

OATT Schedule 6A, section 17A - Annual Review for all Black Start Units

Requests for Black Start Service revenue requirements and for changes to the Black Start Service revenue requirements must be submitted to the Market Monitoring Unit for review and analysis, with supporting data and documentation, pursuant to Tariff, Attachment M-Appendix, section III and the PJM Manuals, with a copy to the Office of the Interconnection, by no later than May 3 of each year. The Market Monitoring Unit and the Black Start Unit owner shall attempt to come to agreement on the level of each component included in the Black Start Service revenue requirements by no later than May 14 of each year. By no later than May 21 of each year, the Black Start Unit owner shall notify the Office of the Interconnection and the Market Monitoring Unit in writing whether it agrees or disagrees with the Market Monitoring Unit's determination of the level of each component included in the Black Start Service revenue requirements. The Black Start Unit owner may also submit Black Start Service revenue requirements that it chooses to the Office of the Interconnection by no later than May 21 of each year, provided that (i) it has participated in good faith with the process described in this section and in Tariff, Attachment M-Appendix, section III (ii) the Black Start Service revenue requirements are no higher than the level defined in any agreement reached by the Black Start Unit owner and the Market Monitoring Unit that resulted from the foregoing process, and (iii) the Black Start Service revenue requirements are accepted by the Office of the Interconnection subject to the criteria set forth in the Tariff and PJM Manuals.

The Office of the Interconnection shall determine whether to accept the values submitted by the Black Start Unit owner subject to the requirements of the Tariff and the PJM Manuals by no later than May 27. If the Office of the Interconnection does not accept the values submitted by the Black Start Unit owner in such case, the Black Start Unit owner may file its proposed values with the Commission for approval. Pursuant to Tariff, Attachment M-Appendix, section III, if the Office of the Interconnection accepts the Black Start Service revenue requirements submitted by the Black Start Unit owner in such case, the Market Monitoring Unit may petition the Commission for an order that would require the Black Start Unit owner to utilize the values determined by the Market Monitoring Unit or the Office of the Interconnection or such other values as determined by the Commission. The annual calculation of Black Start Service revenue requirements shall become effective on June 1 of each year, except that no change to a Black Start Service revenue requirement shall become effective until the existing revenue requirement has been effective for at least twelve months. Notwithstanding the foregoing, for the 2025/2026 Delivery Year the annual calculation of Black Start Service revenue requirements that became effective on June 1, 2025 will be further updated on July 1, 2025 to reflect any FERC approved changes in the Base Formula Rate equation regardless of whether the existing revenue requirement has been effective for at least 12 months; and for the 2026/2027 Delivery Year, the Black Start Service revenue requirement shall become effective June 1, 2026 regardless of whether the existing revenue requirement has been effective for at least 12 months. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the deadlines set forth in this section 17 shall not apply to a Black Start Unit owner's election to select a new method of recovery for its Fixed BSSC.

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18. The formula for calculating a generator's annual Black Start Service revenue requirement is:

$$\{(\text{Fixed BSSC}) + (\text{Variable BSSC}) + (\text{Training Costs}) + (\text{Fuel Storage Costs})\} * (1 + Z)$$

For units that have the demonstrated ability to operate at reduced levels when automatically disconnected from the grid, the formula is revised to:

$$(\text{Training Costs}) * (1 + Z)$$

Where:

Fixed BSSC

Black Start Units with a commitment established under section 5 of this Schedule 6A shall calculate Fixed BSSC or "Fixed Black Start Service Costs" in accordance with the following Base Formula Rate:

Base Formula Rate:

$$\text{Net CONE} \text{Fixed Rate} * \text{Black Start Unit Capacity} * X$$

Where:

"Fixed Rate" is a fixed rate for providing Black Start Service (expressed in \$/MW day). This Fixed Rate will be adjusted annually based on the Handy Whitman index. By March 31 of each year, PJM will post the adjusted Fixed Rate on the PJM website. Beginning with the 2025/2026 Delivery Year, the Fixed Rate shall be \$272.62/MW day.
"Net CONE" is the then current installed capacity ("ICAP") net Cost of New Entry (expressed in \$/MW year)

"Black Start Unit Capacity" is either: (i) the Black Start Unit's installed capacity, expressed in MW, for those Black Start Units which are not Fuel Assured Black Start Units that are Generation Capacity Resources; (ii) the awarded MWs in the Transmission Provider's request for proposal process under the PJM Manuals, for those Black Start Units, which are not Fuel Assured Black Start Units, that are Energy Resources; (iii) the Fuel Assured Black Start Unit's installed capacity for fuel assured non-intermittent Capacity Resources; or (iv) the monthly 90% confidence MW value calculated by the Transmission Provider for fuel assured intermittent or hybrid Capacity Resources. The 90% confidence MW value is calculated using Black Start Unit historical data to determine the hourly MW value the resource can provide each day in each month for 16 hours. The hourly MW value is then iterated until the confidence level of the unit providing the MW value on a monthly basis for 16 hours is 90%.

"X" is the Black Start Service allocation factor unless a higher or lower value is supported by the documentation of the actual costs of providing Black Start Service. For such units qualifying as Black Start Units on the basis of demonstrated ability to operate at reduced levels when automatically disconnected from the grid, X shall be zero. For non-fuel assured Black Start Units with a commitment established under section 5 of this Schedule 6A, X shall be .01 for Hydro units, .02 for CT units. For fuel assured Black Start Units with a commitment established under section 5 of this Schedule 6A, X shall be .02 for all units.

Black Start Units with a commitment established under section 6 above shall calculate Fixed BSSC or "Fixed Black Start Service Costs" in accordance with one of the following formulas, as applicable:

Capital Cost Recovery Rate - NERC-CIP Specific Recovery

$$\frac{\text{Fixed Rate}}{\text{Net Cone}} * \text{Black Start NERC-CIP Unit Capacity} * X + (\text{Incremental Black Start NERC-CIP Capital Costs} * \text{CRF}) + (\text{Fuel Assurance Capital Costs} * \text{CRF})$$

Where:

"Fixed Rate" is a fixed rate for providing Black Start Service (expressed in \$/MW day). This Fixed Rate will be adjusted annually based on the Handy Whitman index. By March 31 of each year, PJM will post the adjusted Fixed Rate on the PJM website. Beginning with the 2025/2026 Delivery Year, the Fixed Rate shall be \$272.62/MW day.
~~"Net Cone" is the then current installed capacity ("ICAP") net Cost of New Entry (expressed in \$/MW year) for the CONE are where the Black Start Unit is located.~~

"Black Start NERC-CIP Unit Capacity" is the Black Start Unit's installed capacity, expressed in MW, but, for purposes of this calculation, capped at 100 MW for Hydro units, or 50 MW for CT units.

"Incremental Black Start NERC-CIP Capital Cost" are those capital costs documented by the owner or accepted by the Commission for the incremental equipment solely necessary to enable a Black Start Unit to maintain compliance with mandatory Critical Infrastructure Protection Reliability Standards (as approved by the Commission and administered by the applicable Electric Reliability Organization).

"Fuel Assurance Capital Costs" are the new or additional capital costs documented by the owner for the installation of equipment necessary for the unit to meet the fuel assurance criteria specified in the PJM manuals.

"CRF" or "Capital Recovery Factor" is equal to the levelized CRF as set forth in the applicable CRF table posted on the PJM website in accordance with Tariff, Schedule 6A, section 18 and [Manual 15](#)^{PDF}.

A Black Start Unit may elect to terminate forward cost recovery under this Capital Cost Recovery Rate - NERC-CIP Specific Recovery at any time and seek cost recovery under the Capital Cost Recovery Rate, pursuant to the terms and conditions set forth below.