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| NPRR Number | [995](http://www.ercot.com/mktrules/issues/NPRR995) | NPRR Title | RTF-6 Create Definition and Terms for Settlement Only Energy Storage |
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| Comments |

With the recent announcement to the ERCOT Board of Directors (ERCOT Board) and stakeholders to bifurcate the Energy Management System (EMS) Upgrade and Real-Time Co-Optimization (RTC), ERCOT has re-evaluated its recommendation on tabling Nodal Protocol Revision Request (NPPR) 995. ERCOT recognizes the potential policy value of allowing NPRR995 to proceed forward for consideration by the Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) and the ERCOT Board to memorialize the design decisions for the future of Settlement Only Energy Storage Systems (SOESSs).

As such, ERCOT supports NPRR995 moving forward through the stakeholder process, but also acknowledges the uniqueness of this NPRR:

1. The Impact Analysis for NPRR995 was completed and published prior to changes in processes for NPRRs with significant impacts to the Passport Program.
2. Due to estimated costs, duration, and resource constraints of NPRR995, ERCOT recommends that it be implemented after the EMS Upgrade and RTC.
3. ERCOT recognizes the risk of the Impact Analysis becoming out-of-date in terms of cost and duration while potentially waiting years to implement the project after RTC.
4. Since there are less than 10 MW of SOESSs on the ERCOT System today, before implementing the NPRR995 project, ERCOT recommends conducting a cost benefit analysis based on how many MWs of SOESSs may fall into this bucket.

ERCOT will be available to support discussion at the PRS meeting on May 13, 2021.

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| Revised Cover Page Language |

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| Revised Proposed Protocol Language |

None