Markup Switch Analysis

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Schedule Types

- Cost-based offers are used when a seller is determined to have local market power based on the Three Pivotal Supplier (TPS) test.
 - flexible parameter restrictions
 - offers based on defined short run marginal costs
- Parameter limited offers (Price PLS) are used during hot/cold weather alerts and emergencies.
 - the same flexible parameter restrictions as cost-based offers without the restrictions on the offer dollar values
- Price based offers are used by default.
 - limited restrictions on offers and parameters





Schedule Selection

- Cost-based schedules and parameter limited schedules are eligible for selection, but are not required to be selected, when a resource fails the TPS test or during weather alerts and emergencies.
- The requirement is that the lower cost offer must be selected.
- But the rules defining the lower cost schedule are flawed.





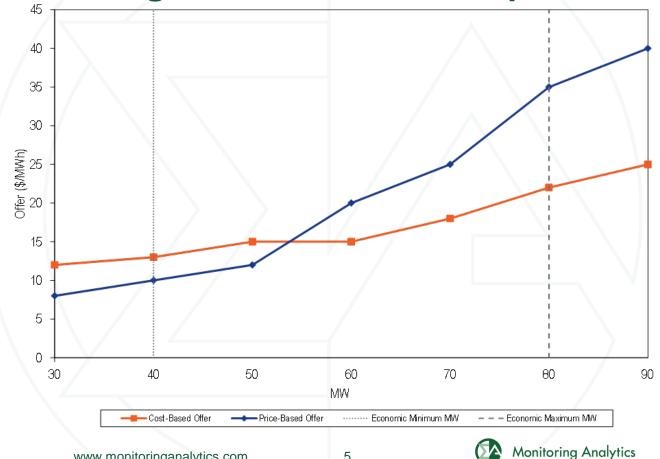
Schedule Selection

- As a result, cost-based offers may or may not be selected when a resource fails the TPS test.
- As a result, Price PLS offers may or may not be selected during weather alerts and emergencies.
- Resources that fail the TPS test may:
 - Set price with a positive markup;
 - Receive uplift based on a price-based offer that is more expensive and/or less flexible than the cost-based offer;
 - Withhold energy through markup or inflexibility.





Crossing Offer Curves/ Markup Switch



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- Real-time definition of lower cost offer
 - Defined only at economic minimum
 - Crossing curves unit that fails the TPS test is not mitigated.
 - Failure of TPS does not result in use of lower cost schedule.
- Day-ahead definition of lower cost offer
 - Evaluation of full schedules
 - Some units with crossing curves are mitigated.
 - Crossing curves frequently result in day-ahead dispatch only up to the positive markup segment and no mitigation.



Crossing Offer Curves/ Markup Switch

- The result in the real-time market is:
 - Selection of higher cost offer
 - Market power in real-time market when unit dispatched into the positive markup segment
- The result in the day-ahead market is:
 - Selection of higher cost offer in some cases
 - Commitment of unit on higher cost schedule
 - Day-ahead dispatch only up to the positive markup segment.
 - Market power in real-time market when unit dispatched into the positive markup segment



Frequency of Crossing Curves/ Markup Switch

		Day-Ahead		Real-Time			
	Number of	Total Number of	Percent of		Total Number of	Percent of	
	Schedule Hours	Cost Schedule	Schedule Hours	Schedule Hours	Cost Schedule	Schedule Hours	
	with Crossing	Hours Offered by	with Crossing	with Crossing	Hours Offered by	with Crossing	
2024	Curves	Price Based Units	Curves	Curves	Price Based Units	Curves	
Jan	86,890	839,400	10.4%	73,782	775,515	9.5%	
Feb	79,862	792,552	10.1%	63,141	736,063	8.6%	
Mar	72,834	745,704	9.8%	52,500	696,611	7.6%	
Apr	76,590	826,728	9.3%	61,495	677,110	9.1%	
May	87,098	869,976	10.0%	72,655	736,427	9.9%	
Jun	88,455	839,472	10.5%	83,877	786,417	10.7%	
Jul	95,303	870,960	10.9%	90,379	821,874	11.0%	
Aug	98,747	869,808	11.4%	90,266	823,331	11.0%	
Sep	89,362	847,152	10.5%	76,991	763,796	10.1%	
Total	775,141	7,501,752	10.3%	665,086	6,817,144	9.8%	
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Units with Crossing Curves that Failed the TPS Test DA in the First Nine Months of 2024 and were Committed on Price

Percent of unit hours	Average Markup DA	Average Markup RT	Load-weighted average Markup DA	Load-weighted average Markup RT
65.3%	-\$5.68	\$56.93	-\$3.44	\$38.67
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Units with Crossing Curves that Failed the TPS Test DA in the First Nine Months of 2024 and were Committed on Price

Offers committed on Price after failing TPS DA and were marginal in RT

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	Percent of Unit Hours that were Marginal in RT	Average Markup DA		Load-weighted verage Markup DA	Load-weighted average Markup RT	Average marginal unit LMP contribution	marginal unit Markup contribution
	14.1%	\$9.49	\$3.14	\$11.00	\$5.40	\$1.19	\$0.12
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Units with Crossing Curves Failed the TPS Test DA in the First Nine Months of 2024 and were Committed on Price

Offers committed on Price with a negative markup DA, which were marginal and had a positive markup in RT

			Load-weighted	Load-weighted	Average marginal	Average marginal
Percent of	Average	Average	average	average	unit LMP	unit Markup
Unit Hours	Markup DA	Markup RT	Markup DA	Markup RT	contribution	contribution
8.2%	-\$3.69	\$15.39	-\$3.29	\$16.60	\$1.21	\$0.37





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