

Manual 19 Revisions for Load Forecast Adjustments

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Post CIFP Workshop
Load Forecasting Page Turn
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- PJM Board Letter Regarding CIFP – Large Load Additions
 - [Link](#)
 - Load Forecasting Improvements (Appendix B)
 - State Review
 - Duplicative Requests
 - Additional Review
 - Transparency
 - Additional considerations

- Manual 19: Load Forecasting and Analysis
 - ***Attachment B: Load Forecast Adjustment Guidelines***

▪ Issue Identification

Submitter Responsibility

▪ Issue Verification

▪ Adjustment Estimation

▪ Adjustment Review

PJM Responsibility &
Submitter Consulted

- Issue Identification

- The submission must indicate the date that the submitter provided the load forecast adjustment to the Relevant Electric Retail Regulatory Authority (RERRA), providing an opportunity for RERRA review/feedback before load forecast adjustment is submitted to PJM. The submission must indicate whether a meeting occurred and what feedback, if any, was offered by the RERRA.

- Issue Identification

- Submitters shall inquire with their subject customers, and indicate to PJM based on their best knowledge, whether any load interconnection requests that are received (that do not have either an ESO or CC) are duplicative with other such requests made to interconnect large load either within or outside of the PJM region such that only a subset of such requests are expected to achieve commercial operation. If submitters are aware of duplicative load interconnection requests, the submitters are required to provide the number of sites and amount of MW that are duplicative and included in their submission. If the submitter indicates that a load interconnection request may be duplicative but does not provide the number of sites and amount of MWs, or further justification and explanation, then such duplicative request will be removed from the forecast.

- Issue Identification

- Submitters must ensure customer NDAs include ability to share all information with PJM related to large loads and such information must be shared with PJM.

- Issue Verification
 - PJM may obtain additional review and an independent forecast through an independent third party. This review would weigh EDC/LSE information as well as national and intra PJM trends that would help inform PJM's final determination. The assumptions and independent forecast resulting from this review would be presented to stakeholders at LAS meetings for opportunity for feedback prior to finalizing for PJM consideration.

- In 2025, PJM introduced an implementation document developed with stakeholder input
 - Types of contractual arrangements
 - Ramp rate
 - Utilization factor
- These requirements and other considerations are now being placed in the Manual.

- **Contracts and financial responsibility**
 - **Issue Identification**
 - **The submission must document and quantify the amount of load that meets each of the following categories: Electric Service Obligation (ESO), Construction Commitment (CC), or Other (have cleared demonstrable project milestones).**
 - **Submission must document and quantify the load customer's financial responsibility.**

- Firm vs Non-firm and inclusion in forecast
 - Issue Identification
 - To be considered for inclusion in forecast period covered by an RPM Auction, the submission or portion of the submission must be considered Firm. Firm will mean having an ESO or CC plus a meaningful/verifiable financial commitment (such as credit/collateral support, financially significant infrastructure investment, or long-term supply commitment with new or existing resources). All submissions or portions of submissions not meeting this definition will be considered Non-Firm. Non-Firm may be considered for forecast periods not covered by an RPM Auction.

- Firm vs Non-firm and inclusion in forecast (continued)
 - Issue Identification
 - For those submissions or portions of submissions considered Non-Firm, submitters may provide analysis on commercial probability and supporting documentation for that assessment.
 - Issue Verification
 - Evaluate categorization of Firm and Non-Firm, including assessment of commercial probability.

- Utilization and Ramp Rate

- Issue Identification

- Submission must provide details on ramp rate, as well information on both capacity and demand along with supporting documentation.

- Issue Verification

- PJM will assess submission's characteristics (such as ramp rate and utilization factor) relative to industry norms and/or research and may make adjustments if not substantiated by additional data.

- Eligibility

- Issue Verification

- Load adjustment requests with a category total in excess of 50 MW will be considered.

- Transparency

- Issue Identification

- Submitter must include linkages to any supplemental projects that have been reviewed at TEAC or SRRTEP. This will be used for informational purposes only.

- Feedback
 - Please provide written feedback by Friday, March 6
 - PJM will review feedback, incorporate as needed, and post finalized version in Q2.
- This will be completed in advance of the start of the load forecast adjustment process in early July for the 2027 Long-Term Load Forecast.

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