Parameter Limited Schedules

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Recommendations from MIC-PLS

- All recommendations are a consensus proposal
- For scheduling parameters modified to affect unit commitment over weekend periods, changes in parameters should reflect operational changes rather than economic decisions.
- Recommend a more forward looking dispatch process be considered in the stakeholder process in order to address the changing operation of base-load units.

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Proposed Rule Changes from MIC-PLS

- All rule changes are a consensus proposal.
- Modify PLS review process to reduce administrative burden on members:
 - Annual exception review process rather than biannual.
 - Persistent exceptions for units based on operational characteristics that have changed.
 - Persistent exceptions for units based on 2006 offer data or previously approved exceptions.
 - Daily exceptions will be submitted with a reason and expected term. At or before 30 days exceptions that need to persist for more than 30 days will be updated to establish the length of the exception, or the annual process will be used to evaluate the exception.

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Withdrawn Issues

- The following issues are withdrawn from this process. They will go through the normal stakeholder process should anyone wish to raise the issues in the future.
 - Cost-based schedule not reflecting the most flexible parameters should only be offered when price-based parameter is priced differently to reflect that flexibility.
 - TPS test determination of least-cost schedule.



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