



Reserve Certainty Sr. Task Force (RCSTF) Monthly Progress Report

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[Reserve Certainty and Resource Flexibility Incentives](#)

Issue Status

The Reserve Certainty and Resource Flexibility Incentives Issue Charge was approved by a simple majority vote with 2.95 in favor at the September 20, 2023 Markets and Reliability Committee meeting.

Target Completion

Target completion for this issue is expected to take place in October 2025.

Progress Update

The [Reserve Certainty Sr. Task Force](#) held its first meeting on October 10, 2023.

Rebecca Carroll, PJM, reviewed the [Problem Statement](#) and approved [Issue Charge](#).

Lisa Morelli, PJM, reviewed a draft, high-level [work plan](#) with task force participants and solicited feedback from the group.

Rebecca Carroll reviewed an initial set of [design criteria](#) for Key Work Activity 1.

Brian Chmielewski and Michael Olaleye, PJM, provided [education](#) on current rules, requirements and responsibilities for each of the existing reserve products.

The second meeting of the RCSTF took place on October 13, 2023 with a focus on continued education.

David Kimmel, PJM, provided [education](#) on reserve event performance measurement and penalty rules.

Kevin Hatch, PJM, reviewed PJM's [perspective](#) on the operational importance of synchronized reserves.

Melissa Pilong, PJM, provided [information](#) on the synchronized reserve outreach efforts focused on understanding the drivers behind recent event performance level.

The third meeting of the RCSTF took place on October 26, 2023 with a focus on continued education.

David Kimmel, PJM, provided additional [metrics](#) on reserve event performance measurement.

Donnie Bielak, PJM, provided [education](#) on the status-quo process for synchronized and nonsynchronized reserve deployment, including technology, timing, and generators' use of communication tools.



Joel Luna, Monitoring Analytics, provided [education](#) on communications for reserves.

Catherine Tyler, Monitoring Analytics, provided [education](#) on spin event definitions, performance, and penalties.

Vijay Shah, PJM, was scheduled to review the [work](#) of the Synchronous Reserve Deployment Sr. Task Force, but due to time constraints this item was deferred until the November RCSTF meeting.

The fourth meeting of the RCSTF took place on November 27, 2023.

Vijay Shah, PJM, reviewed previous [Synchronous Reserve Development Task Force work](#), PJM's Intelligent Reserve Deployment (IRD) FERC filing, and FERC's order on the IRD filing.

Michael Olaleye and Damon Fereshetian, PJM, provided [education](#) on the current offer structure and pricing outcomes for Reserves, implemented in October 2022 with Reserve Price Formation.

The [IMM education](#) on reserve clearing and ramping capability was deferred until the December 12, 2023 RCSTF meeting due to time constraints.

The discussion with task force participants to begin gathering [interests and design components](#) for Key Work Activities 2 and 4 (Reserve Resource Performance & Penalty Structure / Reserve Deployment) was deferred to the December 12, 2023 RCSTF meeting due to time constraints.

The fifth meeting of the RCSTF took place on December 12, 2023.

Joel Luna, Monitoring Analytics, provided [education](#) on reserve clearing and ramping capability.

Emily Barrett, PJM, provided a [comparison](#) of reserve practices across RTO's.

Lisa Morelli, PJM, led a discussion with task force participants to gather [interests and design components](#) for Key Work Activities (KWA) 2, 3 and 4, including revisiting the Design Criteria from KWA 1 which was previously presented at the October 10 RCSTF meeting.

The sixth meeting of the RCSTF took place on January 17, 2024.

Emily Barrett, PJM, reviewed [ISO/RTO practices](#) for handling resource transition points in real-time dispatch.

Vijay Shah, PJM, provided [education](#) on data flow through real-time dispatch applications during spin events.

Catherine Tyler, Monitoring Analytics, provided [education](#) on outage and derate reporting.

Brian Fitzpatrick, PJM, provided a [review](#) of Winter Storm Elliott reserve and natural gas procurement observations, as well as applicable work of the Electric Gas Coordination Sr. Task Force.

Lisa Morelli, PJM, led stakeholders in a discussion to continue [design component development and solution option](#) development for immediate-term Key Work Activities.



The seventh meeting of the RCSTF took place on February 14, 2024.

Michael Olaleye, PJM, will provide follow up [education](#) on synchronized reserve performance evaluation.

Dustin Grethen, MISO, provided [education](#) on MISO's efforts to understand risks to fuel assurance and to incentivize availability during times of scarcity or high uncertainty.

Emily Barrett, PJM, reviewed a [presentation](#) highlighting different solution options to foster discussion on potential solution packages for Key Work Activities 2, 3, and 4.

Lisa Morelli, PJM, led stakeholders in a discussion to continue [solution option development and begin package development](#) for the immediate-term Key Work Activities.

The eighth meeting of the RCSTF took place on March 13, 2024.

Joel Luna and Catherine Tyler, Monitoring Analytics, reviewed a [presentation](#) highlighting MA's perspective on key topics and preview a potential solution package for Key Work Activities 2, 3, and 4.

Emily Barrett, PJM, [presented](#) PJM's draft solution package for Key Work Activities 2, 3, and 4.

Emily Barrett, PJM, reviewed updates to [solution options](#) as incorporated in the RCTSF matrix.

Lisa Morelli, PJM, led stakeholders in a discussion to continue [package](#) development for the immediate-term Key Work Activities.