

# Market Performance Report September 2020

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ISO Market Quality and Renewable Integration

# **Executive Summary**<sup>1</sup>

The main highlights of market performance for September 2020 are summarized below.

### CAISO area performance:

- Peak loads for ISO area exceeded 40,000 MW for seven days in the beginning and the end of September driven by hot weather.
- Across the integrated forward market (IFM), fifteen-minute market (FMM) and real-time market (RTD), SDGE prices were elevated for a few days due to transmission congestion.
- Congestion rents for interties skidded to \$18.41 million from \$77.45 million in August. Majority of the congestion rents accrued on NOB (51 percent) and Malin500 (42) intertie.
- In the congestion revenue rights (CRR) market, the balancing account for September had a surplus of approximately \$15.75 million, which was allocated to measured demand.
- The monthly average ancillary service cost to load fell to \$1.21/MWh from 2.54/MWh in August. There were 11 scarcity events this month.
- Both the cleared virtual demand and cleared virtual supply trended upward this month. The profits from convergence bidding rose to \$9.62 million from \$5.82 million in August.
- The bid cost recovery slid to \$20.14 million from \$33.91 million in August.
- The real-time energy offset cost dropped to \$44.28 million from \$59.19 million in August. The real-time congestion offset cost rose to \$37.79 million from \$10.95 million in August.
- The volume of exceptional dispatch fell to 192,704 MWh from 256,583 MWh in August. The main reasons to the monthly volume were ramping capacity and load forecast uncertainty. The monthly average of total exceptional dispatch volume as a percentage of load percentage was 0.88 percent in September, falling from 1.06 percent in August.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> This report contains the highlights of the reporting period. For a more detailed explanation of the technical characteristics of the metrics included in this report please download the Market Performance Metric Catalog, which is available on the CAISO web site at <a href="http://www.caiso.com/market/Pages/ReportsBulletins/Default.aspx">http://www.caiso.com/market/Pages/ReportsBulletins/Default.aspx</a>.

Energy Imbalance market (EIM) performance,

- In the FMM and RTD, the prices for AZPS, NEVP, and SRP spiked on September 5 and 6 due to high load, transmission congestion, and transmission and generation outage.
- The monthly average prices in FMM for EIM entities (AZPS, BANCSMUD, BCHA, IPCO, NEVP, PACE, PACW, PGE, PSEI, SCL and SRP) were \$31.19, \$34.58, \$22.43, \$25.19, \$41.90, \$25.76, \$22.41, \$23.20, \$22.38, \$22.61, and \$31.38 respectively.
- The monthly average prices in RTD for EIM entities (AZPS, BANCSMUD, BCHA, IPCO, NEVP, PACE, PACW, PGE, PSEI, SCL and SRP) were
- \$28.97, \$32.07, \$21.78, \$23.64, \$41.02, \$24.85, \$20.87, \$24.42, \$21.67, \$21.88, and \$28.68 respectively.
- Bid cost recovery, real-time imbalance energy offset, and real-rime congestion offset costs for EIM entities (AZPS, BANCSMUD, BCHA, IPCO, NEVP, PACE, PACW, PGE, PSEI, SCL and SRP) were \$0.56 million, -\$4.81 million and -\$5.63 million respectively.

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### **Market Characteristics**

### Loads

Peak loads for ISO area exceeded 40,000 MW for seven days in the beginning and the end of September driven by hot weather. In the rest days of this month, peak loads were generally lower compared with August due to cooling weather.

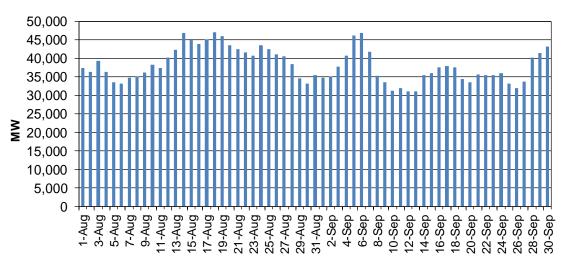


Figure 1: System Peak Load

# **Resource Adequacy Available Incentive Mechanism**

Resource Adequacy Availability Incentive Mechanism (RAAIM) was activated on November 1, 2016 to track the performance of Resource Adequacy (RA) Resources. RAAIM is used to determine the availability of resources providing local and/or system Resource Adequacy Capacity and Flexible RA Capacity each month and then assess the resultant Availability Incentive Payments and Non-Availability Charges through the CAISO's settlements process. Table 1 below shows total non-availability charge, total availability incentive payment, system RA average actual availability, and flexible RA average actual availability separately.

**Table 1: Resource Adequacy Availability and Payment** 

	Total Non- availability Charge	Total Availability Incentive Payment	Flexible Average Actual Availability	System Average Actual Availability
Jan19	\$1,381,334	-\$1,381,334	98.25%	96.69%
Feb19	\$1,858,922	-\$1,837,042	95.73%	97.27%
Mar19	\$1,454,246	-\$1,472,376	96.64%	97.19%
Apr19	\$3,792,889	-\$2,039,727	93.83%	93.72%
May19	\$2,809,132	-\$2,753,623	93.31%	97.51%
Jun19	\$3,331,178	-\$1,992,534	92.66%	96.62%
Jul19	\$1,648,195	-\$2,042,559	97.03%	97.01%
Aug19	\$2,214,156	-\$2,728,227	97.45%	95.96%
Sep19	\$3,162,035	-\$2,988,545	96.77%	94.98%
Oct19	\$1,094,547	-\$2,247,052	97.51%	97.52%
Nov19	\$1,742,336	-\$2,050,742	96.60%	95.76%
Dec19	\$2,681,338	-\$2,425,090	95.21%	95.57%
Jan20	\$1,510,951	-\$1,510,951	96.91%	97.32%
Feb20	\$2,560,794	-\$1,957,751	97.37%	94.29%
Mar20	\$2,020,680	-\$2,200,356	96.30%	96.43%
Apr20	\$1,615,066	-\$2,038,434	96.84%	97.14%
May20	\$1,692,803	-\$1,692,803	96.57%	97.00%
Jun20	\$1,626,128	-\$1,626,128	97.48%	96.41%
Jul20	\$3,491,083	-\$2,618,070	97.19%	94.48%
Aug20	\$2,837,514	-\$3,000,865	96.51%	95.97%
Sep20	\$4,214,561	-\$3,064,541	95.98%	94.42%

### **Direct Market Performance Metrics**

# **Energy**

### **Day-Ahead Prices**

Figure 2 shows daily prices of four default load aggregate points (DLAPs). Table 2 below lists the binding constraints along with the associated DLAP locations and the dates when the binding constraints resulted in relatively high or low DLAP prices. September 6 saw elevated prices for all four DLAPs due to high loads driven by the hot weather.

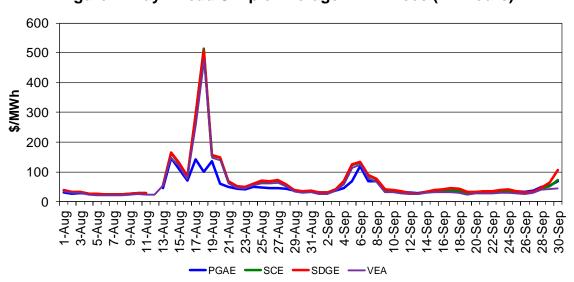


Figure 2: Day-Ahead Simple Average LAP Prices (All Hours)

**Table 2: Day-Ahead Transmission Constraints** 

DLAP	Date	Transmission Constraint
PGAE	September 4,5,7	MIDWAY-VINCENT-500 kV line
SDGE	September 30	MAXBURN_ALISO_SOUTHERN,
		7820_TL23040_IV_SPS_NG,
		MIGUEL-MIGUELMP-500 XFMR

### **Real-Time Prices**

FMM daily prices of the four DLAPs are shown in Figure 3.

Table 3 lists the binding constraints along with the associated DLAP locations and the dates when the binding constraints resulted in relatively high or low DLAP prices.

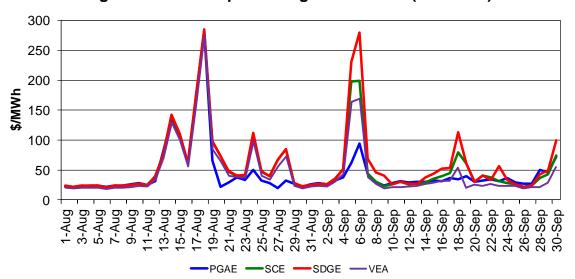


Figure 3: FMM Simple Average LAP Prices (All Hours)

**Table 3: FMM Transmission Constraints** 

DLAP	Date	Transmission Constraint
PGAE	September 4-6	MIDWAY-VINCENT-500 kV line
SDGE	September 7-9	MIGUEL_BKs_MXFLW_NG
SDGE	September 18, 30	MAXBURN_ALISO_SOUTHERN

Figure 4 below shows the daily frequency of positive price spikes and negative prices by price range for the default LAPs in the FMM. The cumulative frequency of prices above \$250/MWh decreased to 1.66 percent in September from 2.78 percent in August. The cumulative frequency of negative prices inched down to 0.24 percent in September from 0.33 percent in August.

Figure 4: Daily Frequency of FMM LAP Positive Price Spikes and Negative Prices

RTD daily prices of the four DLAPs are shown in Figure 5. Table 4 lists the binding constraints along with the associated DLAP locations and the dates when the binding constraints resulted in relatively high or low DLAP prices.

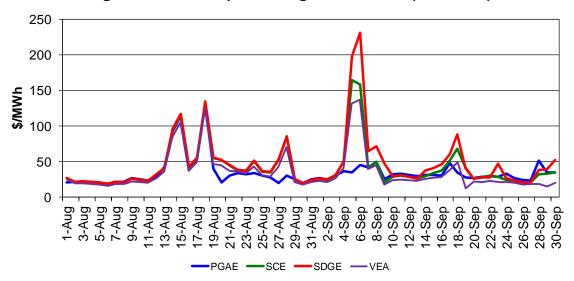


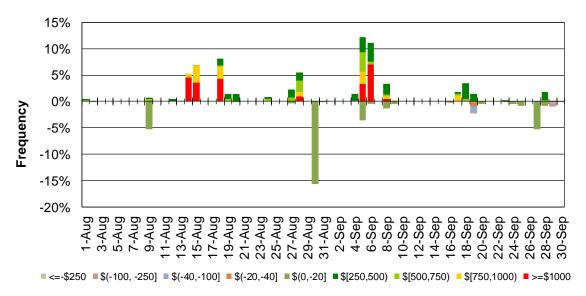
Figure 5: RTD Simple Average LAP Prices (All Hours)

**Table 4: RTD Transmission Constraints** 

DLAP	Date	Transmission Constraint
PGAE	September 5-6	MIDWAY-VINCENT-500 kV line
SDGE	September 7-9	MIGUEL_BKs_MXFLW_NG
SDGE	September 18	MAXBURN_ALISO_SOUTHERN

Figure 6 below shows the daily frequency of positive price spikes and negative prices by price range for the default LAPs in RTD. The cumulative frequency of prices above \$250/MWh increased to 1.24 percent in September from 1.08 percent in August. The cumulative frequency of negative prices decreased to 0.58 percent in September from 0.70 percent in August.

Figure 6: Daily Frequency of RTD LAP Positive Price Spikes and Negative Price



# Congestion

### **Congestion Rents on Interties**

Figure 7 below illustrates the daily integrated forward market congestion rents by interties. The cumulative total congestion rent for interties in September skidded to \$18.41 million from \$77.45 million in August. Majority of the congestion rents in September accrued on NOB (51 percent) and Malin500 (42 percent) intertie.

The congestion rent on Malin500 dropped to \$7.78 million in September from \$33.74 million in August. The congestion rent on NOB fell to \$9.48 million in September from \$43.62 million in August.

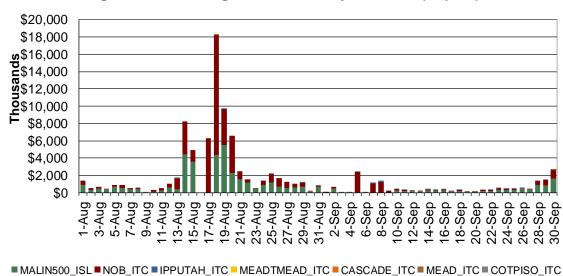


Figure 7: IFM Congestion Rents by Interties (Import)

### Average Congestion Cost per Load Served

This metric quantifies the average congestion cost for serving one megawatt of load in the ISO system. Figure 8 shows the daily and monthly averages for the day-ahead and real-time markets respectively.

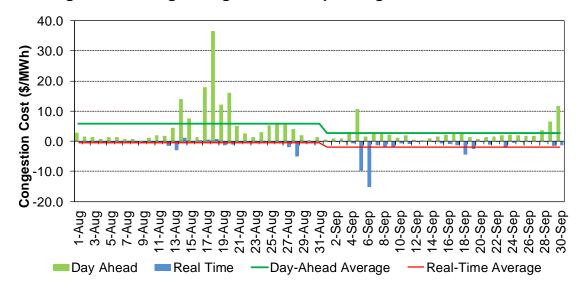


Figure 8: Average Congestion Cost per Megawatt of Served Load

The average congestion cost per MWh of load served in the integrated forward market decreased to \$2.69/MWh in September from \$5.78/MWh in August. The average congestion cost per load served in the real-time market slid to -\$1.85/MWh in September from -\$0.47/MWh in August.

# **Congestion Revenue Rights**

Congestion revenue rights auction efficiency 1B became in effect on January 1, 2019. It includes key changes related to the congestion revenue rights settlements process:

- Targeted reduction of congestion revenue rights payouts on a constraint by constraint basis.
- Distribute congestion revenues to the extent that CAISO collected the requisite revenue on the constraint over the month. That is, implement a pro-rata funding for CRRs.
- Allow surpluses on one constraint in one hour to offset deficits on the same constraint in another hour over the course of the month.
- Only distribute surpluses to congestion revenue rights if the surplus is collected on a constraint that the congestion revenue right accrued a deficit, and only up to the full target payment value of the congestion revenue right.
- Distribute remaining surplus revenue at the end of the month, which are associated with constraints that collect more surplus over the month than deficits, to measured demand.

Figure 9 illustrates the CRR notional value in the corresponding month for the various transmission elements that experienced congestion during the month. CRR notional value is calculated as the product of CRR implied flow and constraint shadow price in each hour per constraint and CRR.

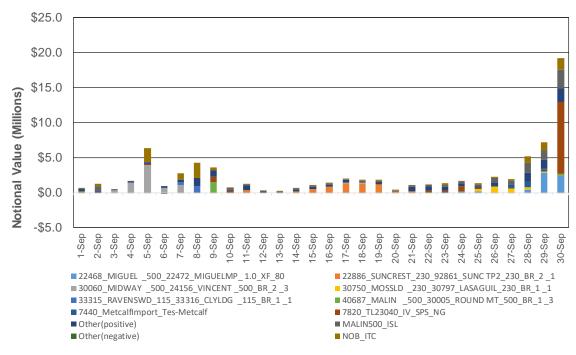


Figure 9: Daily CRR Notional Value by Transmission Element

Figure 10 illustrates the daily CRR offset value in the corresponding month for the transmission elements that experienced congestion during the month.

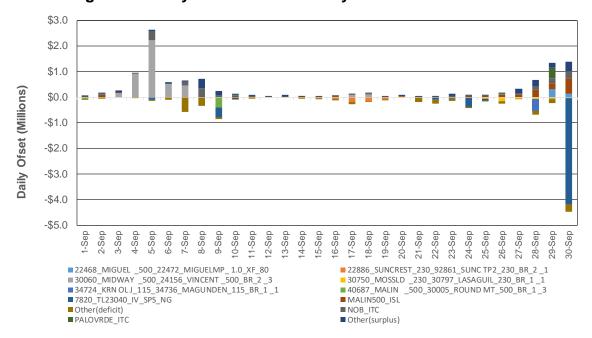


Figure 10: Daily CRR Offset Value by Transmission Element

CRR offset value is the difference between the revenue collected from the dayahead congestion and CRR notional value. It is also calculated in each hour per constraint and CRR. A positive CRR offset value represents surplus and a negative CRR offset value represents shortfall.

The main reasons for CRR offset surplus are

- The line 30060\_MIDWAY\_500\_24156\_VINCENT \_500\_BR\_2 \_3 was binding in nine days of this month, resulting in offset surplus of \$4.53 million.
- NOB intertie was binding in most days of this month, resulting in offset surplus of \$1.91 million. NOB was derated this month for various outages including the outages of Malin-Round Mountain #2 500 kV line and Table Mountain-Vaca 500 kV series capacitor.
- Malin intertie was binding in most days of this month, resulting in offset surplus of \$1.77 million. Malin was derated this month for various outages including the outage of Victorville-Century #1 287 kV line and various BPA equipment outages.

The main reasons for CRR offset shortfall is

 The nomogram 7820\_TL23040\_IV\_SPS\_NG was binding in ten days of this month, resulting in offset shortfall of \$5.37 million. This nomogram was enforced for the operating procedure 7820.

The shares of the CRR payment on various congested transmission elements for the reporting period are shown in Figure 11 and the monthly summary for CRR revenue adequacy is provided in Table 5.

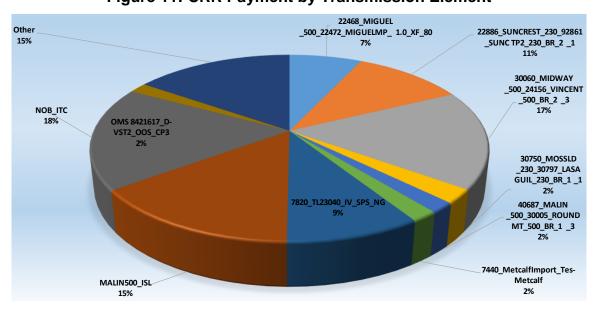


Figure 11: CRR Payment by Transmission Element

Net monthly balancing surplus in September was \$9.52 million. The auction revenues credited to the balancing account for September was \$6.23 million. As a result, the balancing account for September had a surplus of approximately \$15.75 million, which was allocated to measured demand.

**Table 5: CRR Revenue Adequacy Statistics** 

Row	Description	Formula	Amount
1	CRR Notional Value		\$51,870,755
2	CRR Deficit		-\$6,415,116
3	CRR Settlement Rule		-\$14,637
4	CRR Adjusted Payment		\$45,441,002
5	CRR Surplus		\$8,854,835
6	Monthly Auction Revenue		\$3,967,352
7	Annual Auction Revenue		\$2,262,065
8	CRR Daily Balancing Account		\$6,893,537
9	Net Monthly Balancing Surplus	row 5 + row 8 - (row 6 + row 7)	\$9,518,956
10	Allocation to Measured Demand	row 6 + row 7 + row9	\$15,748,372

# **Ancillary Services**

### IFM (Day-Ahead) Average Price

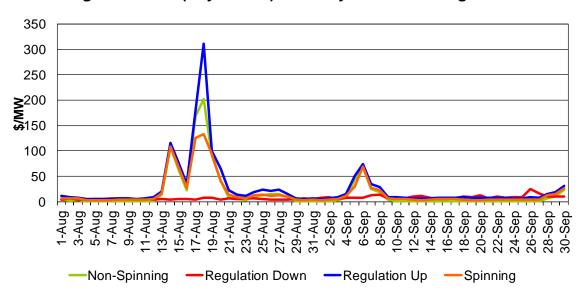
Table 6 shows the monthly IFM average ancillary service procurements and the monthly average prices. In September the monthly average procurement increased for regulation up and regulation down.

Table 6: IFM (Day-Ahead) Monthly Average Ancillary Service Procurement

Average Procurred			Average Price					
	Reg Up	Reg Dn	Spinning	Non-Spinning	Reg Up	Reg Dn	Spinning	Non-Spinning
Sep-20	413	636	998	965	\$14.68	\$9.73	\$10.55	\$7.25
Aug-20	368	571	1172	1085	\$37.33	\$5.54	\$24.86	\$25.99
<b>Percent Change</b>	12.40%	11.35%	-14.79%	-11.04%	-60.69%	75.82%	-57.58%	-72.09%

The monthly average prices decreased for regulation up, spinning and non-spinning reserves in September. Figure 12 shows the daily IFM average ancillary service prices. The average prices for regulation up, spinning and non-spinning reserves were elevated on September 5-8 due to high opportunity cost of energy.

Figure 12: IFM (Day-Ahead) Ancillary Service Average Price



### **Ancillary Service Cost to Load**

The monthly average cost to load fell to \$1.21/MWh in September from 2.54/MWh in August. On September 5-8, the average costs were high due to high prices for regulation up, spinning and non-spinning reserves in day-ahead market.

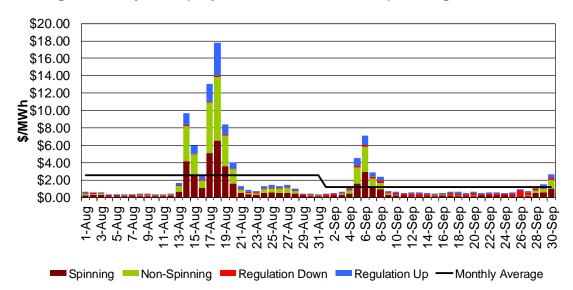


Figure 13: System (Day-Ahead and Real-Time) Average Cost to Load

### **Scarcity Events**

The ancillary services scarcity pricing mechanism is triggered when the ISO is not able to procure the target quantity of one or more ancillary services in the IFM and real-time market runs. The scarcity events in September are shown in the table below.

Date	Hour	Intonial	Ancillary	Pagion	Shortfall	Percentage of
	Ending	Interval	Service	Region	(MW)	Requirement
Sept. 5	18	4	Non-Spin	SP26_EXP	158.32	36%
Sept. 5	19	2	Non-Spin	SP26_EXP	178.34	42%
Sept. 5	19	3	Non-Spin	SP26_EXP	197.14	46%
Sept. 5	19	4	Non-Spin	SP26_EXP	156.21	37%
Sept. 5	20	2	Non-Spin	SP26_EXP	281.52	68%
Sept. 5	20	2	Spin	SP26_EXP	49.07	12%
Sept. 6	19	2	Spin	SP26_EXP	30.56	7%
Sept. 6	19	3	Spin	SP26_EXP	36.8	8%
Sept. 6	20	3	Non-Spin	SP26_EXP	4.08	1%
Sept. 20	11	2	Regulation Up	SP26_EXP	5.55	5%
Sept. 20	11	3	Regulation Up	SP26_EXP	9.8	9%

# **Convergence Bidding**

Figure 14 below shows the daily average volume of cleared virtual bids in IFM for virtual supply and virtual demand. Both the cleared virtual demand and cleared virtual supply trended upward this month. The missing values in mid-August were due to the temporal suspension of convergence bids.

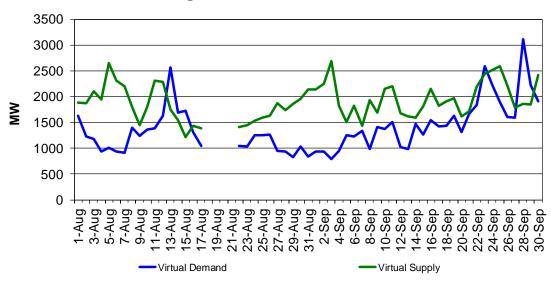


Figure 14: Cleared Virtual Bids

Convergence bidding tends to cause the day-ahead market and real-time market prices to move closer together, or "converge". Figure 15 shows the energy prices (namely the energy component of the LMP) in IFM, hour ahead scheduling process (HASP), FMM, and RTD.

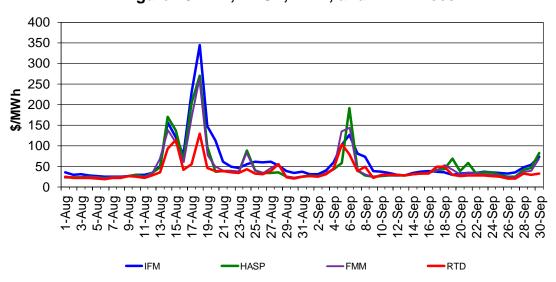
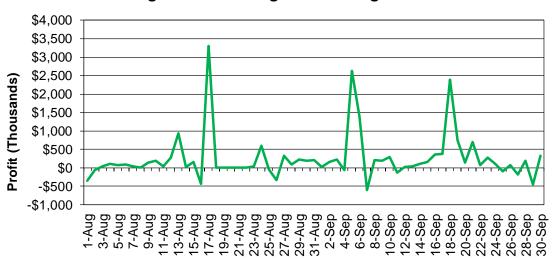


Figure 15: IFM, HASP, FMM, and RTD Prices

Figure 16 shows the profits that convergence bidders receive from convergence bidding. The total profits from convergence bidding in September rose to \$9.62 million from \$5.82 million in August.



**Figure 16: Convergence Bidding Profits** 

### **Renewable Generation Curtailment**

Figure 17 below shows the monthly wind and solar VERs (variable energy resource) curtailment due to system wide condition or local congestion in RTD. Figure 18 shows the monthly wind and solar VERs (variable energy resource) curtailment by resource type in RTD. Economic curtailment is defined as the resource's dispatch upper limit minus its RTD schedule when the resource has an economic bid. Dispatch upper limit is the maximum level the resource can be dispatched to when various factors are take into account such as forecast, maximum economic bid, generation outage, and ramping capacity. Self-schedule curtailment is defined as the resource's self-schedule minus its RTD schedule when RTD schedule is lower than self-schedule. When a VER resource is exceptionally dispatched, then exceptional dispatch curtailment is defined as the dispatch upper limit minus the exceptional dispatch value.

As Figure 17 and Figure 18 below show, the renewable curtailment increased in September. The majority of the curtailment was economic and local.

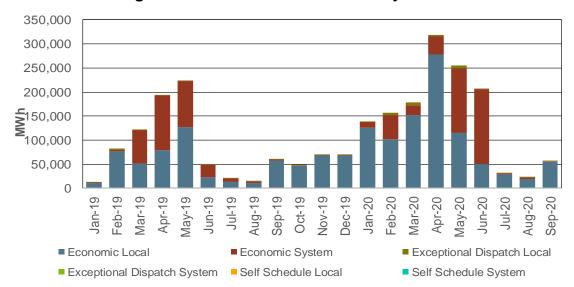
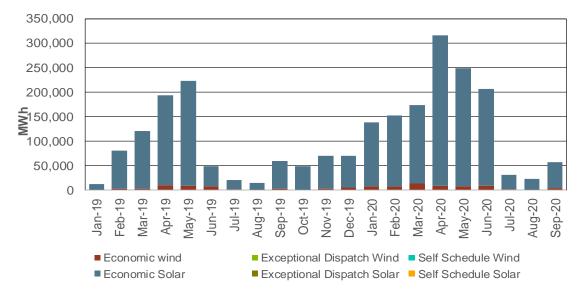


Figure 17: Renewable Curtailment by Reason





# Flexible Ramping Product

On November 1, 2016 the ISO implemented two market products in the 15-minute and 5-minute markets: Flexible Ramping Up and Flexible Ramping Down uncertainty awards. These products provide additional upward and downward flexible ramping capability to account for uncertainty due to demand and renewable forecasting errors. In addition, the existing flexible ramping sufficiency test was extended to ensure feasible ramping capacity for real-time interchange schedules.

### **Flexible Ramping Product Payment**

Figure 19 shows the flexible ramping up and down uncertainty payments. Flexible ramping up uncertainty payment increased to \$561,421 in September from \$394,890 in August. Flexible ramping down uncertainty payment inched up to -\$1,285 in September from -\$2,456 in August.

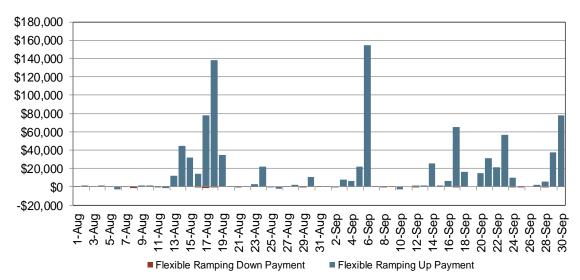


Figure 19: Flexible Ramping Up/down Uncertainty Payment

Figure 20 shows the flexible ramping forecast payment. Flexible ramping forecast payment fell to \$224,718 this month from \$277,642 in August.

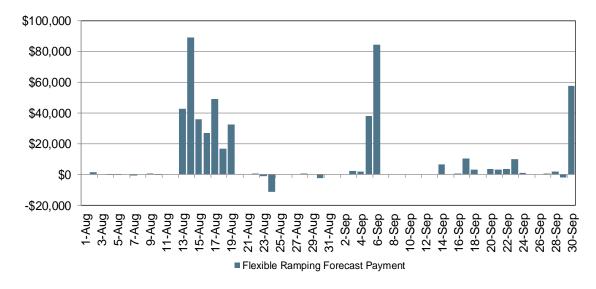


Figure 20: Flexible Ramping Forecast Payment

# **Indirect Market Performance Metrics**

### **Bid Cost Recovery**

Figure 21 shows the daily uplift costs due to exceptional dispatch payments. The monthly uplift costs in September dropped to \$3.56 million from \$8.01 million in August.

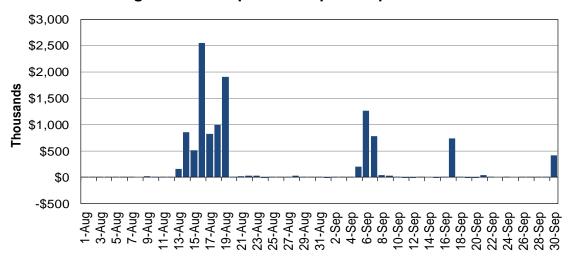


Figure 21: Exceptional Dispatch Uplift Costs

Figure 22 shows the allocation of bid cost recovery payment in the IFM, residual unit commitment (RUC) and RTM markets. The total bid cost recovery for September slid to \$20.14 million from \$33.91 million in August. Out of the total monthly bid cost recovery payment for the three markets in September, the IFM market contributed 15 percent, RTM contributed 37 percent, and RUC contributed 48 percent of the total bid cost recovery payment.

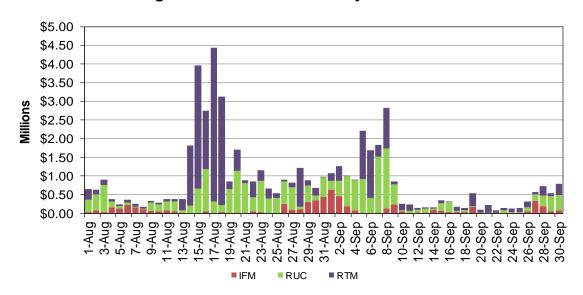


Figure 22: Bid Cost Recovery Allocation

Figure 23 and Figure 24 show the daily and monthly BCR cost by local capacity requirement area (LCR) respectively.

\$5.00 \$4.50 \$4.00 \$3.50 \$3.00 \$2.50 \$2.00 \$1.50 \$1.00 \$0.50 \$0.00 11-Aug 7-Aug 9-Aug 13-Aug 31-Aug 4-Sep 6-Sep 8-Sep 10-Sep 12-Sep 14-Sep 5-Aug 17-Aug 2-Sep 27-Aug 29-Aug 16-Sep 18-Sep 20-Sep 22-Sep

Figure 23: Bid Cost Recovery Allocation by LCR

Figure 24: Monthly Bid Cost Recovery Allocation by LCR

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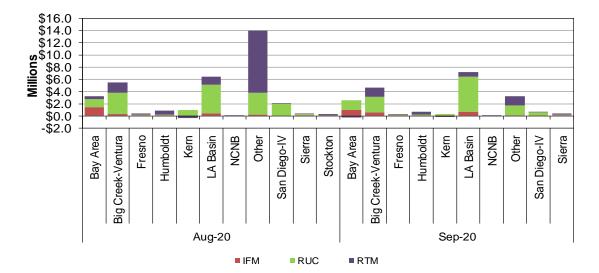
■ NCNB

Stockton

■ Big Creek-Ventura

LA Basin

Sierra



■ Bay Area

■ San Diego-IV

■ Kern

■ Humboldt

Other

Figure 25 and Figure 26 show the daily and monthly BCR cost by utility distribution company (UDC) respectively.

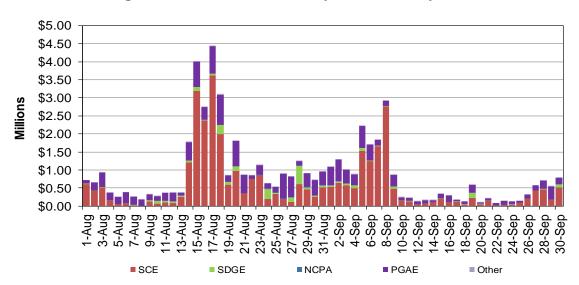


Figure 25: Bid Cost Recovery Allocation by UDC



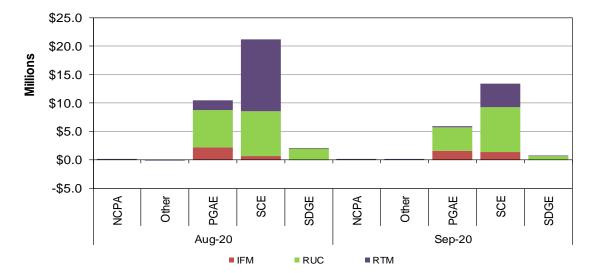


Figure 27 shows the cost related to BCR by cost type in RUC.



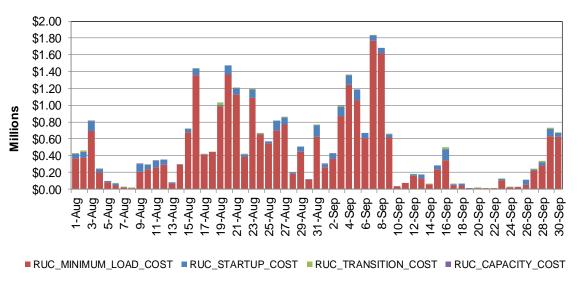
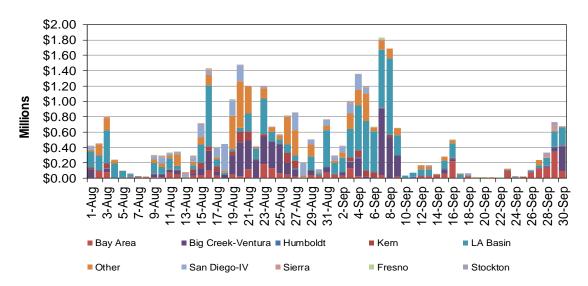


Figure 28 and Figure 29 show the daily and monthly cost related to BCR by type and LCR in RUC respectively.

Figure 28: Cost in RUC by LCR



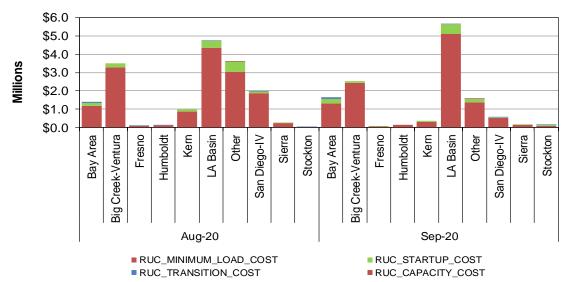


Figure 29: Monthly Cost in RUC by LCR

Figure 30 and Figure 31 show the daily and monthly cost related to BCR by type and UDC in RUC respectively.

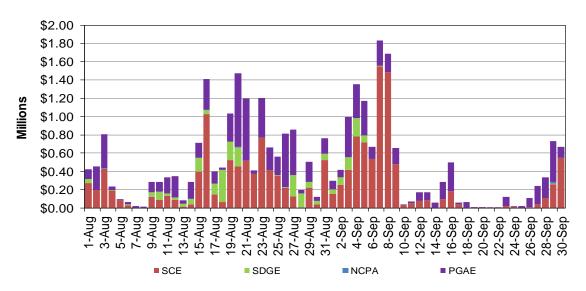


Figure 30: Cost in RUC by UDC

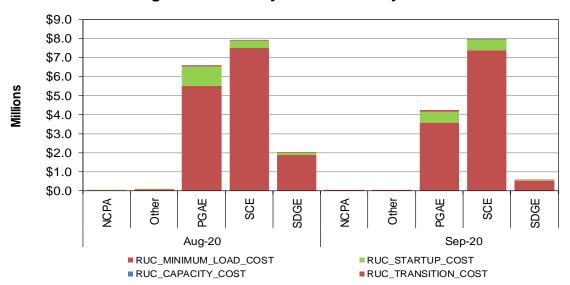


Figure 31: Monthly Cost in RUC by UDC

Figure 32 shows the cost related to BCR in real time by cost type. Minimum load cost and real-time energy cost contributed largely to the real time cost this month.

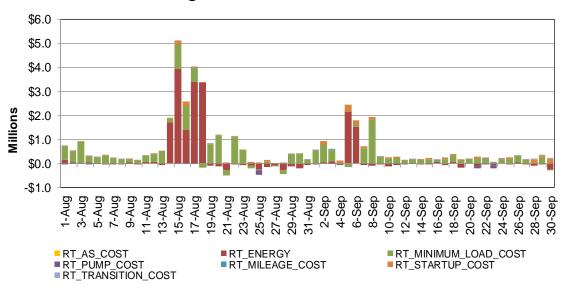


Figure 32: Cost in Real Time

Figure 33 and Figure 34 show the daily and monthly cost related to BCR by type and LCR in real time respectively.

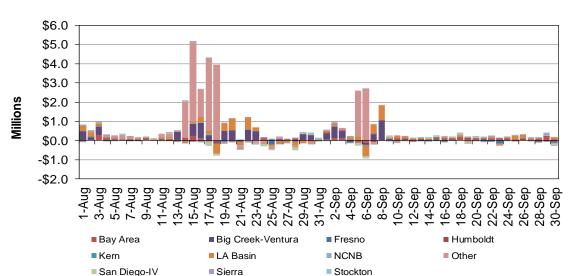


Figure 33: Cost in Real Time by LCR



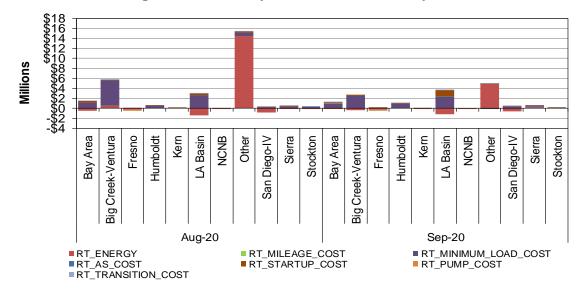


Figure 35 and Figure 36 show the daily and monthly cost related to BCR by type and UDC in Real Time respectively.

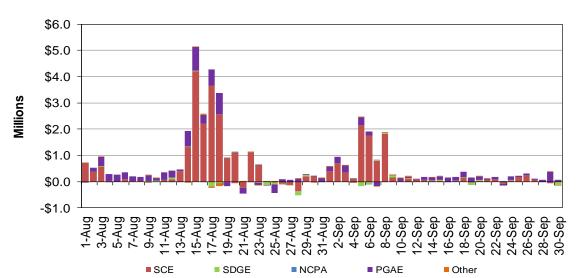


Figure 35: Cost in Real Time by UDC



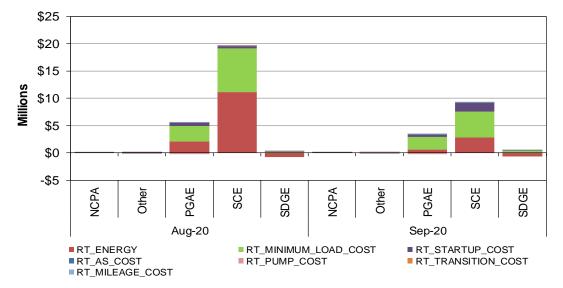


Figure 37 shows the cost related to BCR in IFM by cost type.



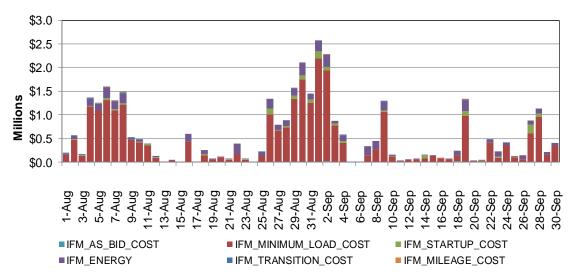
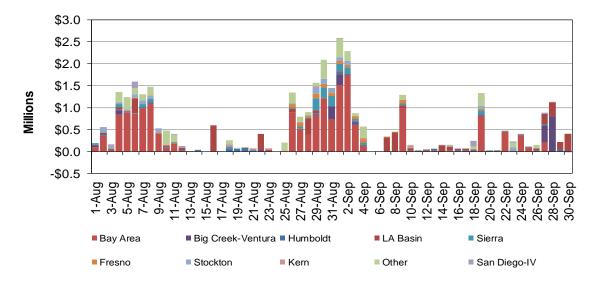


Figure 38 and Figure 39 show the daily and monthly cost related to BCR by type and location in IFM respectively.

Figure 38: Cost in IFM by LCR



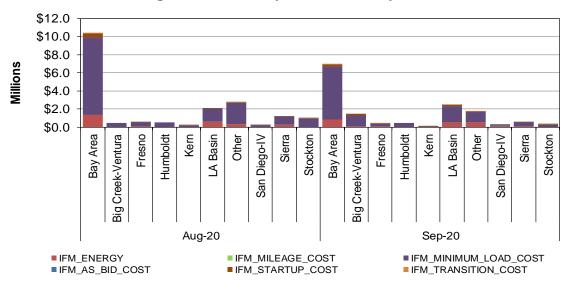


Figure 39: Monthly Cost in IFM by LCR

Figure 40 and Figure 41 show the daily and monthly cost related to BCR by type and UDC in IFM respectively.

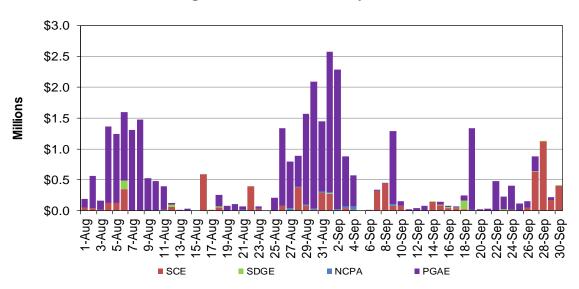


Figure 40: Cost in IFM by UDC

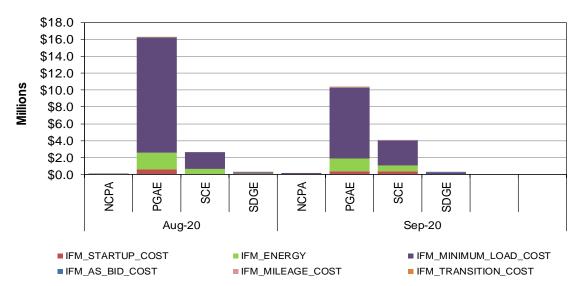


Figure 41: Monthly Cost in IFM by UDC

### **Real-time Imbalance Offset Costs**

Figure 42 shows the daily real-time energy and congestion imbalance offset costs. Real-time energy offset cost dropped to \$44.28 million in September from \$59.19 million in August. Real-time congestion offset cost in September rose to \$37.79 million from \$10.95 million in August.

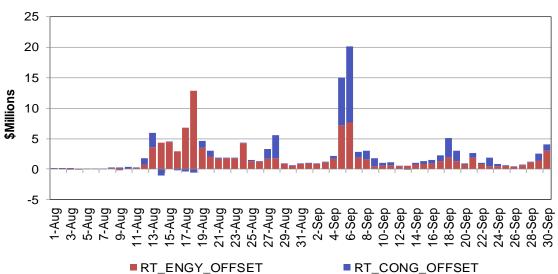


Figure 42: Real-Time Energy and Congestion Imbalance Offset

### **Market Software Metrics**

Market performance can be confounded by software issues, which vary in severity levels with the failure of a market run being the most severe.

### **Market Disruption**

A market disruption is an action or event that causes a failure of an ISO market, related to system operation issues or system emergencies.<sup>2</sup> Pursuant to section 7.7.15 of the ISO tariff, the ISO can take one or more of a number of specified actions to prevent a market disruption, or to minimize the extent of a market disruption.

Table 7 lists the number of market disruptions and the number of times that the ISO removed bids (including self-schedules) in any of the following markets in this month. The ISO markets include IFM, RUC, FMM and RTD processes

Type of CAISO Market	Market Disruption or Reportable	Removal of Bids (including Self-Schedules)
Day-Ahead		
IFM	0	0
RUC	0	0
Real-Time		
FMM Interval 1	3	0
FMM Interval 2	1	0
FMM Interval 3	1	0
FMM Interval 4	3	0

**Table 7: Summary of Market Disruption** 

There were a total of 49 market disruptions this month. Figure 43 shows the frequency of IFM, HASP (FMM interval 2), FMM (intervals 1, 3 and 4), and RTD failures. On September 6, there were 18 RTD market disruptions due to application problem. On September 18, there were one HASP, four FMM and 11 RTD market disruptions due to application not being running.

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Real-Time Dispatch

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> These system operation issues or system emergencies are referred to in Sections 7.6 and 7.7, respectively, of the ISO tariff.

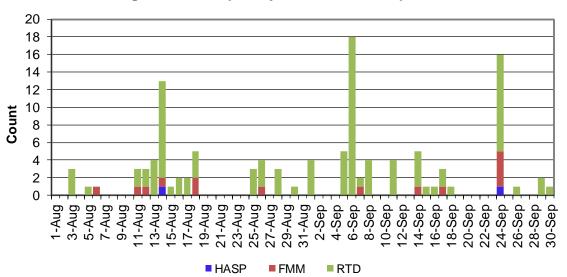


Figure 43: Frequency of Market Disruption

# **Manual Market Adjustment**

# **Exceptional Dispatch**

Figure 44 shows the daily volume of exceptional dispatches, broken out by market type: real-time incremental dispatch and real-time decremental dispatch. The real-time exceptional dispatches are among one of the following types: a unit commitment at physical minimum; an incremental dispatch above the day-ahead schedule and a decremental dispatch below the day-ahead schedule.

The total volume of exceptional dispatch in September fell to 192,704 MWh from 256,583 MWh in August.

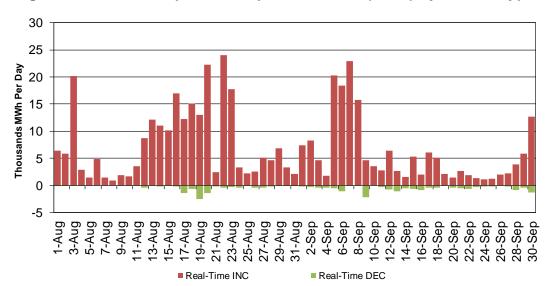


Figure 44: Total Exceptional Dispatch Volume (MWh) by Market Type

Figure 45 shows the volume of the exceptional dispatch broken out by reason.<sup>3</sup> The majority of the exceptional dispatch volumes in September were driven by ramping capacity (29 percent), load forecast uncertainty (26 percent), reliability assessment (15 percent), and planned transmission outage (14 percent).

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> For details regarding the reasons for exceptional dispatch please read the white paper at this link: <a href="http://www.caiso.com/1c89/1c89d76950e00.html">http://www.caiso.com/1c89/1c89d76950e00.html</a>.

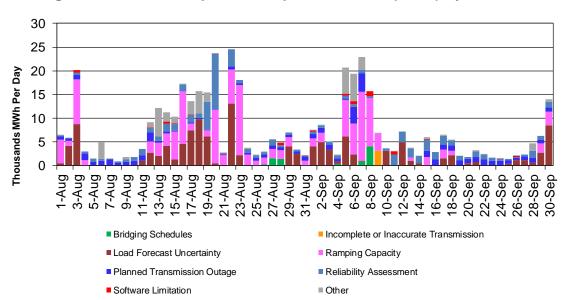


Figure 45: Total Exceptional Dispatch Volume (MWh) by Reason

Figure 46 shows the total exceptional dispatch volume as a percent of load, along with the monthly average. The monthly average percentage was 0.88 percent in September, falling from 1.06 percent in August.

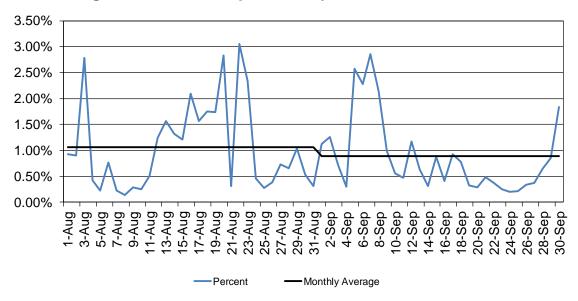


Figure 46: Total Exceptional Dispatch as Percent of Load

# **Energy Imbalance Market**

On November 1, 2014, the California Independent System Operator Corporation (ISO) and Portland-based PacifiCorp fully activated the Energy Imbalance Market (EIM). This real-time market is the first of its kind in the West. EIM covers six western states: California, Oregon, Washington, Utah, Idaho and Wyoming.

On December 1, 2015, NV Energy, the Nevada-based utility successfully began participating in the western Energy Imbalance Market (EIM). On October 1, 2016, Phoenix-based Arizona Public Service (AZPS) and Puget Sound Energy (PSEI) of Washington State successfully began full participation in the western Energy Imbalance Market.

On October 1, 2017, Portland General Electric Company (PGE) became the fifth western utility to successfully begin full participation in the western Energy Imbalance Market (EIM). PGE joins Arizona Public Service, Puget Sound Energy, NV Energy, PacifiCorp and the ISO, together serving over 38 million consumers in eight states: California, Arizona, Oregon, Washington, Utah, Idaho, Wyoming and Nevada.

On April 4, 2018, Boise-based Idaho Power and Powerex of Vancouver, British Columbia successfully entered the western Energy Imbalance Market (EIM) today, allowing the ISO's real-time power market to serve energy imbalances occurring within about 55 percent of the electric load in the Western Interconnection. The eight western EIM participants serve more than 42 million consumers in the power grid stretching from the border with Canada south to Arizona, and eastward to Wyoming.

On April 3, 2019, Sacramento Municipal Utility District (SMUD), part of the Balancing Authority of Northern California (BANC), successfully began full participation in the Western EIM, becoming the first publicly owned agency to be an EIM entity in the Western EIM.

On April 1, 2020, Seattle City Light (SCL) and Salt River Project (SRP) successfully joined the Western EIM. The two utilities serve about 1.5 million customers in the West's first real-time energy market. Together with Salt River Project and Seattle City Light, the current EIM participants represent 61 percent of the load in the Western Electric Coordinating Council (WECC).

Figure 47 shows daily simple average ELAP prices for PacifiCorp east (PACE), PacifiCorp West (PACW), NV Energy (NEVP), Arizona Public Service (AZPS), Puget Sound Energy (PSEI), Portland General Electric Company (PGE), Idaho Power (IPCO), Powerex (BCHA), Sacramento Municipal Utility District (BANCSMUD), Seattle City Light (SCL) and Salt River Project (SRP) for all hours in FMM. On September 5, the prices for AZPS, NEVP, and SRP spiked due to transmission outage, generation outage, and upward load adjustment. September 6 saw price spikes for AZPS, NEVP, and SRP due to high load,

transmission congestion, and transmission and generation outage. NEVP prices were elevated on September 13-16 due to import reduction, renewable deviation, generation outage, and upward load forecast adjustment.

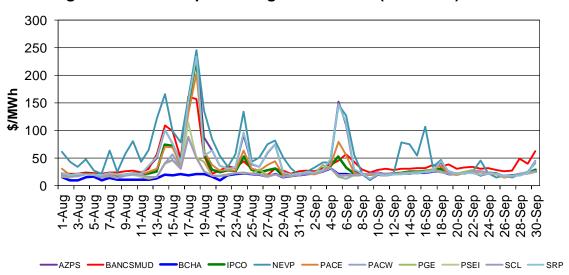


Figure 47: EIM Simple Average LAP Prices (All Hours) in FMM

Figure 48 shows daily simple average ELAP prices for PACE, PACW, NEVP, AZPS, PSEI, PGE, IPCO, BCHA, BANCSMUD, SCL and SRP for all hours in RTD. September 5 saw elevated prices for AZPS, NEVP, and SRP due to transmission outage, generation outage, and upward load adjustment. September 6 also saw price spikes for AZPS, NEVP, and SRP driven by high load, transmission congestion, and transmission and generation outage. NEVP prices were elevated on September 13. 14, and 16 due to import reduction, renewable deviation, generation outage, and upward load forecast adjustment.

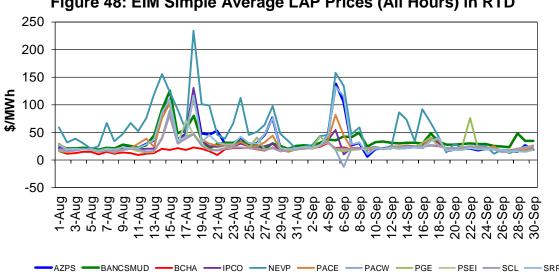


Figure 48: EIM Simple Average LAP Prices (All Hours) in RTD

Figure 49 shows the daily price frequency for prices above \$250/MWh and negative prices in FMM for PACE, PACW, NEVP, AZPS, PSEI, PGE, IPCO, BCHA, BANCSMUD, SCL and SRP. The cumulative frequency of prices above \$250/MWh decreased to 0.50 percent in September from 1.57 percent in August. The cumulative frequency of negative prices inched down to 0.30 percent in September from 0.44 percent in August.

Figure 49: Daily Frequency of EIM LAP Positive Price Spikes and Negative Prices in FMM

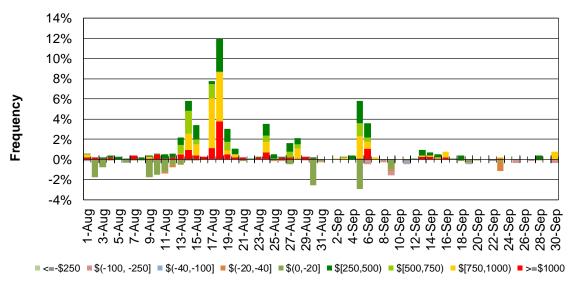


Figure 50 shows the daily price frequency for prices above \$250/MWh and negative prices in RTD for PACE, PACW, NEVP, AZPS, PSEI, PGE, IPCO, BCHA, BANCSMUD, SCL and SRP. The cumulative frequency of prices above \$250/MWh fell to 0.53 percent in September from 1.04 in August. The cumulative frequency of negative prices edged up to 0.78 percent in September from 0.71 percent in August.

Figure 50: Daily Frequency of EIM LAP Positive Price Spikes and Negative Prices in RTD

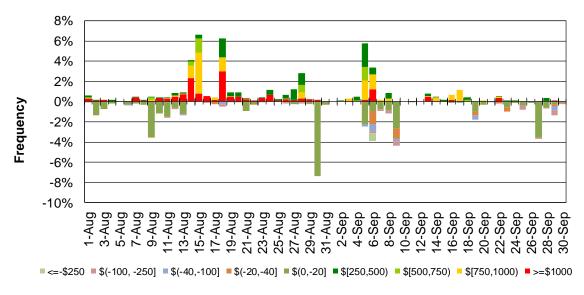


Figure 51 shows daily real-time imbalance energy offset cost (RTIEO) for PACE, PACW, NEVP, AZPS, PSEI, PGE, IPCO, BCHA, BANCSMUD, SCL and SRP respectively. Total RTIEO in September dropped to -\$4.81 million from -\$2.31 million in August.

Figure 51: EIM Real-Time Imbalance Energy Offset by Area

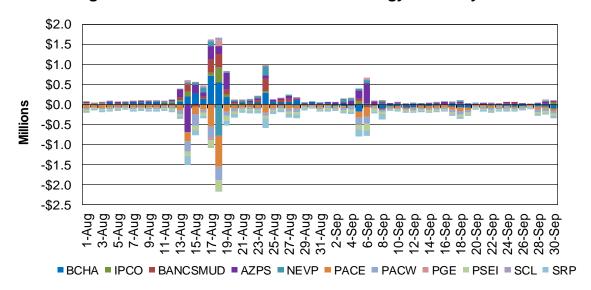


Figure 52 shows daily real-time congestion offset cost (RTCO) for PACE, PACW, NEVP, AZPS, PSEI, PGE, IPCO, BCHA, BANCSMUD, SCL and SRP respectively. Total RTCO increased to -\$5.63 million in September from -\$8.34 million in August.

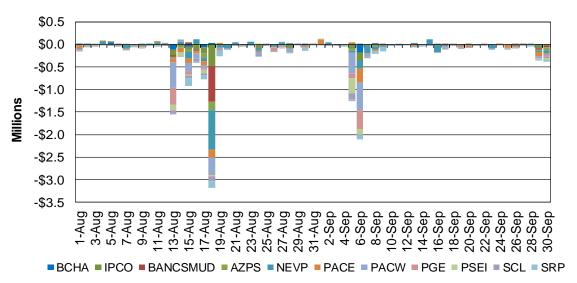


Figure 52: EIM Real-Time Congestion Imbalance Offset by Area

Figure 53 shows daily bid cost recovery for PACE, PACW, NEVP, AZPS, PSEI, PGE, IPCO, BCHA, BANCSMUD, SCL and SRP respectively. Total BCR decreased to \$0.56 million in September from \$0.73 million in August.

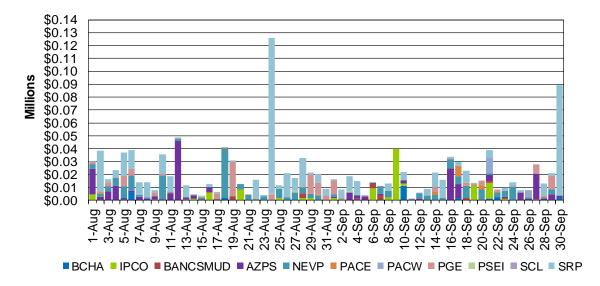


Figure 53: EIM Bid Cost Recovery by Area

Figure 54 shows the flexible ramping up uncertainty payment for PACE, PACW, NEVP, AZPS, PSEI, PGE, IPCO, BCHA, BANCSMUD, SCL and SRP respectively. Total flexible ramping up uncertainty payment in September edged up to \$0.24 million from \$0.21 million in August.

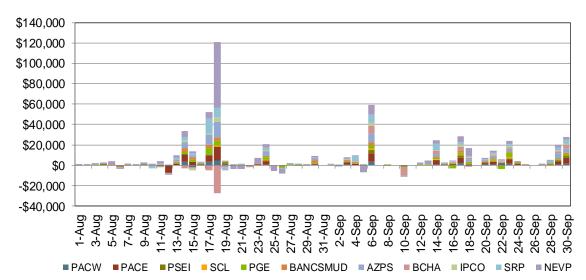


Figure 54: Flexible Ramping Up Uncertainty Payment

Figure 55 shows the flexible ramping down uncertainty payment for PACE, PACW, NEVP, AZPS, PSEI, PGE, IPCO, BCHA, BANCSMUD, SCL and SRP respectively. Total flexible ramping down uncertainty payment in September decreased to -\$4,638 from -\$4,104 in August.

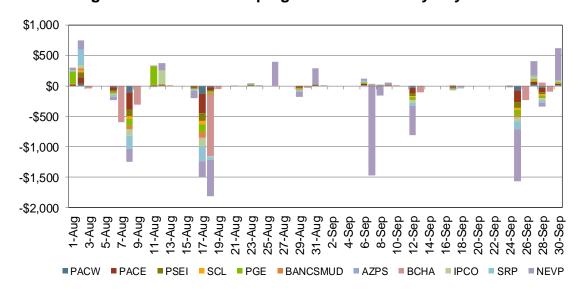
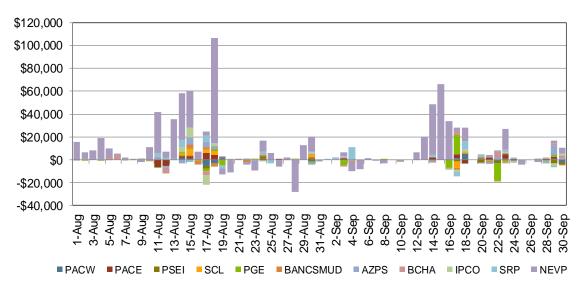


Figure 55: Flexible Ramping Down Uncertainty Payment

Figure 56 shows the flexible ramping forecast payment for PACE, PACW, NEVP, AZPS, PSEI, PGE, IPCO, BCHA, BANCSMU, SCL and SRP respectively. Total forecast payment in September decreased to \$0.22 million from \$0.34 million in August.



**Figure 56: Flexible Ramping Forecast Payment** 

The ISO's Energy Imbalance Market Business Practice Manual<sup>4</sup> describes the methodology for determining whether an EIM participating resource is dispatched to support transfers to serve California load. The methodology ensures that the dispatch considers the combined energy and associated marginal greenhouse gas (GHG) compliance cost based on submitted bids<sup>5</sup>.

The EIM dispatches to support transfers into the ISO were documented in Figure 57 and Table 8 below.

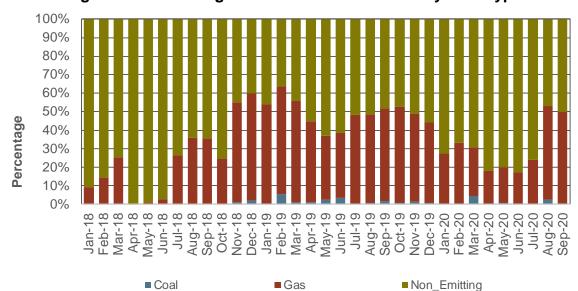


Figure 57: Percentage of EIM Transfer into ISO by Fuel Type

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> See the Energy Imbalance Market Business Practice Manual for a description of the methodology for making this determination, which begins on page 42 -- http://bpmcm.caiso.com/Pages/BPMDetails.aspx?BPM=Energy Imbalance Market.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> A submitted bid may reflect that a resource is not available to support EIM transfers to California.

Table 8: EIM Transfer into ISO by Fuel Type

Month	Coal (%)	Gas (%)	Non-Emitting (%)	Total
Jan-18	0.00%	9.12%	90.88%	100%
Feb-18	0.00%	14.25%	85.75%	100%
Mar-18	0.16%	25.00%	74.84%	100%
Apr-18	0.00%	0.14%	99.86%	100%
May-18	0.00%	1.09%	98.91%	100%
Jun-18	0.00%	2.89%	97.11%	100%
Jul-18	0.00%	26.21%	73.79%	100%
Aug-18	0.00%	35.87%	64.13%	100%
Sep-18	0.00%	35.50%	64.50%	100%
Oct-18	0.00%	24.51%	75.49%	100%
Nov-18	1.16%	53.81%	45.03%	100%
Dec-18	2.00%	57.77%	40.23%	100%
Jan-19	0.46%	53.65%	45.89%	100%
Feb-19	5.60%	58.13%	36.28%	100%
Mar-19	1.13%	54.71%	44.16%	100%
Apr-19	1.13%	43.63%	55.25%	100%
May-19	2.22%	34.75%	63.03%	100%
Jun-19	3.47%	35.32%	61.21%	100%
Jul-19	0.49%	47.74%	51.77%	100%
Aug-19	0.51%	48.02%	51.48%	100%
Sep-19	1.77%	50.01%	48.22%	100%
Oct-19	0.68%	52.10%	47.22%	100%
Nov-19	1.39%	47.69%	50.92%	100%
Dec-19	0.54%	43.68%	55.78%	100%
Jan-20	0.17%	27.05%	72.79%	100%
Feb-20	0.36%	32.81%	66.83%	100%
Mar-20	4.42%	26.49%	69.09%	100%
Apr-20	0.20%	17.84%	81.95%	100%
May-20	0.71%	19.10%	80.19%	100%
Jun-20	0.04%	17.08%	82.88%	100%
Jul-20	0.44%	23.62%	75.93%	100%
Aug-20	2.33%	50.67%	47.01%	100%
Sep-20	0.41%	49.48%	50.11%	100%