

# Circuit Breaker Simulation

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- This presentation is meant to illustrate hypothetical scenarios to generate stakeholder discussion.
- The conditions and outcomes of the scenarios should not be interpreted to represent future market outcomes.



# Scenario 1: Real-Time Load Risk Analysis Assumptions

Load Assumptions	<ul> <li>RT Hourly Metered Load levels from Jan. 7, 2014</li> <li>97% of RT Hourly Load purchased at DA LMP in Day-Ahead Market</li> <li>Remaining 3% of Load purchases at RT LMP in Balancing Market</li> </ul>
Pricing Assumptions	<ul> <li>Shortage conditions assumed for 14 hours in Real-Time, starting at HE 7</li> <li>Simulated shortage with three pricing levels (\$3,750   \$6,300   \$12,000)</li> <li>Non-shortage hours use actual DA and RT Hourly LMPs from 1/7/2014</li> </ul>
Circuit Breaker Design Assumptions	<ul> <li>Triggered after 10 hours of continuous shortage conditions (in effect for 4 hours of simulation)</li> <li>Circuit breaker price set to \$2,000/MWh</li> </ul>



# Analysis Findings – Scenario 1: Real-Time Load Risk

3% of Real-Time Load Exposed to Shortage Pricing for 14 Hours

Assumed Max Energy Price	RT Load Billing without Circuit Breaker	RT Load Billing with Circuit Breaker	Total Daily Billing*	Benefit to Exposed RT Load	%Total Daily Billing
\$3,750	\$224 Million	\$195 Million	\$972 Million	13%	3%
\$6,300	\$368 Million	\$297 Million	\$1.11 Billion	19%	6%
\$12,000	\$691 Million	\$526 Million	\$1.44 Billion	24%	11%

Takeaway: When shortage conditions only exist in real-time, the circuit breaker has a smaller benefit to load because of the small portion of load that is exposed to RT LMP.

<sup>\*</sup>Total Daily Billing = DA Energy Charges (97% Hourly Metered Load \* Actual DA LMP) + RT Load Billing without Circuit Breaker



# Scenario 2: Generator Risk Analysis Assumptions

# **Generation Assumptions**

- RT Hourly Metered Load levels from Jan. 7, 2014
- 97% of RT Hourly Load supplied by generation at DA LMP in Day-Ahead
- 14% of DA cleared Generation forced out in Real-Time required to buy back at difference between DA and RT LMPs

# **Pricing Assumptions**

- Shortage conditions assumed for 14 hours in Real-Time; Starting at HE7
- Simulated with three pricing levels (\$3,750 | \$6,300 | \$12,000)
- Non-shortage hours use actual DA and RT Hourly LMPs from 1/7/2014

# **Circuit Breaker Design Assumptions**

- Triggered after 10 hours of continuous shortage conditions (in effect for 4 hours of simulation)
- Circuit breaker price set to \$2,000/MWh



## Analysis Findings – Scenario 2: Generator Risk

## 14% of Day-Ahead Generation Buy Back During 14 Hour Shortage Event

Assumed Max Energy Price	RT Energy Buy Back without Circuit Breaker	RT Energy Buy Back with Circuit Breaker	Benefit to Supply
\$3,750	\$937 Million	\$804 Million	14%
\$6,300	\$1.6 Billion	\$1.3 Billion	21%
\$12,000	\$3.1 Billion	\$2.3 Billion	25%

Takeaways: When shortage conditions only exist in real-time:

- The circuit breaker provides benefit to supply that is unavailable in realtime at the expense of incentivizing performance.
- Additive Capacity
   Performance
   penalties provide
   additional exposure.
- Capacity Performance penalties have an existing stoploss provision.



# Scenario 3: Day-Ahead Shortage Analysis Assumptions

#### **Load Assumptions**

- RT Hourly Metered Load levels from Jan. 7, 2014
- 97% of load exposed to Day-Ahead prices

# **Pricing Assumptions**

- Single day reserve shortage event; multi-day would be additive
- Shortage conditions assumed for all 24 hours in Day-Ahead
- Simulated with three pricing levels (\$3,750 | \$6,300 | \$12,000)

## Circuit Breaker Design Assumptions

- Simulation applies circuit breaker to all 24 hours
- Circuit breaker price set to \$2,000/MWh



# Analysis Findings – Scenario 3: Day-Ahead Shortage

Shortage Event Triggered in Day-Ahead Market for all 24 Hours and Circuit Breaker Applied all 24

Assumed Max Energy Price	Estimated Cost without Circuit Breaker	Estimated Cost with Circuit Breaker	Reduction in Day-Ahead Billing
\$3,750	\$11.4 Billion	\$5.1 Billion	55%
\$6,300	\$16.0 Billion	\$5.1 Billion	68%
\$12,000	\$30.5 Billion	\$5.1 Billion	83%

Takeaways: If there is a shortage in day-ahead:

- DA circuit breaker
  has a significant
  impact, even at
  existing price caps.
- Likelihood of DA shortage is low, as load not likely to bid into DA Market at the maximum price.



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# Appendix Historical Frequency of Shortage Conditions



# Frequency of Shortage Conditions (2012-2017)

Date	Shortage Locations	Shortage Products	Total Number of Intervals / Max. Consecutive Intervals	Reason for Shortage
January 6, 2014	MAD & RTO	Primary and Synchronized Reserves	12 / 12	Voltage Reduction Action for RTO
January 7, 2014	MAD & RTO	Primary and Synchronized Reserves	59 / 54	Reserve shortage
September 21, 2017*	RTO	Synchronized Reserves	2	Reserve shortage
2017	MAD & RTO	Primary Reserves	19 / 12	Reserve shortage
October 31, 2017*	MAD & RTO	Synchronized Reserves	1 / 1	Reserve shortage

<sup>\*</sup>Only short the Extended Reserve Requirement (Step 2 of ORDC)



# Frequency of Shortage Conditions (2018-Present)

Year	Shortage Locations	Shortage Products	Total Number of Intervals / Max. Consecutive Intervals	Reason for Shortage
2018	MAD & RTO	Primary and Synchronized Reserves	5/2	Reserve shortage
2019	MAD & RTO	Primary and Synchronized Reserves	35 / 4	Reserve shortage
2020	MAD & RTO	Primary and Synchronized Reserves	8/2	Reserve shortage
2021	MAD & RTO	Synchronized Reserves	9/2	Reserve shortage