



## Capacity Procurement Mechanism Soft-Offer Cap – *Draft Final Proposal and Draft Tariff Language*

Stakeholder Call  
January 9, 2020

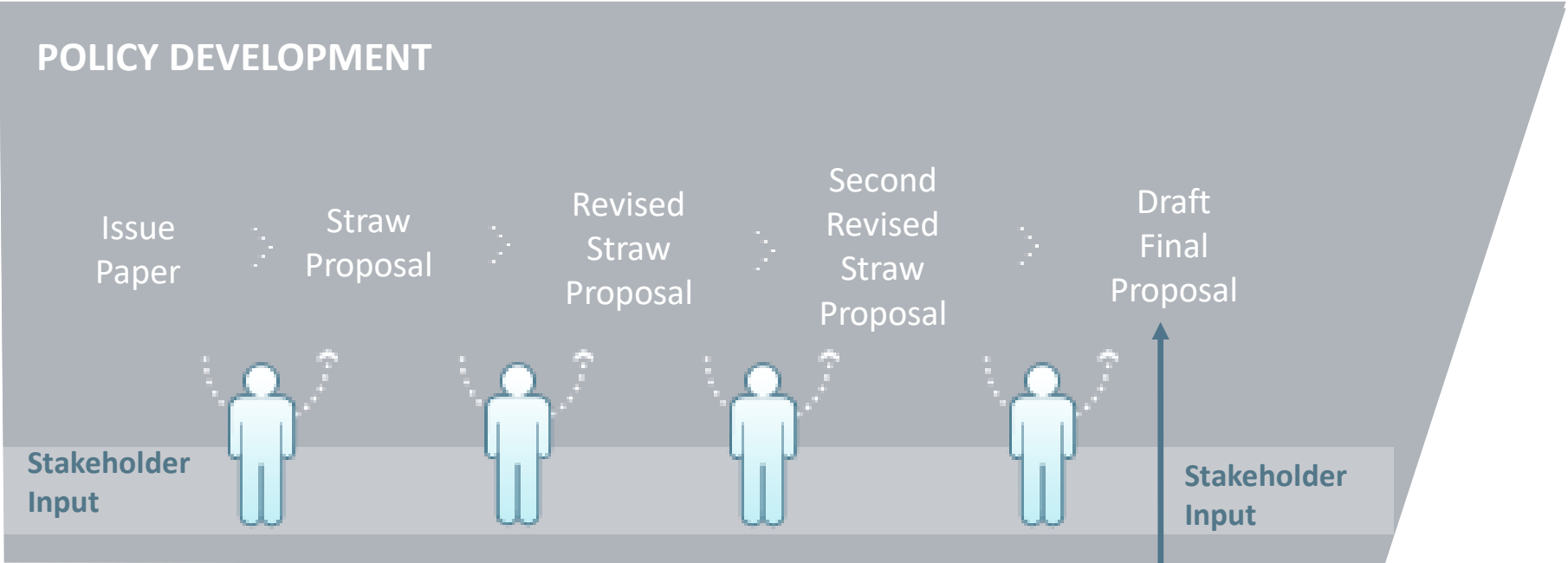
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# Agenda

Time	Topic	Presenter
9:00 – 9:05	Welcome / policy process	Kristina Osborne
9:05 – 9:45	Review draft final proposal <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Background</li><li>• Soft offer cap</li><li>• SOC alternatives</li><li>• Bids above the soft offer cap</li><li>• Compensation for 12-month capacity procurement mechanism</li></ul>	Gabe Murtaugh
9:45-10:10	Draft tariff language changes	Anthony Ivancovich
10:10	Next steps	Kristina Osborne

# Stakeholder Process



**Note:** The CPM SOC proposal will not go to the ISO Board of Governors for decision.

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## The ISO uses the CPM backstop mechanism to procure for RA shortfalls

- Load serving entities show RA resources to the ISO in the year-ahead and month-ahead timeframes
- When there are shortages or deficiencies, the ISO has authority to procure additional capacity with CPM
  - Procurements may be made in the year-ahead or month-ahead timeframes
  - Procurements may be made for system, flex, or local needs
- CPM is ‘competitively’ priced using the optional CSP
- Accepted CPM bids result in an obligation to bid into the market and subject the resource to Resource Adequacy Availability Incentive Mechanism (RAAIM) penalties

## The competitive solicitation process creates an environment where competition drives down costs

- With many independent bids into the CSP, an optimal bidding strategy is at fixed costs for each resource
  - Going forward fixed costs
  - Anticipated market revenues with volatility premium
  - Expenses for necessary capital additions
  - Necessary return
  - Premium for designations less than 12-months
- This fixed payment is made in addition to market revenues, which resources are allowed to keep
- ISO received comments with concerns about this process when there is insufficient competition in the CSP

## The ISO currently has a soft offer cap for the CSP at \$6.31/kW-month or about \$76/kW-year

- The soft offer cap serves as a ‘safe harbor’ that resources can bid up to in the CSP for CPM awards
- This also serves as a way to mitigate resources from exercising market power
- The ISO uses ‘going forward fixed costs’ (GFFC) for a combined cycle resource plus 20% to calculate the SOC
- The ISO includes costs for insurance, ad valorem, and fixed operations and maintenance to calculate GFFC
  - The ISO does not include financing costs or taxes
- The SOC was designed to be high enough to cover costs for a marginal resource on the system

# The ISO is required to review the CPM soft offer cap

- The ISO committed to review CPM compensation in RMR-CPM Enhancements initiative at the March ISO Board of Governors meeting
- The tariff obligates the ISO to review SOC every 4 years
  - The current CPM SOC is \$6.31/kW-month
  - California Energy Commission (CEC) Cost of Generation study was filed in May 2019\*
- The ISO reviewed the CEC study as part of this initiative to determine if the soft offer cap should be updated

\* [https://www.energy.ca.gov/almanac/electricity\\_data/cost\\_of\\_generation\\_report.html](https://www.energy.ca.gov/almanac/electricity_data/cost_of_generation_report.html)

## Little change in CEC values and a static resource mix on the system imply retaining current SOC

CEC Report	Res Capacity (MW)	Insurance (\$/kW-yr)	Ad Velorem (\$/kW-yr)	Fixed O&M (\$/kW-yr)	GFFC (\$/kW-yr)	SOC (\$/kW-yr)
2014	550	\$8.09	\$11.74	\$43.23	\$63.06	\$75.67
2018	700	\$7.10	\$10.03	\$41.77	\$58.90	\$70.68

- The new study implied a total change of the soft offer cap from about \$76/kW-year to about \$71/kW-year
  - This is about a 7% decline in costs from 2014 to 2018
- The largest single driver of these changes included updating the size of the resource from 550 to 700 MW
  - If this assumption was removed the change would be very small
- The resource mix on the system that would likely receive a CPM designation changed little in 4 years



## The ISO will continue to evaluate if the CPM offer cap is appropriate

- The CPUC and the ISO are expecting major changes in grid-makeup for compliance with the state GHG goals
  - Includes a shift to renewable resources and storage
- The CPUC IRP expects that the value for system capacity may be in excess of \$300/kW-year in 2022
  - Largely reflective of fixed costs for storage (or hybrid) resources
- ISO acknowledges these changes, but also wants to maintain that the CPM tool and the soft offer cap are meant for resources that are currently on the system
  - CPM is not a tool used to incentivize new resource build
  - Should be representative of existing resources in current fleet

## Other options may be used to determine the soft offer cap in the future

- The soft offer cap may switch from being based on a gas generator to a generator with a different fuel type
  - Ensure that the soft offer cap is reflective of current fleet
- The ISO may not continue to rely on values published by the CEC
  - An independent study may be used to determine resource costs
  - If system changes more rapidly the frequency that the ISO reviews this number may be updated (may be constructed annually)

## The ISO will file tariff changes reflective of the RMR-CPM enhancements proposal at FERC very shortly

- The ISO completed the RMR-CPM enhancements initiative in 2019
- Tariff changes included a proposal to adjust the methodology for CPM bids above the soft offer cap
- These changes were discussed at the ISO BOG meeting in March 2019 and were approved for filing and implementation
- ISO did not proceed with filing these specific changes as this (CPM soft offer cap) stakeholder initiative was ongoing

## Changes to bids above the soft offer cap are unchanged from what was initially proposed

- The ISO intends to file a primary proposal and an alternate proposal to FERC
  - The alternate proposal will only be considered if the primary proposal is rejected
- Today resources are allowed to bid above the soft offer cap and receive compensation equal to:
  - Full cost of service (like RMR resources) + retention of market revenues
- The primary proposal will update these payments to:
  - Going forward fixed costs + 20% + market rev. (like CPM soft offer cap)
- The alternate proposal will include a payment equal to:
  - Going forward fixed costs + market revenues

## The ISO will not implement any market power mitigation for 12-month designations

- The ISO received comments and feedback from stakeholders vocalizing concern about the payments for 12-month CPM designations
  - Market power may result in resources always receiving the SOC
- We heard and understand the concern from stakeholders, but are not choosing to implement changes at this time
- Implementation of the proposed market power mitigation measures would be contrary to changes that were just implemented in the RMR-CPM enhancements initiative
  - CPM and RMR compensation were clarified as being independent tools. CPM is a voluntary tool and receives going forward fixed costs; RMR is a mandatory tool and received full cost of service compensation.

## There is no further stakeholder action required on this initiative after the window for comments closes

- A review was completed for the soft offer cap and this value will not be updated
- Other methodologies may be considered in the future for calculation of the SOC, but none will be implemented now
  - CPM tool applies to exiting resources
- The grid composition will likely rapidly change in the future, which may require updates to the soft offer cap
- Additional market power mitigation measures for CPM designations may be considered in the future
- Changes to bids above the SOC will be filed at FERC
  - Changes were approved by ISO Board of Governors (March 2019) and will be filed after feedback on tariff language is received

## Next Steps

Date	Milestone
January 9	Stakeholder meeting
January 23	Comments due
February 2020	File tariff language changes at FERC

Stakeholders are encouraged to submit written comments by January 23, 2020 to [initiativecomments@caiso.com](mailto:initiativecomments@caiso.com).