

Cost Development Subcommittee Information Session: Maintenance Adder & Operating Cost Submission Process

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- History of Maintenance Adder and Operating Cost Adders
- Submitting Maintenance Adder and Operating Cost Templates
- PJM Review Standards

History of Maintenance and Operating Cost Adders

Variable Operations and Maintenance (VOM) costs are split into two distinct adders:

- **Maintenance Adder**
Expenses associated with the repair or replacement of equipment due to wear and tear from electric production.

- **Operating Cost**
Operating costs are expenses related to consumable materials used during unit operation.

Maintenance and Operating Cost Adders are recoverable through the energy market.

- Components of the cost-based energy offer



- Market Sellers may elect, but are not required, to include maintenance and operating costs in their cost-based energy offer

Prior to Feb. 3, 2017:

- Market Sellers expected to follow Manual 15 cost development guidelines, no formal review process
- No requirement in Schedule 2 of the Operating Agreement for PJM to review VOM adders
- Only repercussion for non-compliant adder was FERC referral

Feb. 3, 2017

PJM required to review VOM on annual basis
(Hourly Offers Order)

Feb. 11, 2020

Rule implemented that VOM may only be used in units approved *(e.g., \$/hour, \$/MWh)*



April 15, 2019

FERC accepted changes to PJM's VOM rules allowing all units to include major maintenance costs

2021

No new rule changes. VOM process is the same as 2020

Rules resulting from PJM Hourly Offers Order:

- Market Sellers **must** submit Maintenance and Operating Cost Adders to PJM for review in order to include such adders in the unit's cost-based energy offer
- Adders must be submitted for review on an annual basis
- Market seller subject to penalty if:
 - Adders are used in cost-based offer prior to PJM review; or
 - Additional evidence determines that historical costs included in previous year's adder were not directly related to electric production, even if adder was previously reviewed by PJM

Prior to April 15, 2019:

Combined cycles (CC) and combustion turbines (CT) could not include major inspections or overhauls in their energy offer.

Rule valid June 1, 2015 to April 15, 2019.

Market Sellers of other resource types, such as nuclear and steam, could include major inspection and overhaul costs in either energy or capacity, but not both.

Market Sellers could either submit operating cost under:

- VOM as one adder; or
- Include as an other fuel-related cost, defined in the Fuel Cost Policy

Effective April 15, 2019, as a result of the FERC Order on VOM:

- All unit types may include any cost directly related to electric production in their cost-based energy offer
 - Market Sellers may include major inspection and overhaul costs from current and previous years' history if they did not include such costs in the applicable delivery year's capacity offer
- Operating cost defined as separate adder with specific rules (addressed later in this presentation)
- Variable costs directly related to electric production cannot be included in a unit's capacity offer

Effective Feb. 11, 2020:

As part of the 2019 VOM compliance filing, PJM added a clarification that Market Sellers may only:

- Change the format of the Maintenance and Operating Cost Adder (e.g., \$/MMBtu, \$/MWh, \$/start) during the annual review period; and
- Use the adder in its approved format (i.e., cannot be converted to a different unit of measure)



Submitting Maintenance Adders and Operating Cost Templates

Maintenance Adder Template Overview

<https://pjm.com/markets-and-operations/energy/fuel-cost-policies.aspx>



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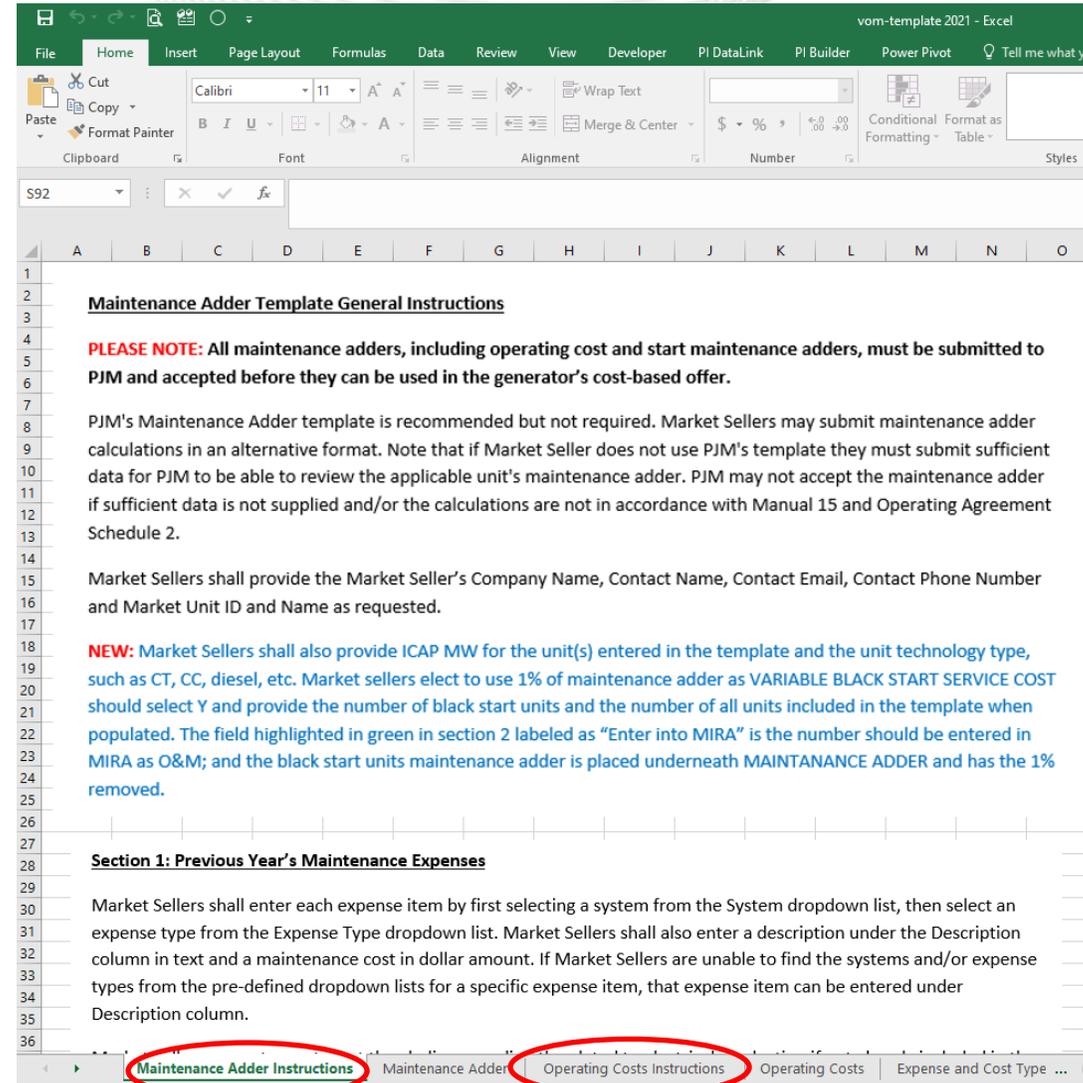
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Maintenance Adder Template General Instructions

PLEASE NOTE: All maintenance adders, including operating cost and start maintenance adders, must be submitted to PJM and accepted before they can be used in the generator's cost-based offer.

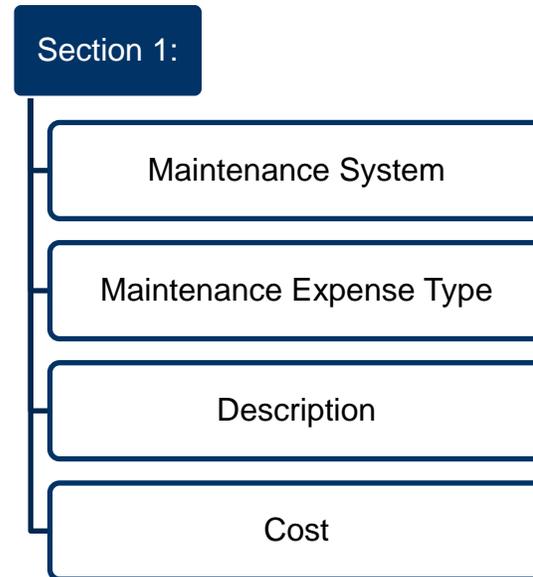
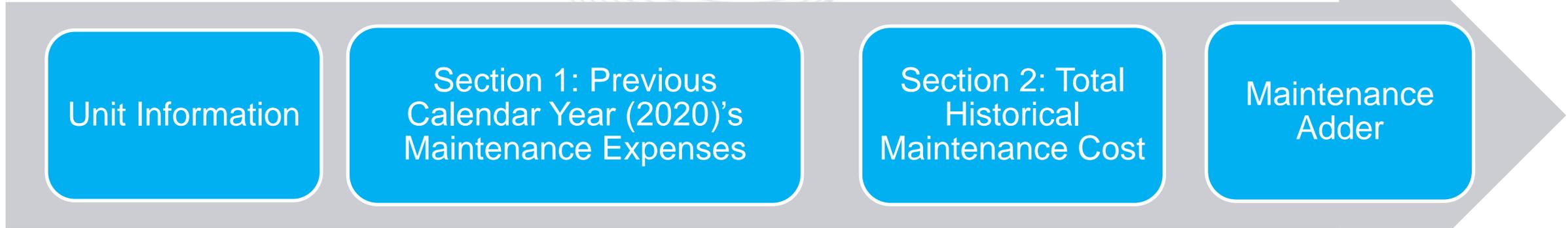
PJM's Maintenance Adder template is recommended but not required. Market Sellers may submit maintenance adder calculations in an alternative format. Note that if Market Seller does not use PJM's template they must submit sufficient data for PJM to be able to review the applicable unit's maintenance adder. PJM may not accept the maintenance adder if sufficient data is not supplied and/or the calculations are not in accordance with Manual 15 and Operating Agreement Schedule 2.

Market Sellers shall provide the Market Seller's Company Name, Contact Name, Contact Email, Contact Phone Number and Market Unit ID and Name as requested.

NEW: Market Sellers shall also provide ICAP MW for the unit(s) entered in the template and the unit technology type, such as CT, CC, diesel, etc. Market sellers elect to use 1% of maintenance adder as VARIABLE BLACK START SERVICE COST should select Y and provide the number of black start units and the number of all units included in the template when populated. The field highlighted in green in section 2 labeled as "Enter into MIRA" is the number should be entered in MIRA as O&M; and the black start units maintenance adder is placed underneath MAINTANANCE ADDER and has the 1% removed.

Section 1: Previous Year's Maintenance Expenses

Market Sellers shall enter each expense item by first selecting a system from the System dropdown list, then select an expense type from the Expense Type dropdown list. Market Sellers shall also enter a description under the Description column in text and a maintenance cost in dollar amount. If Market Sellers are unable to find the systems and/or expense types from the pre-defined dropdown lists for a specific expense item, that expense item can be entered under Description column.



UNIT INFORMATION	
Market Seller Name	
Contact Name	
Contact Email	
Contact Phone	
Market Unit ID and Name	
ICAP MW	
Unit Technology Type (i.e CT, CC, Sub-critical Coal, Landfill Diesel, etc.)	
Use 1% Maintenance Adder as VARIABLE BLACK START SERVICE COST? (Y/N)	



Section 1: Previous Year's Maintenance Expenses

SECTION 1: PREVIOUS YEAR'S MAINTENANCE EXPENSES			
INSTRUCTIONS:	Please add Previous Year's Maintenance Expenses below using the optional dropdowns provided. These must only be variable expenses directly related to electric production. *CANNOT INCLUDE: Any costs included in ACR and/or any other fixed costs. Note: Use of Maintenance Expense Type provided in the dropdown list is optional. If not used, Description must be provided. The full dropdown list can be found on 'Expense and Cost Type List' sheet.		
	Previous Year: 2020		
Maintenance System	Maintenance Expense Type	Description	Cost

Dropdown List from Expense and Cost Types sheet

Section 1: Previous Year's Maintenance Expenses - Select Maintenance System

Manual 15, section 2.6.1:
Maintenance systems
directly related to electric
production



- ✓ Steam Turbine
- ✓ Combustion Turbine
- ✓ Generator
- ✓ Boiler
- ✓ HRSG
- ✓ Main Steam
- ✓ Feed water
- ✓ Condensate
- ✓ Condenser
- ✓ Cooling Towers
- ✓ Transformers
- ✓ Fuel Systems
- ✓ Diesel

Section 1: Previous Year's Maintenance Expenses

- Select Maintenance System and Expense Type

Maintenance Adder		Operating Costs Instructions	Operating Costs	Expense and Cost Type List
A	B			
1	Maintenance Systems	Maintenance Expense Type		
2	Steam Turbine	Boiler Repairs/Replacement on Tubes, Pendants, Refractory, Fans, Casing, or Supports		
3	Combustion Turbine	Heat Recovery Steam Generator Repairs/Overhauls		
4	Generator	Repair/Replacements of Motors		
5	Boiler	Repair/Replacements of Pumps		
6	HRS	Repair/Replacements of Valves and Pipes		
7	Main Steam	Borescope/IGV inspection		
8	Feedwater	Combustion/Gas Turbine Repairs/Overhauls/Replacements		
9	Condensate	Variable LTSA Fees		
10	Condenser	Equipment and Tool Rentals for Combustion Turbine Maintenance Activities		
11	Cooling Towers	Repair/replacement/overhaul of generators		
12	Transformers	Replacements of Inlet Filters		
13	Fuel Systems	Maintenance overtime labor on systems directly related to electric production		
14	Diesel	Replacements of Reverse Osmosis Cartridges		
15		Starting Engine Repairs/Replacements		
16		Repairs on pumps, pipes, valves, fans, motors, cooling tower fill, cooling tower structures, and supports		
17		Cooling Towers - fans, structure, fan motor, fill, gear boxes repairs/replacement		
18		Cleaning of fill, fans, and sumps		
19		CEMS Repairs/Replacements		



Section 1: Previous Year's Maintenance Expenses - Enter Description and Cost

- Description must be entered if Maintenance System or Maintenance Expense Type not selected
- Cost must be actual, not estimated

SECTION 1: PREVIOUS YEAR'S MAINTENANCE EXPENSES			
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Previous Year: 2020			
Maintenance System	Maintenance Expense Type	Description	Cost
Steam Turbine	Repair/Replacements of Valves and Pipes	Replacement of steam pipe #1	\$ 3,000.00
Feedwater	Feedwater system equipment Repairs on Pumps, Pipes, Valves, and Supports	Replacement of valve #4	\$ 4,000.00
		xyz	\$ 5,000.00



Section 2: Total Historical Maintenance Cost

SECTION 2: TOTAL HISTORICAL MAINTENANCE COST										
INSTRUCTIONS:		Please select from the drop down menu whether you are using a 10 or 20 year maintenance history and fill out the table below. For immature units, please fill out table below with actual available maintenance history. <i>Note: If selecting Annual MWh, please only include hours with positive net MWs.</i>								
Select Maintenance History:		Actual < 10		Operating History Units:		Annual MWh				
		Maintenance History		Operating History		2021		799		1.000
		Annual \$		Annual MWh		Handy Whitman				
Year						YEAR INDEX ESCALATION FACTOR				
2020		\$ -				2020		779		1.026
2019						2019		760		1.051
2018						2018		745		1.072
2017						2017		711		1.124
2016						2016		714		1.119
2015						2015		700		1.141
2014						2014		672		1.189
2013						2013		653		1.224
2012						2012		645		1.239
2011						2011		631		1.266

Section 2: Total Historical Maintenance Cost – Select Maintenance History

Actual < 10 Provide available maintenance annual \$ and operating history less than 10 years

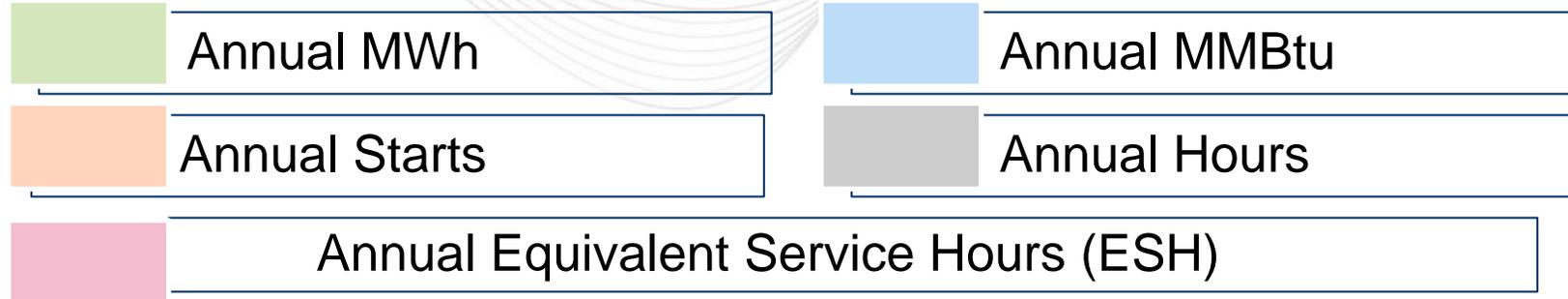
10 Provide 10 years of maintenance annual \$ and operating history, cells highlighted in yellow

Any extra years of data entered will not be included in the adder calculation

20 Provide 20 years of maintenance annual \$ and operating history, cells highlighted in yellow

Section 2: Total Historical Maintenance Cost

– Operating History Unit of Measure



Operating History Units:		Annual ESH						
Operating History		2021	799	1.000		Cyclic Starting Factor		Cyclic Peaking Factor
Annual ESH		Handy Whitman						
		YEAR INDEX ESCALATION FACTOR			Year	Start Equivalent Hours	Base Hours	Peak Equivalent Hours
		2020	779	1.026	2020			
		2019	760	1.051	2019			
		2018	745	1.072	2018			
		2017	711	1.124	2017			
		2016	714	1.119	2016			
		2015	700	1.141	2015			

- Enter the cyclic starting factor and cyclic peaking factor from the supporting documentation (Conversion factors for extra wear and tear from starts or peak-firing mode)
- Enter converted hours as cyclic equivalent hours

Section 2: Total Historical Maintenance Cost

– Enter Annual \$ and Annual Operating History

Enter the same maintenance dollars as submitted last year for corresponding years

Ensure all maintenance dollars can be supported by documentation otherwise exclude

Enter the same operating history for corresponding years if operating history unit of measure unchanged

Enter converted operating history for corresponding years if operating history unit of measure changed

Section 2: Total Historical Maintenance Cost – Escalation Factor

- Handy Whitman Index
- Not editable by user
- Up to 20 years
- PJM updates annually
- Applies to a full calendar year

2021	799	1.000
Handy Whitman		
YEAR INDEX ESCALATION FACTOR		
2020	779	1.026
2019	760	1.051
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2011	631	1.266
2010	604	1.323
2009	578	1.382
2008	596	1.341
2007	546	1.463
2006	515	1.551
2005	493	1.621
2004	465	1.718
2003	441	1.812
2002	438	1.824
2001	425	1.880

- Formula used for calculation is based on data entered in sections 1 and 2
- Market seller can add a note if needed

2021 MARKET SELLER REQUESTED MAINTENANCE ADDER	
MAINTENANCE ADDER:	#DIV/0! /MWh



2021 Maintenance Adder for Black Start Units

Black Start units that included 1 percent of the total maintenance costs in the Black Start annual revenue requirement must multiply the Maintenance Adder by 99 percent

Use 1% Maintenance Adder as VARIABLE BLACK START SERVICE COST? (Y/N)	Y
Number of black start units	
Number of total units	

	Black Start		
Non Black Start	99%	MIRA	
			/unit/year

Example:

2021 MARKET SELLER REQUESTED MAINTENANCE ADDER			
MAINTENANCE ADDER:	\$	10.00	/ MWh
Black Start Units MAINTENANCE ADDER:	\$	9.90	/ MWh

Operating Costs Template Overview



Section 1:

- Operating Cost Type
- Description
- Cost

Section 2:

- Historical Operating Cost \$
- Operating History
- Handy Whitman Index



Unit Information – Operating Costs

UNIT INFORMATION	
Market Seller Name	
Contact Name	
Contact Email	
Contact Phone	
Market Unit ID and Name	
ICAP MW	
Unit Technology Type (i.e CT, CC, Sub-critical Coal, Landfill Diesel, etc.)	

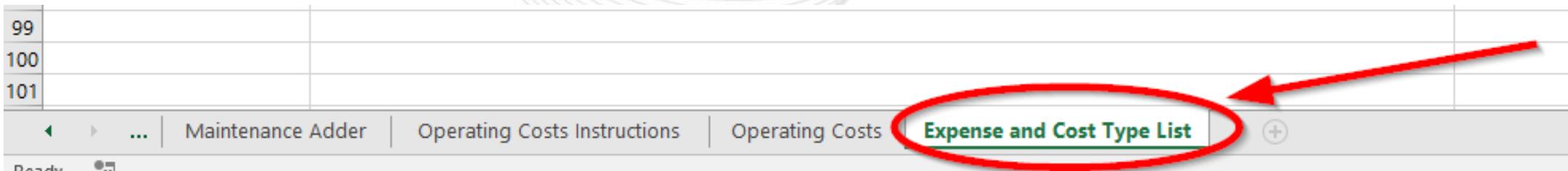
Section 1: Previous Year's Operating Costs

SECTION 1: PREVIOUS YEAR'S OPERATING COSTS		
INSTRUCTIONS:	Please add Previous Year's operating costs directly related to electric production. <i>Note: Use of Operating Cost Type provided in the dropdown list is optional. If not used, Description must be provided. The full dropdown list can be found on 'Expense and Cost Type List' sheet.</i>	
Previous Year: 2020		
Operating Cost Type	Description	Cost



Dropdown List from Expense and Cost Types sheet

Section 1: Previous Year's Operating Costs – Select Operating Cost Type



Maintenance Systems	Maintenance Expense Type
Steam Turbine	Boiler Repairs/Replacement on Tubes, Pendants, Refractory, Fans, Casing, or Supports
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	Cleaning of fill, fans, and sumps
	CEMS Repairs/Replacements
	Environmental, Selective Catalytic Reduction (SCR), CO Reduction Catalyst and Scrubber Repairs and Replacements

Operating Cost Type
Calibration Gases
Hydrogen and CO2 for Generator
Lubricants & Greases
Nitrogen
Make-Up Water
Ammonia
Hydrated Lime
Water treatment chemicals
Circ Water Treatment Chemicals
Cooling tower chemicals
Demin Water Treatment Trailers
Reagents
Sulfuric Acid
Engine Oil
Gear Box Oil
Hydrogen
Industrial Gas
Lube Oil
Urea



Section 1: Previous Year's Operating Costs – Enter Description and Cost

- Description must be entered if operating cost type not selected
- Costs must be actual, not estimated
- Example:

SECTION 1: PREVIOUS YEAR'S OPERATING COSTS		
INSTRUCTIONS:	Please add Previous Year's operating costs directly related to electric production. Note: Use of Operating Cost Type provided in the dropdown list is optional. If not used, Description must be provided. The full dropdown list can be found on 'Expense and Cost Type List' sheet.	
Previous Year: 2020		
Operating Cost Type	Description	Cost
Hydrogen		\$ 2,600.00
Ammonia		\$ 1,200.00
Title V Fees – Variable		\$ 15,000.00
	xyz	\$ 16,000.00



Section 2: Total Historical Operating Cost

SECTION 2: TOTAL HISTORICAL OPERATING COST									
INSTRUCTIONS:		Please fill out the table below using up to 5 years history. If less than 1 year of data entered, then please indicate length in Cell D58 as a note (i.e. 6 month rolling average). Note: If selecting Annual MWh, please only include hours with positive net MWhs.							
						Operating History Units:	Annual MWh		
		Operating Cost History		Operating History		2021		799	1.000
		Annual \$		Annual MWh		Handy Whitman			
Year						YEAR INDEX ESCALATION FACTOR			
2020		\$	-			2020	779	1.026	
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2018						2018	745	1.072	
2017						2017	711	1.124	
2016						2016	714	1.119	
Total Historical Operating Cost				\$ 0.00					
Total Annual MWh				-					
Per Unit Operating Cost				#DIV/0!		/MWh			

Section 2: Total Historical Operating Cost

- Select Operating History Unit of Measure

 Annual MWh

 Annual MMBtu

- Enter Operating History

 Enter same operating history for corresponding years if operating history unit of measure unchanged

 Enter converted operating history for corresponding years if operating history unit of measure changed

Section 2: Total Historical Operating Cost

– Enter Annual Operating Cost \$

Enter same operating dollars as submitted last year for corresponding years

Ensure operating cost dollars can be supported by documentation otherwise exclude

Total costs with history < 1 year requires a note for actual length (i.e. 6-month rolling average)

Section 2: Total Historical Operating Cost – Escalation Factor

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- PJM updates annually
- Operating costs can only be escalated with more than one year of history
- Up to 5 years

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- Formula for calculation is based on data entered in sections 1 and 2
- Market seller can add a note if needed
- Multi-sheet template available for different fuel types

2021 MARKET SELLER REQUESTED OPERATING COST ADDER	
OPERATING COST ADDER:	#DIV/0! /MWh



How to Enter a SOM Template

UNIT INFORMATION

Market Seller Name	Company X
Contact Name	John Doe
Contact Email	jd@x.com
Contact Phone	666-444-6666
Market Unit ID and Name	12341234 - Vallery Forge CT 1
ICAP MW	100
Unit Technology Type (i.e CT, CC, Sub-critical Coal, Landfill Diesel, etc.)	CC

SECTION 1: PREVIOUS YEAR'S OPERATING COSTS

INSTRUCTIONS:

Please add Previous Year's operating costs directly related to electric production.
Note: Use of Operating Cost Type provided in the dropdown list is optional. If not used, Description must be provided. The full dropdown list can be found on 'Expense and Cost Type List' sheet.

Previous Year: 2020

Operating Cost Type	Description	Cost

SECTION 2: TOTAL HISTORICAL OPERATING COST

INSTRUCTIONS:

Please fill out the table below using up to 5 years history. If less than 1 year of data entered, then please indicate length in Cell D58 as a note (i.e. 6 month rolling average).
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Operating History Units: Annual MWh

Year	Operating Cost History Annual \$	Operating History Annual MWh
2020	\$ -	-
2019		
2018		
2017		
2016		
Total Historical Operating Cost		\$ 0.00
Total Annual MWh		-
Per Unit Operating Cost		#DIV/0! /MWh

Year	Handy Whitman	YEAR INDEX ESCALATION FACTOR
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2021 MARKET SELLER REQUESTED OPERATING COST ADDER

OPERATING COST ADDER:

#DIV/0!

/MWh

Using 2020 SOM value for CC: \$1.41/MWh

Table 7-4 Average short run marginal costs: 2020

Unit Type	Short Run Marginal Costs (\$/MWh)	Heat Rate (Btu/kWh)	VOM (\$/MWh)
CT	\$19.38	9,241	\$0.36
CC	\$13.41	6,296	\$1.41
CP	\$27.63	9,250	\$4.21
DS	\$96.01	9,660	\$0.25
Nuclear	\$0.00	NA	\$0.00
Wind	\$0.00	NA	\$0.00
Wind (off shore)	\$0.00	NA	\$0.00
Solar	\$0.00	NA	\$0.00

https://www.monitoringanalytics.com/reports/PJM_State_of_the_Market/2020.shtml

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VOM Adder Submission List

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VOM Submittal Instructions

- Please utilize the **"New"** button on the table below to create a new submittal.
- The unit ID that the form asks for is the 8-digit market ID for the unit, which can be found in the unit's Fuel Cost Policy.
- To attach a revised VOM template, utilize the **"Add Another Template"** button.
- To attach more than one supporting documentations, utilize the **"Add Another Document"** button.
- When resubmitting revised VOM or adding supporting documentations, please stay in the existing ID rather than creating any new submittal. If additional instructions needed, please email the Fuel Cost Policy team at FuelCostPolicyAnalysis@pjm.com.



ID	Applicable Year	Name	Participant Name	Applicable Unit	PJMStatus	Contact Name	Contact Email Address	Created	Created By	Modified	Modified By
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Unit Name:

Participant Name:

Applicable Unit ID(s):

Please enter the eight digit unit ID below. For multiple units, utilize the "Add Unit ID" button.

Add Unit ID

Applicable Year:

VOM Template:

Please upload VOM template below and utilize the "Add another template" button for revised template.

Add another template

Supporting Documentation:

Please upload LTSA, OEM Documentation, or Supporting Cost Details as needed, utilize the "Add another file" button for uploading multiple documents.

Add another file

Contact Name:

Contact Email:

PJM Status:

Comments:

It is the Market Seller's responsibility to conform to OA and Manual requirements

By submitting the VOM template, the Market Seller (or authorized agent of the Market Seller) certifies that the information submitted is complete, accurate, and in accordance with Operating Agreement, Schedule 2 and PJM Manual 15.

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PJM Review Standards

- Unit Information – Any key info missing?
- Section 1 – Previous Year’s Itemized breakdown of maintenance and operating cost
 - Any unallowable expenses included?
 - Any expenses that are not clear and require further clarification?
 - Any expenses with extreme dollar amount?
 - Any expenses not supported by documentation?
- Section 2 – Historical Data
 - Any historical year has maintenance/operating costs dollars significantly different from other years?
 - Any historical year has operating data significantly different from other years?
 - Any historical year has little operating data but significant maintenance/operating costs dollars?
- Requested Adder – Any notes?

OA Schedule 2 and M15

- Maintenance Adders - expenses directly related to electric production and must be a function of starts and/or run hours
 - repair, replacement, and major inspection, and overhaul expenses including variable long term service agreement expenses
- Operating Costs – expenses related to consumable materials used during unit operation
 - lubricants, chemicals, limestone, trona, ammonia, acids, caustics, water injection, activated carbon for mercury control, demineralizers usage, etc.

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- Compressed air
- Closed cooling water
- Heat tracing/freeze protection
- Water treatment
- Upgrades not as a result of replacing obsolete parts
- Preventive maintenance/periodic testing/inspections
- Straight time labor
- Anything already included in ACR template
- any incurred costs due to weather related events or operator errors

Examples of Unallowable Operating Costs:

- Potable water
- Stack testing
- Materials used not as a result of electric production
- Routine maintenance (e.g. annual oil filter replacement)

Must be consistent with historical data submitted from previous years

Must have supporting documentation available to justify the historical maintenance dollars or operating costs dollars for each year

- If there are costs identified by PJM in the itemized breakdown for 2020 (section 1) as not allowable, we will ask Market Sellers to confirm if those costs are included in any of the historical years.
- If they are included in any of the historical years, we will ask Market Sellers to exclude them from those historical years, submit a revised template and confirm with us those costs have been removed.

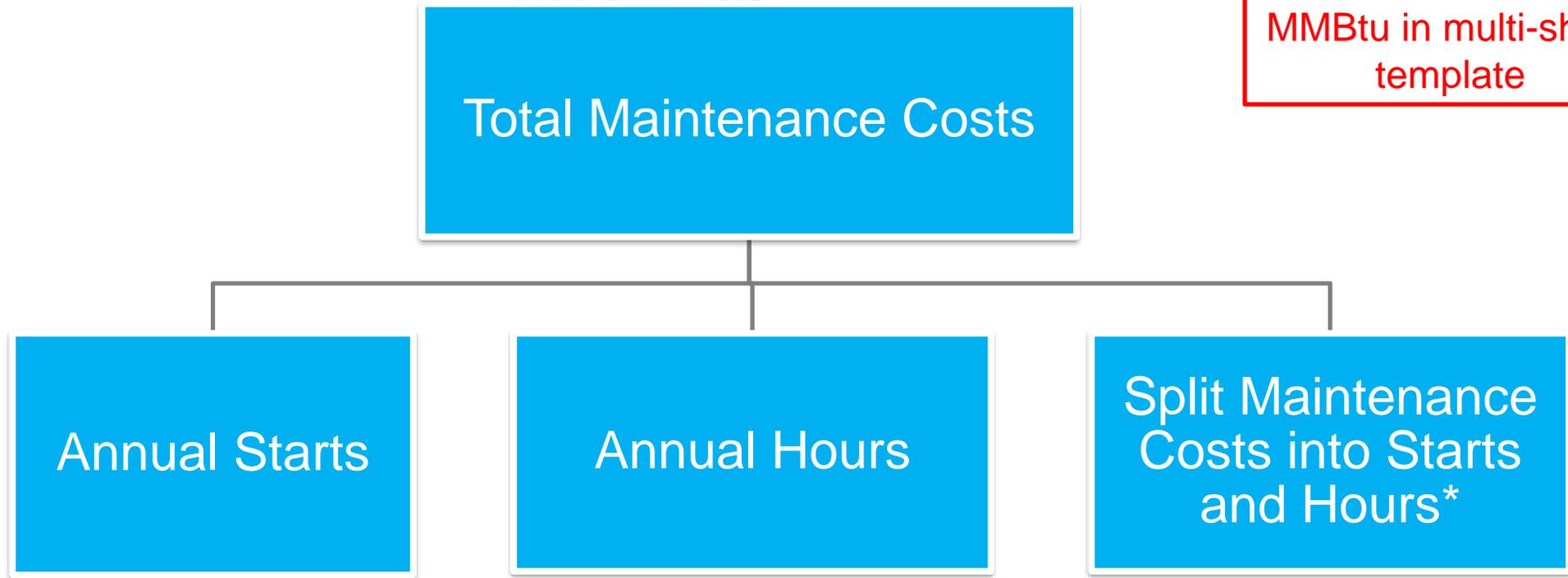
Cyclic Starting Factor and Cyclic Peaking Factor

Cyclic starting and peaking factors convert starts and peak hours into equivalent service hours

Only OEM or LTSA specified cyclic starting and peaking factors can be used in Maintenance Adder, no default values allowed.

These are typically found in OEM or LTSA documentation under “equivalent hours”, “equivalent starts”, “factored hours”, or “factored starts”.

Note: Cannot select MMBtu in multi-sheet template



* Multi-sheet template available at:

<https://www.pjm.com/markets-and-operations/energy/fuel-cost-policies.aspx>

Market Sellers can use FERC account expenses if they are directly related to electrical production.

Manual 15 Attachment A lists applicable FERC accounts that can be referenced for maintenance expenses – 512, 513 and 553

Must subtract straight time labor and anything that's not directly related to electric production; Requires a statement in the template

Only variable fees are allowable, based on:

- Number of starts
- Number of run hours
- Number of factored starts
- Number of factored hours
- Number of equivalent service hours

Must be actual payments, future estimated payments are not allowed

Must upload the section of the LTSA that specifies:

- The formula for calculating variable fees
- The formula for calculating equivalent service hours (if applicable)

- Capital upgrades/enhancements typically not allowed in maintenance adder; they are typically included in capacity offer.
- Examples of upgrades cannot be included:
 - The addition of an SCR;
 - Replacement of steam turbine blades with the latest tilted twisted design;
 - Addition of emission control equipment;
 - Addition of water sprays on a CT for power augmentation.
- Exception: the original equipment is obsolete and can no longer be procured (e.g. replacement of a flow control actuator with a new design when the old design is no longer available.)

Immature unit <
one calendar
year of
operating
history

Latest annual
SOM report
published by
Monitoring
Analytics

Can use actual
history (<1
year) as
alternative

Can only be used
as operating cost
adder in \$/MWh;
Maintenance adder
must be 0

- Market Sellers shall provide supporting documentation for the maintenance expenses and operating costs entered in section 1
- Market Sellers must have supporting documentation available to justify the maintenance and operating costs dollars for historical years entered in section 2
- Market Sellers may provide summaries of maintenance activities, accounting records or invoices as supporting documentation
- Summaries, at minimum, shall include a description of the work performed or materials purchased in order to confirm that the activities are directly related to electric production

Acceptable Level of Supporting Documentation

Accounting
Records

Maintenance
Management
System
Records

Invoices

Procurement
Cards or
Records

Required details may include:

- Work Order
- Project Number
- Work/Material Description
- Cost associated with project/work order
- Cost per unit (e.g. \$0.05/gallon of water)

- Documentation provided to PJM shall clearly show all of the individual expenses that go into the more general expense or cost categories entered on the VOM template
- Please do not provide a bulk export of all accounting line items without filtering for and categorizing the relevant expenses.
- Unclear documentation could result in PJM requesting reorganization of the documentation, thus delaying the review process.

Example:

VOM Template Category:

Boiler Overhaul \$1,000,000

Documentation line items:

Boiler Overhaul	Activity 1	\$150,000
Boiler Overhaul	Activity 2	\$250,000
Boiler Overhaul	Activity 3	\$100,000
Boiler Overhaul	Activity 4	\$300,000
Boiler Overhaul	Activity 5	\$200,000

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Control system removed from allowable system list

Control Room Equipment and software added to the unallowable expense list

Default values for cyclic starting and peaking factor removed

Additional Documentation Requirement Added

New requirement on confirmation on historical years

UNIT INFORMATION	
Market Seller Name	
Contact Name	
Contact Email	
Contact Phone	
Market Unit ID and Name	

UNIT INFORMATION	
Market Seller Name	
Contact Name	
Contact Email	
Contact Phone	
Market Unit ID and Name	

Only change in 2021



ICAP MW	
Unit Technology Type (i.e CT, CC, Sub-critical Coal, Landfill Diesel, etc.)	
Use 1% Maintenance Adder as VARIABLE BLACK START SERVICE COST? (Y/N)	Y
Number of black start units	
Number of total units	

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Fuel Cost Policies

Market Sellers are required to have a PJM-approved fuel cost policy for each unit and fuel type for which they wish to submit a non-zero, cost-based offer into the energy market. Fuel cost policies must be drafted in accordance with Manual 15 and the Operating Agreement. All approved fuel cost policies will undergo a periodic review by the Market Seller, PJM and the IMM prior to the policy expiration to ensure that the cost offer estimation practices are still accurate and acceptable.

	Date
Fuel Cost Policy Guidelines: Clean Redline PDF	1.14.2021
Frequently Asked Questions PDF	9.11.2020
VOM Template	
2021 XLS	3.25.2021
Multi Sheets XLS	3.25.2021
Review Guidelines PDF	5.15.2020
PJM Connect WEB Login Instructions PDF	4.28.2020

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Subject Maintenance Adder and Operating Cost - PJM Review Completed

Hello,

PJM has completed its review of the Maintenance Adder and Operating Cost for the unit(s) listed below based on the information provided. As a result, the unit(s) listed below may include such Maintenance Adder and Operating Cost in the associated cost-based offers until the Date of Expiration provided below. Notwithstanding, the completion of this review does not preclude any potential penalty that may be assessed in the event PJM later determines, with input from the Market Monitor, that the Maintenance Adder and Operating Cost includes charges that are not in compliance with Operating Agreement, Schedule 2.

Maintenance Adder and Operating Cost Information			
Unit Name	Date of Template Submittal to PJM	Completion of Review	Date of Expiration
Valley Forge CT 1	6/15/2021	9/15/2021	12/31/2022
Valley Forge CT 2	6/15/2021	9/15/2021	12/31/2022

Note: The existing Maintenance Adder and Operating Cost will expire on 9/22/2021. If additional days are needed to implement the new Maintenance Adder and Operating Cost referenced herein, a Market Seller may request, subject to PJM approval, a later Date of Expiration to the existing Maintenance Adder and Operating Cost.

Please send questions to fuelcostpolicyanalysis@pjm.com

Thank you-

When can the adders be used?

- Adders can be used as soon as the review is completed and notification email received.

When will the adders expire?

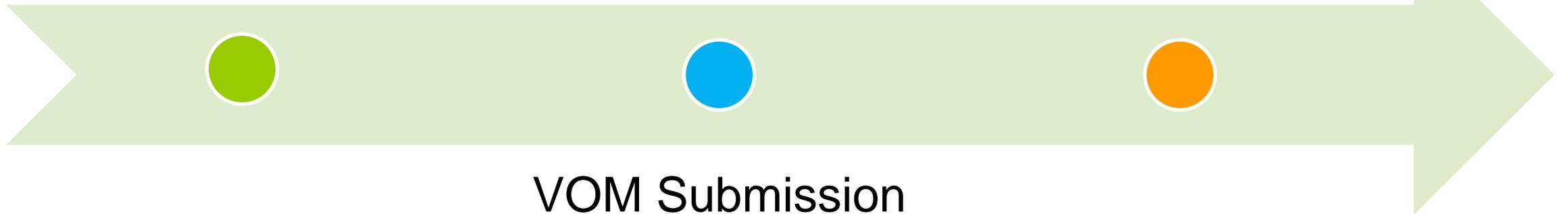
- New adders expire at the end of next year or when replaced.
- Existing adders will expire seven calendar days from the date of the completed review, unless requesting an extension.

Can the units of adder be modified?

- The units of adder cannot be modified until the subsequent annual review.

CDS
April 14, 2021

PJM Review
June - Dec 2021



VOM Submission
Deadline
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