

# Quadrennial Review: PJM with (VC Barrow) PA PUC Joint Proposals

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#### **BACKGROUND:**

No later than every fourth delivery year, the Office of the Interconnection shall perform a review of:

- 1. Shape of the Variable Resource Requirement (VRR) Curve
  - Reliability Pricing Model (RPM)
  - Set of price and megawatt quantities that shape the curve

- 2. Cost of New Entry
  (CONE) for each Locational
  Deliverability Area (LDA)
  - Selection of the Reference Resource for each LDA to set CONE
  - Reference Resource may vary by LDA

- 3. Methodology for determining the Net Energy and Ancillary Services Revenue Offset (EAS Offset)
  - Calculated for each zone in the PJM region
  - EAS Offset is subtracted from the Gross CONE value to calculate Net CONE

Updated VRR Curve parameters will be effective with the 2028/2029 Delivery Year.



# The proposed package represents PJM management's proposal for a solution to the Quadrennial Review

- The PJM Board of Managers has not yet endorsed this proposal and seeks stakeholder feedback,
- 2. The proposal is focused on the defined scope of the Quadrennial Review, and
- 3. PJM has endeavored to strike the best balance of reliability and cost implications.

Additional potential market design changes raised during this review will need a separate stakeholder process to address.



#### PJM and the (VC Barrow) PA PUC have two joint proposals that replace PJM's initial proposal

Joint Proposal 1: PJM & PA PUC – CC

- Adopt PA PUC VRR Curve as to be a function of Gross CONE and Net EAS
- 2. Adopts Net EAS change of using the 67<sup>th</sup> percentile for each applicable area
- Use the Brattle calculated Gross CONE values for CC

Joint Proposal 2: PJM & PA PUC - CT

- Adopt PA PUC VRR Curve as to be a function of Gross CONE and Net EAS
- 2) Adopts Net EAS change of using the 67<sup>th</sup> percentile for each applicable area
- 3) Use the Brattle calculated Gross CONE values for CT

The (VC Barrow) PA PUC VRR curve provided a reasonable alternative to account for the uncertainty separately around Gross CONE and Net EAS values that was adopted in these joint proposals.



# PJM and VC Barrow PAPUC Joint Proposal Summary

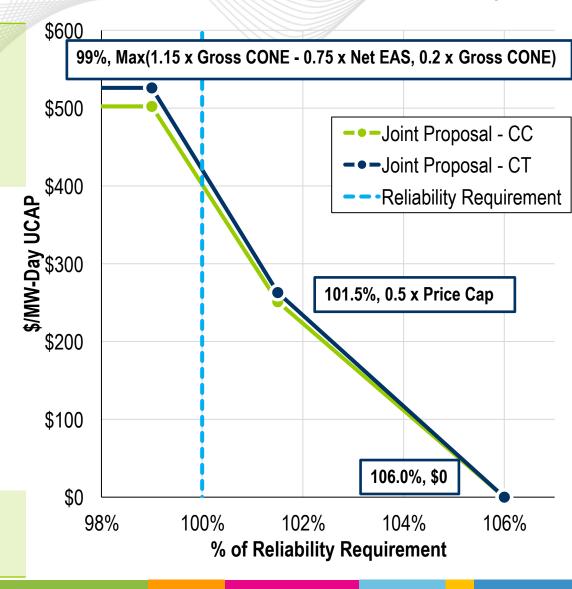
**Reference Resource**: Joint Proposal 1 recommends the Brattle calculated Combined Cycle for every CONE Area, and Joint Proposal 2 recommends the Brattle calculated Combustion Turbine for every CONE Area.

VRR Curve: PA PUC VRR Curve and lower safeguard

- Point A is updated to Max(1.15 x Gross CONE 0.75 x Net EAS, 0.2 x Gross CONE), to stabilize curve and decrease volatility
- Tie point B to 50% of Price Cap (Stability of VRR Curve)
- Extend point C to 106%

Same VRR shape for LDAs

**EAS:** Status Quo with updated Reference Resource parameters





# PJM and VC Barrow PAPUC: Price Cap Comparison

Accounting for 75% of Net E&AS decreases the price cap volatility and lowers the price cap in high Net CONE areas (EMAAC and COMED)

The PA PUC curve is less likely to have a calculated price cap of \$0, even without a safeguard

The Joint Proposal has a 0.2 x Gross CONE safeguard

CONE Area	PJM and PA PUC Price Cap - <b>CC</b> (\$/ <b>MW-Day UCAP</b> )	PJM and PA PUC Price Cap - <b>CT</b> (\$/ <b>MW-Day UCAP</b> )
EMAAC: CONE Area 1	\$744	\$718
SWMAAC: CONE Area 2	\$520	\$560
Rest of RTO: CONE Area 3	\$463	\$483
WMAAC: CONE Area 4	\$550	\$557
COMED: CONE Area 5	\$841	\$785
RTO	\$502	\$526

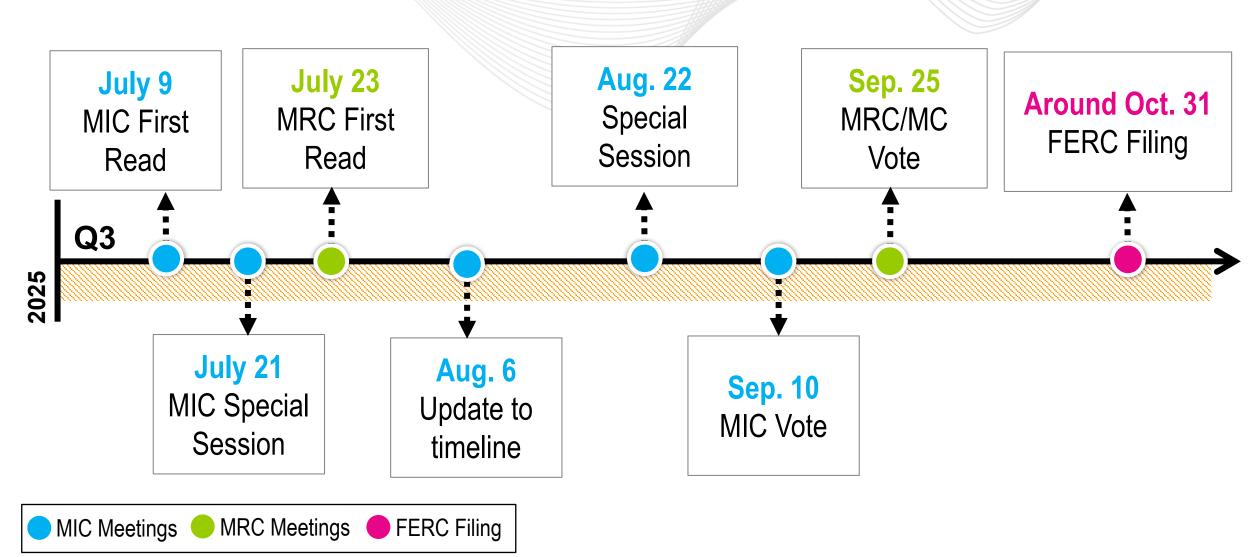
Net EAS is using the 67<sup>th</sup> percentile of Net EAS for the applicable area

Price Caps are similar with a CC or CT as the Reference Resource.

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## **Quadrennial Review Timeline**



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