



July 2021 Effective Load Carrying Capability (ELCC) Report

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Introduction

PJM uses the Effective Load Carrying Capability (ELCC) methodology to calculate the ELCC Class Ratings for ELCC Classes and Accredited Unforced Capacity (AUCAP) values for ELCC Resources. This July 2021 ELCC Report provides background information on the calculation of the above parameters as well as the resulting values for the parameters. For the July 2021 ELCC Report, ELCC Class Ratings are calculated for each delivery year in the period 2023/2024 – 2031/2032 but only 2023/2024 values are binding and applicable to the 2023/2024 Base Residual Auction (the results for the rest of the delivery years are provided for informational purposes only). AUCAP values calculated for ELCC Resources using the results in this report only apply to the Base Residual Auction for delivery year 2023/2024. The ELCC methodology employed to perform the calculations is documented in PJM Manual 20 (Section 5) and PJM Manual 21A.

Note that throughout this document all references to a year are effectively references to a delivery year. For simplicity, the delivery years are labeled using the year corresponding to the summer season. Therefore, delivery year 2023 refers to delivery year 2023/2024.

Assumptions

Table 1 provides a list of the assumptions used in the July 2021 ELCC calculations.

Table 1: July 2021 ELCC Study Assumptions

Parameter	July 2021 ELCC	Basis for Assumption
ELCC Classes (ELCC Classes for which ELCC Class Ratings are calculated)	Onshore Wind, Offshore Wind, Solar Fixed Panel, Solar Tracking Panel, 4-hr Energy Storage, 6-hr Energy Storage, 8-hr Energy Storage, 10-hr Energy Storage, Solar Hybrid Open Loop, Solar Hybrid Closed Loop, Intermittent Hydropower, Landfill Gas Intermittent, Hydro with Non-Pumped Storage	ELCC Classes with members that are expected to offer or provide capacity in the target year are determined based on a vendor's forecast and PJM Interconnection Queue information
Historical Weather Delivery Years	2012 – 2019	2012 was the first delivery year with a non-negligible amount of ELCC Resources; 2019 was the most recent delivery year for which ELCC resource performance and load data were available

Weight for each Historical Weather Year (for the calculation of LOLE and ultimately ELCC Class Ratings)	2012: 0.157 2013: 0.101 2014: 0.065 2015: 0.289 2016: 0.068 2017: 0.065 2018: 0.068 2019: 0.187	Analysis based on actual weather in each of the 8 delivery years and the weather scenarios considered in the 2021 PJM Load Forecast
Hourly Load Scenarios	8,000 (1,000 for each of the 8 Historical Weather Years)	Generate wide range of load scenarios based on the 12 monthly peaks corresponding to each weather scenario in the 2021 PJM Load Forecast
“Behind-the-meter” Solar Forecast	Consistent with 2021 PJM Load Forecast	Consistent with Reliability Requirement calculation
Thermal Unlimited Resources (Unit List)	Consistent with 2020 Reserve Requirement Study (RRS)	Consistent with Reliability Requirement calculation
Thermal Unlimited Resources (Performance: Forced Outages)	Modeled via Monte Carlo using forced outage metrics consistent with 2020 Reserve Requirement Study (RRS). Modeling of winter peak week generator performance and summer ambient derates is consistent with 2020 RRS.	Consistent with Reliability Requirement calculation
Thermal Unlimited Resources (Performance: Planned and Maintenance Outages)	Modeled via deterministic scheduling algorithm using metrics consistent with 2020 Reserve Requirement Study (RRS). Winter peak week modeling consistent with 2020 RRS.	Consistent with Reliability Requirement calculation

Variable Resources	Output shapes developed for each Historical Weather Year based on actual and backcasted output of existing and planned units. The same output shapes are used for the calculations in each year of the 2023 – 2031 period.	Consistent with Historical Weather Years as well as collection of existing and planned units
Solar Hybrid Resources (Open Loop and Closed Loop)	Configuration of these resources in ELCC Model: Storage component: 4-hr duration, 25% of solar hybrid Maximum Facility Output Solar component: tracking panel, 100% of solar hybrid Maximum Facility Output.	ELCC data submission process and PJM Interconnection Queue
Primary Reserves	2,450 MW	Consistent with PJM System Operation
Demand Resources	Consistent with 2021 PJM Load Forecast	Consistent with other planning models

2023 Results: ELCC Class Ratings and Accredited UCAP values

The 2023 ELCC Portfolio Rating is 47%, i.e., the AUCAP value of the entire set of ELCC Resources as a share of their total nameplate is 47%.

The allocation of the Portfolio ELCC to each of the ELCC Classes is performed in accordance with the procedure described in PJM Manual 20, Section 5.6. The resulting 2023 ELCC Class Ratings are shown in Table 2.

Table 2: 2023/2024 BRA ELCC Class Ratings

ELCC Class	ELCC Class Rating for 2023/2024 BRA
Onshore Wind	15%
Offshore Wind	40%
Solar Fixed Panel	38%
Solar Tracking Panel	54%

4-hr Storage	83%
6-hr Storage	98%
8-hr Storage	100%
10-hr Storage	100%
Solar Hybrid Open Loop - Storage Component	82%
Solar Hybrid Closed Loop - Storage Component	82%
Hydro Intermittent	42%
Landfill Gas Intermittent	59%
Hydro with Non-Pumped Storage*	96%

* PJM performs an ELCC analysis for each individual unit in this class. The value shown in the table is a representative value provided for informational purposes

Compared to the February 2021 Preliminary ELCC Results¹, the major differences in 2023 ELCC Class Ratings are the increases for Offshore Wind (from 27% to 40%) and Solar Fixed Panel (from 29% to 38%). These increases are mainly driven by the introduction of a vendor's backcast to fill out output data gaps during years in which existing (and planned) resources were not yet in-service.

The Accredited UCAP (AUCAP) values for existing and planned resources for use in the 2023 BRA are calculated as the product of the 2023 ELCC Class Ratings from this report, the Performance Adjustment values calculated concurrent with this report and the 2023 Effective Nameplate values. AUCAP values and Performance Adjustment values cannot be made public, but are available in Capacity Exchange on a unit-specific basis to the applicable PJM Members.

2023 - 2031 Results: ELCC Class Ratings

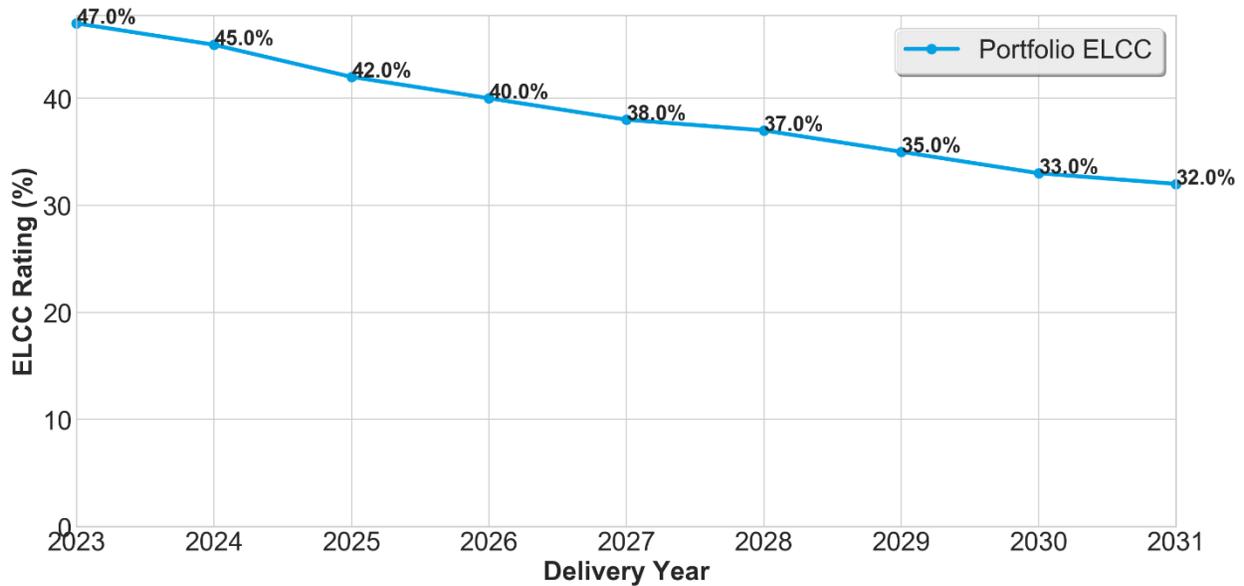
ELCC Class Ratings are provided for every delivery year in the period 2023 – 2031. Accredited UCAP values, on the other hand, are only available for 2023 as this is the delivery year for which the next Base Residual Auction will be held and such Accredited UCAP values are applicable to that auction. Note that ELCC Class Ratings for 2024 and beyond are provided for informational purposes only.

¹ <https://www.pjm.com/-/media/committees-groups/task-forces/ccstf/2021/20210218/20210218-item-03-preliminary-elcc-results.ashx>

Portfolio of ELCC Resources: 2023 – 2031 ELCC Rating

Figure 1 shows the ELCC Rating of the Portfolio of ELCC Resources (as a share of total nameplate of ELCC Resources) for the period 2023 – 2031. The rating exhibits a marked downward trend as the overall penetration of ELCC Resources increases. Any potential complementarity between some of the ELCC Classes is not sufficient to reverse the downward trend in the ELCC Rating of the Portfolio of ELCC Resources.

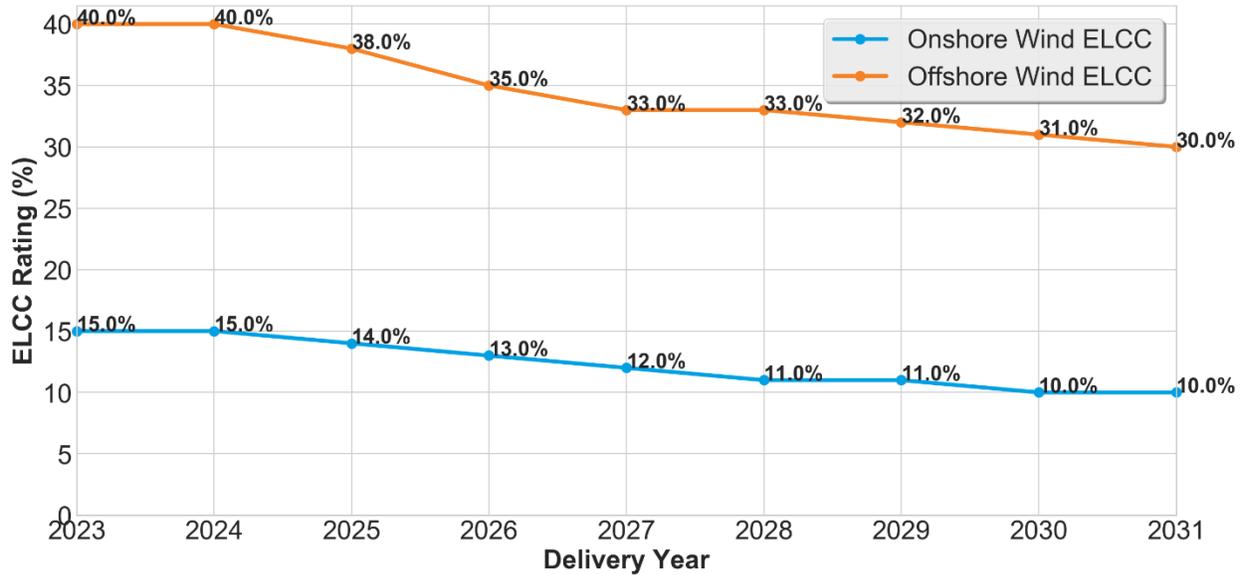
Figure 1: 2023 - 2031 ELCC Portfolio Rating



Onshore Wind & Offshore Wind: 2023 – 2031 ELCC Class Ratings

Figure 2 shows the 2023 – 2031 ELCC Class Ratings for Onshore Wind and Offshore Wind. The ratings for both classes exhibit a downward trend.

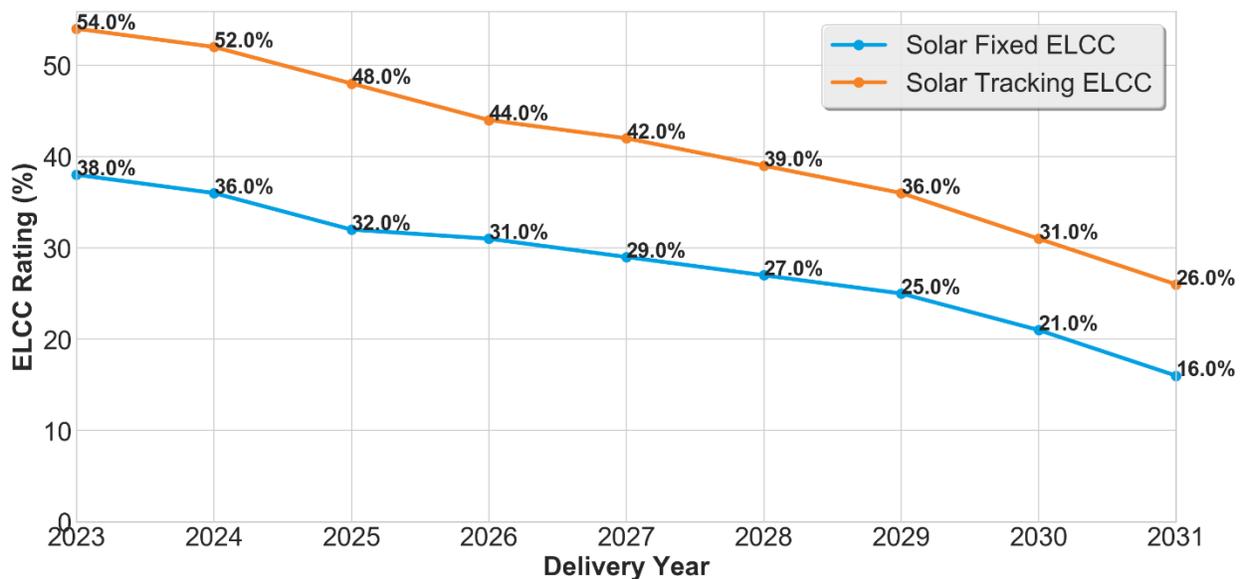
Figure 2: 2023 – 2031 ELCC Class Ratings for Onshore Wind & Offshore Wind



Solar Fixed Panel & Solar Tracking Panel: 2023 – 2031 ELCC Class Ratings

Figure 3 shows the 2023 – 2031 ELCC Class Ratings for Solar Fixed Panel and Solar Tracking Panel. The ratings for both classes exhibit a steep decline as the penetration level of each class increases.

Figure 3: 2023 - 2031 ELCC Class Ratings for Solar Fixed Panel & Solar Tracking Panel

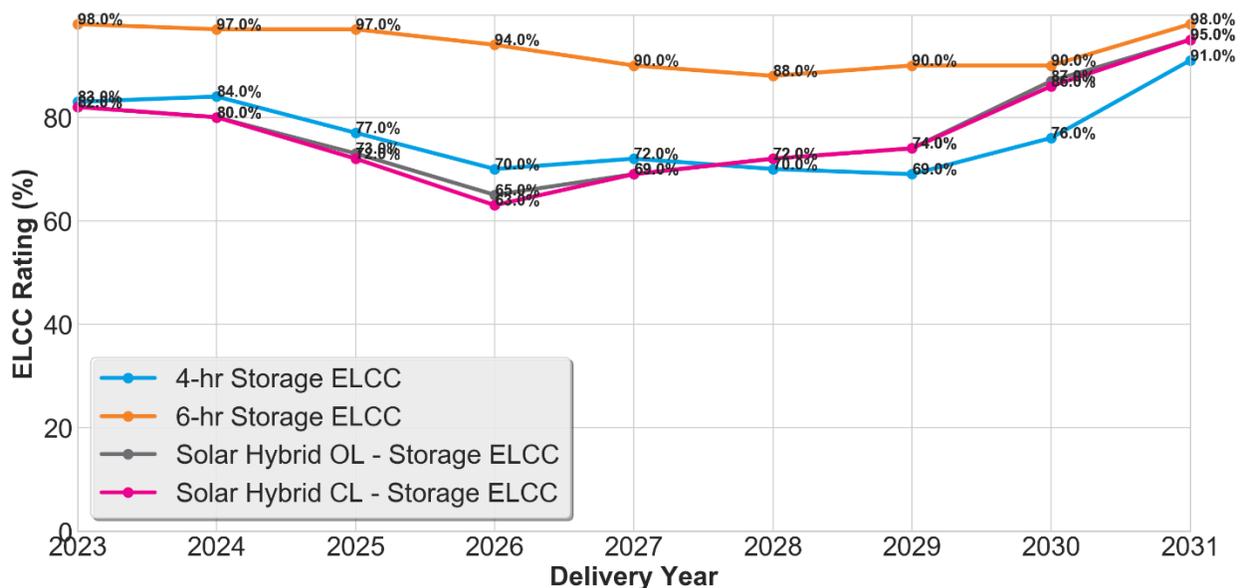


4-hr Storage, 6-hr Storage, Solar Hybrid Open Loop (OL) - Storage Component, Solar Hybrid Closed Loop (CL) - Storage Component: 2023 – 2031 ELCC Class Ratings

Figure 4 shows the 2023 – 2031 ELCC Class Ratings for 4-hr Storage, 6-hr Storage and the Storage Component of Solar Hybrids (for both, open and closed loop). The 6-hr Storage rating exhibits a mild decline until 2028; it then stabilizes around 90% and picks up again in 2031.

A similar pattern of decline and increase in class rating can be observed for 4-hr Storage, though the decline is more pronounced and the rating values are lower than for 6-hr Storage. The ratings for the storage component of open-loop and closed-loop solar hybrids are very similar to each other for the entire period, though the storage component in open-loop resources has a slightly higher rating in some years (this is expected as the storage component in open-loop hybrids can charge from the grid).

Figure 4: 2023 – 2031 ELCC Class Ratings for 4-hr Storage, 6-hr Storage, Solar Hybrid Open Loop (OL) - Storage Component, Solar Hybrid Closed Loop (CL) - Storage Component

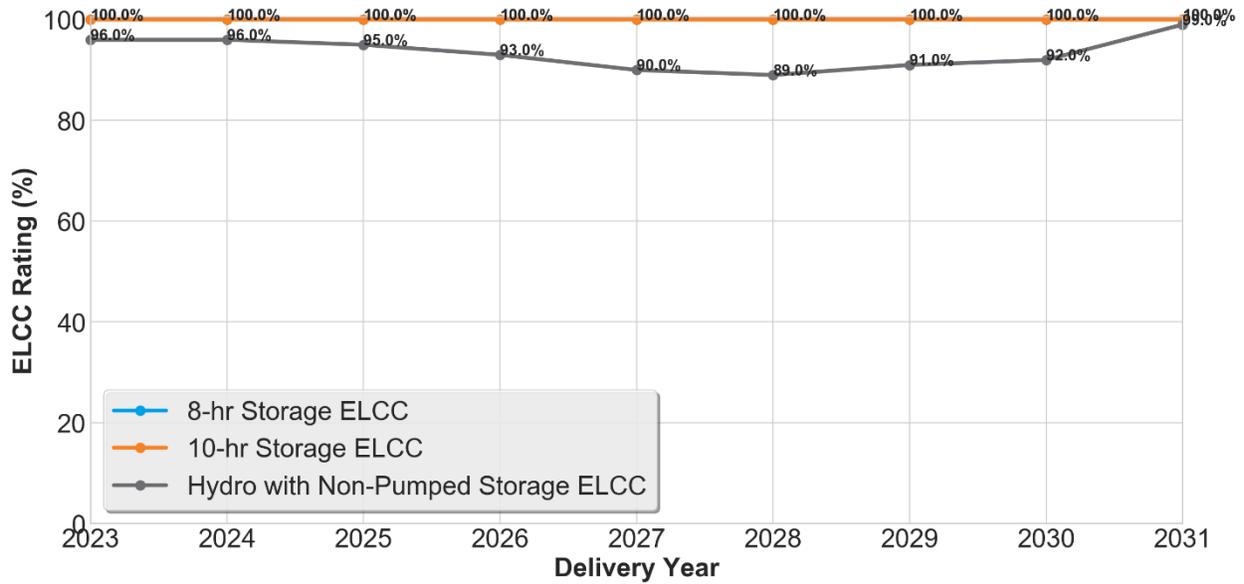


8-hr Storage, 10-hr Storage, Hydro with Non-Pumped Storage: 2023 – 2031 ELCC Class Ratings

Figure 5 shows the 2023 – 2031 ELCC Class Ratings for 8-hr Storage, 10-hr Storage and Hydro with Non-Pumped Storage. The ratings for 8-hr Storage and 10-hr Storage remain constant at 100% for the entire period.

Figure 5 also shows an aggregate rating for the Hydro with Non-Pumped Storage class, notwithstanding the fact that PJM performs an ELCC analysis for each individual unit in this class. The trend for the aggregate rating of this class follows the same pattern as that observed for the classes in Figure 4.

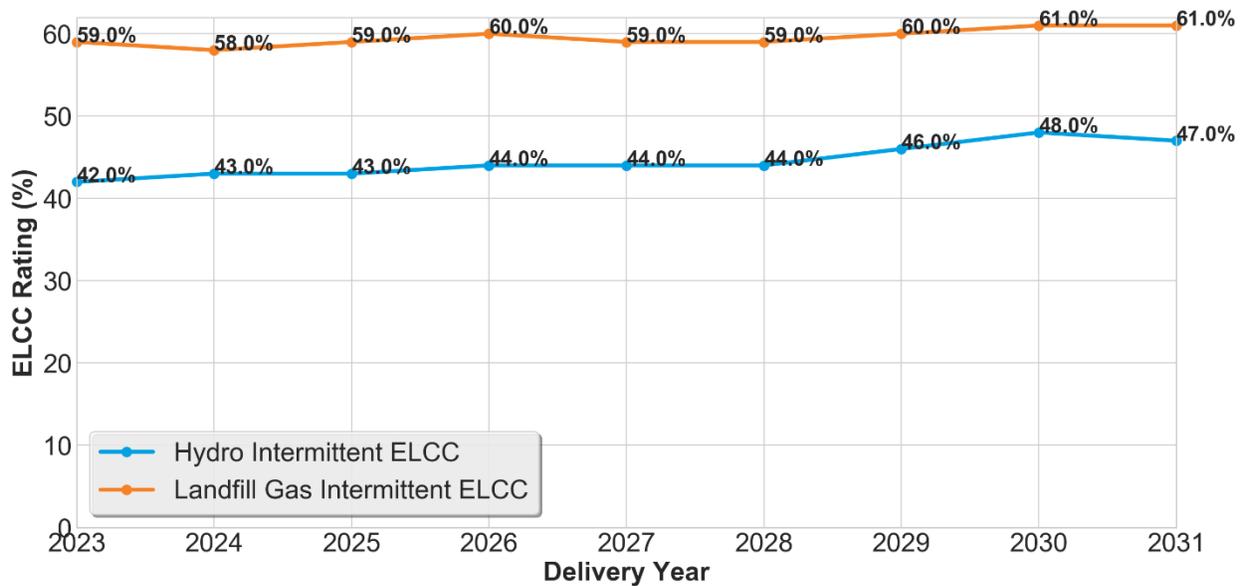
Figure 5: 2023 – 2031 ELCC Class Ratings for 8-hr Storage, 10-hr Storage, Hydro with Non-Pumped Storage



Hydro Intermittent & Landfill Gas Intermittent: 2023 – 2031 ELCC Class Ratings

Figure 6 shows the 2023 – 2031 ELCC Class Ratings for Hydro Intermittent and Landfill Gas Intermittent resources. The ratings for both classes exhibit a slight upward trend.

Figure 6: 2023 – 2031 ELCC Class Ratings for Hydro Intermittent & Landfill Gas Intermittent



Portfolio and All ELCC Classes: 2023 – 2031 ELCC Class Ratings

Table 3 summarizes all the information provided in the above Figures.

Table 3: 2023 - 2031 ELCC Class Ratings and ELCC Portfolio Rating

ELCC Class	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030	2031
Onshore Wind	15%	15%	14%	13%	12%	11%	11%	10%	10%
Offshore Wind	40%	40%	38%	35%	33%	33%	32%	31%	30%
Solar Fixed	38%	36%	32%	31%	29%	27%	25%	21%	16%
Solar Tracking	54%	52%	48%	44%	42%	39%	36%	31%	26%
4-hr Storage	83%	84%	77%	70%	72%	70%	69%	76%	91%
6-hr Storage	98%	97%	97%	94%	90%	88%	90%	90%	98%
8-hr Storage	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
10-hr Storage	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Solar Hybrid Open Loop - Storage Component	82%	80%	73%	65%	69%	72%	74%	87%	95%
Solar Hybrid Closed Loop - Storage Component	82%	80%	72%	63%	69%	72%	74%	86%	95%
Hydro Intermittent	42%	43%	43%	44%	44%	44%	46%	48%	47%
Landfill Gas	59%	58%	59%	60%	59%	59%	60%	61%	61%
Hydro Non-Pumped Storage	96%	96%	95%	93%	90%	89%	91%	92%	99%
Portfolio	47%	45%	42%	40%	38%	37%	35%	33%	32%

Description of Posted Files

PJM has posted the following files as background information for the calculation of 2023 ELCC Class Rating and Accredited UCAP values.

Replications_LOLE_2023.zip: this zip file contains a collection of several CSV files, one for each of the scenarios with LOLE in each of the 8 historical weather years (scenarios without LOLE are not posted). The files correspond to the ELCC run that result in the 2023 ELCC Class Rating values shown in Table 2. The LOLE of the case is 0.1 days per year. The columns in each file are as follows:

- Unnamed Column: 0-8760(8784). Hour number of the delivery year. The delivery years begin on June 1st.
- Load: In MW. Load at the given hour.
- ThCap: In MW. Unlimited Thermal Capacity available at the given hour (after Forced, Planned and Maintenance outages)
- ThOutageRate: As fraction between 0 and 1. Unlimited Thermal Capacity outage rate at given hour (includes Forced, Planned and Maintenance outages)
- OnshoreWind: In MW. Total onshore wind output at given hour.
- OffshoreWind: In MW. Total offshore wind output at given hour.
- SolarFixed: In MW. Total solar fixed panel output at given hour.
- SolarTracking: In MW. Total solar tracking panel output at given hour.
- HydroInt: In MW. Total hydro intermittent output at given hour.
- LandfillInt: In MW. Total landfill gas intermittent output at given hour.
- 6hrStorage: In MW. Total 6-hr Storage dispatched at given hour.
- HydroNPS: In MW. Total Hydro with Non-Pumped Storage dispatched at given hour.
- OL_Hybrid: In MW. Total Solar Hybrid Open Loop dispatched at given hour (includes solar and storage output)
- CL_Hybrid: In MW. Total Solar Hybrid Closed Loop dispatched at given hour (includes solar and storage output)
- 4hrStorage: In MW. Total 4-hr Storage dispatched at given hour.
- DRDispatched: In MW. Total amount of DR dispatched at given hour.
- Ambient: In MW. Hourly ambient derates during peak weeks of summer. A total of 2,500 MW are modeled as not available to be consistent with Reserve Requirement Study (these derates are not included in ThCap and ThOutageRate columns).
- AddPlannedOutages: In MW. Additional planned outages modeled during winter peak week to be consistent with Reserve Requirement Study (these additional planned outages are not included in ThCap and ThOutageRate columns).
- SolarHyOL: In MW. Total solar component output in Solar Hybrid Open Loop.

- SolarHyCL: In MW. Total solar component output in Solar Hybrid Closed Loop.
- MarginBeforeDR: in MW. Margin before dispatching DR calculated as total available resources minus load.
- MarginAfterDR: in MW. Margin after dispatching DR. This is the margin value used to determine if there is LOLE or not. LOLE is declared if MarginAfterDR is less than -0.1 MW (the model has a tolerance of 0.1 MW).
- LOLE: 0 or 1. If 1, there is loss of load in the given hour; if 0, there is no loss of load.
- Day: 1-365(366). Day number of the year
- Hour Beginning: 0-23. Eastern Prevailing Time Hour beginning.

Load_Scenarios_2023.zip: this zip file contains 8 CSV files, one for each of the 8 historical weather years. Each CSV file has either 8,760 or 8,784 rows (one for each hour of the year) and 1,000 columns (one for each of the 1,000 replications; the columns are named from 0 to 999). All values in the files are in MW and represent hourly loads in each scenario.

Available_Unlimited_Thermal_2023.zip: this zip file contains 8 CSV files, one for each of the 8 historical weather years. Each CSV file has either 8,760 or 8,784 rows (one for each hour of the year) and 1,000 columns (one for each of the 1,000 replications; the columns are named from 0 to 999). All values in the files are in MW and represent available hourly unlimited thermal capacity available in each scenario. Note that ambient derates and additional planned outages (columns Ambient and AddPlannedOutages in the Replications files) during winter peak weeks are not accounted for in these files.

200_CPX2_2023.xlsx: this file contains the hours included in the 200 CPX2 metric used to calculate the Performance Adjustment for Variable Resources. The file has two sheets: the sheet "Gross" has the top 200 gross load hours; the sheet "Net" has the top 200 net load hours where net load is defined as gross load minus the output of Variable Resources.