# Synchronized Reserve Deployment: IMM Options

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- With Tier 1 and Tier 2 consolidation, all synchronized reserves will be paid the synchronized reserve MCP.
- ORDC will result in higher prices and larger cleared reserve MW.
- All synchronized reserves subject to penalties for nonperformance.
- The current overresponse to the all call during a synchronized reserve event is expected to be exacerbated under the new reserve market rules.



## **IMM Solution Criteria for Reserve Deployment**

- Currently, SCED dispatch instructions are not relevant because all resources are asked to increase output.
- Ideally, a new SCED solution that can deploy synchronized reserves, and accurately models the cause of the spin event should replace all call.
- The new proposed long term SCED reforms allow dispatchers to manually execute SCED cases outside the automated cycle in these situations.
- The time required to model the contingency, solve, approve a new SCED case, and send instructions to resources is a limiting factor.





- To dispatch reserves until the manually executed SCED solution is available, replace the all call with a reserve deployment tool that generates dispatch signals.
- The reserves that are deployed are a portion of the synchronized reserves that cleared in the current five minute interval.
- The total MW to deploy is input by dispatchers, equal to the MW lost, or required for ACE recovery.



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- The MW deployed from each resource is its share of the total deployed MW (MISO, SPP)
  - The total cleared synchronized reserve MW, and each resource's cleared MW are known after each RT SCED approval.
- For example, if the most recent RT SCED solution cleared a total of 1,600 MW of synchronized reserves, and the contingency is 800 MW, each cleared resource is asked to convert half the cleared synchronized reserves to energy.
- Fair assignment of obligation to respond to disturbances.
- Existing Manual 12 (4.1.2) language, no changes needed.



- Dispatchers input the total MW needed, the tool calculates resource specific MW and sends dispatch signals to the target levels (Manual 12, 4.1.2).
- Existing RTGEN tool in MISO and SPP (EMS application) sends dispatch MW plus reserve deployment MW to units.



- Dispatchers manually execute a new RT SCED with:
  - 1. The actual unit lost modeled, and
  - 2. Cleared inflexible tier 2 synchronized reserves made eligible for energy dispatch (can be prepopulated, similar to IRD).
- RT SCED dispatch replaces RTGEN reserve deployment once case solves.



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## **Pricing During Spin Events**

- Pricing during spin events should be consistent with supply and demand for dispatched reserves.
  - Continue pricing based on 5 minute look ahead.
- Current shortage pricing rules:
  - If reserves deployed during the spin event are replaced in the SCED solution, no shortage pricing.
  - If RT SCED calculates a reserve shortage according to the standard process, shortage pricing results.
- Under the ORDC changes, any reduction in supply, even well beyond the minimum reserve requirement, will result in increases to clearing prices.





## **Pricing During Spin Events**

- NERC reliability standards require that the level of reserves after a disturbance be restored within 90 minutes after a disturbance occurs. (NERC BAL-002-3, R3)
- SPP reduces the reserve requirement by the same amount as the MW deployed. (Market Protocols 4.4.3.6)
- PJM currently does not change the reserve requirement when reserves are deployed.
- Result is an inefficient outcome during the infrequent times when reserves are used for their intended purpose.
- Adjusting the reserve requirement to allow time to recover reserves avoids charging customers high prices for using reserves that have been paid for.



## **PJM Proposal**

- IRD is based on incorrect assumptions.
- The unit loss that is the cause of the spin event is not modeled.
- Instead, IRD assumes that the RTO load increases by an ad hoc MW quantity but assumes that the lost unit is also still online.
- The assumed load increase is set to the MW output of the largest contingency on the system.
- IRD produces artificially inflated prices that do not reflect system conditions, and applies the prices to the following five minute interval, not the interval when spin event started.
- This will add to the expected higher prices resulting from the downward sloping ORDCs.



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