Purpose

Provides guidelines for running the Real-Time Market (RTM) process and for procuring Ancillary Services (AS) in the RTM.

1. Responsibilities

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<td>Reviews and allows instructions from RTM to be sent to Market Participants via ADS</td>
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<td>Logs all compliance issues</td>
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<td>Ensures RTM runs at the designated intervals</td>
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<td>Dispatches resources with Exceptional Dispatch as requested by the CAISO Shift Manager Desk</td>
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2. Scope/Applicability

2.1. Background

Describes Real-Time Market activities.

2.2. Scope/Applicability

This procedure applies to Real-Time Market activities.

3. Procedure Detail

3.1. Running the Real-Time Market

3.1.1. Real-Time Load Forecast

Take the following actions to forecast Load:

- Conform transmission constraints as required for reliability purposes
- Sends market messages as required
- Utilizes RTM/Exceptional Dispatch to modify resources in RTM
- Adjusts RTM (as needed) for proper Dispatching

| Scheduling Coordinator (SC) | Submits Energy and Ancillary Service Schedules and Bids for the Real-Time Markets. |

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<td>1. <strong>Access</strong> the Real-Time Load Forecasting Tool from System Operations Launch Pad.</td>
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<td>2. <strong>Update, adjust, and publish</strong> the RT Load Forecast to RTN.</td>
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**Note:** All RTD/RTPD/STUC load adjustments and the Reason are automatically published to OASIS.
3.1.2. Real-Time Ancillary Service Requirement

**RTPD Description**

- The AS requirements for the HASP and RTUC processes are based on NERC/WECC requirements.
- RT AS is procured on a 15-minute basis, as needed, from resources certified to provide AS. All AS procured in RT is Contingency only.
- In the event sufficient AS cannot be procured through the CAISO Real-time markets, RT Dispatchers may procure additional AS, including from Reliability Must-Run (RMR) Units, to meet NERC/WECC requirements. The CAISO will replace such AS with market procured AS as soon as practicable.

*Note:* The first consideration in determining which resource to assign AS should be based upon the resource's ability to deliver the assigned AS. There is no requirement to select an RMR resource prior to a market resource. See CAISO Desktop Procedure [GEN-029 Manual AS Assignment](#).

Take the following actions to review/adjust AS requirements in RTPD:

*Note:* If an RMR resource is selected, a written confirmation of the RMR AS dispatch must be sent to the SC within 24 hours of the dispatch.

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1. If the CAISO makes a change after DAM but prior to the close of HASP of a min or max,
   - **Issue** a Market Notice as soon as reasonably practicable.
   
   *Note:* After the close of HASP, the AS limits used in HASP are published in OASIS.

2. **Open** the ASRS screen in RTN.
   - **Review** calculated requirements.
   - **Adjust** market provided reserves as required for reliability.
   - **Update** new requirements to RTN (see CAISO Desktop Procedure [GEN-007 Ancillary Service Requirements Setter](#)).

3. **Determine** whether any forecasted transmission and/or generation constraints exist:
   - If no transmission and/or generation constraints exist,
     - **Go to** Section 3.1.3.
Real-Time Market Activities

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- If there are transmission and/or generation constraints,
  - **Identify** the applicable unit(s) associated with the constraint(s) (i.e. units not addressed by the use of min’s and max’s of existing AS sub-regions).
  - **Block** AS Bids as necessary.
  - **Log** the event.

  **Note:** This historical record of AS blocking/buy back is used to assist in determining whether new AS sub-regions need to be created.

  **Note:** Other reasons for blocking AS include Resource Testing and communications outages.

4. If additional reserves are necessary and all market mechanisms have been utilized,
   - **Ask** the CAISO Shift Manager Desk whether to issue Dispatch instructions to the Scheduling Coordinators (SCs) for any AS certified Units.

5. If AS bids are skipped to maintain the WECC reserve requirement,
   - **Notify** Market Participants.

6. If insufficient AS have been procured,
   - **Refer** to CAISO Operating Procedure 4420 System Emergency.
   - **Log** any deficiencies.

7. **Inform** the CAISO Shift Manager Desk of any deviations from this procedure and **prepare** a written report that provides the following information:
   - The procedure from which the deviation occurred.
   - A description of the deviation.
   - The duration of the deviation.
   - A detailed explanation of the reason for the deviation.
   - Any system reliability concern that led to the deviation.

8. **Determine** if minimum and/or maximum AS procurement limits are necessary for each or any AS Region.
   - **Consider** the following:
     - Path Contingency de-ratings.
     - Path OTCs.
     - Most Severe Single Contingency (on-line Generating Unit or in-service transmission). See Section 3.2, CAISO Operating Procedure 2230 Most Severe Single Contingency (MSSC) Designation for a list of current MSSCs)
     - Forecasted path flows
     - Other anticipated local operating conditions for Load and/or Generation pocket AS Regions
3.1.3. Real-Time Pre-Dispatch (RTPD)

Take the following actions for RTPD:

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9. If an Outage to a major transmission line results in Supply being curtailed into the Balancing Authority area and the Outage on the transmission line is a credible single Contingency,
   - **Consider** the transmission event a single largest Contingency for the purposes of determining Operating Reserves.

**Scheduling Coordinator (SC)**

1. **Submit** HASP and RTM Bids 75 minutes before the Operating Hour through SIBR.

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1. **Ensure** adequate resources are available to meet all system reliability requirements.
2. If additional area resources are required:
   - **Consider** conforming impacted element per CAISO Operating Procedure [2220 Transmission Conforming](#).
   - **Consider** adjusting and publishing to RTN a revised RT Load Forecast.
   - **Consider** committing additional units in RTN using Exceptional Dispatch per CAISO Operating Procedure [2330 Real-Time Exceptional Dispatch](#).
3. **Review** HASP results, including Intertie Dispatches.
   - **Modify or block** results as necessary to meet reliability requirements.
4. If HASP robustness has occurred,
   - **Adjust** the Interties as needed, and
   - **Request** RTMO to manually publish the Interties and commitment.

*Note:* The HASP Market results are published automatically to the Customer Market Results Interface (CMRI) and ADS to notify Market Participants of their commitments and advisory status.

*Note:* Short Term Unit Commitment (STUC) will run automatically at T-52.5 minutes.

5. **Determine** if STUC has run properly and output is feasible.
   - If results are acceptable, **take** no action.
   - If results are not acceptable, **determine** whether results need to be modified.
     - **Adjust** as necessary to meet reliability requirements.
6. **Determine** if additional Dispatch Instructions are needed based on the CFCD and the STUC Dispatches.
   - **Communicate** any additional Dispatch Instructions through Exceptional Dispatch instructions.
   - **Refer** to CAISO Operating Procedure 2330 Real-Time Exceptional Dispatch.
7. **Repeat** Steps 7 and 8 for the remaining RTPD runs.

### 3.1.4. Real-Time Dispatch

Take the following actions for Real-Time Dispatch (RTD):

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1. **Adjust** the 5 minute Real-Time Load Forecast as necessary to ensure reliability requirements are met.
2. **Review** the RTD results.
   - **Adjust** results as necessary to meet reliability requirements.
3. After issuing a 5 minute Dispatch,
   - **Verify** the Dispatch transferred to ADS, and
   - **Monitor** the Market Participants' response to ADS instructions to ensure reliability requirements are met.
     - If ADS is not functioning properly, **refer** to CAISO Operating Procedure 5410 Communication/Applications Loss/Failure.
     - If the State Estimator (SE) is not functioning properly,
       - **Evaluate** the need to request RTMO to switch Dispatch Initialization Source to EMS.
     - If RTM is not functioning properly,
       - **Dispatch** resources as required via ADS or manually through an Exceptional Dispatch.
       - **Refer** to CAISO Operating Procedure 2330 Real-Time Exceptional Dispatch.
3.1.5. Real-Time Contingency Dispatch

Take the following actions to address Contingencies in RT:

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<td><strong>Note:</strong> The Disturbance Recovery Period is 15 minutes after the start of a Reportable Disturbance.</td>
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<td><strong>Note:</strong> The Real-Time Contingency Dispatch (RTCD) can be activated at any time to address Contingencies by Dispatching contingent Operating Reserves.</td>
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<td>1. <strong>Manually execute</strong> RTCD.</td>
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<td>- <strong>Refer</strong> to CAISO Desktop procedure GEN-015 Real-Time Contingency Dispatch.</td>
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<td>2. <strong>Consider</strong> requesting RTMO to check “Run RTD Power Flow” option in market software prior to initiating the Contingency Dispatch.</td>
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<td>3. <strong>Determine</strong> whether requirements are met.</td>
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<td>4. <strong>Review</strong> the Dispatches and <strong>adjust</strong> as necessary.</td>
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<td>- If Emergency Operations conditions exist such as reserve shortages, Load Shedding, Black Start restoration, etc.,</td>
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<td>-   - <strong>Refer</strong> to CAISO Operating Procedure 4420 System Emergency.</td>
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<td>-   - <strong>Determine</strong> emergency requirements.</td>
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<td>5. <strong>Issue</strong> the RTCD instructions to the Market Participants.</td>
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<td>6. If the system is recovered from the Contingency situation,</td>
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<td>- <strong>Return</strong> the Dispatched Contingency reserves back to Contingency reserves in a manner that does not cause frequency or Area Control Error (ACE) excursions.</td>
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3.1.6. Real-Time Manual Dispatch

Take the following actions whenever the RTD fails to converge because of bad data, network model issues, or optimization engine failure:

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<td>- <strong>Adjust</strong> the 5-minute forecast while in RTMD to get the desired quantity.</td>
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<td>3. If RTMD Dispatch instructions do not produce the desired results,</td>
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<td>- <strong>Issue</strong> Exceptional Dispatch instructions.</td>
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- If reasons for Exceptional Dispatch no longer exist,
  - **Issue** RTMD Dispatch instructions only, or
- **Refer** to CAISO Operating Procedure 4420 System Emergency
- When a bid is removed to resolve Market Disruption,
  - **Refer** to CAISO Operating Procedure 2710 Market Disruption - RTM Failure and Suspension.
3.2. Real-Time Timelines

The following diagrams attached below in the image section describe the HASP/STUC/RTPD and RTED timelines:

![RTPD Timeline Diagram]

*Figure 1: RTPD Timeline*
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RTED Timeline

Figure 2: RTED Timeline
4. Supporting Information

Operationally Affected Parties

Shared with the Public.

References

Resources studied in the development of this procedure and that may have an effect upon some steps taken herein include but are not limited to:

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Definitions

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5. Periodic Review Procedure

Review Criteria & Incorporation of Changes

There are no specific criteria for reviewing or changing this document, follow instructions in CAISO Operating Procedure 5510.

Frequency

Every three (3) Years

Appendix

2210Z Effectiveness Factors - All
2210D Ancillary Service Blocking and Disqualification