

## Updates to eDART Cause Codes - Fuels

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### Background

- PJM is working to update eDART cause codes as it pertains to fuel related outages to better characterize outage root cause and conduct historical analysis.
- eDART currently has 3 cause codes related to fuel issues. These codes are vague which complicates PJM's ability to delineate outages when conducting historical analysis, especially when it pertains to gas units.
- PJM is proposing to enhance cause coding to better capture the type of outage with specific focus regarding gas related outages.



# Cause Code Comparison

<b>Current Cause Codes</b>	Proposed New Cause Codes	
No Fuel	Fuel – Gas – Contractually Interrupted (Supply/Transportation)	
Fuel Problem	Fuel – Gas – Supply Procurement Unavailable	
Fuel System	Fuel – Gas – Pipeline/LDC Operations	
	Fuel – Gas – Onsite Delivery System/Plant Equipment Failure	
	Fuel – Non Gas – Supply Unavailable	
	Fuel – Non Gas – Fuel Quality	
	Fuel – Non Gas – Onsite Delivery System/Plant Equipment Failure	

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### Fuel – Gas Cause Codes

New Cause Code	Example Reasons
Fuel – Gas – Contractually Interrupted (Supply/Transportation)	<ul> <li>Transportation contract is interrupted by pipeline or LDC</li> <li>Supply contract is interrupted/force majeured by gas supplier/marketer</li> </ul>
Fuel – Gas – Supply Procurement Unavailable	<ul> <li>No gas physically available</li> <li>No counterparties available or willing to sell gas</li> <li>Unable to procure sufficient supply to meet full commitment</li> </ul>
Fuel – Gas – Pipeline/LDC Operations	<ul> <li>Pipeline/LDC incident/Force Majeure (i.e. pipeline failure, compressor station failure, pressure issue, etc.)</li> <li>Gas Quality Issue posted by interstate pipeline</li> </ul>
Fuel – Gas – Onsite Delivery System/Plant Equipment Failure	<ul> <li>Fuel equipment issue behind the meter within the property of the plant that is not related to pipeline/LDC operations</li> </ul>



### Fuel – Non Gas Cause Codes

New Cause Code	Example Reasons
Fuel – Non Gas – Supply Unavailable	No coal or oil available
Fuel – Non Gas – Fuel Quality	<ul><li>Wet/Frozen Coal</li><li>Low quality coal</li><li>Contaminated Oil</li></ul>
Fuel – Non Gas – Onsite Delivery System/Plant Equipment Failure	Fuel equipment issue within the property of the plant

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## Timeframe for Implementation

### September

PJM provided notification of upcoming eDART cause code changes at the Electric Gas Coordination Subcommittee

#### October

- System Operations
  Subcommittee
- Operating Committee
- Tech Change Forum
- eDART Train environment

### **November**

- System Operations Subcommittee
- Operating Committee
- Tech Change Forum

### **December**

New eDART cause codes go into production



### Actions Requested

- Upon implementation, Generation Owners are requested to use the most appropriate new cause code
  - Gas units to use new cause codes specific to gas (i.e. "Fuel Gas Supply Unavailable")
- Non gas units to use "rebranded" cause codes
  - Fuel Problem → Fuel Non Gas Fuel Quality
  - No Fuel → Fuel Non Gas Supply Unavailable
  - Fuel System → Fuel Non Gas Onsite Delivery System/Plant Equipment Failure

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## Benefits of Change

- More accurate classification of root outage cause
- Enhances reporting accuracy of generator performance over time
- Improves generator performance analysis, particularly for gas generation units
- Decreases ambiguity of proper outage reporting for generation owners





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