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### **Credit Management**





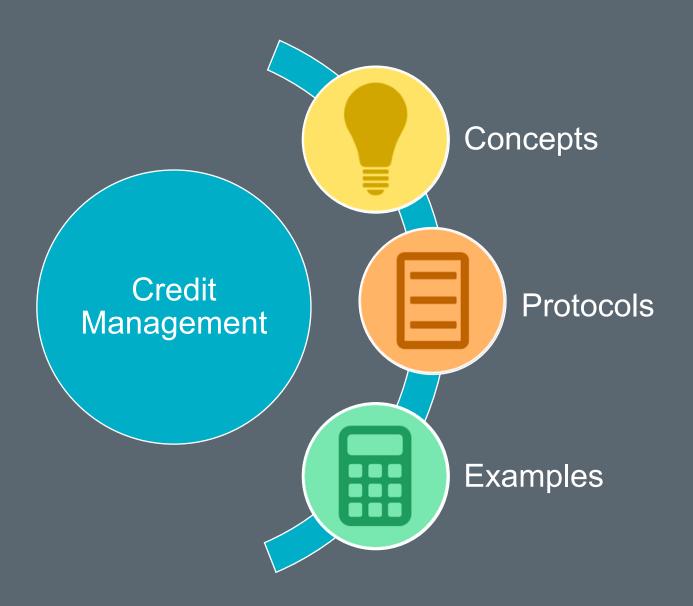
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#### **Topics in this course include:**

- 1 Overview of Creditworthiness
- 2 Credit Exposure
- 3 Determining Available Credit Limits
- 4 Credit Monitoring

# Overview of Creditworthiness

















Responsible for creditworthiness requirements







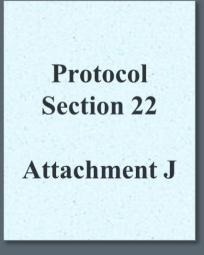
- Certify Minimum Participation Requirements
- Provide Financial Statements
- Monitor Credit Reports
- Maintain Creditworthiness



## Counter-Party must certify compliance with the following CFTC requirements:



- Expertise in Markets
- Market Operational Capabilities
- Risk Management Capabilities
- Verification of Risk Management Framework
- Eligible Contract Participant

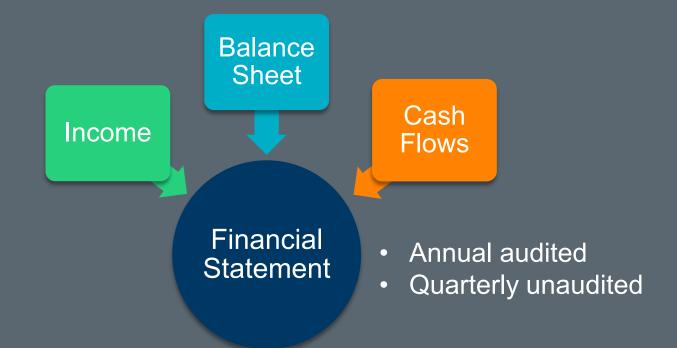


Must recertify annually



## A Counter-Party's financial condition may change, so updates are necessary







#### **Daily Report postings:**

- Available Credit Limit (ACL)
- Total Potential Exposure (TPE)
- Minimum Current Exposure (MCE)
- Estimated Aggregate Liability (EAL)
  - Summary
  - Detail
- Future Credit Exposure for CRR PTP Obligations (FCEOBL)
- Future Credit Exposure for CRR PTP Options (FCEOPT)



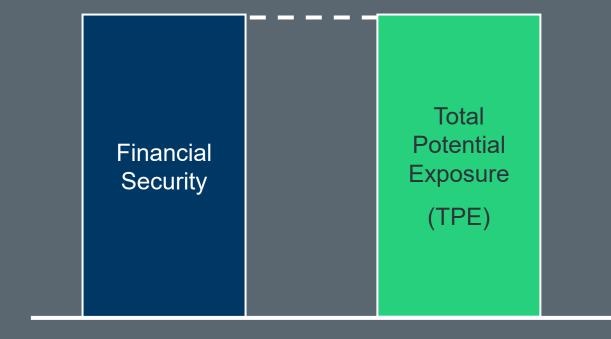


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Data Products > Services			
Services			
Reports & Extracts			
Available Credit Limit (ACL) Summary Report		C	Certified
DAM Aggregate Credit Exposure		С	Certified
DAM Remaining Available Credit Limit by Counter Party		С	Certified
DAM eFactors Update		С	Certified
Default Uplift Supporting Data		С	Certified
Estimated Aggregate Liability (EAL) Detail Report		С	Certified
Estimated Aggregate Liability (EAL) Summary Report		С	Certified
Future Credit Exposure for CRR PTP Obligations (FCEOBL) Summary Report		С	Certified
Future Credit Exposure for CRR PTP Options (FCEOPT) Summary Report		C	Certified
Minimum Current Exposure (MCE) Summary Report		C	Certified
Securitization Default Charge Supporting Data		С	Certified
Total Potential Exposure (TPE) Summary Report		C	Certified



#### **Minimum Credit Required**







#### **Estimated Liabilities from Market Activities**

Day-Ahead Market

**Bilateral Trades** 

**Real-Time Activities** 

**CRR Ownership** 

Total Potential Exposure (TPE)



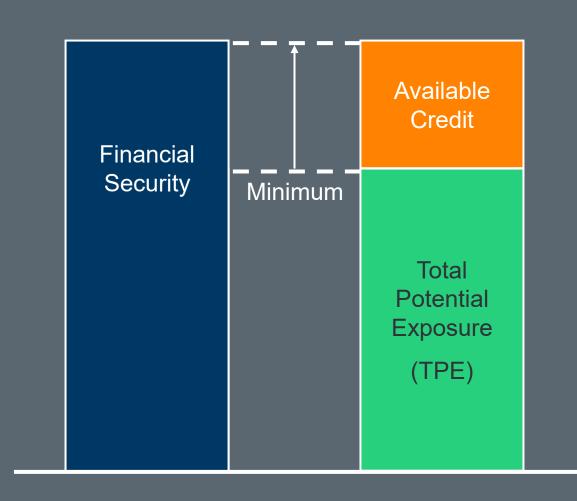
#### **Acceptable forms of collateral**

Financial Security Cash

**Surety Bonds** 

**Letters of Credit** 











Maintains Financial Security with ERCOT

Available credit is shared

CRR
Auction
Credit Limit





Day-Ahead Market Credit Limit



#### **Credit Application (and Attachment J)**

- Establish initial exposure values (TPE)
- Post sufficient Financial Security



Financial Security

Protocol Section 22 Attachment J Total
Potential
Exposure
(TPE)



#### **Requires estimates to calculate TPE:**

- Load
  - Daily average MWh
  - Percentage to be purchased in Real-Time
  - Estimated number of ESI IDs
- Generation
  - Daily average MWh
  - Percentage to be sold bilaterally

Total Potential Exposure (TPE)



Types	Description	Limit
Cash	<ul><li>Deposit with ERCOT</li><li>Interest paid monthly</li></ul>	None
Surety Bonds	<ul><li>Insurance company issues</li><li>ERCOT named beneficiary</li></ul>	\$10 Million per CP per issuer
Letters of Credit	<ul><li>Unconditional, Irrevocable</li><li>ERCOT named beneficiary</li></ul>	Subject to credit rating of issuer

Financial Security

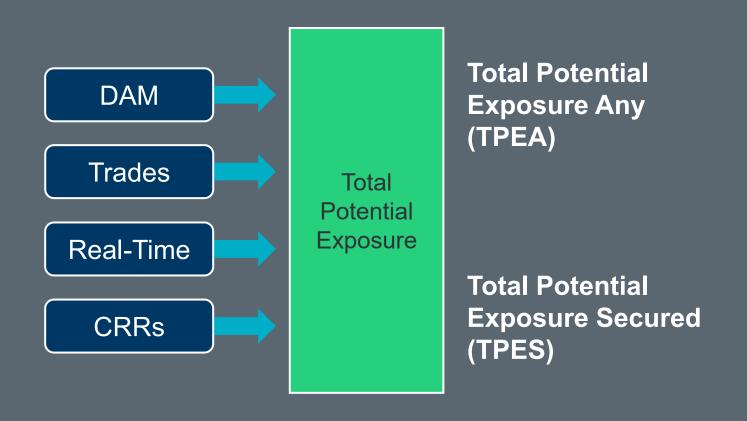
**Overall Limits for Issuers** 

Surety Bonds: \$100 Million Letters of Credit: \$750 Million

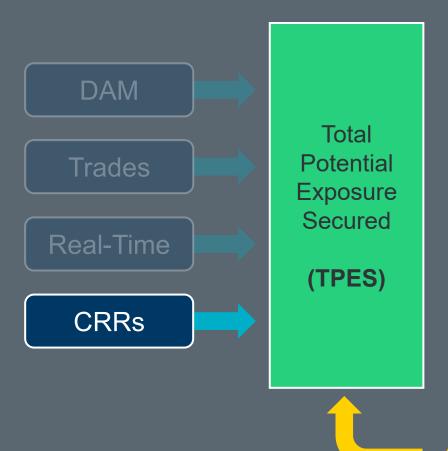
### **Credit Exposure**



#### **Total Potential Exposure changes with Market Activities**





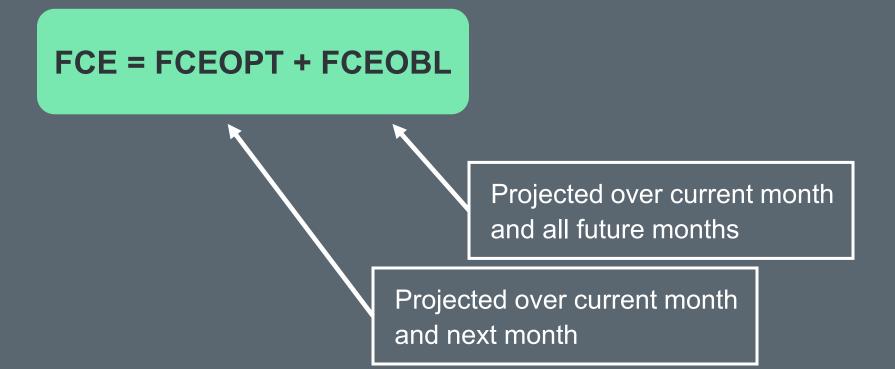


TPES includes the
Future Credit Exposure
of Congestion Revenue
Rights owned by a CRR
Account Holder

Also includes an Independent Amount for capitalization



- Based on historical valuation
- Different methodology for options and obligations





- Based on historical average prices
- Each path has its own value

Value = NAOPTMW \* A

Where:

**NAOPTMW** = Net Awarded PTP Options for source-to-sink path

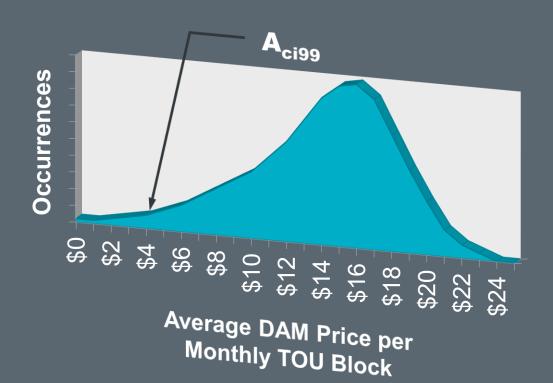
**A** = Path-Specific DAM-Based Adder (price)



#### Path-Specific Adder

- Calculated for each source/sink pair
- Three-year look-back

ci99 = 99th percentile Confidence Interval





 $FCEOPT = -\sum[NAOPTMW * Max(0, Aci_{99})]$ 

Where: NAOPTMW = Net PTP Options (Awarded Portfolio)



#### Summed over:

- All source/sink pairs
- Remaining TOU hours of the current month
- TOU hours of the next month (Prompt Month)





#### **CP EZrisk owns PTP Options on two paths**

#### Path P1:

- 40 MW Peak Weekday
- Aci99 = \$0.05/MWh



- 10 MW Peak Weekday
- Aci99 = \$0.10/MWh

#### Hours:

- Current Month = 80 Peak Weekday Hours remaining
- Prompt Month = 320 Peak Weekday Hours total

What is EZrisk's FCEOPT?







#### **Answer:**





#### Portfolio Weighted Adder (PWA)

- Volume-weighted average price
- Based on historical CRR path values



- OR -

#### Portfolio Weighted Auction Clearing Price (PWACP)

- Volume-weighted average price
- From most recent Auction



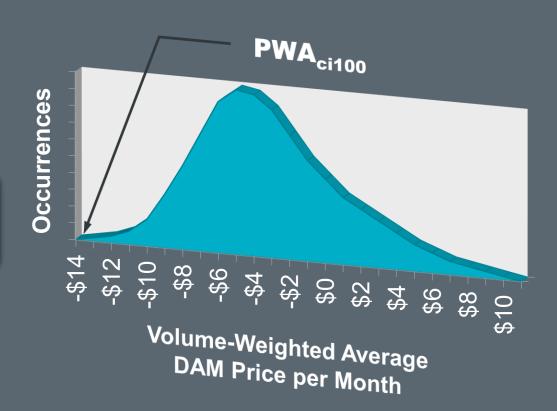
...whichever results in highest risk



#### Portfolio Weighted Adder (PWA)

- Monthly average price
- Three-year look-back

ci100 = 100th percentile Confidence Interval





FCEOBL =  $\sum$ [NAOBLMW \* (-Min(0, PWA<sub>ci100</sub>, PWACP))]

Where: NAOBLMW = Net PTP Obligations (Awarded Portfolio)



#### Summed over:

- All hours of current month
- All hours of next month (Prompt Month)
- All hours of Forward Months





#### **CP EZrisk owns a PTP Obligation**

- Time: Current and upcoming months
   NAOBLMW = 10MW \* 2,000h = 20,000MWh
- This PTP Obligation has had a positive value for the past three years
   PWA<sub>ci100</sub> = \$0.09/MWh
- In the most recent monthly auction, the PTP
  Obligation cleared at a slightly negative price
  PWACP = (\$0.10)/MWh

What is EZrisk's FCEOBL?





#### **Example 2: Future Credit Exposure for PTP Obligations**

#### **Answer:**





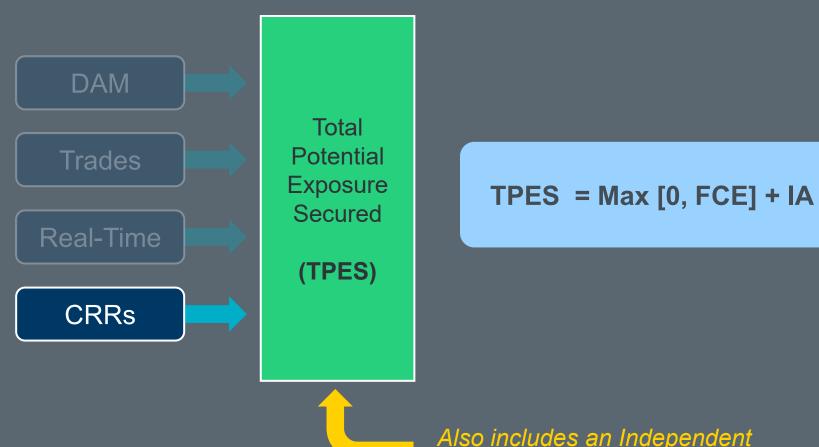
#### **Putting it all together:**



Credit for PTP Options offsets the exposure of PTP Obligations







Also includes an Independent Amount for capitalization



#### All Counter-Parties must post an Independent Amount

- \$500,000 for participation in all markets
- \$200,000 for participation in everything but CRRs

When a Counter-Party has only QSEs, then TPES is \$200,000

TPES = Max [0, 0] + \$200,000





# CP EZrisk owns both PTP Obligations and PTP Options

- At close of business today:
  - FCEOPT = \$1,200
  - FCEOBL = \$2,000
- Don't forget to include the Independent Amount

What is EZrisk's TPES?



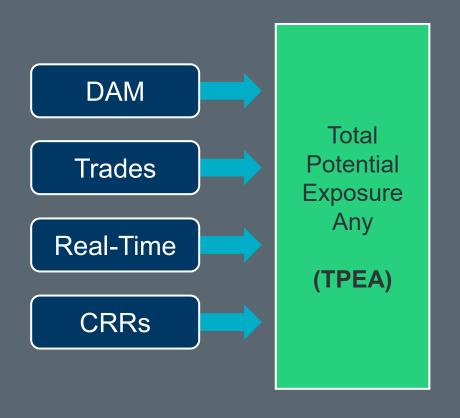




# Answer:





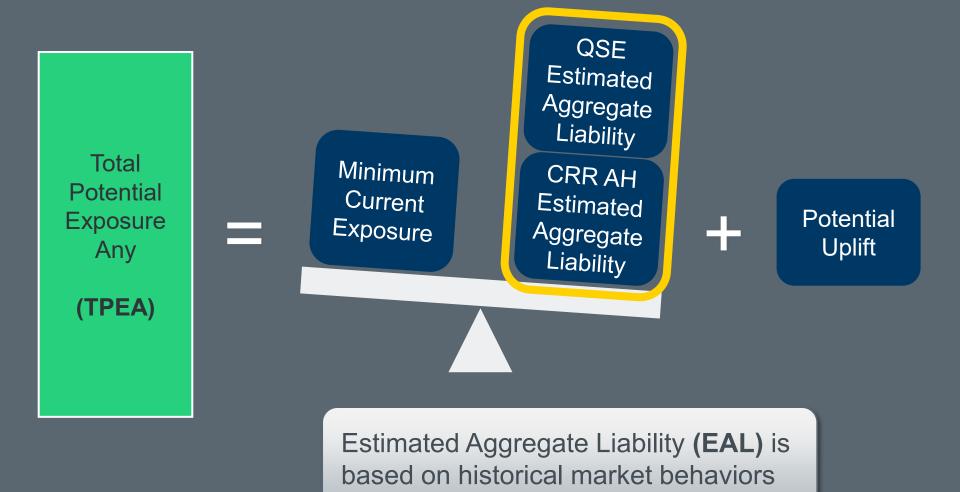


**TPEA** is based on the settlement impact from various market activities

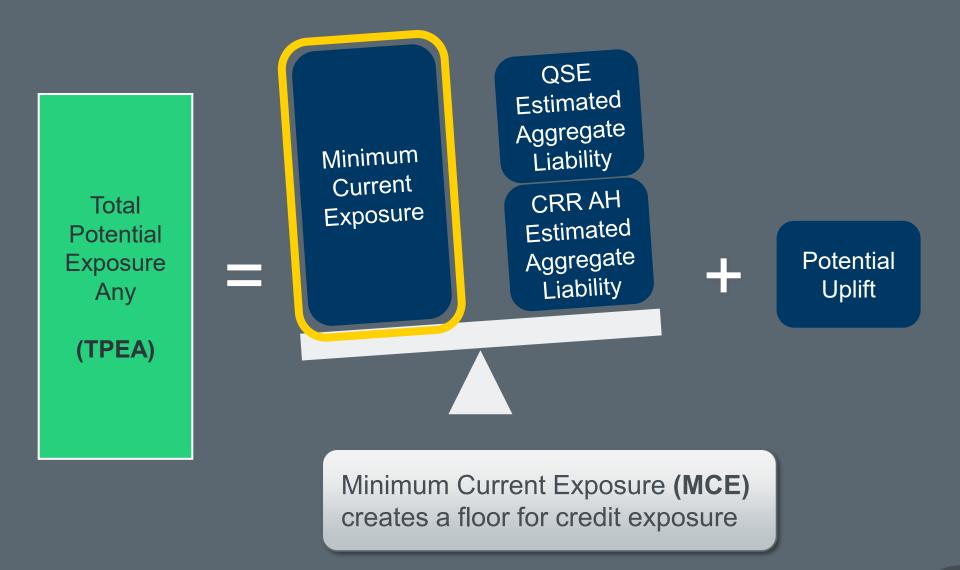




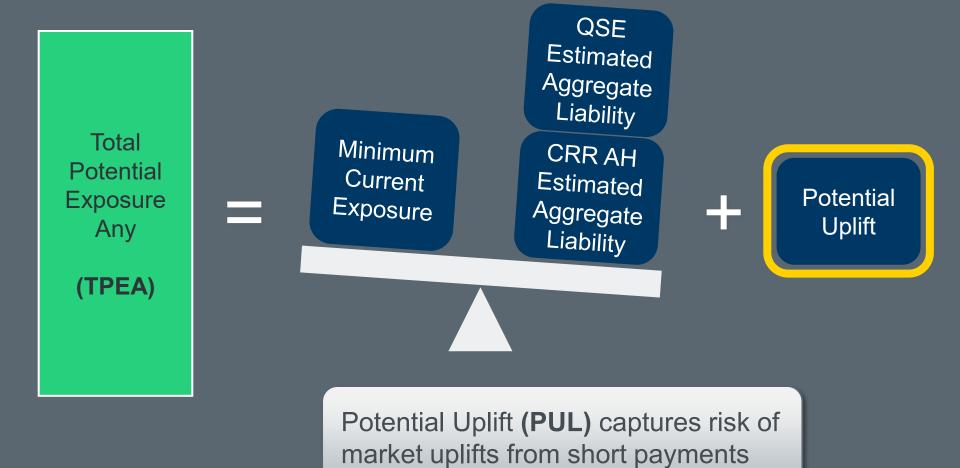


















#### Two categories of QSE Estimated Aggregate Liability

QSE Estimated Aggregate Liability

(EAL<sub>q</sub>)

Counter-Parties with Load and/or Gen QSEs

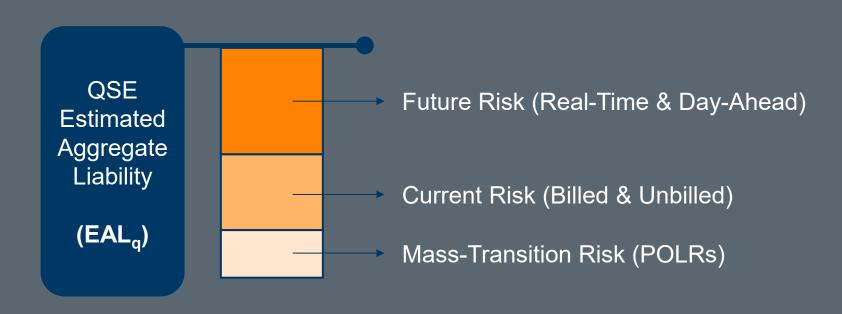
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- Calculated for all Load and/or Gen QSEs
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Factors	Purpose	Value
M1	Projecting Future Risk	M1 = M1a + M1b  M1a = Termination time upon default  = 10 to 13 Days  M1b = Mass Transition time for QSEs with Load
		= 3 to 8 Days
M2	Estimating Current Risk	M2 = Maximum Operating Days complete, but unbilled
		= 9 Days



QSE
Estimated
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(EAL<sub>a</sub>)

Future
Risk

Current
Risk

MT Risk

- Operating Days yet to come
- Historical behaviors
- Historical and forward prices

Initial Estimated Liability (New CPs)
-orRFAF \* Max Real-Time Liability Extrapolated
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Extrapolated

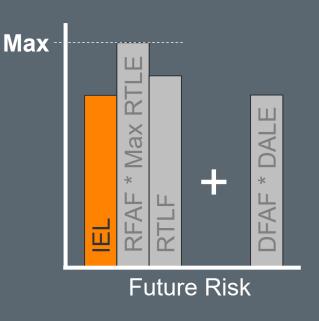


#### **Initial Estimated Liability (IEL)**

Based on estimates from Credit Application

- Daily Estimated Load (MWhs)
- Percentage to be purchased in Real-Time
- Daily Estimated Generation (MWhs)
- Percentage to be sold bilaterally

Used during first 40 days of activity in ERCOT





QSE Type	Initial Estimated Liability (IEL)
Load	IEL = DEL * Max [0.2, RTEFL] * RTAEP * (M1 + M2)
Resource	IEL = DEG * Max [0.2, RTEFG] * RTAEP * (M1 + M2)
Load & Resource	IEL = DEL * Max [0.1, RTEFL] * RTAEP * (M1 + M2) + DEG* Max [0.1, RTEFG] * RTAEP * (M1 + M2)

DEL	Daily Estimated Load
RTEFL	Real-Time Energy Factor for Load
DEG	Daily Estimated Generation
RTEFG	Real-Time Energy Factor for Generation
RTAEP	Real-Time Average Energy Price (HB_HUBAVG)





#### **CP EZrisk just entered the market**

- From their Credit Application:
  - Daily Estimated Load = 12,000MWh
  - Percentage Purchased in Real-Time = 50%
  - Daily Estimated Generation = 12,000MWh
  - Percentage sold Bilaterally = 50%

#### Other information

- M1 = 16
- M2 = 9
- RTAEP = \$40/MWh

What is EZrisk's Initial Estimated Liability?





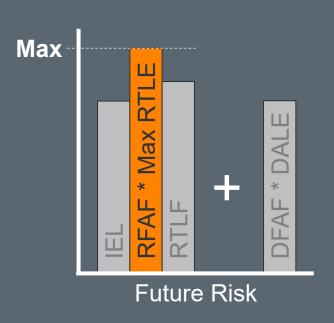
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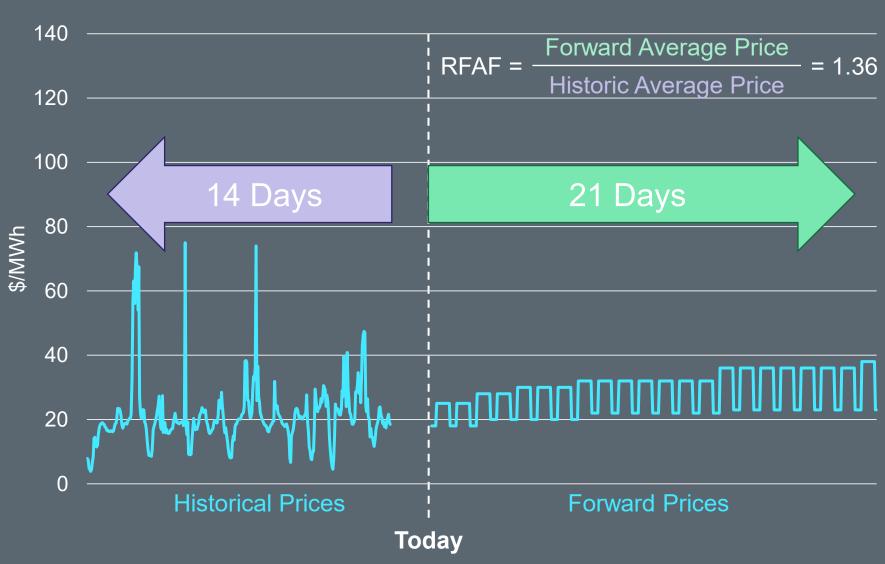
## Max Real-Time Liability Extrapolated (Max RTLE)

- Based on <u>actual</u> Real-Time Settlements
  - Average Initial Settlement
  - 14 calendar day lookback
  - Projected over M1 days
- Maximum risk over the previous 40 days

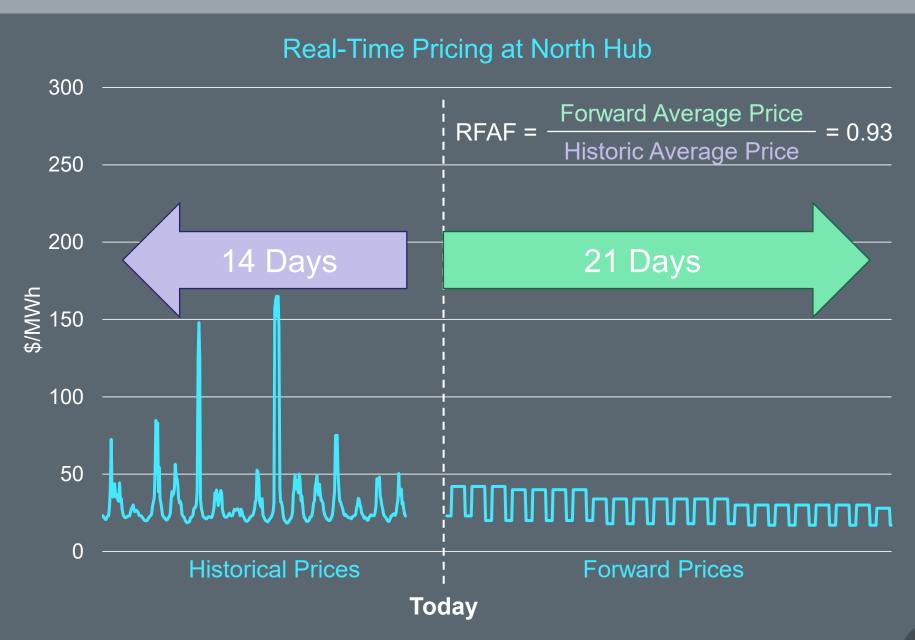












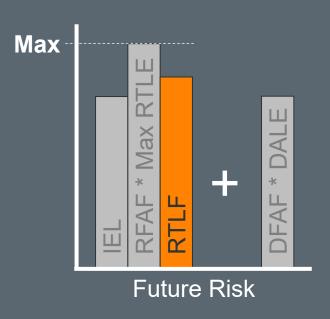


## Real-Time Liability Forward (RTLF)

Based on <u>estimated</u> Real-Time Settlements

- Net amount for most recent 7 Operating Days
  - Actual for some days
  - Estimates<sup>1</sup> for others
- Adjusted by 150%

Captures recent trends that diverge from historical results

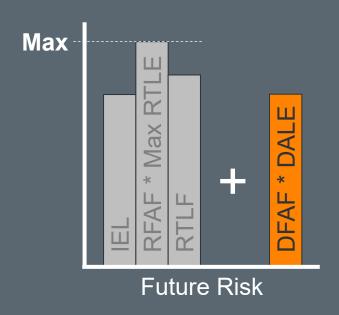




## Day-Ahead Liability Extrapolated (DALE)

Based on <u>actual</u> Day-Ahead Market Settlements

- Average Day-Ahead Market Settlement
- 7 calendar day lookback
- Projected over M1 days

















#### **CP EZrisk has been in the market for 5 months**

- Initial Estimated Liability = \$12 Million
- Real-Time Liability Extrapolated peaked at \$3 Million twenty days ago
- Real-Time Liability Forward = \$1 Million
- Day-Ahead Liability Extrapolated = (\$500,000)
- Real-Time Forward Adjustment Factor = 1.05
- Day-Ahead Forward Adjustment Factor = 1.10

What is EZrisk's future risk in the EAL calculation?







## **Answer:**



QSE
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Aggregate
Liability
(EAL<sub>q</sub>)

Future
Risk

Current
Risk

MT Risk

- Estimates risk of completed Operating Days where settlement is not complete
  - Unbilled
  - Billed but unpaid
- Based on historical behaviors

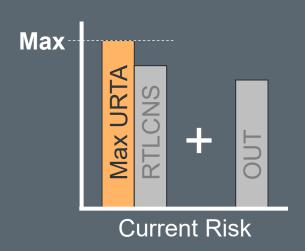
Max Unbilled Real-Time Amount
-orReal-Time Liability Completed
and Not Settled

OutstandingUnpaidTransactions



#### Max Unbilled Real-Time Amount (Max URTA)

- Based on <u>actual</u> Real-Time Settlements
  - Average Initial Settlement
  - 14 calendar day lookback
  - Projected over M2 days
- Maximum risk over the previous 40 days

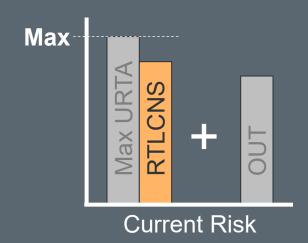




#### Real-Time Liability Completed and Not Settled (RTLCNS)

- Based on <u>estimated</u> Real-Time Settlements
- Sum of net amounts for all Operating Days Completed but not Settled

Captures recent trends that diverge from historical results

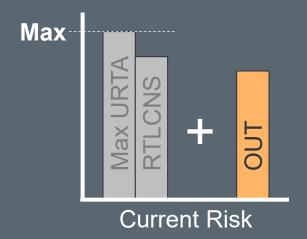




## **Outstanding Unpaid Transactions (OUT)**

$$OUT_q = OIA_q + UDAA_q + UFA_q + UTA_q + CARD$$

OIA	Outstanding Invoice Amounts
UDAA	Unbilled Day-Ahead Amounts
UFA	Unbilled Final Amounts
UTA	Unbilled True-up Amounts
CARD	CRR Auction Revenue Distribution





# **Outstanding Unpaid Transactions (OUT)**

Component	Description
OIA	Includes outstanding invoices of all types
UDAA	Estimates <sup>1</sup> for all Day-Ahead Markets that have not settled
UFA	<ul> <li>Average RTM Final Settlement</li> <li>21-day lookback</li> <li>Projected over 55 days</li> </ul>
UTA	<ul> <li>Average RTM True-up Settlement</li> <li>21-day lookback</li> <li>Projected over 180 days</li> </ul>
CARD	Estimate of Counter-Party's share of CRR Auction Revenues already collected, but not paid out

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#### **CP EZrisk has been in the market for 5 months**

- Unbilled Real-Time Amount peaked at \$1.7 Million twenty days ago
- Real-Time Liability Completed and Not Settled
   = \$1.5 Million
- Outstanding Unpaid Transactions:
  - Outstanding Invoice Amounts = \$130,000
  - Unbilled Day-Ahead Amounts = (\$29,000)
  - Unbilled Final Amounts = (\$1,000)
  - CRR Auction Revenue Distribution = (\$200,000)

What is EZrisk's current risk in the EAL calculation?







## **Answer:**



QSE Estimated Aggregate Liability

(EAL<sub>a</sub>)

Future Risk

Current Risk

MT Risk

This adjustment remains in place only until the Mass Transition is complete

- Captures Incremental Load Exposure for Provider of Last Resort (POLR) in the event of a Mass Transition
- Based on
  - Number of ESI IDs transitioned
  - Pro-rata share of defaulting Counter-Party's RTLE



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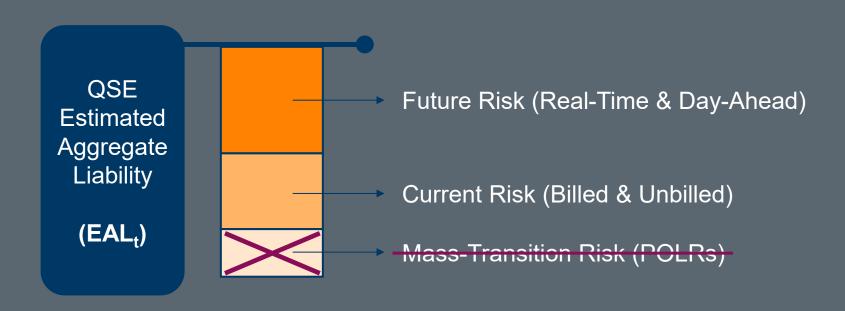
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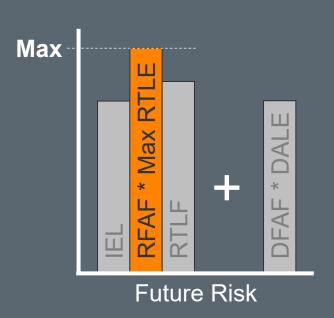
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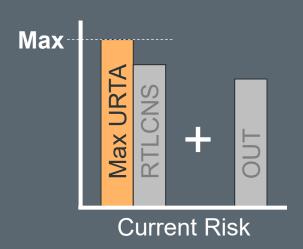
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   20 days





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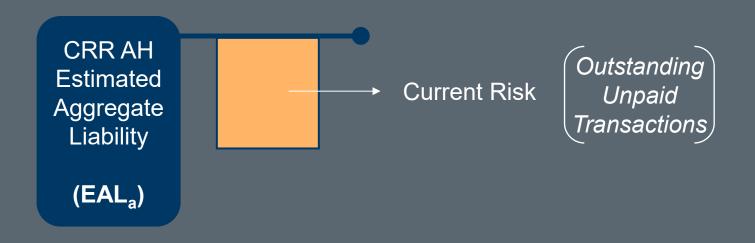








- Calculated for all CRR Account Holders represented by Counter-Party
- Only one type of risk



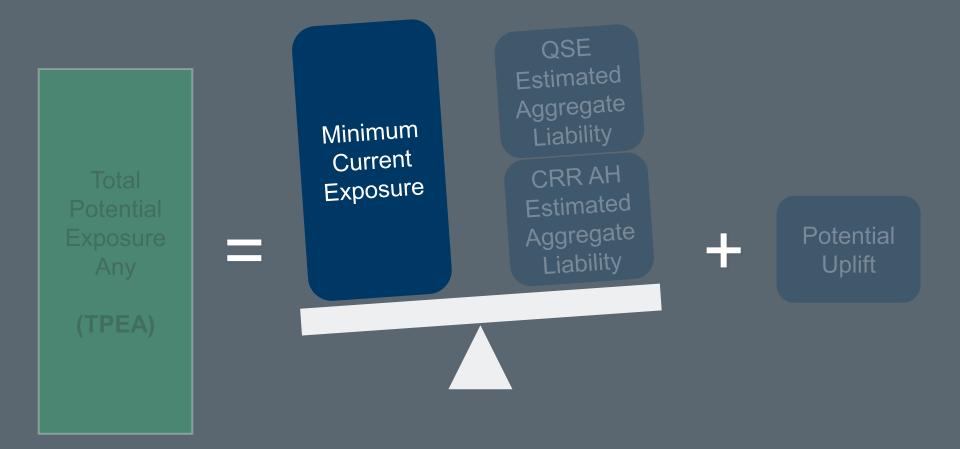


### **Outstanding Unpaid Transactions (OUT)**

$$OUT_a = OIA_a + UDAA_a$$

Component	Description
OIA	Outstanding Invoice Amounts
UDAA	Unbilled Day-Ahead Amounts – Estimates <sup>1</sup> for all Day-Ahead Markets that have not settled









14-day lookback for Historic Data.

Generation discounted by 20%.





### ERCOT may have to uplift short paid amounts owed by other Counter-Parties

Potential Uplift

(PUL)

# Potential Uplift includes proportional amounts based on Counter-Party activities

- Amount to be uplifted within one year
- Minimum of the following
  - 25% of amount on a payment plan due to be repaid beyond one year
  - 5 years' worth of uplift charges





TPEA =  $Max[0, MCE, Max[0, ((1-TOA)EAL_q + (TOA)EAL_t + EAL_a)]] + PUL$ 

Trade-Only Activity flag



#### **CP EZrisk has been in the market for 5 months**

QSE Estimated Aggregated Liability = \$4.2 Million CP

- CRR AH Estimated Aggregated Liability
   = (\$10,000)
- Minimum Current Exposure = \$940,000
- ERCOT has no outstanding short paid amounts

What is EZrisk's TPEA?



### **Answer:**



### **Determining Available Credit Limits**





Posts Financial Security with ERCOT

Available credit is shared

CRR
Auction
Credit Limit





Day-Ahead Market Credit Limit



Financial Security

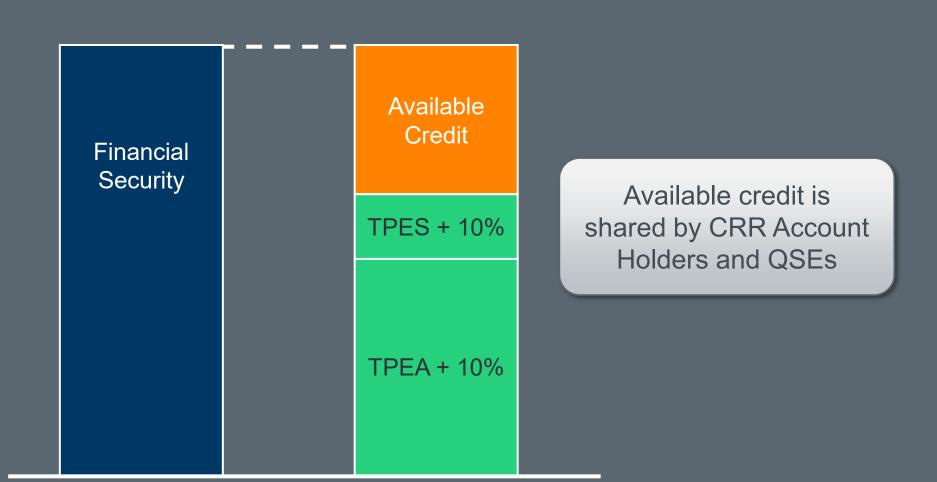
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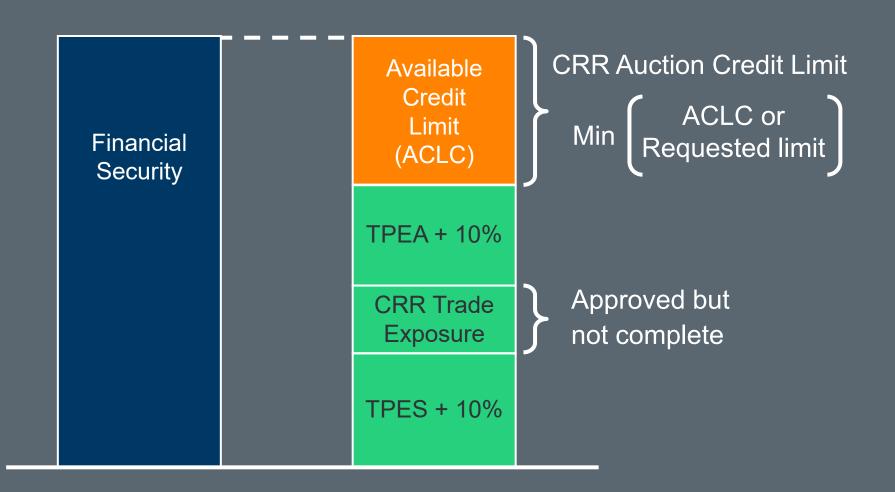
Potential Exposure

+ 10% Markup Financial Security
beyond minimum
provides available
credit for daily ERCOT
market activities









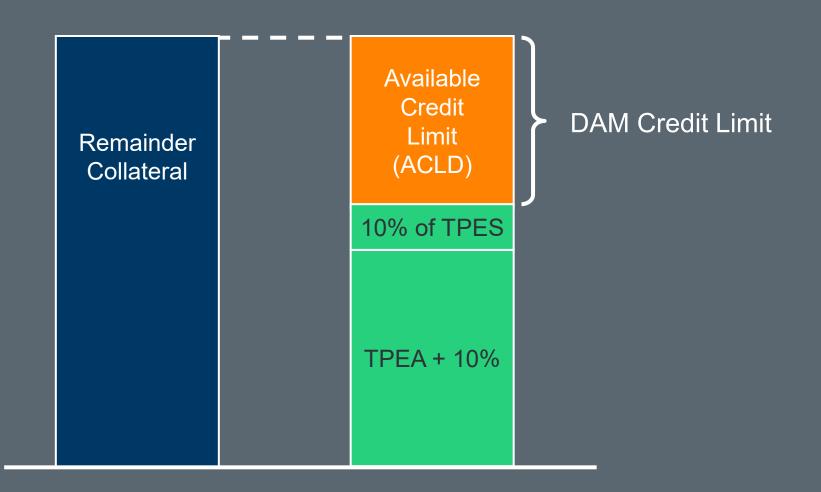


### Remainder Collateral

#### **Remainder Collateral:**

- Financial Security not consumed by CRR-related activities
- Financial Security, minus
  - TPES
  - CRR Trade Exposure
  - Available credit locked for CRR Auction







### CP EZrisk has one CRR Account Holder and one QSE. These are their credit stats

- Posted Financial Security = \$7 Million
- Total Potential Exposure Secured = \$500,800
- Total Potential Exposure Any = \$4.19 Million
- No CRR Trades outstanding

## EZrisk locks \$900,000 for the CRR Auction starting tomorrow

What is EZrisk's ACLD for the next Day-Ahead Market?







### **Answer:**



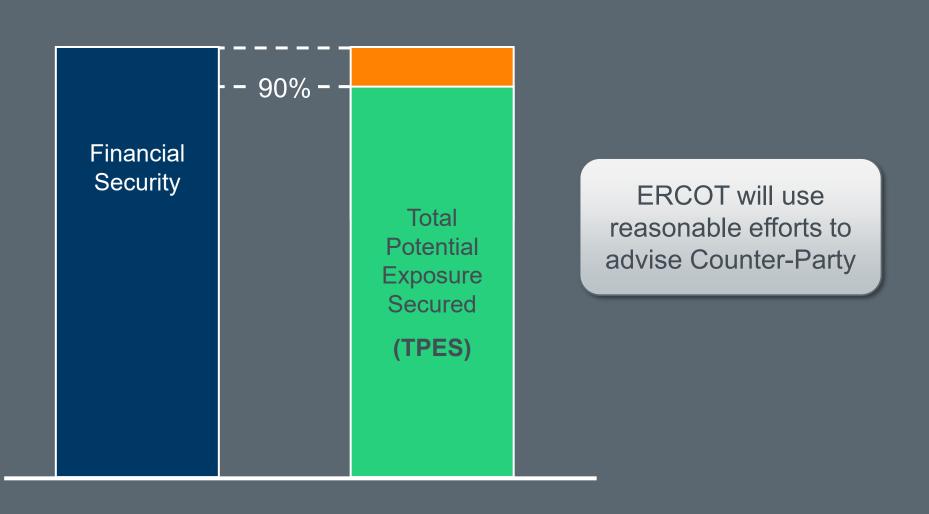
### **Credit Monitoring**



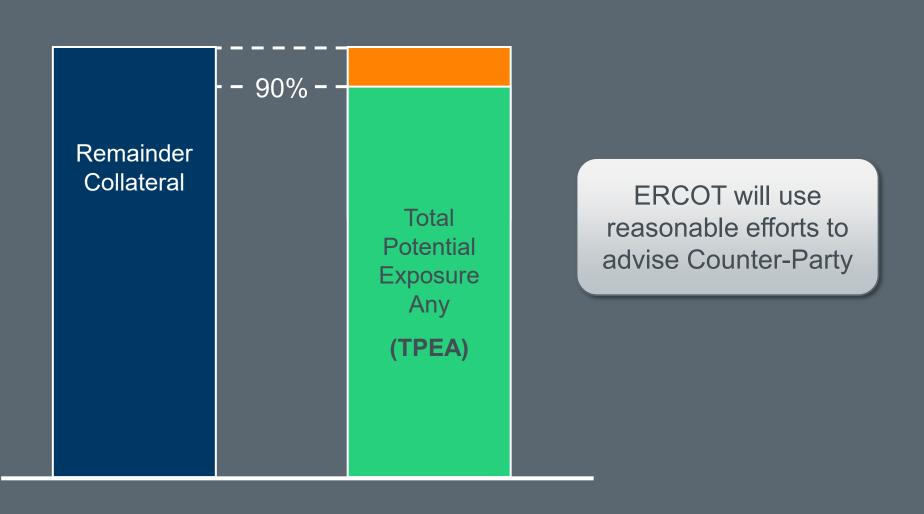


- TPE Notifications
- Collateral Requests
- Payment Breaches
- Debt Securitization Programs

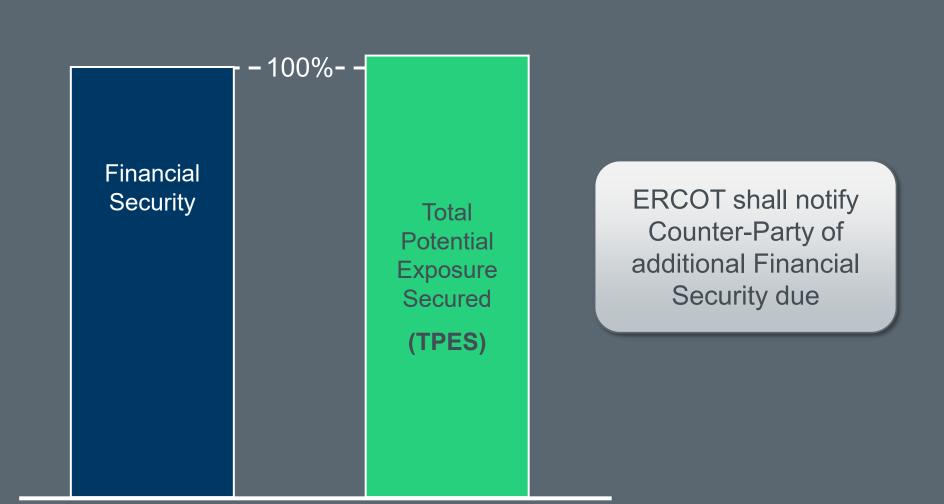
















#### Counter-Party requirements after Collateral Request

- Post at least the required Financial Security
- ERCOT must receive by COB on the second Bank Business Day after notification









## Failure to pay an obligation when due is a Payment Breach

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- Settlement Invoice
- Collateral Request
- Other ERCOT Invoices

ERCOT shall immediately attempt to contact the Market Participant telephonically and by email





# Becomes a Late Payment if cured within one Business Day of Notification

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- Settlement Invoice
- Collateral Request
- Other ERCOT Invoices

ERCOT shall track the number of Late Payments in each rolling 12-month Period









# Becomes a Default if <u>not</u> cured within one Business Day of Notification

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- Settlement Invoice
- Collateral Request
- Other ERCOT Invoices







### ERCOT may take several actions to remedy Defaults



- Hold any payments due
- Draw on Financial Security
- Forfeit awarded CRRs
- Repossess CRRs
- Revoke Market Participant's rights
- Terminate Market Participant's Standard Form Agreement



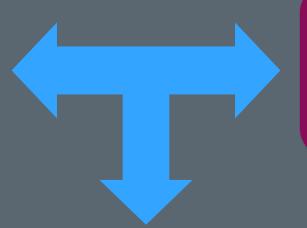


Circumstance	Enforcement	Requirements
First Late Payment*	<u>Level I</u> Financial Security ≥ 110% TPE	60 day minimum
Second Late Payment*	<u>Level II</u> Financial Security ≥ 115% TPE	60 day minimum
Third Late Payment*	Level III Financial Security ≥ 120% TPE	90 day minimum & Cash for Extra 20%
Fourth Late Payment*	Termination	



### Related to the February 2021 event

\$2,500,000 limit per Default Uplift Invoice



Default Uplift Invoices issued at least 30 days apart

How long does it take to uplift \$1,000,000,000?



	PURA 39, M (Maine)	PURA 39, N (Nebraska)
Protocol	Section 26	Section 27
Amount Financed	\$800 Million	\$2.1 Billion
Finance Period	30 years	30 years
Debt Holder	Texas Comptroller	Various
Receive Charges	Counter-Parties	QSEs with LSEs
Settlement Charge Type	Securitization Default Charge (SDCRSCP)	Load-Allocated Securitization Uplift Charge Amount (LASUCAMT)
Periodicity	Monthly	Daily

Each program has a separate escrow for credit exposures



Financial Security

Letters of credit, cash

Securitization
Default Charge
Credit
Exposure
(SDCCE)

Exposure is four months
of estimated charges



Financial Security

Letters of credit, cash

Load-Allocated
Securitization
Uplift Charge
Credit
Exposure
(LASUCCE)

Exposure is <a href="mailto:two months">two months</a> of estimated charges



#### **Topics in this course include:**

- 1 Overview of Creditworthiness
- 2 Credit Exposure
- 3 Determining Available Credit Limits
- 4 Credit Monitoring