

MMU Start and Notification Time Problem Statement

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Start and Notification Time Issue

- **Unit start time and notification time parameters are not currently limited by any market rules**
- **Units should be available for dispatch unless on a declared outage**
- **Current rules allow lengthy start and notification parameters to be entered by market participants, which:**
 - **Make scheduling more difficult for dispatchers and operations**
 - **Make units unavailable for lengthy periods.**
 - **Permit the exercise of market power**



Start and Notification Time Issue

- **Limits should apply to both price-based and cost-based schedules, to be effective**
- **An exception process would allow for physical changes to units**
- **Reliability needs may mean tighter restrictions during Emergency periods**



Time Frame

- **Issue should be addressed in a relatively short period (proposed implementation date 6/1/2011).**



Objectives

- **To ensure that start and notification parameters are consistent with the actual physical capabilities of units.**
- **To ensure that start and notification parameters are not used to exercise market power.**
- **To ensure that units are available so that PJM can reliably operate the system**



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