Guidelines to ICS from the High Renewables Study

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Why was a Study Performed

- Given the Climate Leadership and Community Protection Act (CLCPA) 70x30 renewable goals, the NYSRC set out to study
 - Impact on the IRM in terms of ICAP and UCAP
 - Need for new modeling in MARS
- Expected to be one of several studies necessary to fully understand impact on reliability
 - Challenge arises from the variability and intermittency of wind and FTM PV generation
- Renewables were added to the latest 2020-21 IRM study base case



Unexpected Difference in Total NYCA UCAP for Base Case and HR Case at LOLE Criteria

- Theoretically, there should not be a difference
 - The Base Case determined the amount of UCAP needed for the system to be at an LOLE of 0.1
 - In the HR Case, additional resources reduce (improve) the LOLE to < 0.1 and equivalent capacity must be removed to return to an LOLE of 0.1
 - The IRM is higher in the HR Case but so is the average NYCA EFORd
- NYCA UCAP@0.1 LOLE in Base Case is theoretically expected to be equal to NYCA UCAP@0.1 LOLE in HR Case
 - In both cases, no additional resources are required beyond those needed for system to be at LOLE of 0.1
 - Practically, the study shows there is a difference
 - Results are highly dependent on resource location and existing transmission topology



Methodology Matters



- "As Found" system is a physical system with all of its resources; therefore, few loss-of-load events
- To move towards an LOLE = 0.1, resources must be removed and possibly shifted to increase loss of load events
- The process used to decide which resources to remove and/or shift affects results
 - For example, since Zone J is the zone with most loss of load events, resources could just be removed from J until NYCA LOLE = 0.1
 - In current IRM/LCR analysis, for a given IRM value, UCAP resources are removed from surplus Zones
 A, C & D to reach a desired IRM value, followed by shifting from Zones J and K to the same upstate
 zones until active transmission constraints result in NYCA LOLE = 0.1.
 - Process repeated for different IRM values to create a curve; Tan 45 is selected as the desired value
 - The NYISO further shifts resources across zones, keeping unchanged the IRM-identified total amount of resources, with the objective of minimizing the purchased cost of capacity



Derate for Renewable Resources



Zone	FTM PV	On-Shore Wind	Off-Shore Wind
A-C	31%	15%	
D		14%	
E		17%	
F	28%		
G	28%		
J			29%
К	30%		34%
NYCA	29%	16%	32%

- The white paper utilized 8,760 hourly curves for the availability of renewable resources
- Table 3 shows availability factors or production factors determined as averages for each resource type over the three summer months (greater loss of load period)
 - Availability factors are used as a proxy to convert ICAP to UCAP or vice versa
 - Derate Factor = 1 Availability Factor
- These factors were used to determine:
 - The initial UCAP for each renewable resource location
 - The IRM, after MARS solves for the URM at criteria
 - Approximate derate factors of renewables
- California and PJM (proposal) calculate the derate factors in terms of the reliability value they contribute to prevent loss of load



Reliability Value of Renewables

- **PJM Approach** (taken from a 10/17/19 PJM presentation by Patricio Rocha Garrido)
 - Develop a Resource Adequacy case that meets the 1 day in 10 years
 Loss of Load Expectation (LOLE) criteria (this is the **Base Case**)
 - Add historical or representative hourly system-wide wind/solar output shapes to the Base Case. The LOLE in this HR Case will now be less than 0.1 days/year.
 - Increase the peak load in the HR Case (retaining the hourly load shape) until the LOLE is back at 0.1 days/year.
 - The difference between the final peak loads in the HR Case and the Base
 Case represents the reliability value or UCAP of the renewables
 - These studies are known as Effective Load Carrying Capability (ELCC) or Capacity Value studies
 - Experience in other areas show that the derate factors of renewables increase as the level of renewables increase, while the derate factor of conventional resources remains largely unchanged



Observations

- Location of added renewable resources affects transmission constraints and thereby results
- Taken together with not accounting more precisely for the reliability value of renewables, leads to a difference in the UCAP resources between the two cases studied
 - In the studies performed, the HR case had 775 MW more than the Base Case
 - This may be overstated by not accounting for the reliability value of renewables
- Once the reliability value of renewables is considered, the UCAP difference between cases may go down, but the actual ICAP IRM will correspondingly increase



EC Guidance to ICS

- The high renewable case studied is prompting the NYSRC / NYISO to review the removal / shifting process for determining the IRM to see if changes are warranted
- The derate factor of renewable resources may need to be revisited to more accurately reflect their contribution to reliability
 - The availability of renewables is fundamentally different than that of conventional resources
- The introduction of storage resources will bring their own set of issues and must be studied

