Attachment B: PJM Request Cost Allocation Procedures

B.1 Purpose

One of the responsibilities of PJM as an RTO is to allocate the cost responsibility for all system reinforcement projects including projects required for Customer New Service Requests, baseline transmission reliability upgrades and market efficiency upgrades. The cost allocation procedures used by PJM to allocate costs due to requests are described below. Manual 14B addresses baseline-driven upgrade cost allocation procedures.

B.2 Scope

The RTEP encompasses two types of enhancements: Network Upgrades and Direct Connection Attachment Facilities. Network Upgrades can be required in order to accommodate the interconnection of a merchant project (generation or transmission) or to eliminate a Baseline problem as a result of system changes such as load growth, known transmission owner facility additions, etc. The PJM Cost Allocation Procedures are presented in two parts: “PJM Generation and Transmission Interconnection Cost Allocation Methodologies” discusses the cost allocation methodology for projects required for generator and transmission interconnections, below and: “Schedule 12 Cost Allocation Process for Baseline Transmission Reliability and Market Efficiency Upgrades” discusses the cost allocation process for baseline transmission reliability and market efficiency upgrade project requirements in Manual 14B. New Service Customers, other than those proposing Merchant Network Upgrades, may participate in Multi-Driver Approach projects identified by PJM. Further information is provided in Manual 14B.

The results of the System Impact Studies reveal Direct Connection Attachment Facilities required for new generation to “get to the bus”, Local and Network Upgrades to mitigate any “network impact” effects which the addition of such new generation or new transmission facilities may have on the power system itself.

- Each respective generator or transmission project bears the cost responsibility for Direct Connection Attachment facilities required for interconnection.
- The cost responsibility for Local and Network Upgrades identified through System Impact Study analysis is allocated among parties according to the following:
- For Local and Network Upgrades which are required due to overloads associated with the System Impact Studies of an individual New Services Queue, and have a cost less than $5,000,000, the cost of the Local and Network Upgrades will be shared by all proposed projects which have been assigned a Queue Position in the New Services Queue in which the need for the Local and Network Upgrades was identified. The Load Flow Cost Allocation methods discussed in this manual, including cutoffs, still apply to the individual projects.
- For Local and Network Upgrades which are required due to the overloads associated with the System Impact Studies of an individual New Services Queue, and have a cost of $5,000,000 or greater, the cost of the Local and Network Upgrades will be allocated according to the order of the New Service Requests in the New Services Queue and the MW contribution of each individual Interconnection Request for those projects which cause or contribute to the need for the Local or Network Upgrades. The Load Flow Cost