Circuit Breaker Preliminary Proposal

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Rationale

- The proposed October 2022 ORDCs will result in unreasonably high prices, especially during prolonged periods of scarcity.
- Recent winter peak daily energy usage: 2,500,000 MWh
- Lowest proposed emergency adder: \$4,000 per MWh
 - \$4,000 per MWh x 2,500,000 MWh = \$10 billion per day
- The highest daily energy costs in the last five years:
 - \$675 million in January 5, 2018, at 3,000,000 MWh
 - Only 6.8 percent of the proposed emergency energy costs
- The impacts of an over \$10 billion day on the PJM markets are not understood or predictable.

Necessity of a Circuit Breaker

- PJM's proposed ORDCs should not be implemented.
- The IMM recommends starting over with the shortage pricing market design.
- If PJM's proposed ORDCs go into effect, a circuit breaker is a necessity.
- As a last resort, in case FERC does not rule on the remand before October 2022, the emergency scenario outcomes under PJM's proposed ORDC should be prevented.

IMM Proposal: Circuit Breaker Trigger

- Circuit breaker trigger: \$1B daily energy market cost
- Day-ahead Market
 - If the day-ahead market clears above \$1 billion, it should be rerun under the circuit breaker ORDCs.
- Real-time Market
 - When the real-time energy revenues reach \$1 billion during a day, the circuit breaker should go into effect for the next operating hour possible with at least 65 minutes notice.
- Prolonged conditions
 - Once triggered, the circuit breaker should remain in effect as long as emergency conditions or hot/cold weather alerts continue.

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IMM Proposal: Circuit Breaker Penalty Factors

- Revert to status quo ORDCs
- \$850 per MW penalty factor up to the reserve requirement
- \$300 per MW penalty factor for additional 190 MW
- Apply to DA and RT markets and subzone
- Cap the additivity of penalty factors at \$1,700 per MW

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