Guaranteed Load Drop Measurement and Verification

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Test Measurement and Verification

- Current business rules for measurement and verification of Load Management are inadequate:
 - CSP has multiple baseline methods to chose from that vary in rigor, bias and accuracy
 - Comparable Day and Same Day are subjective, considering a single data point chosen by CSP
 - Only regression analysis, or adjusted CBL, account for factors causing normal load fluctuations, such as weather





Test Measurement and Verification

- It is or should be within the scope of the Load Management Task Force to address this issue
 - Current language in Manual 19 requires CSP to chose GLD method that results in "best possible estimate"
 - Some options are clearly more robust, empirical than others
 - Objective should be to implement the most accurate method possible for all customers







Comparable Day

- Under current business rules, there are no criteria to determine comparability
- CSP has the ability and incentive to pick high load day for baseline, low load day for test
- This method ignores any variables underlying load fluctuations, such as weather, day of week
- No empirical way to compare to other methods





PJM Proposal

- Under PJM proposed changes, weather adjustment is "opt in" only
 - Historically, less than 5 percent of customers have opted into weather adjusted baselines, significantly understating the proportion of weather sensitive participants
- Other customers pick closest day in proximity
 - CSP has the ability and the incentive to pick high load day as baseline, low load day as test





Option Comparison

Option	Daily Observations (n)	Backtest Capable?
Comparable Day	1	No
Same Day	1	No
Standard CBL	4	Yes
CBL w/ Symmetric Additive	4	Yes
Regression Analysis	30 - 65	Yes



MMU Position

- Comparable Day and Same Day in current form should be eliminated
- Of current options, regression analysis will result in "best possible estimate" for most if not all GLD customers
- A pilot study should be conducted by PJM with MMU access to data and stakeholder input to
 - evaluate accuracy of regression compared to other GLD methods
 - identify any obstacles to implementation.





Pilot Study

- An effective pilot study will:
 - Include customers of various load types, sizes
 - Include multiple CSPs
 - Include multiple LSEs/EDCs
 - Analyze GLD method accuracy by customer type, to determine if multiple default methods are necessary
 - Quantify accuracy of regression in comparison to all current and proposed methods by back-testing model estimates to actual load





Pilot Study

- An effective pilot study will:
 - Include the following methods: Standard CBL, CBL with additive adjustment, Regression Analysis, PJM Comparable Day, MA Comparable Day
 - Identify and document significant obstacles or shortcomings associated with implementation of regression analysis
 - Provide the data and information necessary for stakeholders to decide the most accurate GLD method that can feasibly be implemented





Considerations

- Availability of prior summer hourly load data
 - If no prior data is available how much current year data is needed?
- Estimated turnaround time for developing accurate regression model for individual CSPs
- Extent to which process can be automated or if additional resources are required
- Consensus building or issue resolution process for model results
 - Back-testing appropriate





Monitoring Analytics

LMTF Timeline

With implementation target of 2011/2012 DY, no method should be incorporated into business rules without back-testing utilizing 2010/2011 DY data



Monitoring Analytics Role

- Monitoring Analytics is prepared to:
 - perform analysis
 - verify results in the proposed pilot study
 - verify results in actual GLD method implementation
- Monitoring Analytics role is based on tariff responsibilities as the Independent Market Monitor for PJM

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