IMM Response to Transmission Constraint Penalty Factors

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Shadow Price

 In linear constrained optimization problems, shadow price (or marginal value) of a transmission constraint is the change in the production cost due to incremental (one unit) change in the transmission line capacity.

Shadow Price

- In the linear constraint optimization, only one of the following three possibilities can occur
 - nonbinding (shadow price = 0)
 - binding (shadow price < marginal value limit)
 - violated (shadow price = marginal value limit)
- If the transmission constraint is binding, the shadow price is a linear function of marginal units' offer prices

Pricing Outcomes

- If the pricing outcome is such that the shadow price equals the marginal value limit, then the marginal value limit is setting the market price
- PJM stated that these pricing outcomes are possible (slide 14)

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