



# Energy Storage Enhancements Issue Paper

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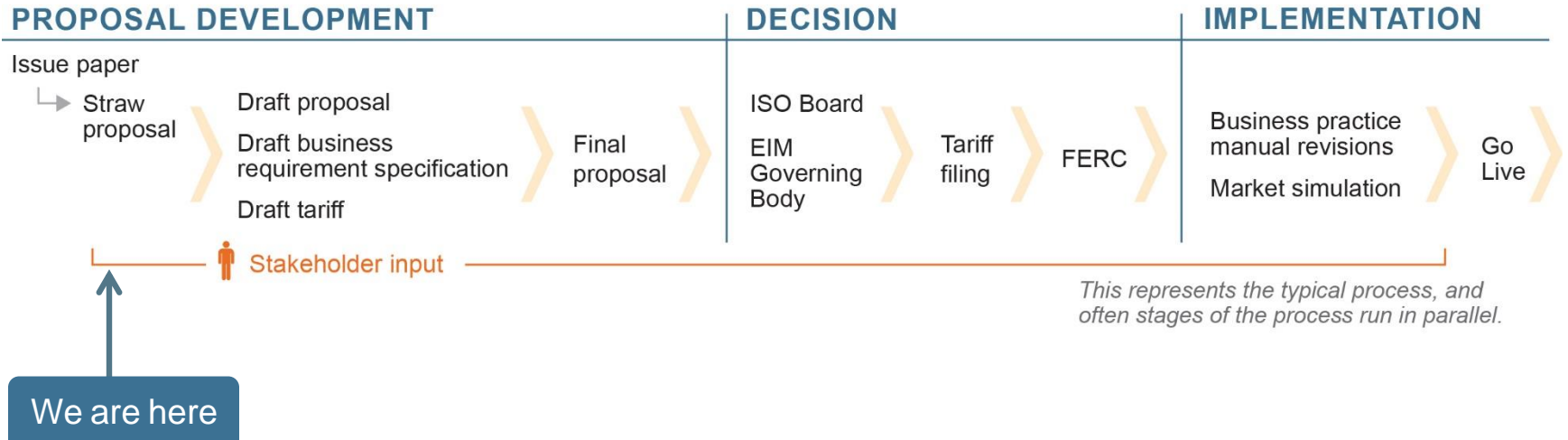
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# Agenda

Time	Item	Speaker
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9:10-9:30	Background and Scope	Gabe Murtaugh
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11:30-11:40	Variable Charging Rates	Gabe Murtaugh
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11:55-12:00	Next Steps	James Bishara

# ISO Policy Initiative Stakeholder Process



# BACKGROUND AND SCOPE

# The ISO continues to explore ways to best integrate and model storage

- The current market construct was generally designed to best optimize and operate gas resources
  - Typically capable of generating 24x7 with few to no use-limitations
  - May have costs that change with output range
- Storage resources behave differently than gas resources and have different cost structures
  - Storage can charge energy for discharge at a later time
  - Storage resources have limited energy storage capability
    - Nearly all storage in the ISO market is 4-hour duration
- More fundamental market modifications or redesigns may be necessary to accommodate storage resources

Marginal Costs for storage were discussed in detail during the ESDER 4 stakeholder initiative

Three factors drive storage resource costs:

1. Energy Costs – Charging costs and losses
2. Marginal cost to charge and discharge
  - Cell augmentation costs
3. Opportunity Costs - Value of energy in the future

The ESDER 4 policy assumed some simplifications for storage resources, and there could be further expansions to the current storage model to better capture costs

# REAL-TIME ENHANCEMENTS

# Multi-Interval Optimization (MIO) and Spread Bidding

- Today, the market dispatches all resources based on future expectations of market conditions
  - The multi-interval optimization is effective at positioning system and increasing overall market efficiency reducing uplift payments
  - The optimization can issue startup, shutdown and dispatch instructions for future conditions
- The market minimizes costs during binding and advisory periods
  - Dispatch instructions for storage may be ‘inconsistent’ with bids in the binding interval
- If a storage resource has a self schedule or exceptional dispatch to discharge, the resource will be charged to meet that schedule



# Multi-Interval Optimization (MIO) and Spread Bidding

- Feedback – Reduce or eliminate advisory intervals considered for storage resources
- Feedback – Real-time market should only consider specific dollar thresholds, rather than spread bids

# End of Horizon Opportunity Costs

- The real-time market considers future intervals between 65 minutes and two hours
  - These horizons cannot ‘save’ state of charge for use later in the day when selling opportunities may be greater
- Feedback – Allow storage to include an end of horizon opportunity cost in submitted bids

# Bid Cost Recovery

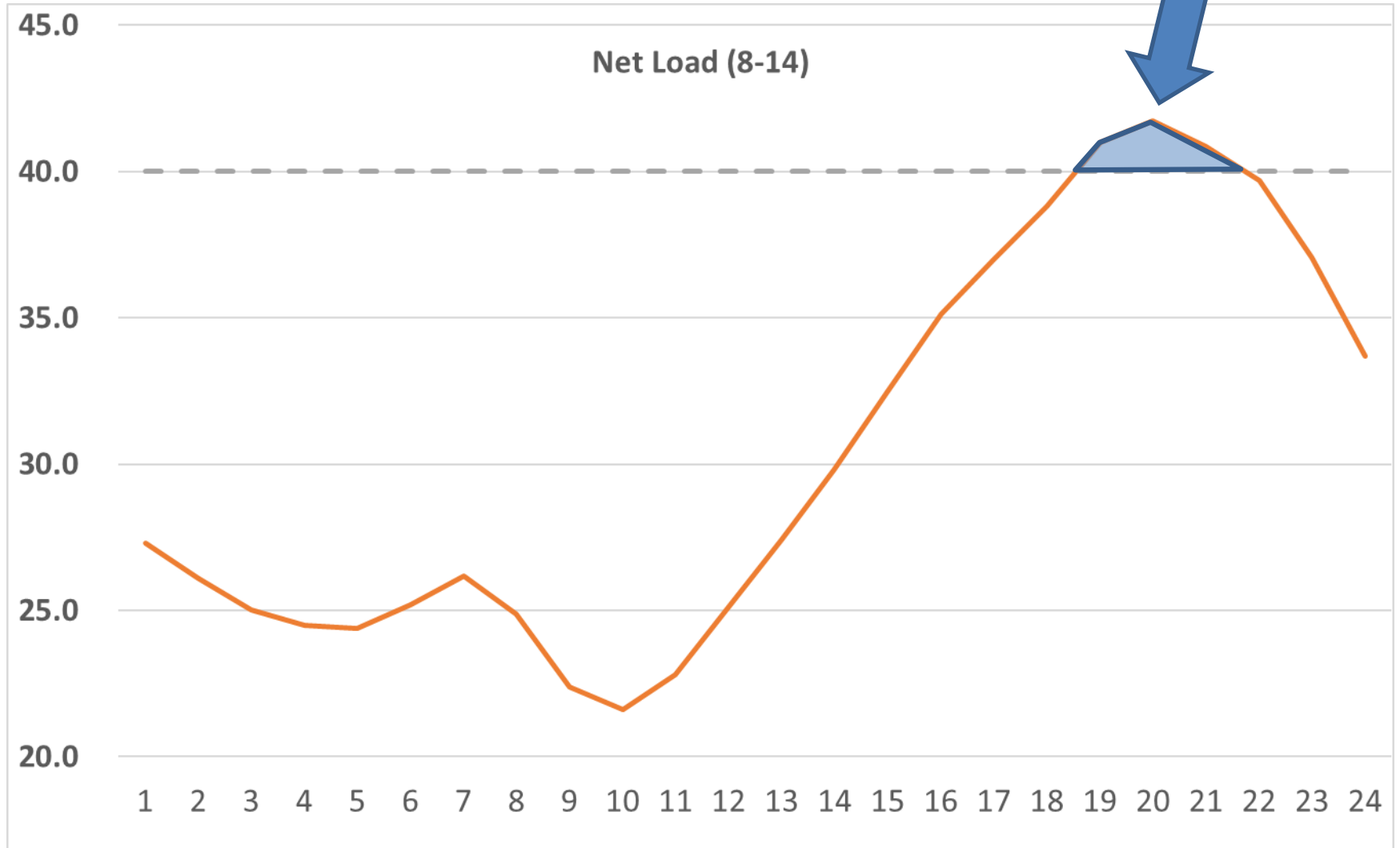
- Bid cost recovery provides compensation for net revenue shortfalls across the entire day
  - Day-ahead uplift is settled separately from the real-time market uplift
  - Storage resources only represent energy costs and do not have start costs, minimum load costs, or transition costs
- Bid cost recovery may be less necessary for storage if changes storage has better tools to represent costs
- Feedback – Net costs and revenues across charge/discharge cycle (8-9 hour period) instead of 24 hour period
- Feedback – Ensure that bid spread is met for charge and discharge energy

# ENSURING STATE OF CHARGE

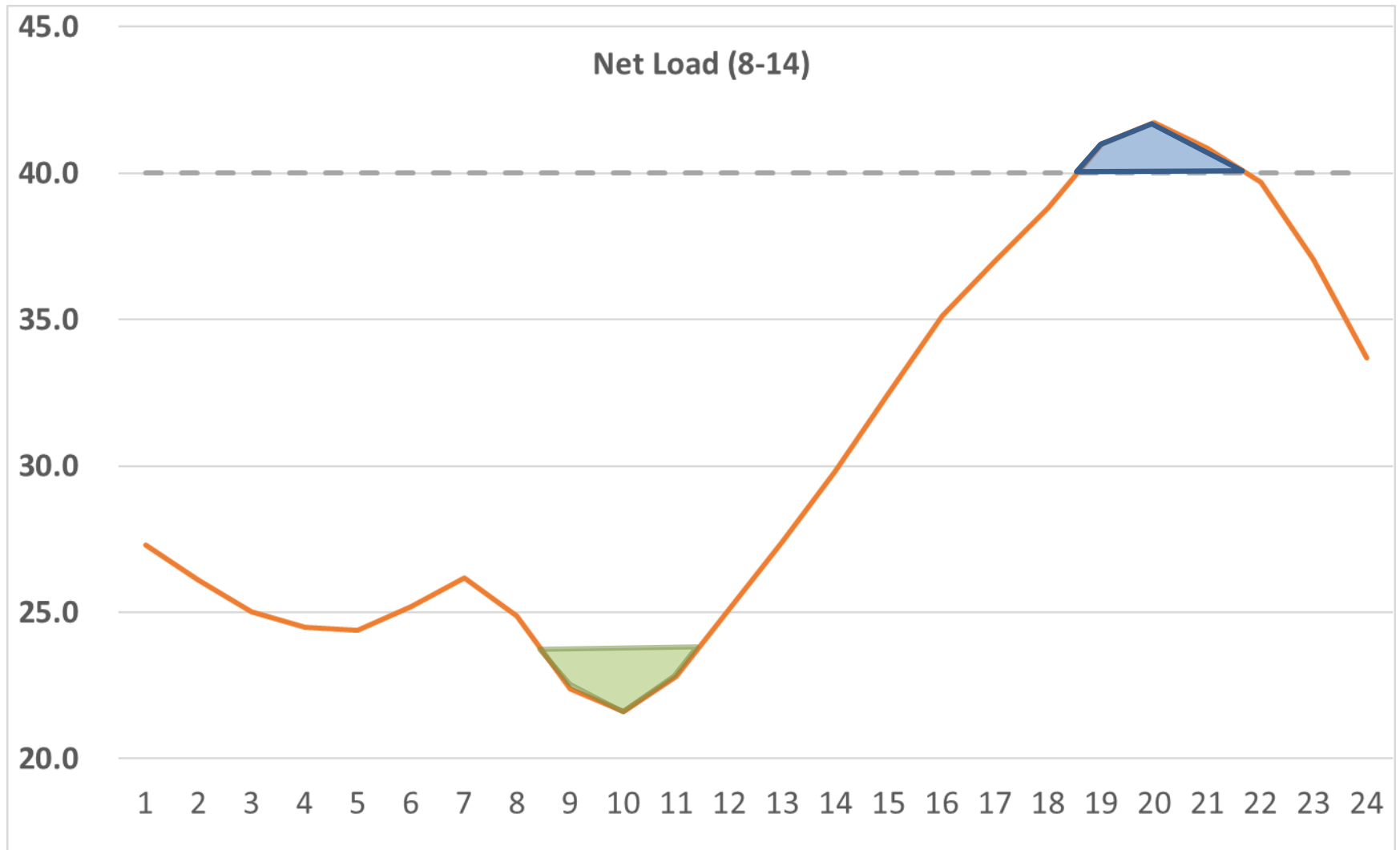
# The ISO will rely on storage resources to deliver energy to the market during certain periods

- Forecasts show that the ISO will require energy from storage resources to meet peak loads
  - Last summer all resources were needed to meet load, including storage
  - Periods where storage is critical will become more frequent as storage penetration increases and traditional resources retire
- The day-ahead market optimally charges and discharges storage so that demand is satisfied during all hours
  - On-peak summer day's energy is typically needed in the evening
  - The DA market will charge/discharge storage even if the resources are very expensive
  - The market charges the storage resources at the lowest priced hours of the day
- The real-time market cannot make the same decisions as DA market because of the limited look-ahead horizon

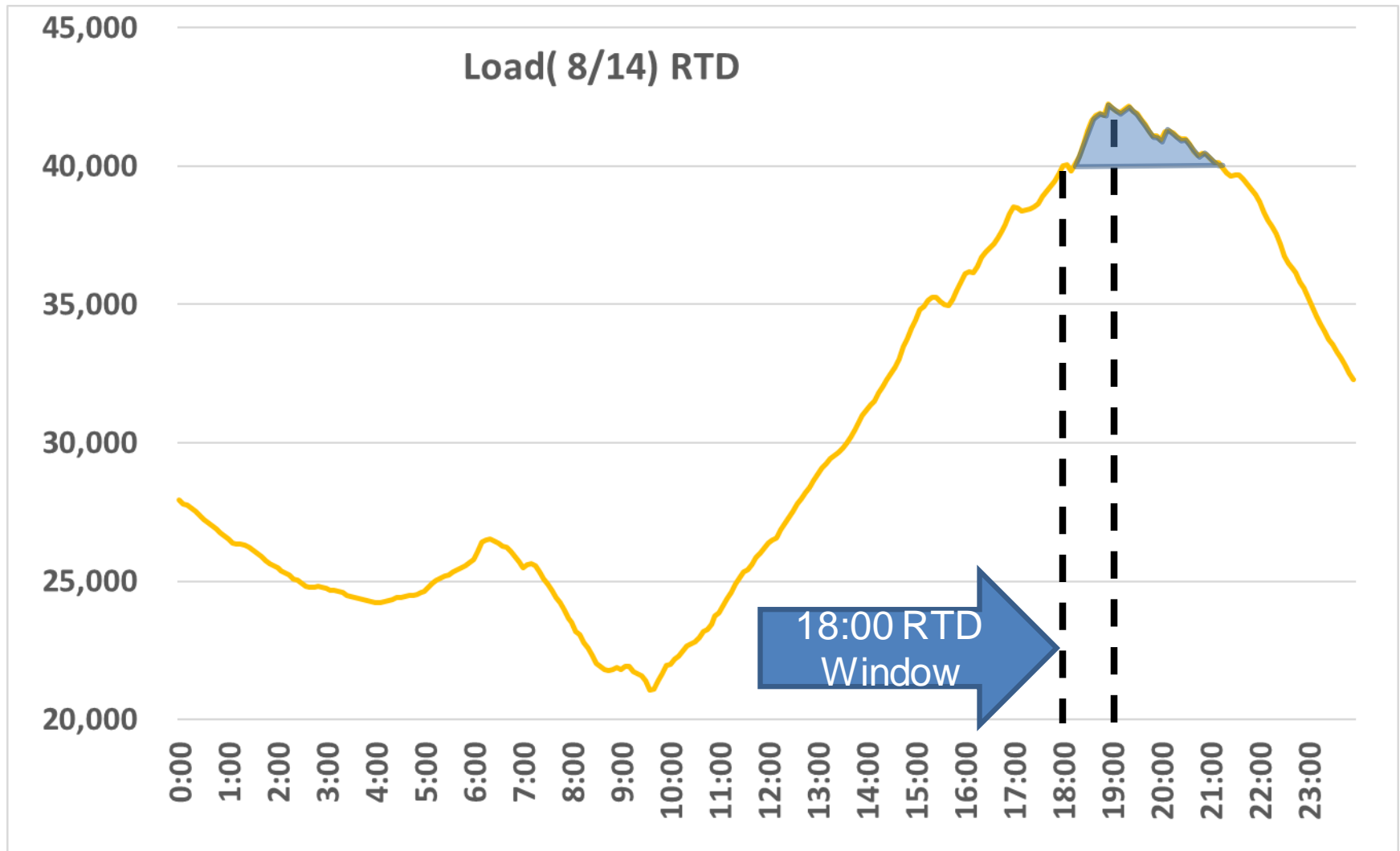
# The day-ahead market understands that gas generation cannot meet evening peaks



# The day-ahead market schedules the storage resource to charge and discharge efficiently



The real-time market only observes a fraction of the period where storage is critical





# Several potential solutions were discussed to this issue

- Expanding the look-ahead for the real-time market
  - This solution is technologically infeasible
- Scarcity pricing
  - Current \$2,000/MWh prices may be insufficient to deter all actions that could result in unavailability
- Apply prices to existing minimum state of charge tool
  - Prices may be difficult to compute, and may require inaccurate ex-post calculations
- Energy shift product
  - Product would specify energy that would be bought (at a certain time) and sold (at a certain time) in a single transaction
  - Day-ahead results may not be updated the real-time market
- Biddable state of charge product

# Any solution must address both ISO reliability concerns and storage compensation concerns

- Solution will be enhanced by real-time forecasts
  - Today, the minimum state of charge requirement is enforced day-ahead market results and is not updated in by real-time forecasts
  - As actual conditions change, requirements should be updated
- Any solution should be security constrained and result in reliable outcomes
  - Transmission congestion for storage should be accounted for
  - Solution should address local/zonal needs as well as system needs

# VARIABLE CHARGING RATES

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- Charging rates degrade as storage approaches full state of charge
  - Some storage resources are ‘oversized’ to avoid this problem
  - Current modeling only includes one  $P_{min}$  (max charge rate)
- Is the current model sufficient?
- Feedback – Model storage resources so that  $P_{min}$  can change based on state of charge

# EXCEPTIONAL DISPATCH

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- Exceptional dispatch is an instruction to a resource to provide a target MW value
  - Compensation is at the higher of bid or market prices
- Operators may want to have a specific amount of state of charge to set up grid for later in the day
  - Charging instructions may have appropriate compensation, but issuing instructions to hold energy receive no (little) compensation
- Feedback – Offer an exceptional dispatch for storage to move to a target state of charge (MWh) and include compensation for lost opportunities

# NEXT STEPS

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- All related information for the Energy Storage Enhancements initiative is available at:  
<https://stakeholdercenter.caiso.com/StakeholderInitiatives/Energy-storage-enhancements>
- Please submit stakeholder written comments on today's discussion and the storage enhancements issue paper by **May 19, 2021**, through the ISO's commenting tool
  - The commenting tool is located on the Stakeholder Initiatives landing page (click on the “commenting tool” icon):  
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