

Area selection to apply shifting methodology Proposed Methodology to Remove Capacity Resources in the MARS model to Calculate Target Reserve Margins in the Calculation of the NYCA Installed Reserve Margin (IRM).

SUMMARY

Pursuant to the NYSRC's Procedure for Establishing New York Control Area Installed Capacity Requirements (Policy 5V), capacity is removed from zones west of the Central-East (CE) interface that have excess capacity when compared to their forecast peaks until a study point IRM is reached. This paper ~~evaluates whether~~ demonstrates that the procedure should be revised to one based upon removing capacity on a proportional basis across ~~all~~ upstate zones.

The existing Policy 5V methodology ~~determines the minimum~~ achieves an estimate of ~~the~~ amount of capacity that would be required to achieve a reliable system. However, by dictating that the capacity be removed from capacity rich zones west of Central East, it implicitly assumes that the NYISO ~~could only maintain reliability~~ has the ability to ~~lose~~ when losing ~~the~~ capacity¹ that is located in the excess capacity zones, west of CE of ~~least value to the system~~. As such, ~~the~~ IRM calculation results in ~~the lowest possible~~ unrealistically low ~~potential~~ installed reserve margin.

The proposed ~~proportional shifting~~ methodology removes capacity proportionally to the capacity of each zone, which is consistent with the locational based characteristics of the market ~~implicitly assumes that the capacity the NYISO would lose mirrors the characteristics and geographical diversity of the capacity that we already have on the NYISO system~~. As such it makes an unbiased assumption about which capacity we ~~might lose due to retirement or where we might gain additional capacity~~.

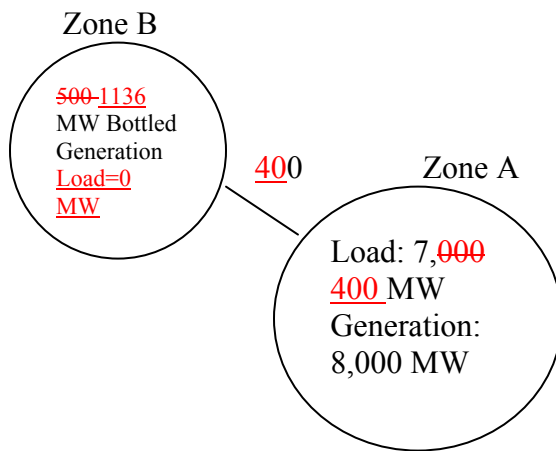
Through a series of examples, the remainder of this paper ~~looks at~~ compares the impact of the current methodology ~~and with a proportional shifting~~ removal methodology (Proportional Methodology). The examples show that capacity loss in areas or zones where there is a resource need creates an erratic move of the IRM and when the capacity loss is critical a jolt to a higher IRM when ~~with using the existing methodology~~. ~~there is the risk of having the IRM move erratically due to loss of capacity within individual zones~~. The examples also show that the ~~proportional shifting~~ methodology results in an estimated Installed Reserve Margin that remains closer to representing the amount of capacity that is required under a variety of retirement scenarios and transmission improvements. As such, it provides a much more stable and accurate short and long term assessment ~~signal~~ of the NYCA capacity needs ~~need for a desirability of capacity on the system~~.

We ~~recommend~~ concluded that Policy 5V should be revised to ~~require the use of~~ adopt the ~~proportional shifting~~ methodology starting with the 2011 IRM calculation.

¹ For example, capacity could be lost when a capacity resource retires or decides to sell its capacity to a neighboring pool.

Example Model Description:

The example here presented best describes the dynamic of the calculations for the IRM and the LCR. The load and capacities were chosen to augment and demonstrate the significant difference between the current and the proposed methodologies. This example is an analogy of the interaction of two areas one with excess capacity representing Zones A, C, and D in the NYCA system and another representing Zones E, F, G, H, and I². The connection between the two areas could represent the Central East interface or a line between areas that contains bottled generation³ to a load area. Note that the system shown below can be simplified by assuming that 400 MW of generation in Zone B will reach the load in Zone A, as shown in example 1.



These specific examples assumes that there is no Localities in the system for simplification purposes.

EXAMPLES

~~The purpose of this paper is to describe the impact of different shifting methodologies.~~

~~Policy 5 methodology calls for removing the excess capacity from capacity rich zones. This methodology removes basically all the fat that is not needed for reliability.~~

~~Policy 5, Appendix A, 3.1: Add or remove capacity from zones west of the Total East Interface that have excess capacity reserves (capacity rich zones), proportional to their existing excess capacity, until the statewide capacity to peak load ratio equals a desired IRM study point.~~

² Similarly, the two areas could represent Zones J, J1, and J2 (see last IRM model), where J1 and J2 are areas with bottled generation.

³ Bottled generation could be deliverable, for example Linden VFT.

The following are a series of extreme examples that illustrate and calculate the differences for discussion highlight the concerns associated with between the existing and proposed proportional capacity shifting methodologies for in the IRM analysis:⁴

ASSUMPTIONS

Total load: 7,000 MW

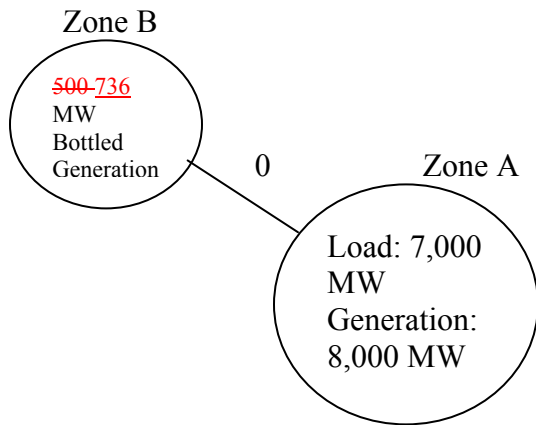
Total Generation: ~~88,736,500~~ MW

Zone B bottled generation: ~~500-736~~ MW

Capacity required to meet LOLE criteria: 7800 MW of non-bottled capacity

1) Current Policy 5 Example

To represent bottle generation of ~~500-736~~ MW the line joining ~~zzones~~ A and B is set to 0.
LOLE = 0.09



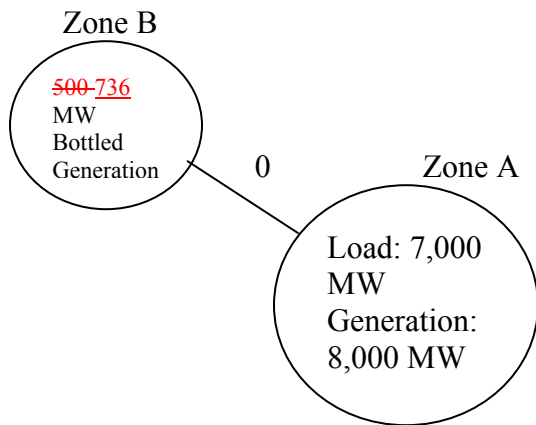
In this example, the Policy 5 removal methodology will first remove all capacity from Zone B before removing capacity from Zone A until it meets the LOLE criteria. According to Policy 5, generation on a constrained transmission line should be removed first from the capacity rich zones, in this case Zone B. In the first step Because removing all the generation in Zone B (~~500-736~~ MW) does not affect the LOLE, thus the LOLE remains at 0.09 days/year after all Zone B generation has been removed. After removing capacity from rich zones the current methodology would remove capacity from the non-rich zones in this case Zone A. Policy 5 would then direct that capacity begin to be removed from Zone A until an LOLE of 0.1 is reached⁵. This results in removing an additional 200

⁴ The examples assume that there is ~~500-1100~~ MW of bottled generation that is grandfathered as deliverable in the capacity market. This extreme example is used to highlight the differences in methodology. While the NYISO has no areas where capacity is 100% bottled, there are areas where capacity has a higher likelihood of being curtailed due to transmission limits between the generators and the load centers.

⁵ This example is an over-simplification of the Policy 5 methodology. The Policy 5 methodology removes capacity to get to a study point, and then shifts capacity away from the localities to drive the LOLE up to 0.1 days/year. After removing capacity from the capacity rich zone, this example simply removes capacity from the non capacity rich zone in order to drive the LOLE up to 0.1 days year. The example is appropriate to demonstrate the effect of the Policy 5 method.

MW from Zone A ~~and the conclusion that~~ and calculating the minimum system reserve margin for this system as is equal to 111.4% (7800 MW/ 7000 MW). Therefore, pursuant to Policy 5, 7,800 MW of capacity in the two zones are sufficient to meet the system LOLE criteria.

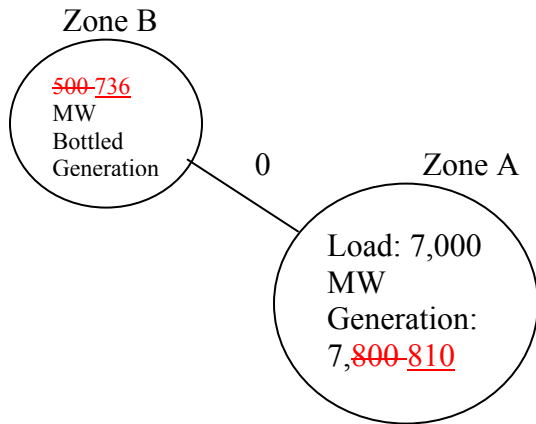
2) Proportional Shifting Methodology Example



If we remove generation proportionally to the total generation available in each zone then, for each 100 MW of generation that is removed we will remove 94.1291.6 MW from Zone A and 5.888.4 MW from Zone B. Once again, LOLE criteria is met when we have removed 200 MW from Zone A. Under the proportional methodology this results in also removing 12.518 MW from Zone B. In this case 8,287.5518⁶ MW of generation is required to meet the system LOLE requirement and the reserve margin is 18.421.7%.

⁶ 7,800 MW from Zone A and 487.5718 MW from Zone B.

3) Effect in the IRM calculation of retiring 190 MW in Zone A for both methodologies



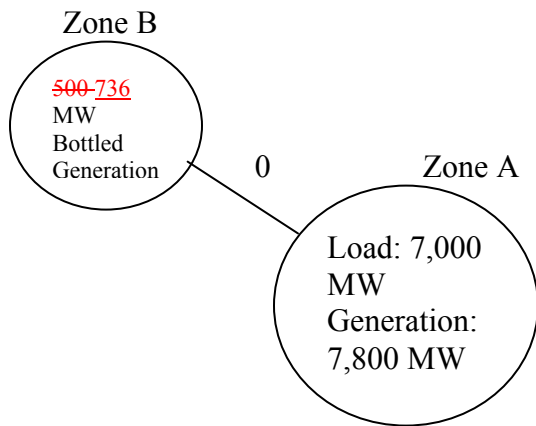
Once there is only 7,810 MW of capacity in Zone A at the start, the initial run just meets the LOLE criteria. The Policy 5 required capacity is calculated at the full 7,800 MW of capacity available in both zones and the reserve margin is set still at 111.4%⁷. Note that the IRM remained the same from example 1.

Under the Proportional Methodology the IRM would rise to 121.93%⁸ from 121.7% calculated in example 2 as the Zone A capacity level drops to 7810 MW. This is an increase of only 0.23%.

⁷ 8,300-7,800 MW of capacity divided by 7,000 MW of load.

⁸ (7800+(736-1))/7000. Total amount of capacity removed from the system equals 11 MW.

4) Effect in the IRM calculation of retiring 200 MW in Zone A for both methodologies



Once there is only 7,800 MW of capacity in Zone A at the start, the initial run just meets the LOLE criteria and there is no capacity removed under Policy 5. Despite having no excess generation in the load zone, this system continues to meet ty criteria. Under Policy 5 the IRM remains 111.4%. If capacity is not removed from Zone B during the calculation process (this is not clear in Policy 5) then the IRM is calculated as 121.94%⁹. This represents a sudden increase of almost 11% in the IRM.

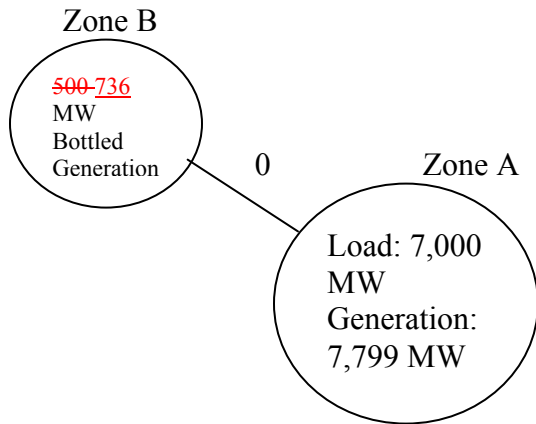
Under the Proportional Methodology the IRM would also increase to 121.94% as the Zone A capacity level drops to 7800 MW from 7810 MW. However, in this case the rise is only 0.01% from the 121.93% shown in example 3.

⁹ 8,536 MW of capacity divided by 7,000 MW of load.

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34) Effect in the IRM calculation of retiring 201 MW in Zone A for both methodologies
Current Policy 5 and 201 MW retired in Zone A

However, problems begin to show when assumptions are changed slightly assuming capacity begins retiring in Zone A. As the capacity level in Zone A declines the calculated reserve margin under Policy 5 remains at 111.4% until the level of installed capacity in Zone A is reduced to less than 7800 MW.



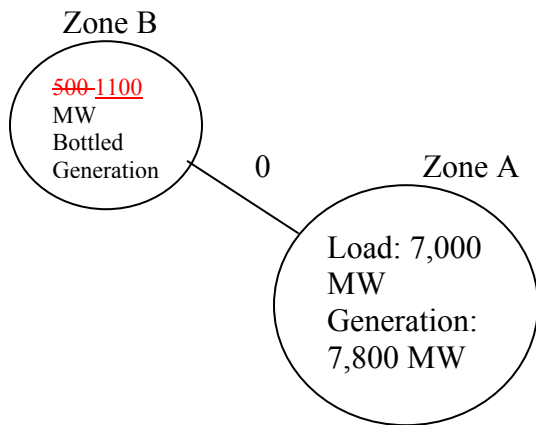
At this point, the system does not and can not meet the LOLE criteria and has an LOLE higher than 0.1. Generation in Zone B cannot contribute ~~to the~~ positively to improve the reliability to meet the LOLE criteria.

~~This is because~~ Therefore not until there is less than 7800 MW ~~or less~~ of capacity in Zone A, the Policy 5 methodology gives the signal that there is a shortage of generation when in example one, three, and four had shown substantial excess capacity (936 MW¹⁰ in example one) up until the point that it suddenly shifts the reserve margin to signal that the system requires a much higher level of capacity to maintain reliability. ~~the Policy 5 shifting methodology will first remove all capacity from Zone B and then begin removing capacity from Zone A until it meets the LOLE criteria. The Policy 5 methodology gives the signal that there is substantial excess capacity (700 MW in example one) up until the point that it suddenly shifts the reserve margin to signal that the system requires a much higher level of capacity to maintain reliability.~~

¹⁰ (8736)-7800 requirement = 936

5) Effect in the IRM calculation of unbottling generation located in Zone B in both methodologies

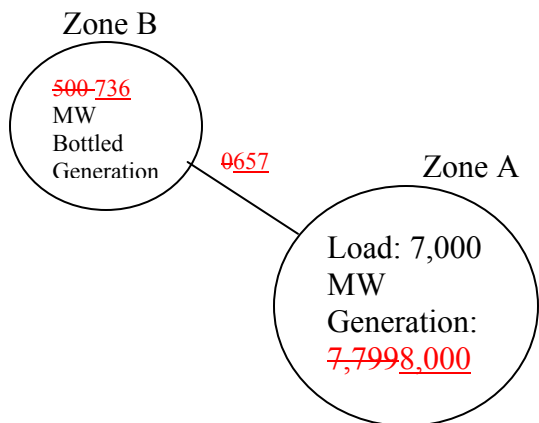
4) Current Policy 5 and 200 MW retired in Zone A



Once there is only 7,800 MW of capacity in Zone A at the start, the initial run just meets the LOLE criteria and there is no capacity shifting under Policy 5. The required capacity is calculated at the full 8300 MW of capacity available in both zones and the reserve margin is set at 118.6%¹¹.

Under the proportional shifting methodology the IRM would also rise to 118.6% as the Zone A capacity level drops to 7800 MW. However, in this case the rise is only 0.2% from the 118.4% in the first example. Throughout, the reserve margin calculated under the proportional shifting methodology is signaling that there is a relatively small amount of excess reserves starting at 212.5 MW of excess capacity in the initial example and smoothly falling to zero excess after 200 MW retires from Zone A. Throughout the process, the reserve margin calculated under the proportional shifting methodology provides a more accurate estimate of the usable excess in the system.

¹¹ 8,300 MW of capacity divided by 7,000 MW of load.



Under this example both methodologies calculate the IRM being 111.4%. Policy 5 calculation is remains the same as shown in example 1.

The Proportional Methodology will remove 79 MW¹² from Zone B and 857 MW from Zone A, yielding a total generation in the system of 7,800 MW, which is the same as in Policy 5. Thus, the IRM is also equal to 111.4%.

¹² $936 * (736 / 8736) = 79$ MW. Therefore the remaining capacity in Zone B is $736 - 79 = 657$ MW

Discussions

Throughout, the reserve margin calculated under the proportional shifting methodology is signaling starting in example 2 that there is a relatively small amount of excess reserves (218 MW¹³) relative to the requirement and smoothly falling to zero excess after 200 MW of capacity retires from Zone A. Thence, the reserve margin calculated under the Proportional Methodology provides a more accurate estimate of the usable excess in the system.

Note that adding transmission or unbottling generation under example 5 has a positive impact in reducing the IRM, such impact did not exist when using the Policy 5 methodology.

The differences in the two methodologies appear stark. The market would presumably prefer to have the current methodology example one that has a lower IRM and provides the least cost of capacity.

Market Implications

While the New York State Reliability Council and the Installed Capacity Subcommittee are not involved in market issues, the capacity market is the mechanism to assure that the NYISO meets its long term reliability target. For this purpose, assume that the market is covered by the NYISO's statewide capacity market design (i.e. a demand curve that declines from the net cost of new entry at the minimum requirement to zero value of capacity 12 percent beyond the minimum requirement).

Under the Policy 5 methodology and the initial assumptions in example one, the market is ~~8.9127%~~ long.¹⁴ The result is that the market clearing price is ~~3/4 zero or close to zero of the way down the demand curve and provides a capacity price that is 1/4 the cost of new entry.~~ As such, it places a relatively low value on capacity and could easily result in signaling existing units to retire or not additional transmission or generation investment required. Since the capacity market does not differentiate between capacity in the two zones, retirements are as likely in Zone A as they are in Zone B. Once ~~199-190~~ MW has retired in Zone A the system is ~~one only 10~~ MW away from just meeting its reliability criteria and ~~two 11~~ MW away from failing to meet its reliability criteria. However, under the ~~policy~~ Policy 5 methodology the market would appear to be ~~6,429.56%~~¹⁵ long and would provide a capacity price that is less than 1/2 of the net cost of new entry. The price signal is in no way consistent with precarious capacity situation.

Under the ~~p~~Proportional ~~shift m~~Methodology and the initial assumptions the market is ~~2.7256%~~ long.¹⁶ The result is a market clearing price of ~~87.478.7%~~ the net cost of new

¹³ ~~8736-8518~~ requirement = 218 MW

¹⁴ ~~8,58,73600~~ MW of capacity divided by the 7,800 MW minimum level of capacity required by the reserve margin.

¹⁵ ~~8,300-546~~ MW of capacity divided by the 7,800 MW minimum level of capacity required by the reserve margin.

¹⁶ ~~8,500-736~~ MW of capacity divided by the ~~8,287.5518~~ MW minimum level of capacity required by the reserve margin.

entry and consistent with the relative need for new entry.– With 19~~09~~ MW shut down in Zone A the result is that the market is 0.01~~33~~% long, consistent with the condition that with ~~one-10~~ more MW loss in Zone A and the system will just meet its minimum reliability requirement.

The Policy 5 method of taking capacity from only the capacity rich zones implies a system that is more reliable than it actually might be at the design level.