

Emergency Interruptible Load Service

ERCOT Board of Directors

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• PUCT Subst. Rule 25.507 (f):

- "ERCOT shall review the effectiveness and benefits of the EILS an report its findings to the Commission annually within 70 days of the completion of the program year."
- Report filed on April 13, 2009, covering the 2008 program year (Docket 27706)

• Protocols § 6.5.12(19):

- "ERCOT will review the effectiveness and benefits of the EILS every twelve (12) months from the start of the program and report its findings to TAC."
- At TAC request, ERCOT Staff will present a detailed report to WMS on May 18
 - Will include procurement results for June-Sept. 2009 Contract Period
- This presentation provides a high-level update for the Board



EILS Procurement, Payment and Testing

- EILS is procured for 4-month Contract Periods
 - February thru May
 - June thru September
 - October thru January
- Participants bid to provide the service for one or more Time Periods:
 - 1. Business Hours 1: 8AM to 1PM Monday-Friday except Holidays
 - 2. Business Hours 2: 1PM to 4PM Monday-Friday except Holidays
 - 3. Business Hours 3: 4PM to 8PM Monday-Friday except Holidays
 - 4. Non-Business Hours: All other hours
- QSEs representing selected EILS Resources are paid as-bid
- Payments are subject to reduction for lack of availability or failure to deploy committed load in an event
 - No deployments to date
- EILS resources are tested (unannounced) in their first contract period
 - If a resource fails 2 consecutive tests it is subject to suspension
 - To date no one has failed twice

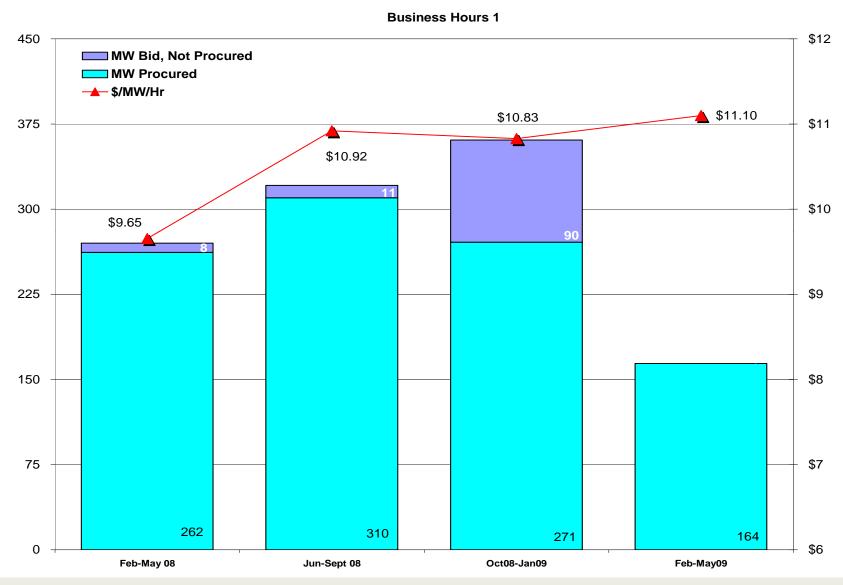


EILS Trends

- 5 RFPs for EILS have been issued since the Commission amended the Rule (Nov. 2007). The amendment:
 - Eliminated the 500 MW floor
 - Increased the annual cost cap from \$20M to \$50M
- Several new Market Participants have moved into ERCOT to provide EILS
- Steady growth in the number of participating Loads
 - Signs point to a large influx of new participants in the next Contract Period (June-Sept. '09)
 - Bids were due after the deadline for this presentation to get into the Board packet
- Growth in EILS MW capacity was interrupted following the economic downturn, but is now rebounding
 - Many Loads are bidding more conservatively to avoid failing their availability requirements

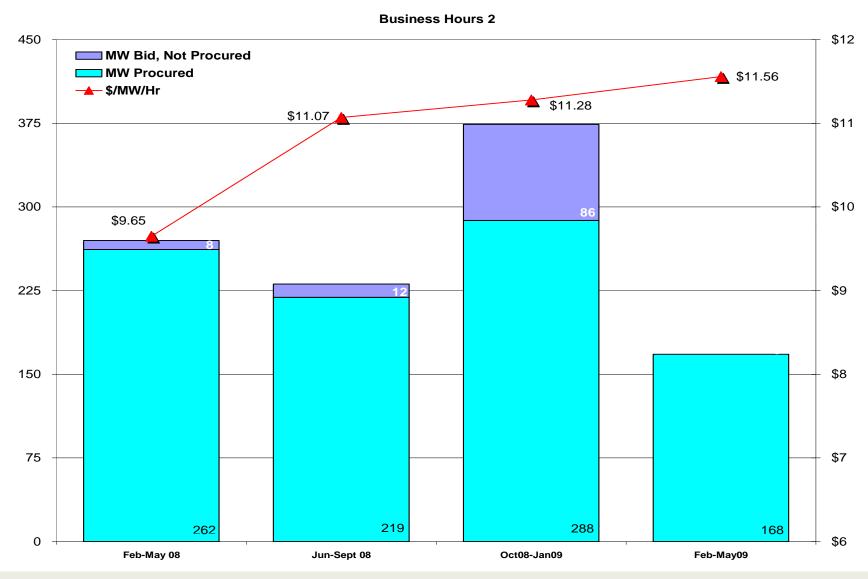


EILS Procurement Trends (Business Hours 1)



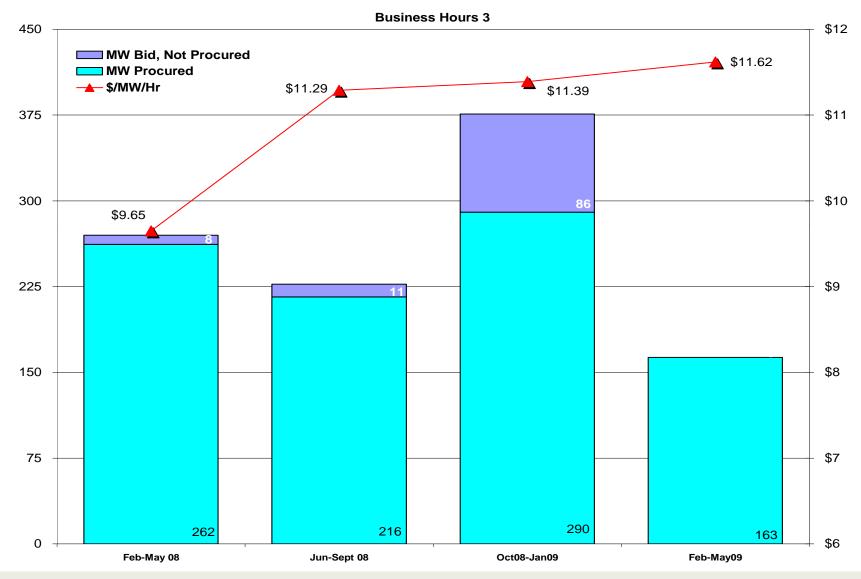


EILS Procurement Trends (Business Hours 2)



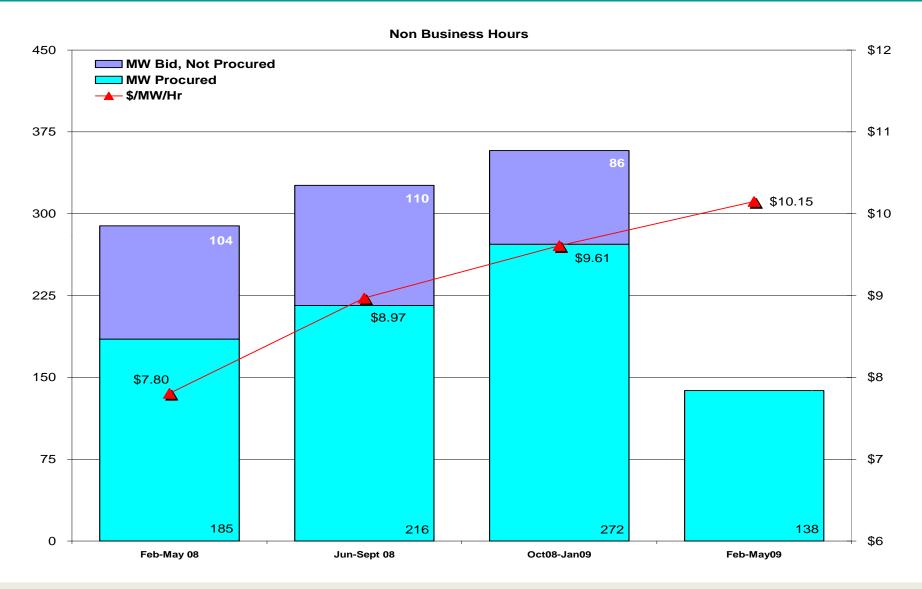


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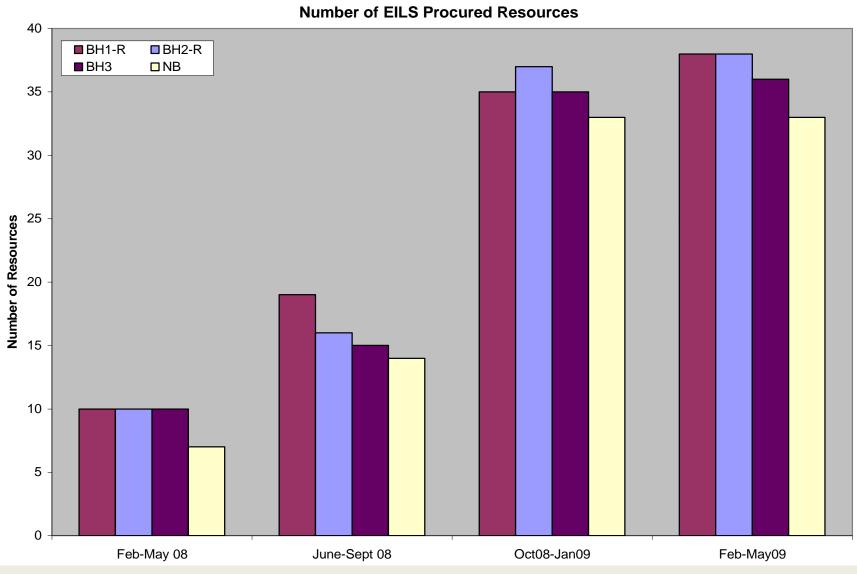


EILS Procurement Trends (Non-Business Hours)





EILS Procurement Trends (Number of Resources)





Procurement History

• February thru May 2008 Contract Period

Time Period	Business Hours	Non-Business Hours	
Definition	8 AM to 8 PM Mon-Fri except Holidays	All other hours	
EILS Procured	262 MW	185 MW	
# of EILS Resources	10 (includes 5 aggregations)	7 (includes 2 aggregations)	
Avg. Cost per MW per Hour	\$9.73	\$7.86	

• Total cost for this Contract Period: \$5.34 million

Procurement History (cont.)

June thru September 2008 Contract Period

Time Period	Business Hours	Peak Hrs. 1	Peak Hrs. 2	Non-Business Hours
Definition	8 AM to 1 PM Mon-Fri except Holidays	1 PM to 4 PM Mon-Fri except Holidays	4PM to 8 PM Mon-Fri except Holidays	All other hours
EILS Procured	310 MW	219 MW	216 MW	216 MW
# of EILS Resources	19 (includes 13 aggregations)	16 (includes 10 aggregations)	15 (includes 9 aggregations)	14 (includes 8 aggregations)
Avg. Cost per MW per Hour	\$10.92	\$11.06	\$11.29	\$8.97

• Total cost for this Contract Period: \$6.58 million



Procurement History (cont.)

October 2008 thru January 2009 Contract Period

Time Period	Business Hours 1	Business Hours 2	Business Hours 3	Non-Business Hours
Definition	8 AM to 1 PM Mon-Fri except Holidays	1 PM to 4 PM Mon-Fri except Holidays	4PM to 8 PM Mon-Fri except Holidays	All other hours
EILS Procured	270.8 MW	287.6 MW	289.5 MW	271.5 MW
# of EILS Resources	35 (includes 25 aggregations)	37 (includes 25 aggregations)	35 (includes 23 aggregations)	33 (includes 21 aggregations)
Avg. Cost per MW per Hour	\$10.83	\$11.28	\$11.40	\$9.61

• Total adjusted cost for this Contract Period: \$4.94 million

• Total cost for the 2008 EILS program year: \$16.86 million



Procurement History (cont.)

February thru May 2009 Contract Period

Time Period	Business Hours 1	Business Hours 2	Business Hours 3	Non-Business Hours
Definition	8 AM to 1 PM Mon-Fri except Holidays	1 PM to 4 PM Mon-Fri except Holidays	4PM to 8 PM Mon-Fri except Holidays	All other hours
EILS Procured	163.6 MW	168.2 MW	163.4 MW	137.9 MW
# of EILS Resources	38 (includes 24 aggregations)	38 (includes 24 aggregations)	36 (includes 22 aggregations)	32 (includes 20 aggregations)
Avg. Cost per MW per Hour	\$11.10	\$11.56	\$11.62	\$10.15

• Total projected cost for this Contract Period: \$4.51 million