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| NPRR Number | [1266](https://www.ercot.com/mktrules/issues/NPRR1266) | NPRR Title | Opt-Out Status Held by a Transmission-Voltage Customer Cannot be Transferred |
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| Market Segment | | Not applicable | |

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| Comments |

In response to stakeholder comments at the Retail Market Subcommittee (RMS), ERCOT proposes the following changes, which 1) incorporate comments made by Vistra Operations Company LLC (Vistra); 2) allow for ERCOT to have discretion as to what customer name changes likely reflect a change in ownership warranting provision to the Public Utility Commission of Texas (PUCT) for evaluation of change in customer at that location; and 3) provide a specific date to which the Transmission Service Provider (TSP) must compare current customer names to the original names on the list of customers that were transmission-voltage Customers that are a Securitization Uplift Charge Opt-Out Entity.

Specifically, Vistra proposed some changes to the NPRR that would give notice at different stages of the process to the Retail Electric Provider (REP) of record, which Vistra explained would help REPs identify and communicate with customers about potential or occurred changes.  ERCOT has incorporated those changes in the redlines below.

Additionally, as part of development of this NPRR, ERCOT, two TSPs, and one REP shared data to demonstrate customer name changes that would be flagged if the NPRR was approved. During that exercise, ERCOT noticed that in some cases, because the data relied on was manually inputted, customer name changes were being flagged that were likely not really customer name changes, such as “Acme Co. USA” being flagged as a change in customer because the name was now showing up as “Acme Co. U.S.A.” The addition of the periods in USA likely does *not* indicate a customer change at that ESI ID, and rather than inundate the PUCT with notification of such changes, ERCOT proposes language in redlines below to allow ERCOT discretion to only send to the PUCT those name changes that are more obviously indicating a possible change in customer. This language mimics language that is already in paragraph (2) of Section 27.2, Changes Involving Securitization Uplift Charge Opt-Out Entities, which states that ERCOT, “in its discretion, may seek information from a REP… regarding a Securitization Uplift Charge Opt-Out Entity that is a transmission-voltage Customer of a REP *if ERCOT has reason to believe that there has been a change of transmission-voltage Customer at an Electric Service Identifier (ESI ID) associated with the Securitization Uplift Charge Opt-Out Entity*. ERCOT may seek relief from the Public Utility Commission of Texas (PUCT) if ERCOT has reason to believe that there has been a change that disqualifies an ESI ID or the transmission-voltage Customer from continued treatment as a Securitization Uplift Charge Opt-Out Entity.” (emphasis added). ERCOT’s proposed language addition borrows from the above italicized language.

Finally, TSPs, in agreeing with the NPRR language of instituting a monthly process to flag name changes for ERCOT, requested a fixed date for which the original names should be drawn. Because entities were originally given until November 29, 2021 to request an opt-out (a deadline that was originally November 15, 2021, but was later extended), ERCOT has updated the language below to clarify November 29, 2021 is the correct date to which to compare name changes.

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| Revised Cover Page Language |

None

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| Revised Proposed Protocol Language |

**27.3 Securitization Uplift Charge**

(1) ERCOT shall allocate to Qualified Scheduling Entities (QSEs) representing obligated Load Serving Entities (LSEs), the Securitization Uplift Charge that is to be collected for the Operating Day. The resulting charge to each QSE for the Operating Day is calculated as follows:

**LASUCAMT *q, d* = SUCDA *d* \* DQSELSELRS *q, d***

Where:

DQSELSELRS *q, d* = DQSELSERTAML *q, d /* DERCOTQSELSERTAML *d*

DQSELSERTAML *q, d* = max(0, LSERTAML *l*, *q, i*))

DERCOTQSELSERTAML *d =*DQSELSERTAML *q, d*)

LSERTAML *l*, *q, i* = PRELIMLSERTAML *l*, *q, i* – OPTOUTLSERTAML *l*, *q, i*

The above variables are defined as follows:

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| **Variable** | **Unit** | **Definition** |
| LASUCAMT *q, d* | $ | *Load-Allocated Securitization Uplift Charge Amount per QSE —* The charge allocated to QSE *q*, for the QSE’s share of the total amount of Securitization Uplift Charges assessed for Operating Day *d*. |
| SUCDA *d* | $ | *Securitization Uplift Charge Daily Amount —* The total amount of Securitization Uplift Charges assessed for Operating Day *d*. |
| DQSELSELRS *q, d* | none | *Daily QSE Non-Opted-Out LSE Load Ratio Share —* The ratio of Daily QSE Non-Opted-Out LSE Real-Time Adjusted Metered Load (DQSELSERTAML) to Daily ERCOT QSE Non-Opted-Out LSE Real-Time Adjusted Metered Load (DERCOTQSELSERTAML), for a QSE *q*, for the Operating Day *d*. |
| PRELIMLSERTAML *l*, *q, i* | MWh | *Preliminary Non-Opted-Out LSE Real-Time Adjusted Metered Load* — The Real-Time Adjusted Metered Load (RTAML), including the RTAML of Securitization Uplift Charge Opt-Out Entities that are Customers of Retail Electric Providers (REPs), but excluding the RTAML of Securitization Uplift Charge Opt-Out Entities that are LSEs and excluding Direct Current Tie (DC Tie) exports, for LSE *l* represented by QSE *q*, for the 15-minute Settlement Interval *i*. |
| LSERTAML *l*, *q, i* | MWh | *Non-Opted-Out LSE Real-Time Adjusted Metered Load* — The Real-Time Adjusted Metered Load (RTAML), excluding the RTAML for Securitization Uplift Charge Opt-Out Entities, Load that is exempt from Securitization Uplift Charges pursuant to the Declaratory Order entered by the Public Utility Commission of Texas (PUCT) in PUCT Docket No. 56119, Petition of Electric Reliability Council of Texas, Inc. for Expedited Declaratory Order Regarding Public Utility Regulatory Act Chapter 39, Subchapter N, and DC Tie exports, for LSE *l* represented by QSE *q*, for the 15-minute Settlement Interval *i*. |
| OPTOUTLSERTAML *l*, *q, i* | MWh | *Opt-Out LSE Real-Time Adjusted Metered Load* — The Real-Time Adjusted Metered Load (RTAML) of Securitization Uplift Charge Opt-Out Entities that are transmission-voltage Customers and Load exempt from Securitization Uplift Charges pursuant to the Declaratory Order entered by the PUCT in PUCT Docket No. 56119 for LSE *l* represented by QSE *q*, for the 15-minute Settlement Interval *i*. |
| DQSELSERTAML *q, d* | MWh | *Daily QSE Non-Opted-Out LSE Real-Time Adjusted Metered Load* — The Real-Time Adjusted Metered Load (RTAML), excluding the RTAML for Securitization Uplift Charge Opt-Out Entities, Load exempt from Securitization Uplift Charges pursuant to the Declaratory Order entered by the PUCT in PUCT Docket No. 56119, and DC Tie exports, for a QSE *q*, for the Operating Day *d*. |
| DERCOTQSELSERTAML *d* | MWh | *Daily ERCOT QSE Non-Opted-Out LSE Real-Time Adjusted Metered Load* — The ERCOT total Real-Time Adjusted Metered Load (RTAML), excluding the RTAML for Securitization Uplift Charge Opt-Out Entities, Load exempt from Securitization Uplift Charges pursuant to the Declaratory Order entered by the PUCT in PUCT Docket No. 56119, and DC Tie exports, for the Operating Day *d*. |
| *q* | none | A QSE |
| *l* | none | An LSE |
| *d* | none | An Operating Day |
| *i* | none | A 15-minute Settlement Interval |

(2) As needed, but no less often than quarterly, ERCOT will, to ensure the Securitization Uplift Charge is repaid in substantially equal payments over its term, conduct an evaluation to:

(a) Calculate under-collections or over-collections from the preceding evaluation period;

(b) Estimate any anticipated under-collections or over-collections for the current or upcoming evaluation period; and

(c) Calculate the periodic billing requirement for the upcoming evaluation period, taking into account the total amount of prior and anticipated over-collection and under-collection amounts, and calculate the Securitization Uplift Charge Daily Amount for future periodic billing requirements.

(3) If it is determined in the re-estimation process that the Securitization Uplift Charge Daily Amount needs to be revised, ERCOT will issue a Market Notice notifying Market Participants of the change no later than 15 calendar days before the Operating Day in which the new Securitization Uplift Charge Daily Amount will become effective.

(4) An LSE that is not a Securitization Uplift Charge Opt-Out Entity is responsible for remitting payment to its QSE for the LSE’s share of the Securitization Uplift Charge, based on the LSE’s Non-Opted-Out LSE Adjusted Metered Load (AML). An LSE may not pass through the Securitization Uplift Charge to any transmission-voltage Customer that is a Securitization Uplift Charge Opt-Out Entity.

(5) ERCOT shall post to the ERCOT website a list that consists solely of every Electric Service Identifier (ESI ID) associated with a transmission-voltage Customer that is a Securitization Uplift Charge Opt-Out Entity. This list of ESI IDs will not include the identity of the Customer or its Retail Electric Provider (REP).

(6) Securitization Uplift Charge Opt-Out Entity status for a transmission-voltage Customer is only granted for an ESI ID associated with the original Customer that was granted opt-out status, and this status cannot be transferred. To identify any such possible transfers:

(a) Each Transmission Service Provider (TSP) that serves a transmission voltage customer that is a Securitization Uplift Charge Opt-Out Entity shall adopt at least a monthly process that enables each TSP to compare current Customer records to those Customer records as they existed as a November 29, 2021, and inform ERCOT within 30 days of any Customer name changes associated with a Securitization Uplift Charge Opt-Out Entity’s ESI ID, as well as the effective date of those name changes.

(b) ERCOT will subsequently notify PUCT Staff and the REP of record associated with the ESI IDs ERCOT has reason to believe reflect a changes of transmission-voltage Customer and will remove the ESI ID’s status as an Opt-Out Customer and notify the REP of record associated with the ESI ID upon a finding by the PUCT that the original Customer is no longer associated with the Securitization Uplift Charge Opt-Out Entity’s ESI ID.