0	(\$1.8)	(\$3.1)	\$16.1	202.5%
EKPC	\$1.3	\$0.0	(\$1.6)	\$0.2	(\$0.0)	\$7.2	(\$1.3)	(\$0.4)	\$5.5	(0.1)%
EXT	\$1.5	\$0.0	\$0.0	\$0.3	\$1.7	\$0.3	(\$2.1)	\$0.0	(\$1.9)	(93.4)%
JCPL	\$3.4	\$0.1	(\$2.9)	\$0.6	\$1.1	\$10.0	(\$2.3)	(\$0.7)	\$7.1	15.5%
Met-Ed	\$4.1	\$0.4	(\$2.0)	\$0.7	\$3.2	\$9.4	(\$2.0)	(\$0.5)	\$7.0	46.5%
OVEC	\$0.0	\$0.0	\$0.0	\$0.0	\$0.0	\$0.3	\$0.1	\$0.0	\$0.4	0.0%
PECO	\$13.8	\$0.3	(\$5.1)	\$2.3	\$11.3	\$14.5	(\$3.8)	(\$1.2)	\$9.5	118.4%
Penelec	\$8.1	\$3.1	(\$2.1)	\$1.7	\$10.8	\$9.9	(\$1.7)	(\$0.5)	\$7.7	140.3%
Pepco	\$16.2	\$1.6	(\$3.8)	\$2.9	\$16.9	\$14.5	(\$2.9)	(\$0.9)	\$10.7	157.5%
PPL	\$20.8	\$1.2	(\$5.0)	\$3.6	\$20.5	\$20.4	(\$3.8)	(\$1.2)	\$15.4	133.0%
PSEG	\$27.0	\$0.0	(\$5.6)	\$4.4	\$25.8	\$20.0	(\$4.2)	(\$1.3)	\$14.5	177.8%
RECO	\$0.4	\$0.0	(\$0.2)	\$0.1	\$0.3	\$0.7	(\$0.2)	(\$0.0)	\$0.5	56.6%
Total	\$315.8	\$66.1	(\$99.0)	\$73.2	\$356.2	\$438.9	(\$79.8)	(\$23.3)	\$335.8	106.1%

The total congestion offset paid to loads in the first seven months of the 2019/2020 planning period would be 106.1 percent of congestion costs if the surplus revenue available were distributed to ARR holders.<sup>45</sup> The results vary significantly by zone. Loads in some zones, like BGE, receive substantially more in offsets than their total congestion payments. Loads in other zones, like JCPL, receive substantially less in offsets than their total congestion payments. The offsets are a function of the assignment of ARRs and the valuation of ARRs in the FTR auctions. Loads in some zones, like EKPC, pay balancing and M2M charges resulting in an offset that appears negative. The EXT Zone is a set of external interfaces (MISO, DUKEXP and CPLEEXP) that are allocated ARRs (the allocated ARRs sink at the external interface) based on agreements with PJM. There is no PJM billable load associated with these ARR positions. EXT is paid ARR credits based on ARR assignments, but the offsets are less than the negative balancing congestion allocated to EXT.

The results shown in Table 13-21 illustrate the fundamental issues with the FTR/ARR construct in PJM on a zonal basis. If ARRs were assigned correctly, based on actual zonal congestion, and if balancing congestion were appropriately included in total congestion, the

zonal offsets to load should equal zonal congestion payments by load.

One of the primary causes of the mismatch between zonal congestion revenues and offsets is the use of generation to load paths based on archaic relationships dating to a period prior to the start of the PJM markets. The use of the generation to load paths means that the source points for a load serving entity in a zone are largely limited to resources within the same zone, whether or not these resources are actually the primary sources of energy used to serve the load in the zone.

Table 13-22 shows the ARR MW allocated in the Annual ARR Allocation from within and outside each zone and the offset available from within and outside each zone. For the 2019/2020 planning period, 84.4 percent of total ARR MW assigned were based on generation within the zone where the load was located.

<sup>45</sup> The 106.1 percent offset result is not identical to the 106.4 percent offset included in this section as a result of rounding.

**Table 13-22 Origination of zonal path based ARR: MW share**

Zone	Stage 1A		Stage 1B		Stage 2		Total	
	Out of Zone	In Zone	Out of Zone	In Zone	Out of Zone	In Zone	Out of Zone	In Zone
AECO	17.4%	48.3%	7.9%	20.1%	0.0%	6.3%	25.3%	74.7%
AEP	8.5%	64.6%	1.4%	23.6%	0.2%	1.8%	10.1%	89.9%
APS	11.1%	51.7%	0.2%	34.1%	0.3%	2.6%	11.6%	88.4%
ATSI	26.1%	53.8%	9.7%	8.9%	0.2%	1.3%	36.1%	63.9%
BGE	26.8%	33.6%	0.0%	37.8%	0.0%	1.8%	26.8%	73.2%
ComEd	0.0%	66.5%	0.0%	18.6%	0.0%	14.8%	0.0%	100.0%
DAY	71.2%	9.7%	2.2%	0.0%	0.0%	26.0%	73.4%	26.6%
DEOK	41.8%	34.5%	0.1%	13.5%	0.1%	9.9%	42.1%	57.9%
Dominion	0.7%	61.8%	0.0%	35.7%	0.0%	1.8%	0.7%	99.3%
DPL	24.7%	59.9%	1.8%	10.0%	0.3%	3.3%	26.8%	73.2%
DLCO	35.8%	9.7%	0.2%	0.7%	9.7%	43.9%	45.7%	54.3%
EKPC/EXT	75.4%	12.7%	7.8%	0.0%	4.1%	0.0%	87.3%	12.7%
JCPL	7.9%	68.5%	0.1%	1.3%	13.9%	8.3%	22.0%	78.0%
Met-Ed	25.4%	67.7%	0.7%	0.5%	0.0%	5.7%	26.1%	73.9%
PECO	3.7%	57.7%	4.7%	22.8%	2.2%	8.9%	10.6%	89.4%
PENELEC	17.9%	59.9%	0.0%	16.2%	0.1%	5.9%	18.0%	82.0%
Pepco	16.7%	31.1%	0.0%	11.4%	0.2%	40.6%	16.9%	83.1%
PPL	0.0%	83.7%	0.0%	7.7%	0.8%	7.7%	0.9%	99.1%
PSEG	27.1%	44.4%	1.8%	18.9%	0.3%	7.5%	29.2%	70.8%
RECO	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	100.0%	0.0%	100.0%	0.0%
Total	13.1%	55.6%	1.6%	20.9%	0.9%	7.9%	15.6%	84.4%

BGE Zone's total available ARR MW provide a 150.6 percent offset to BGE's actual congestion. The sum of BGE Zone's ARRs (sources from within and from outside the BGE Zone) offset 192.0 percent of BGE's congestion.

Dominion Zone is another example of a zone where the mismatch between zonal congestion revenues and offsets results from the use of generation to load paths that do not match the actual source of congestion. The result for Dominion Zone is that the offset paid to zonal load is less than the amount of congestion actually paid by Dominion zonal load in the first seven months of the 2019/2020 planning period. More specifically, the outside of zone ARR source points that account for 0.7 percent of Dominion Zone's total available ARR MW provide a 1.6 percent offset to Dominion's actual congestion. The within zone ARRs that account for 99.3 percent of Dominion's total ARR allocation provide a 49.0 percent offset to Dominion's actual congestion. The sum of Dominion Zone's ARRs offset 50.6 percent of Dominion's congestion.

**Table 13-23 Origination of zonal path based ARRs: Value**

Zone	Stage 1A		Stage 1B		Stage 2		Total		Offset			
	Out of Zone	In Zone	Out of Zone	In Zone	Out of Zone	In Zone	Out of Zone	In Zone	Total Congestion	Out of Zone	In Zone	Total
AECO	\$0.8	\$1.0	\$0.2	\$0.5	\$0.0	\$0.1	\$1.0	\$1.5	\$2.9	35.2%	52.6%	87.8%
AEP	\$7.7	\$41.0	\$0.7	\$6.9	\$0.1	\$0.3	\$8.4	\$48.2	\$63.3	13.3%	76.1%	89.4%
APS	\$5.8	\$11.6	(\$0.0)	\$3.8	\$0.0	\$0.2	\$5.9	\$15.6	\$23.5	24.9%	66.1%	91.0%
ATSI	\$8.3	\$3.2	\$0.0	\$0.4	\$0.0	\$0.1	\$8.4	\$3.7	\$26.8	31.2%	13.8%	45.0%
BGE	\$17.8	\$3.3	\$0.0	\$1.6	\$0.0	\$0.0	\$17.8	\$4.9	\$11.8	150.6%	41.4%	192.0%
ComEd	\$0.0	\$21.1	\$0.0	\$0.2	\$0.0	\$0.6	\$0.0	\$21.9	\$48.3	0.0%	45.4%	45.4%
DAY	\$3.8	(\$0.0)	\$0.1	(\$0.0)	\$0.0	\$0.0	\$3.9	\$0.0	\$7.2	53.5%	0.1%	53.6%
DEOK	\$10.8	\$4.1	\$0.0	\$0.2	\$0.0	\$0.0	\$10.8	\$4.3	\$11.6	93.1%	36.9%	129.9%
Dominion	\$0.7	\$18.8	\$0.0	\$2.4	\$0.0	\$0.3	\$0.7	\$21.5	\$43.8	1.6%	49.0%	50.6%
DPL	\$5.1	\$8.3	\$0.2	\$0.5	\$0.0	\$0.3	\$5.3	\$9.1	\$16.1	32.9%	56.2%	89.1%
DLCO	\$1.3	(\$0.0)	(\$0.0)	(\$0.0)	\$0.2	\$0.4	\$1.5	\$0.3	\$4.0	37.6%	8.8%	46.4%
EKPC/EXT	\$1.1	\$0.5	\$0.1	\$0.0	\$0.0	\$0.0	\$1.2	\$0.5	\$3.7	32.6%	12.5%	45.1%
JCPL	\$0.2	\$0.7	(\$0.0)	\$0.0	\$1.0	\$0.1	\$1.2	\$0.8	\$7.1	17.4%	11.4%	28.7%
Met-Ed	\$0.8	\$1.6	\$0.0	\$0.0	\$0.0	\$0.1	\$0.8	\$1.8	\$7.0	12.2%	25.3%	37.5%
PECO	\$0.1	\$7.0	\$0.1	\$0.5	\$0.4	\$0.1	\$0.6	\$7.6	\$9.5	6.4%	79.6%	86.0%
PENELEC	\$2.0	\$3.5	\$0.0	\$0.4	\$0.0	\$0.2	\$2.0	\$4.1	\$7.7	26.2%	53.7%	80.0%
Pepco	\$7.0	\$1.0	\$0.0	(\$0.0)	\$0.0	\$0.4	\$7.0	\$1.5	\$10.7	65.4%	13.6%	78.9%
PPL	(\$0.0)	\$12.2	(\$0.0)	\$0.4	(\$0.0)	\$0.2	(\$0.0)	\$12.8	\$15.4	-0.2%	82.8%	82.6%
PSEG	\$6.6	\$8.4	\$0.1	\$0.2	\$0.0	\$0.3	\$6.7	\$8.9	\$14.5	46.2%	61.4%	107.6%
RECO	\$0.0	\$0.0	\$0.0	\$0.0	\$0.3	\$0.0	\$0.3	\$0.0	\$0.5	46.0%	0.0%	46.0%
Total	\$79.8	\$147.1	\$1.5	\$17.8	\$2.0	\$3.9	\$83.4	\$168.8	\$335.4	33.1%	66.9%	75.2%

BGE Zone is one example of a zone where the mismatch between zonal congestion revenues and offsets results from the use of generation to load paths that do not match the actual source of congestion. The result for BGE Zone is that the offset paid to zonal load is greater than the amount of congestion actually paid by BGE zonal load in the first seven months of the 2019/2020 planning period. More specifically, the outside of zone ARR source points that account for 26.8 percent of

These results show that the path based ARRs assigned to BGE and Dominion do not match the actual congestion charges. The result is large cross subsidies among the zones. In Dominion's case, the sources of energy designated for ARR paths do not align with the sources of network energy actually used to serve load. Dominion Zone is a net importer of power and is a relatively high priced. A significant portion of the energy used to serve Dominion's load comes from sources outside of the Dominion Zone. The load in the Dominion Zone is paying more for out of zone energy than the out of zone generation is paid. The difference is congestion. Dominion's path based rights, based on historical relationships between Dominion's within zone generation and its load, do not reflect the way zonal load is actually served. As a result, Dominion's ARRs



are not an effective offset to zonal load's congestion payments. The congestion that Dominion cannot claim from its path based rights subsidizes the offsets available to other zones.

Table 13-24 shows the zonal offset for three planning periods if all participants had self scheduled all of their ARRs as FTRs for the 2016/2017 through 2018/2019 planning periods. This table assumes that no system capability left unclaimed after self scheduling ARRs is made available as FTRs for third parties to claim. All congestion is assigned to self scheduled ARRs. The SS FTR column includes the target allocations of the self scheduled FTRs. The Bal+M2M column includes the charges assigned to participants for their share of balancing congestion and M2M payments. The modeled surplus column includes the surplus congestion revenues. DA congestion and Bal+M2M Congestion are charged to load. The percent offset is the sum of self scheduled target allocations, Bal+M2M charges and modeled surplus divided by the total congestion charged to load.

Table 13-24 shows that there are large disparities in the zone specific offsets that exist even if all ARRs are self scheduled.

**Table 13-24 Fully self scheduled ARR offsets: 2016/2017 through 2018/2019**

	16/17 Planning Period						17/18 Planning Period						18/19 Planning Period					
	SS FTR	Bal+M2M Charges	Modeled Surplus	DA Congestion	Bal+M2M Congestion	Offset with Surplus	SS FTR	Bal+M2M Charges	Modeled Surplus	DA Congestion	Bal+M2M Congestion	Offset with Surplus	SS FTR	Bal+M2M Charges	Modeled Surplus	DA Congestion	Bal+M2M Congestion	Offset with Surplus
AECO	\$3.0	(\$1.3)	\$1.2	\$12.7	(\$1.5)	26.4%	\$1.8	(\$1.6)	\$1.0	\$15.9	(\$1.7)	8.3%	\$11.5	(\$1.9)	\$5.7	\$11.9	(\$1.9)	153.4%
AEP	\$85.7	(\$16.0)	\$34.8	\$132.2	(\$17.6)	91.1%	\$203.3	(\$20.4)	\$115.2	\$223.1	(\$22.2)	148.4%	\$84.9	(\$23.7)	\$42.1	\$129.6	(\$23.9)	97.8%
APS	\$25.5	(\$6.1)	\$10.4	\$38.0	(\$6.8)	95.5%	\$78.7	(\$7.8)	\$44.6	\$67.2	(\$8.1)	195.2%	\$37.4	(\$9.2)	\$18.5	\$53.7	(\$8.9)	104.1%
ATSI	\$10.1	(\$8.5)	\$4.1	\$58.6	(\$9.2)	11.5%	\$54.1	(\$10.6)	\$30.7	\$87.7	(\$11.7)	97.6%	\$45.3	(\$12.4)	\$22.4	\$64.8	(\$12.3)	105.6%
BGE	\$100.8	(\$3.9)	\$40.9	\$38.4	(\$3.9)	399.7%	\$83.1	(\$5.0)	\$47.1	\$50.0	(\$5.2)	279.4%	\$49.0	(\$5.8)	\$24.3	\$26.1	(\$6.0)	336.8%
ComEd	\$247.6	(\$12.4)	\$100.5	\$216.5	(\$9.9)	162.6%	\$110.9	(\$15.4)	\$62.8	\$205.3	(\$17.4)	84.2%	\$51.4	(\$17.8)	\$25.5	\$113.0	(\$16.5)	61.2%
DAY	\$1.8	(\$2.2)	\$0.7	\$15.5	(\$2.2)	3.0%	\$10.5	(\$2.8)	\$6.0	\$25.2	(\$2.8)	61.2%	\$11.2	(\$3.2)	\$5.5	\$16.1	(\$3.3)	105.6%
DEOK	\$9.6	(\$3.5)	\$3.9	\$29.3	(\$3.7)	39.2%	\$72.2	(\$4.3)	\$40.9	\$44.9	(\$3.8)	264.4%	\$50.4	(\$5.0)	\$25.0	\$28.9	(\$5.2)	297.3%
DLCO	\$0.4	(\$1.8)	\$20.0	\$10.4	(\$1.9)	217.6%	\$10.6	(\$2.2)	\$24.1	\$15.1	(\$2.3)	253.2%	\$7.2	(\$2.5)	\$27.6	\$10.2	(\$2.5)	418.1%
Dominion	\$49.3	(\$12.2)	\$16.1	\$88.2	(\$13.1)	70.7%	\$42.5	(\$15.8)	\$19.4	\$155.9	(\$16.1)	33.0%	\$55.7	(\$18.7)	\$26.0	\$84.4	(\$18.2)	95.3%
DPL	\$39.6	(\$2.3)	\$0.2	\$34.7	\$3.9	97.1%	\$34.3	(\$2.9)	\$6.0	\$48.9	\$7.6	66.0%	\$52.6	(\$3.4)	\$3.6	\$63.0	(\$4.0)	89.3%
EKPC	(\$0.3)	(\$1.6)	(\$0.1)	\$12.4	(\$1.6)	(18.0%)	(\$3.5)	(\$2.1)	(\$2.0)	\$23.5	(\$1.7)	(34.5%)	\$0.9	(\$2.4)	\$0.4	\$11.8	(\$2.2)	(11.3%)
EXT	\$1.6	\$0.0	\$0.7	(\$1.0)	(\$4.5)	(41.9%)	\$3.4	\$0.0	\$1.9	\$0.3	(\$3.8)	(152.0%)	\$1.7	\$0.0	\$0.8	\$0.7	(\$4.8)	(60.7%)
JCPL	\$1.6	(\$2.9)	\$0.6	\$20.8	(\$3.3)	(3.9%)	\$2.7	(\$3.6)	\$1.5	\$38.6	(\$3.8)	1.9%	\$2.6	(\$4.2)	\$1.3	\$24.6	(\$4.2)	(1.3%)
Met-Ed	\$8.9	(\$1.9)	\$3.6	\$18.2	(\$1.8)	64.7%	\$7.6	(\$2.5)	\$4.3	\$31.5	(\$4.1)	34.2%	\$5.0	(\$2.9)	\$2.5	\$17.9	(\$3.3)	31.2%
PECO	\$9.9	(\$5.1)	\$4.0	\$36.4	(\$6.1)	28.9%	\$15.7	(\$6.4)	\$8.9	\$65.5	(\$6.9)	31.1%	\$15.7	(\$7.5)	\$7.8	\$37.3	(\$7.3)	53.2%
Penelac	\$8.2	(\$2.2)	\$3.3	\$16.6	(\$2.9)	68.5%	\$13.5	(\$2.7)	\$7.6	\$30.7	(\$3.0)	66.4%	\$17.5	(\$3.2)	\$8.7	\$21.7	(\$4.1)	130.7%
Pepeco	\$11.1	(\$3.8)	\$4.5	\$29.3	(\$3.8)	46.5%	\$30.3	(\$4.8)	\$17.2	\$46.4	(\$4.7)	102.4%	\$16.7	(\$5.5)	\$8.3	\$23.6	(\$5.3)	106.9%
PPL	(\$2.4)	(\$5.1)	(\$1.0)	\$37.3	(\$6.3)	(27.3%)	\$14.7	(\$6.4)	\$8.3	\$71.2	(\$6.1)	25.5%	\$4.3	(\$7.6)	\$2.1	\$44.2	(\$7.6)	(3.0%)
PSEG	\$18.6	(\$5.6)	\$7.5	\$41.0	(\$6.2)	59.1%	\$58.6	(\$6.9)	\$33.2	\$72.8	(\$7.3)	129.6%	\$35.6	(\$8.1)	\$17.6	\$47.3	(\$8.7)	117.0%
RECO	\$0.0	(\$0.2)	\$0.0	\$1.6	(\$0.2)	(12.0%)	(\$0.1)	(\$0.2)	(\$0.1)	\$2.3	(\$0.3)	(18.4%)	\$0.2	(\$0.3)	\$0.1	\$2.0	(\$0.9)	(2.5%)
Total	\$630.8	(\$98.7)	\$256.1	\$887.0	(\$102.6)	100.5%	\$844.7	(\$124.3)	\$478.7	\$1,322.1	(\$125.3)	100.2%	\$556.9	(\$145.2)	\$275.8	\$832.7	(\$151.1)	100.9%

## Day-Ahead Congestion and FTR Auction Price Convergence

The value of an ARR is based on the price that FTR buyers are willing to pay for the associated FTR rights in the Annual FTR Auction. The subsequent convergence of FTR prices with actual target allocations does not benefit ARR holders.

Auction prices for FTRs begin to converge with actual target allocations as the time of the auction approaches the prompt month. The convergence is a result of the increased level of FTRs offered for sale by market participants with better information about expected target allocations and more accurate PJM modeling of system conditions.

Figure 13-9 shows the distribution of the differences between FTR auction path prices and actual target allocations defined by actual day-ahead market prices for the Monthly FTR Auctions that occurred in the 2018/2019 planning period. The curves represent the periods for which FTRs can be purchased in the Monthly FTR Auctions. For example, in the June 2018 auction, the "Prompt" month is June, "Prompt + 1" is July, "Prompt + 2" is August and "After Prompt + 2" includes any available quarterly products (Q2, Q3, Q4) purchased in the June 2018 auction. The defined differences on

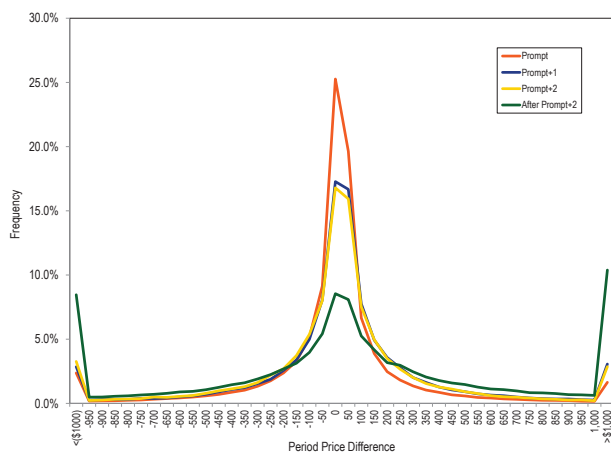
the x axis stop at  $-\$1,000$   $+\$1,000$ , so the sum of all differences above or below that range is included as greater than  $+\$1,000$  or less than  $-\$1,000$ .

The price convergence of a path is determined by comparing the auction price and actual day-ahead target allocation of that path. The average price paid for an FTR path for a given period and peak type is calculated across all relevant auction rounds. For example, to calculate the average period price of an annual FTR path, the average auction cost for that path over all rounds is calculated for each FTR type (on peak/off peak/24 hour). The average hourly actual target allocation for that path for every corresponding period is calculated for each FTR type. For a monthly FTR the average hourly target allocation is calculated, and for an annual FTR the average target allocation for the year is calculated. The difference between the average auction value and the average target allocation is calculated. The differences were grouped by \$50 differences up to -\$1,000 and +\$1,000.

The figure shows that auctions for FTRs for the prompt month are the best predictor of actual target allocations, with 25.3 percent of all FTR paths purchased in the \$0 to \$50 category. FTR auctions for periods farther in the future are less accurate predictors, and auctions for quarterly products are very inaccurate.

The disconnect between FTR auction prices and target allocations demonstrates that FTR auction prices are not a reliable predictor of actual congestion in the day-ahead energy market. The farther in the future, the worse are FTR auction prices as a predictor of actual congestion. As a result, the FTR Annual Auction does not accurately value ARR and systematically understates congestion costs for the planning period.

**Figure 13-9 Frequency distribution of price convergence between day-ahead market and monthly FTR auctions: 2018/2019 monthly auctions**



## Credit

There were no collateral defaults in 2019. There were 58 payment defaults in 2019 not involving GreenHat Energy, LLC for a total of \$59,933. GreenHat Energy continued to accrue payment defaults of \$70.0 million in 2019 for a total of \$147.0 million in defaults to date, which will continue to accrue through May 2021, including the auction liquidation costs.<sup>46</sup>

## GreenHat Settlement Proceedings

On June 5, 2019, FERC issued an order that established a paper hearing and settlement judge procedures regarding the GreenHat liquidation waiver request.<sup>47</sup> FERC recognized “...there are multiple complexities associated with implementing the Waiver Order Directive that should be addressed in a paper hearing...”<sup>48</sup> Before the paper hearing began, FERC established a settlement procedure to “...encourage the parties to make every effort to settle their disputes before the paper hearing commences.”<sup>49</sup>

By delegated order issued December 30, 2019, the Commission approved a settlement agreement between PJM and the interested parties.<sup>50</sup> The result of the settlement is a release of all claims of harm resulting from the July auction liquidation of GreenHat’s portfolio, the payment of \$12.5 million directly to two participants, and payment of up to \$5 million total to participants that can show economic harm from PJM’s actions during the July auction.

This settlement, requiring up to \$17.5 million in payments, will be recovered via the default allocation assessment fund, which is allocated to all PJM members in proportion to their total net bill.

## FTR Forfeitures

### Hourly FTR Cost

When the FTR forfeiture rule is triggered, only the related hourly profits are forfeited. The profit is calculated as

<sup>46</sup> See the 2019 Quarterly State of the Market Report for PJM: January through June for a more complete explanation of credit issues that occurred in 2019.

<sup>47</sup> On June 21, 2018, GreenHat Energy, LLC was declared in payment default for non-payment of a \$1.2 million weekly invoice on June 5, 2018. GreenHat had been declared in default twice earlier in June 2018 for two collateral calls totaling \$2.8 million. Daugherty, Suzanne, email sent to the MC, MRC, CS, and MSS email distribution list, “Notification of GreenHat Energy, LLC Payment Default,” (June 22, 2018).

<sup>48</sup> See 167 FERC ¶ 61,2019 at P 27 (2019).

<sup>49</sup> See *Id.* at P 28.

<sup>50</sup> See 169 FERC ¶ 61,260 (2019).

the hourly FTR target allocation minus the FTR's hourly cost. On June 24, 2019, PJM filed with FERC to amend their tariff to properly calculate the hourly cost of an FTR only for hours in which it is effective.<sup>51</sup>

## FERC Order on FTR Forfeitures

On January 19, 2017, FERC determined that the application of the current FTR forfeiture rule to INCs, DECs and UTCs was unjust and unreasonable.<sup>52</sup> In their determination, FERC ordered that a method should be developed to consider the net impact of a participant's entire portfolio of virtual bids on a constraint related to an FTR position and ordered that counter flow FTRs be included in FTR forfeiture calculations.

FERC ordered a retroactive effective date meaning that participants would be retroactively billed their FTR forfeiture amounts based on the new FTR forfeiture rule once it was in place.

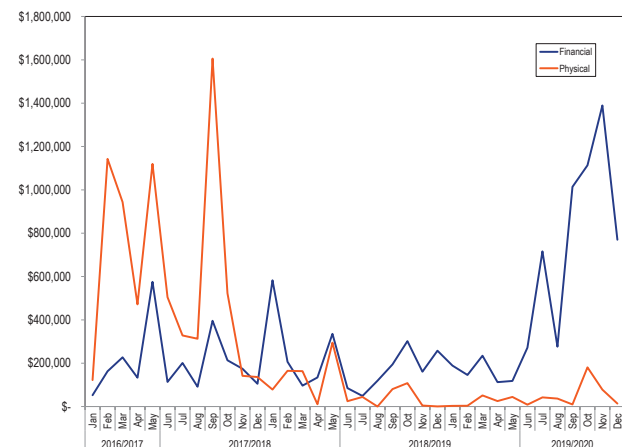
Until January 19, 2017, an FTR holder was subject to forfeiture of any profits from an FTR if it met the criteria defined in Section 5.2.1(b) of Schedule 1 of the OA. If a participant has a cleared increment offer or decrement bid for an applicable hour at or near the source or sink of any FTR they own and the day-ahead congestion LMP difference is greater than the real-time congestion LMP difference the profits from that FTR may be subject to forfeiture for that hour. An increment offer or decrement bid is considered near the source or sink point if 75 percent or more of the energy injected or withdrawn, and which is withdrawn or injected at any other bus, is reflected on the constrained path between the FTR source or sink. This rule only applies to increment offers and decrement bids that would increase the price separation between the FTR source and sink points.

After January 19, 2017, participants were subject to the new FTR forfeiture rule. This rule considers the impact of a participant's net virtual transaction portfolio on all constraints. If a participant's net virtual portfolio impacts a constraint by the greater of 0.1 MW or 10 percent or more of the line limit, and that constraint affects an individual FTR's target allocation by \$0.01, the FTR is subject to FTR forfeiture if the net virtual portfolio increased the value of the FTR. FTR forfeitures

do not result from net virtual portfolios that decrease the value of their affiliates' FTRs. The forfeiture amount calculation is the hourly profit of the FTR and an FTR cannot forfeit more than once per hour.

Figure 13-10 shows the monthly FTR forfeitures under the newly established FTR forfeiture rule from January 19, 2017, through December 31, 2019. PJM began retroactively billing FTR forfeitures with the September 2017 bill. In the interim period from January 2017 through September 2017 participants did not know what behaviors were causing FTR forfeitures, so they had no way to modify their bidding behavior to avoid FTR forfeitures. After September 2017, FTR forfeitures were down significantly, and stabilized, as participants could now see the effect of their activities on FTR forfeitures. Beginning with the September 2019 bill, PJM began billing using the correct hourly cost calculation. For the period of January 19, 2017, through December 31, 2019, total FTR forfeitures were \$20.1 million.

**Figure 13-10 Monthly FTR forfeitures for physical and financial participants**



<sup>51</sup> See "Minor modification to Tariff Language for FTR Forfeiture Rule," Docket No. ER19-2240 (June 24, 2019).

<sup>52</sup> See 158 FERC ¶ 61,038.

