

Manual 14H Revisions: Elimination of First Use

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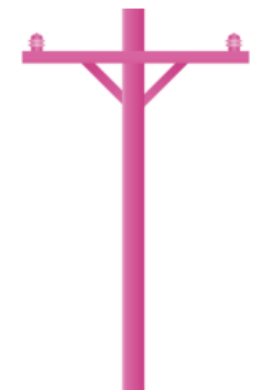
Conforming changes with FERC Docket Number ER26-5-000 pertaining to the elimination of “first use”.

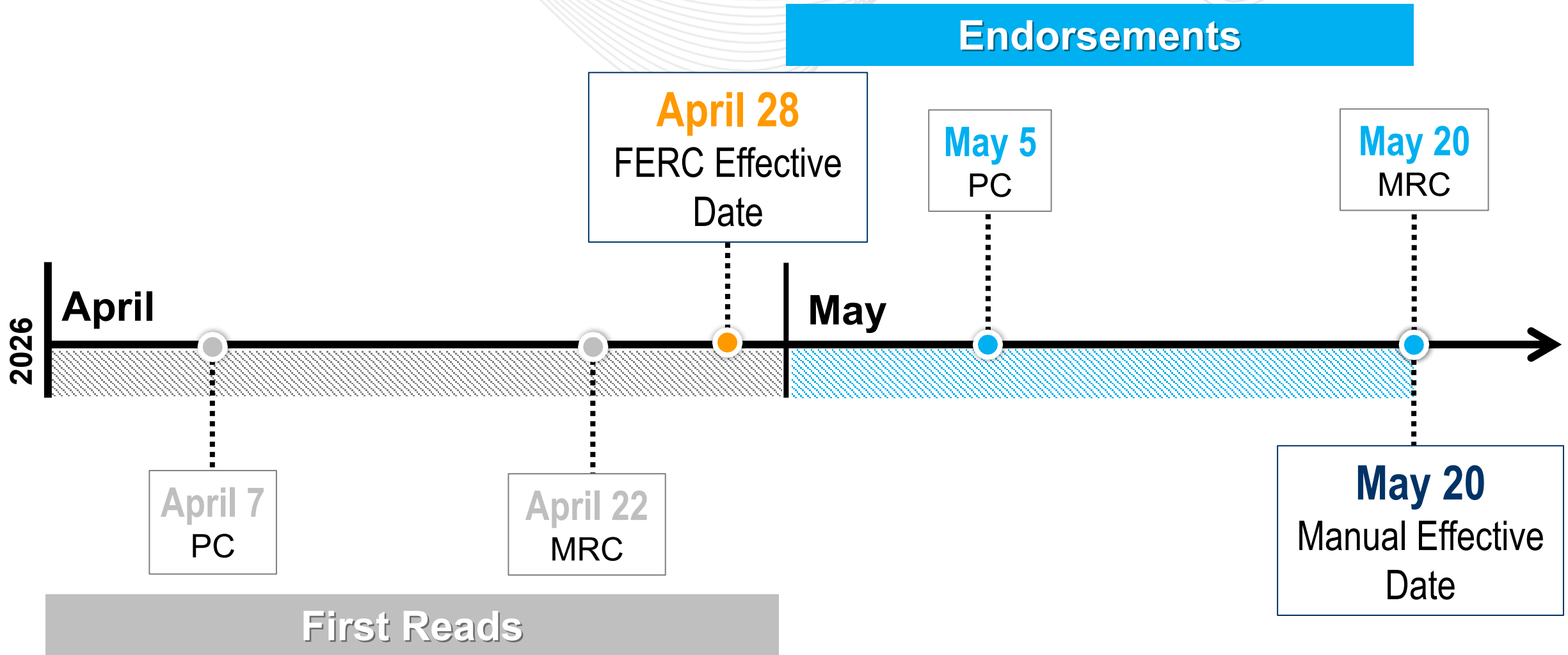
- Clarification to application requirements for non-FERC jurisdictional generation interconnection.
- Clarification to jurisdiction (FERC vs non-FERC) determination for generation interconnection.

Per the FERC filing, this change in jurisdiction classification goes into effect on April 28, 2026, impacting Cycle 2 and beyond.

g) Submit required evidence of participation in the relevant non-FERC jurisdictional interconnection process, as applicable. If the fully executed two-party interconnection agreement is not yet available, evidence of requesting or applying for interconnection through the relevant non-FERC jurisdictional process is required.

Note: Jurisdiction Determination - All New Service Requests interconnecting at a voltage **below** 69kV are presumed to be distribution level and non-FERC jurisdictional. Such projects will receive a WMPA as a final agreement. All New Service Requests interconnecting at a voltage **at or above** 69kV are presumed to be transmission level and FERC jurisdictional. Such projects will receive a GIA as a final agreement. However, there is an important exception to this general presumption. In the event that a New Service Request is interconnecting to a facility with a voltage below 69kV, but the facility is nonetheless included in the Transmission Owner's FERC-jurisdictional rates for cost recovery purposes, then the project will receive a GIA as the final agreement. Conversely, in the event that the New Service Request is interconnecting to a facility with a voltage at or above 69kV, but the facility is nonetheless included in the Transmission Owner's state or local-jurisdictional rates for cost recovery purposes, then the project will receive a WMPA as the final agreement. Please contact PJM on how to find these exceptions.

"Bright-Line" Test	
<p>≥69 KV</p> 	<p><69 KV</p> 
<p>69kV and above is presumed FERC-jurisdictional transmission (PJM GIA process)</p>	<p>below 69kV is presumed state/local jurisdictional distribution (State/local IA + PJM WMPA)</p>
<p><i>unless</i> the applicable TO and FERC or a RERRA have otherwise jurisdictionally classified the asset as transmission or distribution for cost-recovery purposes.</p>	
<p><i>Exhibit 7: "Bright-Line" Test</i></p>	



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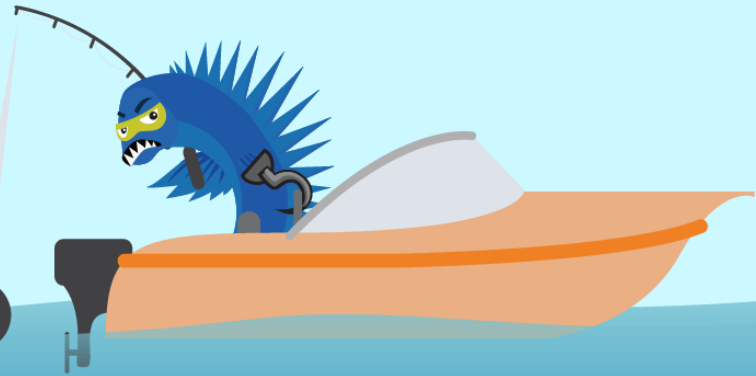
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