Market Monitor Report

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SMP Capping

- In 2015, PJM began implementing a cap on the energy component of LMP (system marginal price or SMP).
- PJM posted a whitepaper to explain on April 12, 2021.
- The PJM governing documents do not describe or define the SMP capping process.
- The PJM Operating Agreement limits the number of reserve shortage penalty factors that may apply.
- The SMP may reach the cap level based on any combination of high energy offers, shortage penalty factors, or transmission constraint penalty factors.



System Marginal Price Capping

- PJM caps the SMP at \$3,750 per MWh during the reserve shortages.
- The cap is derived from
 - + the Energy Offer Cap (\$2,000 per MWh)
 - + Synchronous Reserve Penalty Factor from the first step on the demand curve (\$850 per MWh)
 - + Primary Reserve Penalty Factor from the first step on the demand curve (\$850 per MWh)
 - + a threshold (\$50 per MWh).
- Section 2.9 of Manual 11 does not reference a cap.



Example of SMP Exceeding \$3,750

- Loss Factor = 1.0
- Incremental cost of providing Energy = \$100/MWh
- Congestion cost from two violated transmission constraints with 0.5 dfax each to the marginal unit
 - 0.5*\$2000 + 0.5 *\$2000 = \$2,000
- Lost Opportunity Cost associated with three reserve constraints
 - 850 + 850 + 850 10 = \$2,540/MWh
- SMP = \$4,640/MWh
 - 1.0*{100 + (0.5*2000+0.5*2000) + (850+850+850) 10}

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SMP Capping Logic

 If the SMP exceeds \$3,750 per MWh, PJM resolves RT SCED by progressively relaxing reserve constraints until the SMP falls below the cap.

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SMP Capping Logic

- Example
 - Original SMP is above \$3,750 per MWh.
 - PJM resolves, disabling MAD primary reserve constraint.
 - If the SMP is still above \$3,750 per MWh,
 - PJM resolves, enabling the MAD primary reserve constraint and disabling the MAD synchronized reserve constraint.
 - If SMP is still above \$3,750 per MWh,
 - PJM resolves, disabling both MAD primary reserve constraint and synchronized reserve constraints.
 - PJM continues the relaxation of reserve constraints until the SMP falls below \$3,750 per MWh.





SMP Capping Since 2018

- Since January 2018, SMP was capped in 95 SCED cases
- Among the 95 SCED cases, four cases have been approved and used in the five minute interval pricing

Five Minute Interval	Reserve Constraint	Disabled	Shadowprice (\$/MWh)	MCP (\$/MWh)	SMP (\$/MWh)
01OCT2019:15:00:00	MAD Primary Reserve	No	\$0.00	\$300.00	\$3,651.02
01OCT2019:15:00:00	MAD Synchronized Reserve	Yes	\$0.00	\$1,150.00	\$3,651.02
01OCT2019:15:00:00	RTO Synchronized Reserve	No	\$850.00	\$1,150.00	\$3,651.02
01OCT2019:15:00:00	RTO Primary Reserve	No	\$300.00	\$300.00	\$3,651.02
13NOV2020:18:00:00	MAD Primary Reserve	Yes	\$0.00	\$850.00	\$3,166.28
13NOV2020:18:00:00	MAD Synchronized Reserve	No	\$850.00	\$2,550.00	\$3,166.28
13NOV2020:18:00:00	RTO Primary Reserve	No	\$850.00	\$850.00	\$3,166.28
13NOV2020:18:00:00	RTO Synchronized Reserve	No	\$850.00	\$1,700.00	\$3,166.28
02MAR2021:06:30:00	MAD Synchronized Reserve	Yes	\$0.00	\$2,782.22	\$2,994.68
02MAR2021:06:30:00	MAD Primary Reserve	No	\$149.36	\$999.36	\$2,994.68
02MAR2021:06:30:00	RTO Primary Reserve	No	\$850.00	\$850.00	\$2,994.68
02MAR2021:06:30:00	RTO Synchronized Reserve	No	\$1,782.86	\$2,632.86	\$2,994.68
17MAR2021:10:10:00	MAD Synchronized Reserve	No	\$850.00	\$2,000.00	\$3,653.98
17MAR2021:10:10:00	RTO Primary Reserve	No	\$300.00	\$300.00	\$3,653.98
17MAR2021:10:10:00	RTO Synchronized Reserve	No	\$850.00	\$1,150.00	\$3,653.98
17MAR2021:10:10:00	MAD Primary Reserve	Yes	\$0.00	\$300.00	\$3,653.98

Fast Start Pricing

- PJM is expecting to implement Fast Start (FS) Pricing on May 1, 2021.
- Under Fast Start Pricing, PJM will calculate and post two different prices:
 - Dispatch run prices, based on the true least cost solution economic dispatch. Not to be used in settlements.
 - Pricing run prices, based on the fast start method. To be used in settlements.

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- The IMM recommends that PJM post the preliminary results of the FS prices prior to implementation.
- This is consistent with practices from other RTOs.



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