# **Opportunity Cost Calculator**

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Monitoring Analytics

## Primary Differences Between Monitoring Analytics and PJM

Simple and User Friendly Interface√Ability to Handle Rolling Time Period Restrictions√Minimum Run Time & Start Up Costs√Adjustment for Negative Margins√Dual Fuel Inputs√Spot vs. Contract Monthly Fuel Flexibility√Automatic Updates√MMU Reviewable√

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## Simple and User Friendly Interface

- Inputs gathered by web portal
- Login with eFuel account
- Easy to use
- Historical / futures data gathered from PJM and MMU databases
  - No need for users to input
- Changes to calculator can be implemented and tested with no impact on users
  - No requirement for additional data entry



## **Sample Input Screen**

#### **Monitoring Analytics Opportunity Cost Calculator Inputs**

Percent Percent

Percent

#### Unit Characteristics

				of Fuel	of Fuel	Fuel type A	Fuel type B	Fuel type A	Fuel type B	Price for Fuel	Price for Fuel		
Data Field Name	Input Value	Units	Month	type A	type B	is Contract	is Contract	is Spot	is Spot	type A	type B		
Unit_ID	11111111		Jan	75%	25%	0%	100%	100%	0%	N/A	\$4.0 per mmBtu		
Does this Unit have a 12-Month Rolling Run-Hour Restriction?	Yes	Yes or No	Feb	75%	25%	0%	100%	100%	0%	N/A	\$4.0 per mmBtu		
Minimum Run Time (Default is 1 Hour)	8	hours	Mar	75%	25%	0%	100%	100%	0%	N/A	\$4.0 per mmBtu		
Startup Costs	\$500.00	dollars	Apr	75%	25%	0%	100%	100%	0%	N/A	\$4.0 per mmBtu		
Summer Average Heat Rate	12.3	mmbtu/mwh	May	75%	25%	0%	100%	100%	0%	N/A	\$4.0 per mmBtu		
Winter Average Heat Rate	12.1	mmbtu/mwh	Jun	75%	25%	0%	100%	100%	0%	N/A	\$4.0 per mmBtu		
NOx Emission Rate (annual)	0.328	lbs/mmbtu	Jul	75%	25%	0%	100%	100%	0%	N/A	\$4.0 per mmBtu		
NOx Emission Rate (seasonal)	0.328	lbs/mmbtu	Aug	75%	25%	0%	100%	100%	0%	N/A	\$4.0 per mmBtu		
SO2 Emission Rate	1.24	lbs/mmbtu	Sep	75%	25%	0%	100%	100%	0%	N/A	\$4.0 per mmBtu		
CO2 Emission Rate	160.56	lbs/mmbtu	Oct	75%	25%	0%	100%	100%	0%	N/A	\$4.0 per mmBtu		
VOM	2.22	\$/mwh	Nov	75%	25%	0%	100%	100%	0%	N/A	\$4.0 per mmBtu		
FMU	5	\$/mwh	Dec	75%	25%	0%	100%	100%	0%	N/A	\$4.0 per mmBtu		
Scaling Factor	10%	percent											
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Fuel Inputs			Scheduled Outages				Run Hour Limitation: 1000 hours				hours		
Platt's Forward Fuel Index for Fuel Type A CTL APP 12500B 1.2S CSX 💌			Start: 05JAN2009:05:00:00				Run Hours Used to Date: 400 hours						
NATURAL GAS		^	End: 25JAN2009:10:00:00										
Chicago CG Fwd													
Transco Zn6 NY Fwd			Outages Saved										
Columb	ia Gas Appal Fwd COAL		Start End										
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			01FEB2009:05:00:00 02FEB2009:00:00										
Platt's Forward Fuel Index for Fuel Type B PRB 8800B .35S RAII			05DEC2009:05:00:00 09DEC2009:10:00:00										
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Spot vs. Contract Monthly Fuel Prices

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Contract

Contract

Percent

## Sample Output Screen

Monitoring Analytics Opportunity Cost Calculator Output														
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				of Fuel	of Fuel	Fuel type A	Fuel type B	Fuel type A	Fuel type B	Price for Fuel	Price for Fuel			
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<u>Fuel Inputs</u>	Outage			es Saved				Run Hour Limitation:		1000	hours			
Platt's Forward Fuel Index for Fuel Type A	CTL APP 12500B 1.2S CSX	]	<u>Start</u>	<u>E</u>	nd			Run Hours L	Jsed to Date:	400	hours			
			05JAN2009:05:00:00	25JAN200	9:10:00:00									
Platt's Forward Fuel Index for Fuel Type B	PRB 8800B .355 RAIL	]	01FEB2009:05:00:00	02FEB200	9:00:00:00									
(if dual fuel type unit)		-	05DEC2009:05:00:00	09DEC200	9:10:00:00	)								
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## Ability to Handle Rolling Time Period Restrictions

- Proposed change to manual:
  - Accounts for restrictions based on calendar year, rolling 12 months, or rolling N days



## Minimum Run Time & Start Up Costs

- **Proposed change to manual:** 
  - Accounts for parameter limits of various unit types
  - Improves accuracy of calculation substantially and gives accurate opportunity cost adders based on actual unit performance
    - For minimum run time, the adder is the average of a block of hours, rather than the minimum of hours
  - Models units as they operate in real-time or offer in day-ahead



## **Negative Margins**

- Proposed change to manual:
  - Negative margins reflect actual margins from prior years
  - Accurately accounts for yearly volatility
  - Reflects actual values of hours in that year
  - Example:

700<sup>th</sup> Margin (2006) = -\$100 700<sup>th</sup> Margin (2007) = -\$100 700<sup>th</sup> Margin (2008) = \$75

Maximum Opportunity Cost Component MMU Method = Max(0, -\$41.67) = \$0 PJM Method = \$25



## **Dual Fuel Inputs**

- Proposed change to manual:
  - Permits use of dual fuels
  - Necessary for units that may burn multiple fuels
  - For units with restrictions on consumption of specific fuels, this method allows accounting for both fuels in the same calculation.
  - Example:
    - Run hour restriction of combined gas and oil output
    - **o** Unit has restriction only when burning secondary fuel



### **Spot vs. Contract Monthly Fuel Flexibility**

- Proposed change to manual:
  - Flexibility to choose spot price for one fuel and contract price for another fuel
  - Allows members to identify when a contract will end
    - If contract ends in the middle of a compliance period, permits use of spot prices or new contract prices
  - No need for participants to input fuel spot prices



## **Automatic Updates**

- Calculator saves inputs from previous days, including outages
- Automatically updates hours run, without inputs from participants
- Recalculates opportunity cost adder daily, without inputs from participants
- No need for changes unless units change fuel or outage schedule
- Daily automatic updates posted overnight



## **MMU Reviewable**

- Using the MMU calculator makes all opportunity cost adders derived from the calculator faster and easier for the MMU to review and approve
- Smaller chance of error given fewer user inputs

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