

Board Update

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Agenda

- Cost Benefit Study
- ERCOT Protocol Development
- Economist Issues



Cost Benefit Study

- Posted comprehensive final report November 30
- http://www.ercot.com/TNT/default.cfm?func=docu ments&intGroupId=83&b
- Reviewed final report with TNT on December 6
- Reviewed final report with the Board on December 14
- Filed on December 21



ERCOT Protocol Development

- Round 2 started November 1
- Completed Round 2 final review of all sections that should remain unchanged by the economist's comments.
- Started Round 1b intermediate review of sections impacted by economist's recommendations on December 7.
- Round 1b has progressed slower than anticipated. TNT discussed options to get back on schedule during its January 12 General Session.
- Round 2 final review of sections impacted by economist's recommendations scheduled to begin in late January.



Economist Issues

- On November 8, we decided to adopt:
 - Addition of Co-Optimization of AS and energy in the Day-Ahead Energy Market (DAEM)
 - Change in the Reliability Unit Commitment (RUC) allocation multiplier
 - Creation of a demand curve for a small quantity of Responsive Reserve Service
- We decided not to adopt:
 - A must-offer in DAEM
 - ERCOT "pre-commitment" of units in DAEM that it deems required for the following operating day
 - Any zonal allocation of RUC costs
 - Allocation of Congestion Revenue Rights to Loads
- On November 15, we decided to:
 - Request ROS's review of Section 6.8.2 Uninstructed Resource Parameters
 - Adopt Greer's proposed DAEM changes
 - Adopt fully funded CRRs, with offer floors, CRRs not sold on radial lines with resource on either end
 - Adopt alternate settlement for CRR Options
 - 1/11/2005 Adopt allocation of CRR Auction Revenues to Loads



Economist Issues

- Discussed on December 12:
 - Addition of Real-Time Co-Optimization of AS and energy
 - Any changes in CRR ownership reporting rules or limits
 - Any changes to address Wolak's cross-subsidy concerns
 - Any additional mitigation to address physical withholding
 - Any additional requirements of the IMM to restrict virtual trades
 - Any mitigation of Ancillary Services
- Any changes adopted will be incorporated in the Round 2 Protocol review process.

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