
Item 7: TAC Report

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Summary of TAC Update

Revision Requests Recommended for Approval by TAC – Unopposed (Vote):

- NPRR528, Clarification of Assessment of Chronic Congestion
- NPRR529, Constraint Management Plan
- NPRR540, Clarification of Credible Single Contingency
- NPRR541, SPS and RAP Modeling Clarification
- NPRR542, Clarification of the Use of Emergency Condition
- NPRR558, Addition of Bilateral Load Response Data to Protected Information List
- NPRR561, Clarification of Shutdown Telemetry Status
- NPRR565, Seasonal Generation Notifications
- NPRR566, Removal of Language Regarding QSE Service Filings
- NPRR575, Clarification of the RUC Resource Buy-Back Provision for Ancillary Services – URGENT
- NPRR578, Restores RUC Decommitment Charge Language Deleted in NPRR416 – URGENT
- NPRR579, Amendment to the Minimum PTP Option Bid Price Approval Timeline – URGENT
- PGRR030, New Planning Guide Section 8A, Declaration of Resource Data Accuracy and 8B, Declaration of Adequate Water Rights

Summary of TAC Update – Regular Agenda Items

Revision Requests Recommended for Approval by TAC – With Opposing Votes (Vote):

- NPRR571, ERS Weather-Sensitive Loads Requirements – URGENT

December TAC Highlights

Guide Revisions Approved by TAC

Revision Requests Recommended
for Approval by TAC
(with Opposing Votes)

NPRR571, ERS Weather-Sensitive Loads Requirements – URGENT

Purpose (Earth Networks)	This NPRR establishes rules for participation in ERS by Loads with Demand response capability that is highly sensitive to weather conditions.
TAC Vote	On 12/3/13, TAC voted to recommend approval of NPRR571 as recommended by PRS in the 11/21/13 PRS Report and as amended by the 12/3/13 TIEC comments. There was one opposing vote from the IPM Market Segment.
ERCOT Opinion	ERCOT supports approval of NPRR571 recognizing the benefit of enhanced competition in ERS.
Effective Date/Priority	June 1, 2014 – Priority 2014; Rank 1040
ERCOT Impact	\$30k - \$40k; no impacts to current ERCOT staffing; potential future increased ERS participation could create need for additional staffing and/or system changes; impacts to MMS; EIS; EI; Demand Integration Tools; ERCOT grid operations and practices will be updated.
Business Case Highlights	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ERS is the final operational tool for avoiding firm Load shed. Avoiding firm Load shed is critical to Region’s economy & reputation. The Value of Lost Load related to grid outages has been set by the PUCT at \$9,000/MWh. • Should increase system reliability by giving ERCOT operators additional Demand response capability. The NPRR should bring greater competition to the very periods of highest concern.

Additional TAC Items for Consideration

December TAC Highlights

2014 Ancillary Services Methodology

On 12/3/13, TAC unanimously voted to recommend approval of the 2014 Ancillary Services Methodology as recommended by the 11/14/13 ROS with an effective date of 2/1/14 and requested ERCOT provide quarterly updates to ROS.

Protocol Required Annual Review of Minimum Point to Point Option Bid Price

On 12/3/13, TAC voted to retain the current Minimum Point to Point Bid Option Price of \$0.01/MW-h as recommended by the 11/13/13 WMS and by ERCOT. There was one abstention from the IPM Market Segment.

Notice of Guide Revisions Approved by TAC

NOGRR113, Synchronization with NPRR536, ERS Time Obligation Certainty.

This NOGRR synchronizes the Nodal Operating Guides with revisions proposed by NPRR536 by clarifying that, upon deployment, QSEs shall instruct ERS Resources to perform at contracted levels consistent with the criteria described in the Protocols until ERCOT releases the ERS deployment or the ERS Resources have reached their maximum deployment time.

NOGRR121, ERCOT Operator Certification Program and ERCOT Fundamentals Manual.

This NOGRR describes ERCOT's responsibilities with respect to the ERCOT operator certification program and ERCOT Fundamentals Manual. Impacts to ERCOT: O&M budget impact of less than \$5k; 0.1 FTE impact to be absorbed by Operations Readiness and Training departments.

NOGRR122, CRR Network Model Clarification for Accepted Outages.

This NOGRR aligns the Operating Guides with current practice by clarifying that "approved" as well as "accepted" Transmission Outages in the Outage Scheduler are utilized in ERCOT's Congestion Revenue Right (CRR) Auction at the time of building the CRR Network Model.

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COPMGRR036, Alignment with NPRR570, Reduce RTM Settlement Timeline to Operating Day Plus Five.

This COPMGRR aligns the COPMG with NPRR570; and proposes a phased approach to change the posting date for the Real-Time Market Initial Settlement Statement from seven days after the Operating Day to five days after the Operating Day and changes the posting date of the Final Settlement Statement from the 57th day after the Operating Day to the 55th day after the Operating Day.

RRGRR001, Section 2, Resource Registration Glossary.

This RRGRR incorporates the Resource Asset Registration Form (RARF) Glossary spreadsheet into the Resource Registration Glossary.