

PJM Interconnection An Overview

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PJM as Part of the Eastern Interconnection



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The History of PJM





How Is PJM Different from Other Utility Companies?

PJM Does:

- Direct operation of the transmission system
- Remain profit-neutral
- Maintain independence from PJM members
- Coordinate maintenance of grid facilities

PJM Does NOT:

- Own any transmission or generation assets
- Function as a publicly traded company with shareholders and concerns around "earnings"
- Perform maintenance on generators or transmission systems (e.g., repair power lines)
- Serve or direct any end-use customers (retail)

PJM Open Access Transmission Tariff (OATT)

Reliability Assurance Agreement

Transmission Owner (TO) Agreement PJM Operating Agreement



PJM – Primary Focus



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PJM's Role as a Regional Transmission Organization

PLANNING



Planning for the future like...



OPERATIONS



Matches supply with demand like...



MARKETS



Energy Market Pricing like...



Transmission Planning





System Operations





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Value Proposition



— All numbers are estimates. —







2005–2022 Annual Fuel Mix





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Why a Paper on Reliability?



- To educate! Reliability needs to be kept in the forefront during the significant change in the energy industry.
- Recognition that we will need to adapt our practices as well.
- It is a mutual interest among all policymakers and stakeholders.



Building Blocks of Reliability



Adequate Supply

Resources to reliably power the system and meet customer demand



Accurate Forecasting

Projection of future customer demand and system needs



Robust Transmission

Reliable delivery of power across the grid and to customers via local distribution companies



Reliable Operations

Monitoring and dispatch of the system by trained operators



Energy Transition in PJM 1.0

"Living study" to identify gaps and opportunities. The initial findings should not be regarded as expected outcomes, but as bookends to be refined as the study progresses.





Note: Policies and Market rules "as-is" April 2020.







Forecasted Retirements (2022–2030)

Total Fored	casted Reti	rement Ca	pacity (GW)			
2022	Annound	ced			Ŧ		
Policy							
Economic							
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0 5	5 1	0	15 2	20	25		
This 40 GW represents							
21% of PJM's current							
192 GW of installed generation							

Coal, Natural Gas, 60% 30% Other,* 10%

*Other includes diesel, etc.

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PJM Forecasted New Entry (2022-2030)



Energy Transition in PJM 2.5 - Findings

The composition and performance characteristics of the resource mix will ultimately determine PJM's ability to maintain reliability. Resource retirements and load growth could potentially outpace new entry (at the current pace of new entry, resource adequacy risks could emerge by 2028-2030).

There is a need, and a sense of urgency, for continued actions to shape the future of resource adequacy and maintain reliability:

- Resource Adequacy Senior Task Force
- Clean Attribute Procurement Senior Task Force
- Interconnection Process Subcommittee



Winter Storm Elliott





Source: NOAA

Temperatures across the RTO plummeted beginning on Dec. 23 and lasted into the morning of Dec. 25 with record lows in some areas as well as record drops in some regions.

Source: NOAA and the National Weather Service; Graphic created on Dec. 21, 2022.



Most Drastic Temperature Drop in a Decade

Top Ten 12-Hour Temperature Drops Ending Under 15°









Winter readiness assessments: data collection on fuel inventory, supply and delivery characteristics, emissions limitations, and minimum operating temperatures

Meetings with federal and state regulators and neighboring systems to review winter preparations; weekly operational review meetings with major natural gas pipeline operators

PJM's <u>Cold Weather Preparation Guideline and Checklist</u> for generation owners includes everything from increasing staffing for weather emergencies to performing required maintenance activities.

April 2023 NERC winterization standard implementation is important. PJM feedback to NERC and FERC: New reliability standards need to be stronger and implemented sooner.



Prior to Storm, PJM Issued Winter Advisory and Alerts

O Dec. 20, 2022

Cold Weather Advisory for Western Region From Dec. 23–26 (Later Expanded to Entire RTO)

- Prepare to take freeze-protection actions, such as erecting temporary windbreaks or shelters, positioning heaters, verifying heat trace systems, or draining equipment prone to freezing.
- Review weather forecasts, determine any forecasted operational changes, and notify PJM of any changes.
- Members are to update PJM with operation limitations associated with cold weather preparedness. Operating limitations include: generator capability and availability, fuel supply and inventory concerns, fuel switching capabilities, environmental constraints, generating unit minimums.

Dec. 21, 2022

Cold Weather Alert Issued for the Western Region for Dec. 23

- Generation dispatchers review fuel supply/delivery schedules in anticipation of greater-than-normal operation of units.
- Generation dispatchers monitor and report projected fuel limitations to PJM dispatcher and update the unit Max Run field in Markets Gateway if less than 24 hours of run time remaining.
- Generation dispatchers contact PJM Dispatch if it is anticipated that spot market gas is unavailable, resulting in unavailability of bid-in generation.

Second Cold Weather Alert Issued for the Entire RTO for Christmas Eve, Dec. 24

Dec. 23, 2022



PJM's Dec. 23 Operating Plan Was Conservative

PJM accounts for uncertainty and unplanned events as it develops the operating plan for every day.

- Given the expected weather, PJM was conservative in developing the operating plans for Dec. 23.
- Forecast load was 126,968 MW.
- PJM called over 155,750 MW into the operating capacity for the day.

Based on generator availability data submitted to PJM, we believed we had almost 29 GW of reserve capacity available to absorb load and generation contingencies and to support our neighboring systems.

Preliminary Data





Generator Performance (Preliminary Data)



*Other = nuclear, oil, wind, solar, etc.



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Analysis and Lessons Learned

What's next for PJM and members?	Look at some in rest of this winte • Cold Weather Advisory steps	 mediate actions to be prepared for the prepa
PJM is doing a full analysis estimated mid-April.	NERC nation PJM h inform	FERC has announced a wide investigation. as received requests for ation from Reliability First and SERC.



Reliability Concerns

1. Near-Term Reliability: Ensuring Generator Performance

We have enough resources and essential reliability services today, but they need to perform (Winter Storm Elliott).

2. Mid-Term Reliability: Having Enough Resources

Resource retirements and load growth could potentially outpace new entry (at the current pace of new entry, resource adequacy risks could emerge by 2028-2030) (PJM Paper: Resource Retirements, Replacements and Risks (4R)).

3. Long-Term Reliability: Having Enough Resources and Essential Reliability Services

Thermal Generators Provide Essential Reliability Services & an Adequate Supply will be Need Until a Substitute is Deployed at Scale (PJM Paper: Energy Transition in PJM 1.0).



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