



PJM COVID-19 Update

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COVID-19 Precautions Timeline

- Eliminated International business travel & International visits
- Began to track personal international travel
- Enhanced cleaning

- Suspended all travel / Track international travel
- 14-day self-quarantine: Returning International travelers
- Required reporting and tracking of illness

- Cancelled all non-essential meetings on-site
- Social distancing implemented
- Separation / isolation of Control Rooms (VF & M)
- Implemented dedicated doors for operators
- Critical support staff working remotely
- Implemented staging areas at control centers (eliminate in-person handoffs between operators)
- Operators provided individual equipment

- Implemented 3rd control room
- Mezzanine designated PSP
- Operators tested / sequestered
- Initiate Bench Operator program
- IRT “Return-to-campus” planning and communication

Jan. 2020

Feb. 2020

Mar. 2020

Apr. 2020

- Implemented alternate workstations within the control room
- Control rooms - disinfected daily; work stations – before and after each shift.
- Encouraged operators to self-quarantine when off shift
- Encouraged operators to conduct a self-observation checklist
- Dedicated cleaning staff for control rooms
- **March 13:** Telecommuting Exercise
- **March 21:** Dispatch moved to 12-hour shifts
- Turnovers at opposite control room

Pennsylvania current orders and State reopening plan

- Stay-at-home order extended to at least June 4 for PA counties in the red phase. Montgomery County, where PJM's facilities reside, remains in the red phase.
- Safety Order in place for essential-business

PA Governors Reopening Plan has Three Phases: Red – Yellow - Green

- **Red:** Stay at home order continues - Life sustaining businesses only
- **Yellow:** Safety order still in effect - Telework must continue if feasible - Stay at home restrictions eased
- **Green:** Safety order and Stay-at-Home restrictions lifted

Criteria to move Phases

- Evaluated per County with regional considerations
- Average fewer than 50 new positive cases per 100,000 residents over 14 Days / Montco. $415/14 = \text{avg. } 30 \text{ per day}$
- Hospital capacity
- Virus rebound in a County may require moving back to previous phase precautions

Criteria for Return-to-Campus Plan Informed by:

- The Pennsylvania Governors Reopening Plan
- PA's Safety Order
- PJM's Pandemic Plan
- Incident Response Team Data
- Epidemiologist
- Facility and Campus protocols
- Employee Considerations
 - School and Camp Closures
 - Employee safety and well-being

PJM's Proposed Framework:

- Mirror Pennsylvania's phased approach
- Comply with State / County criteria
- Comply with PA's Safety Order
 - Balance employee safety
 - Minimize risk to Operations / PJM facilities
 - Ensure reliable operations
 - Flexible

Flexible – Cautious – Coordinated – Well Communicated