



# Summer 2022 Heatwave Discussion

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# Introduction

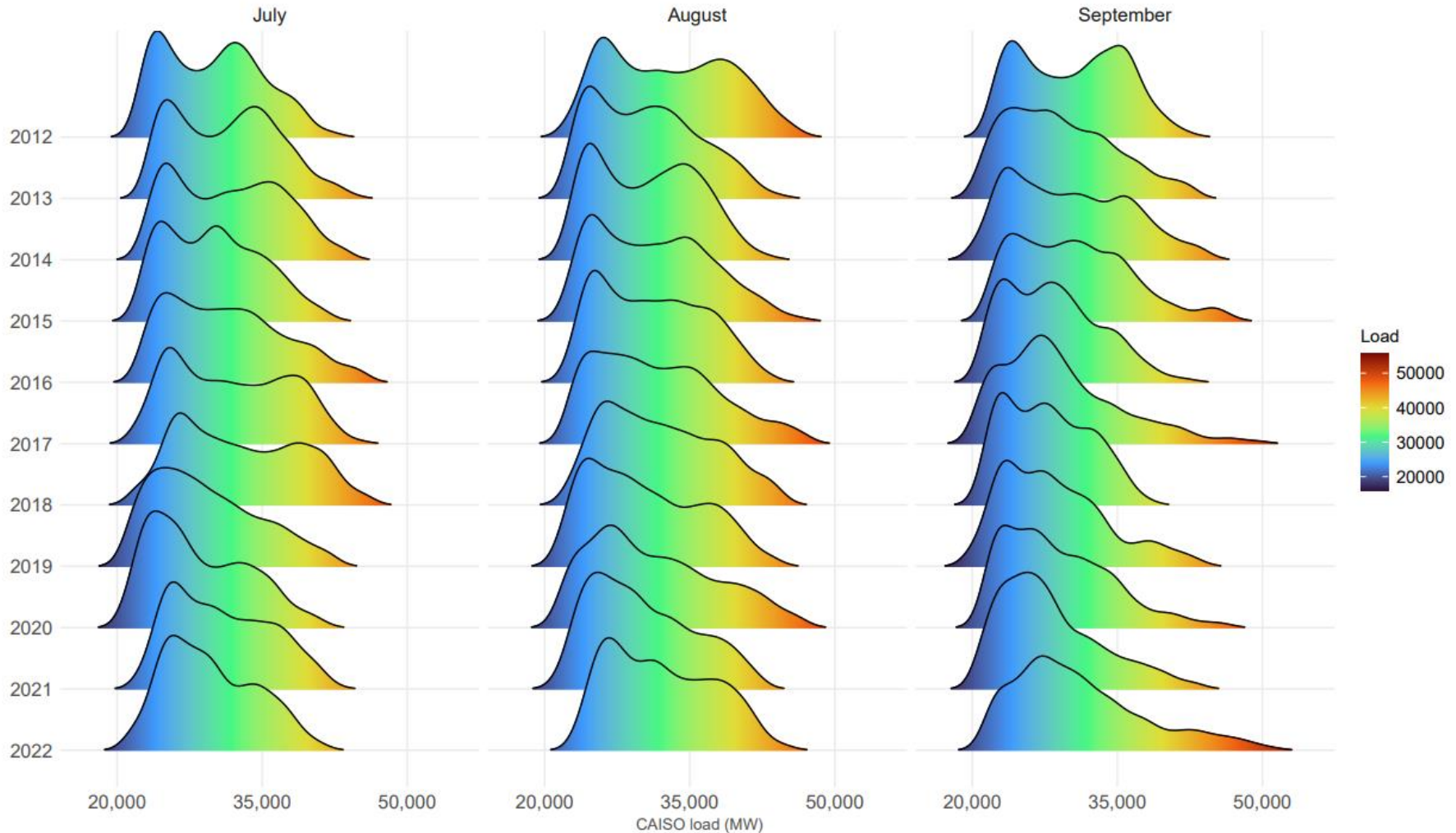
Despite the sustained heat wave and unprecedented load levels, the California Independent System Operator (ISO) did not order rotating outages and maintained reliable system operations at all times during the September heatwave.

- This presentation discusses
  - the heatwave conditions
  - resource sufficiency evaluation
  - storage resources

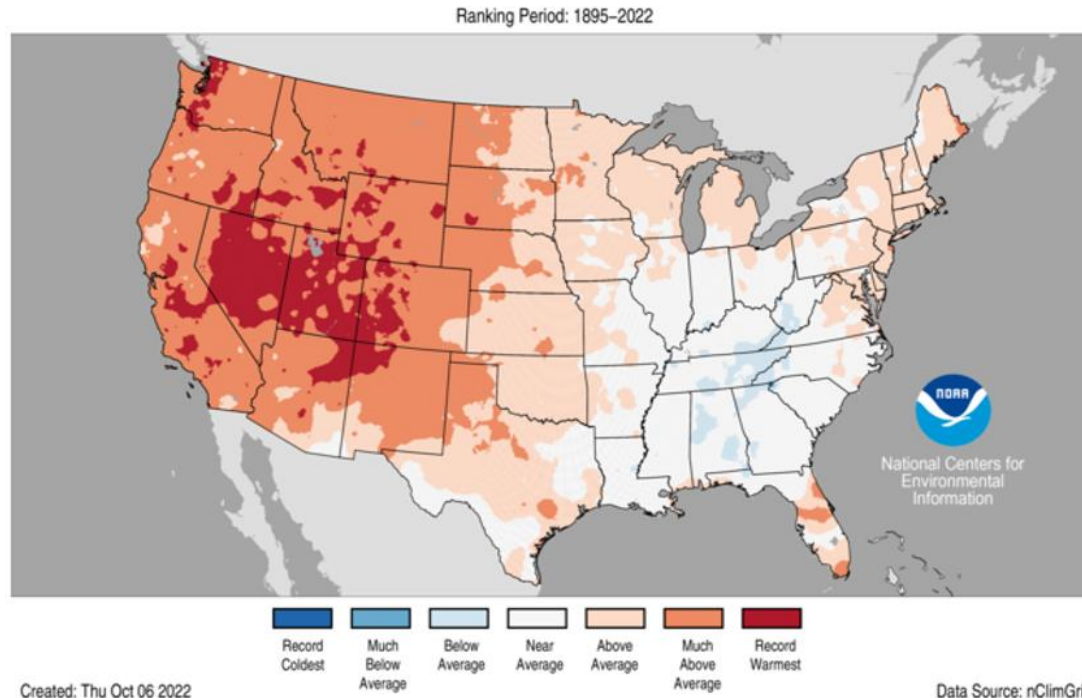
# CAISO was able to keep the lights on due to action steps and multiple external factors

1. Increased capacity through resource adequacy procurement
2. Enhanced coordination, awareness, and communications
3. Market enhancements developed and implemented over the past two years
4. The use of new state programs to provide non-market resources to address extreme events
5. Deployment of demand response and calls for conservation efforts, and
6. Geographic diversity of extreme heat across the West

# CAISO set a record load of 52,061 MW on Sept. 6

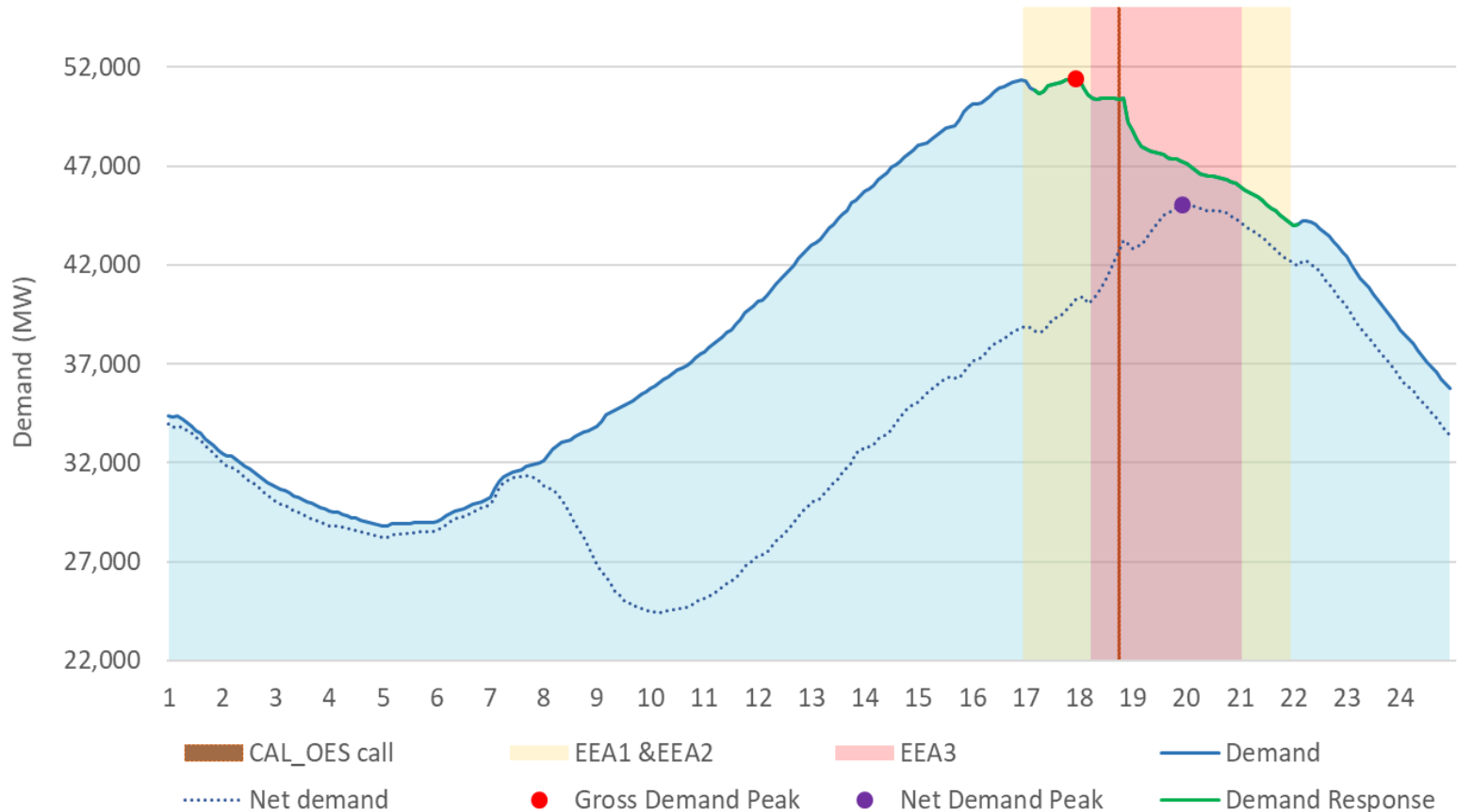


# A 10-day shattering heatwave drove record demands



- Multiple cities in California broke 100-year old records for maximum and minimum temperatures
- Using 28 years' worth of weather data, the ISO weighted 3-day temperature through September 6 was a 1-25 year event

# Many factors helped prevent the CAISO from ordering rotating outages, including conservation

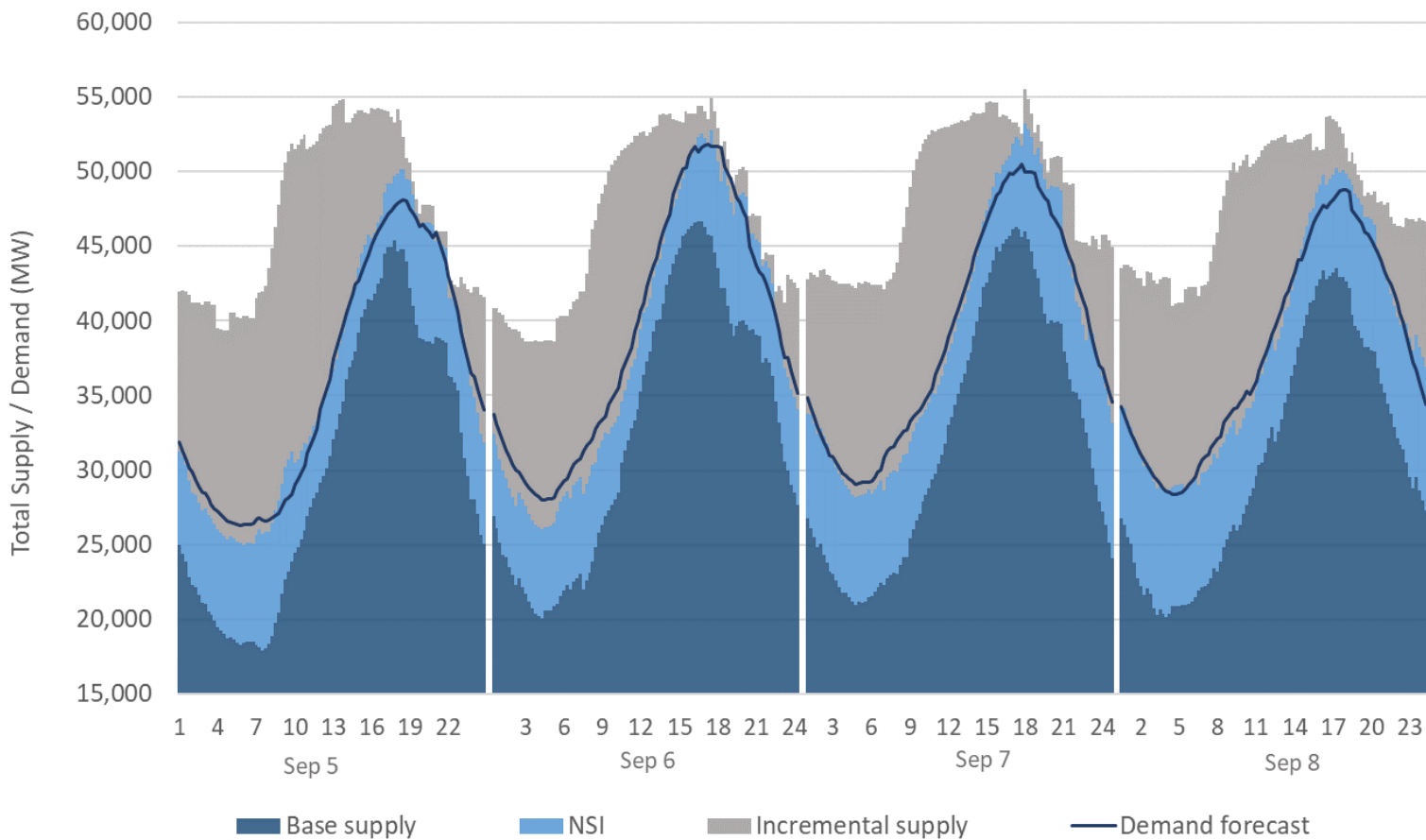


Demand Response and conservation efforts may have reduced demand by up to 1,500 MW

# Resource Sufficiency Evaluation

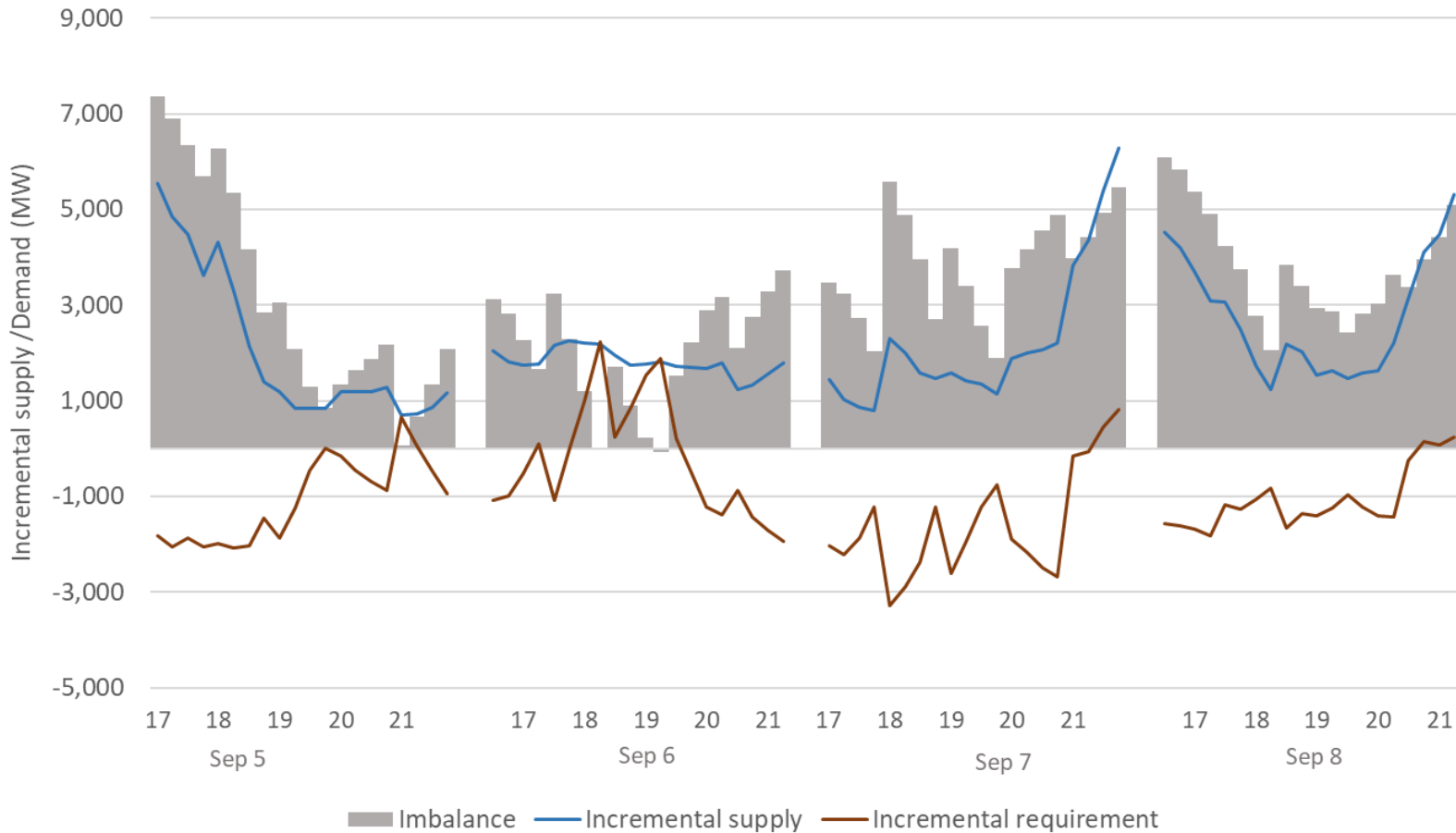
- Given the ongoing developments regarding the capacity test enhancements, this focuses on
  - CAISO area
  - Capacity test

# CAISO area reached minimum levels of supply available during peak hours of the heatwave

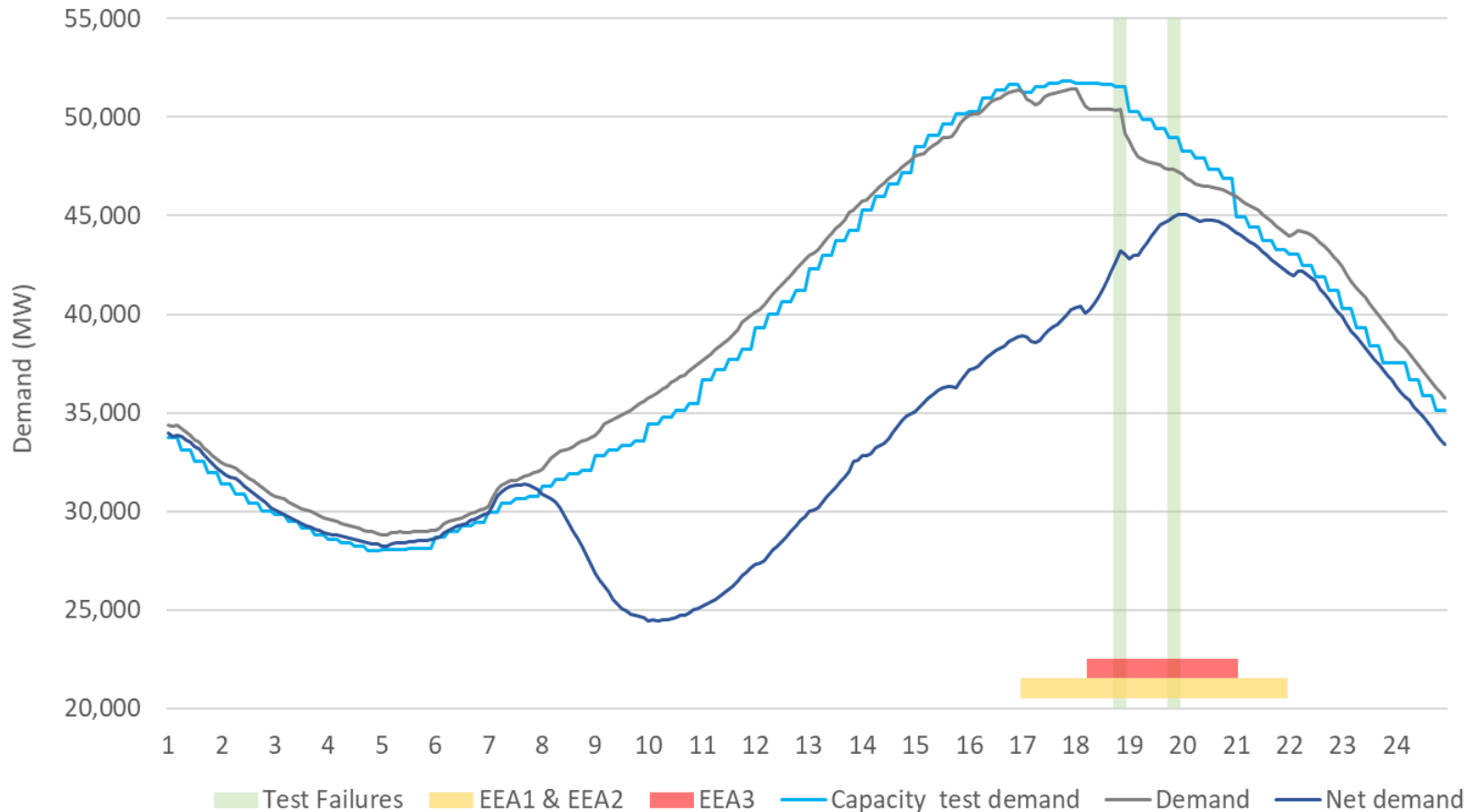




# Incremental supply was lower than incremental requirements in two intervals, leading to capacity test failures

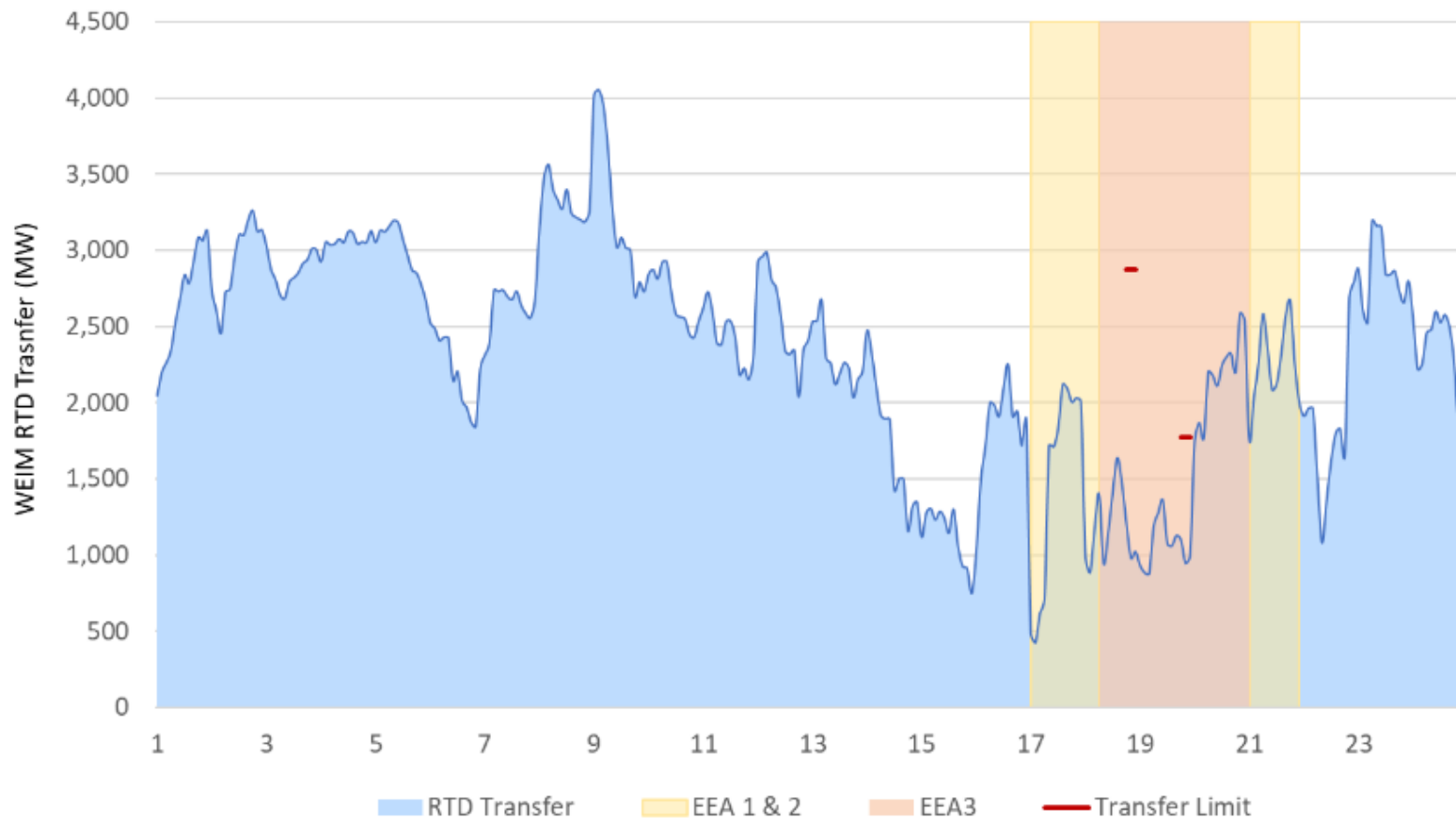


# CAISO failed the capacity test in two 15-minute market intervals on Sept. 6 while in energy emergency

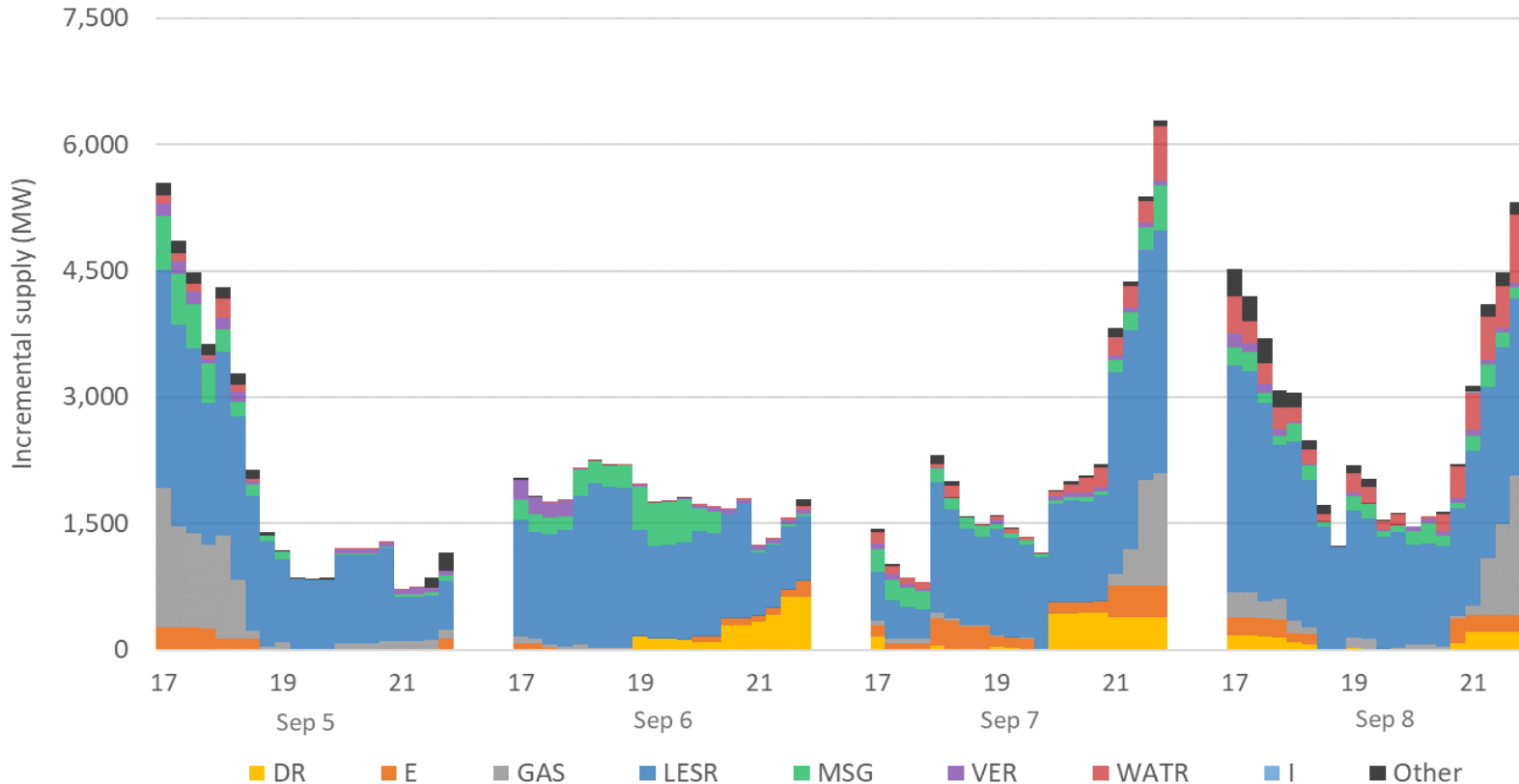


All energy conservation effort decreased the load obligation

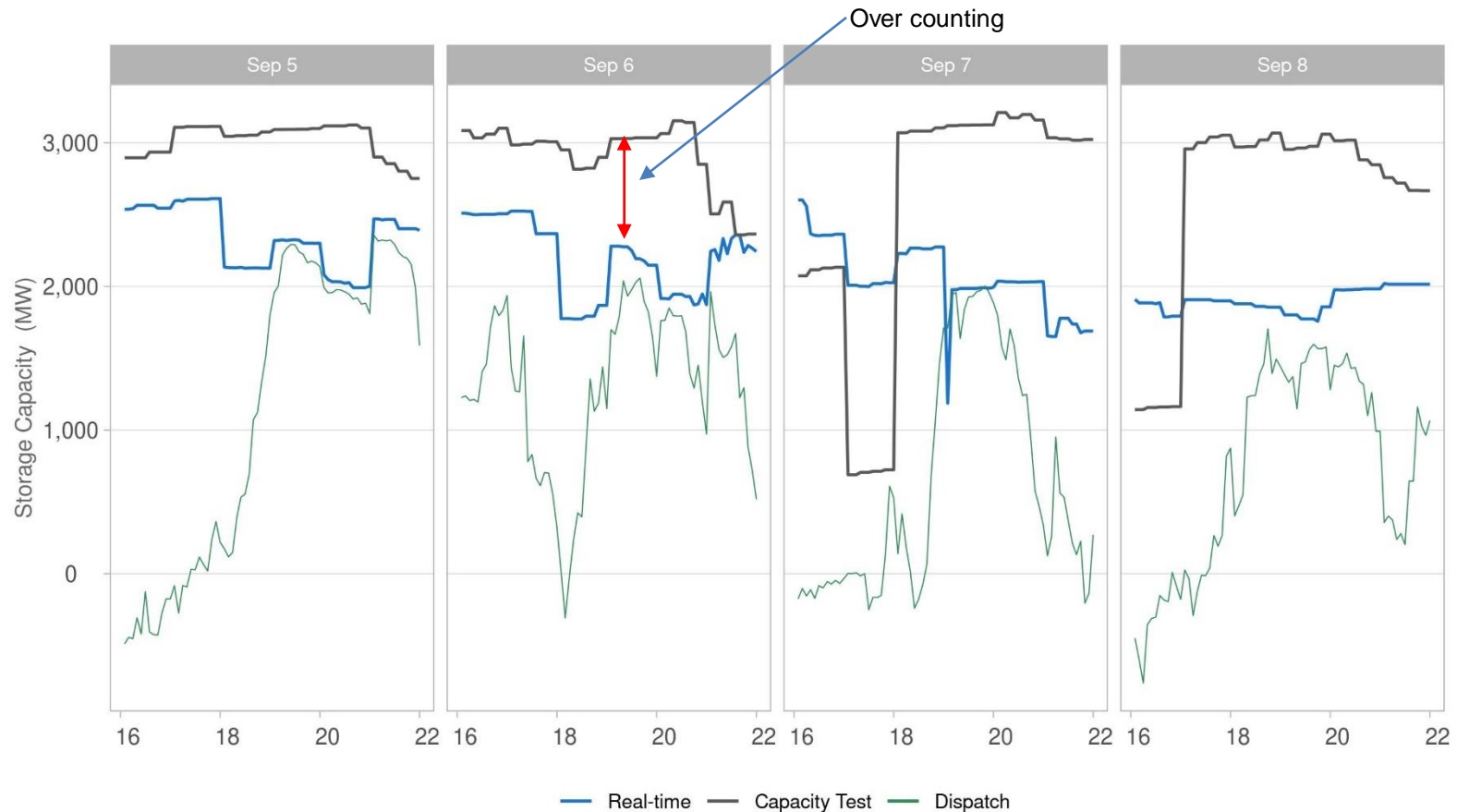
The consequence of the failures were *de minimis* is given the levels of transfers optimally available



# The capacity test projected available supply even during the critical hours of the emergency



# A significant portion of the available capacity was incorrectly estimated from Storage resources



The main contributor was that capacity to support ancillary services, such as regulation up, was incorrectly accounted as available supply. This issue has been corrected.

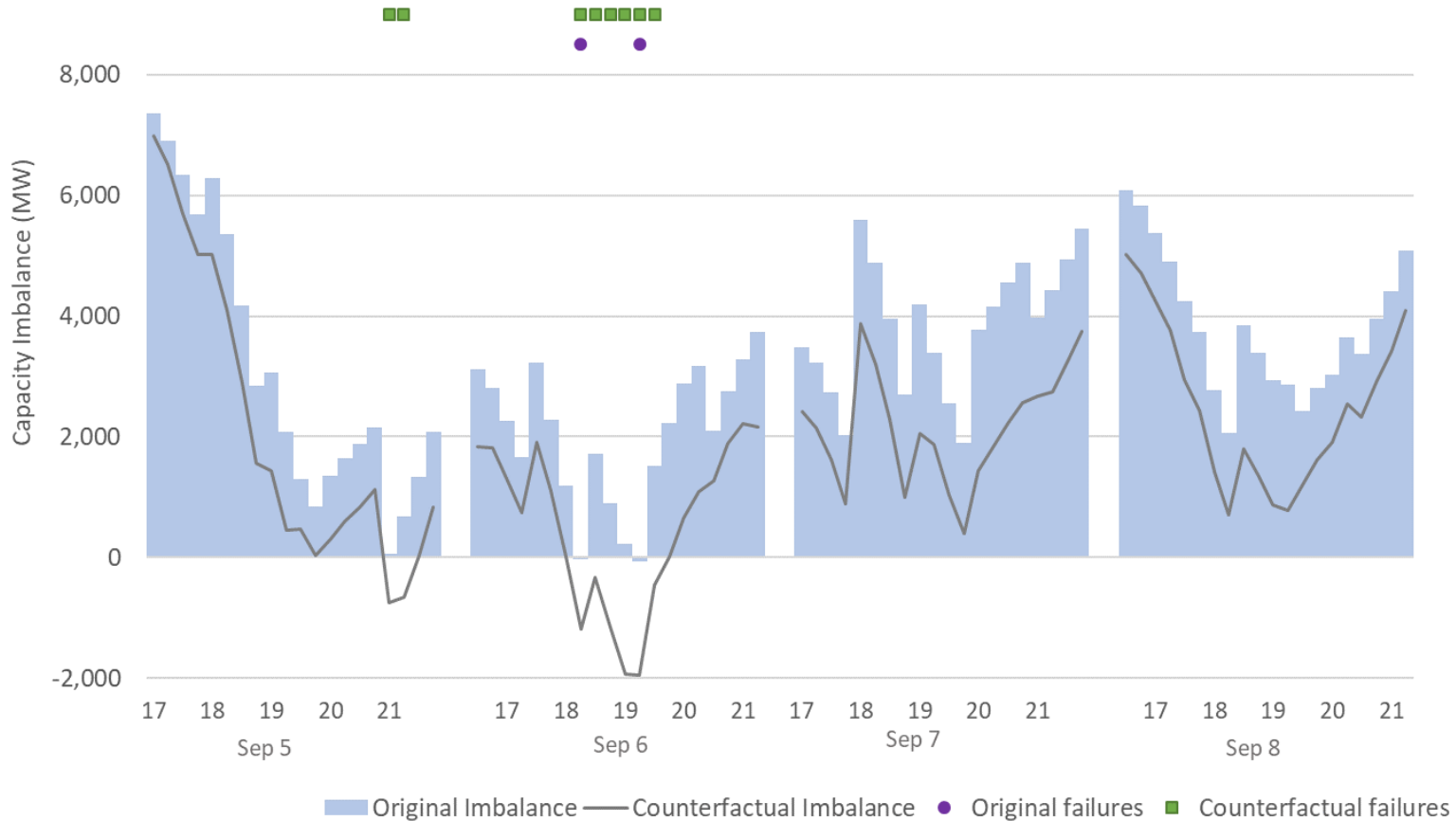
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- Calculation of MSG units capacity
  - Units coming from outages were still considered in the test due to staled start-up record. Over-counting
  - Upward transitions were not considered in the test due to complexities on possible permutations. Under-counting
- DC losses model as exports realized until the real-time market and, thus, are not considered in the test. Under-counting

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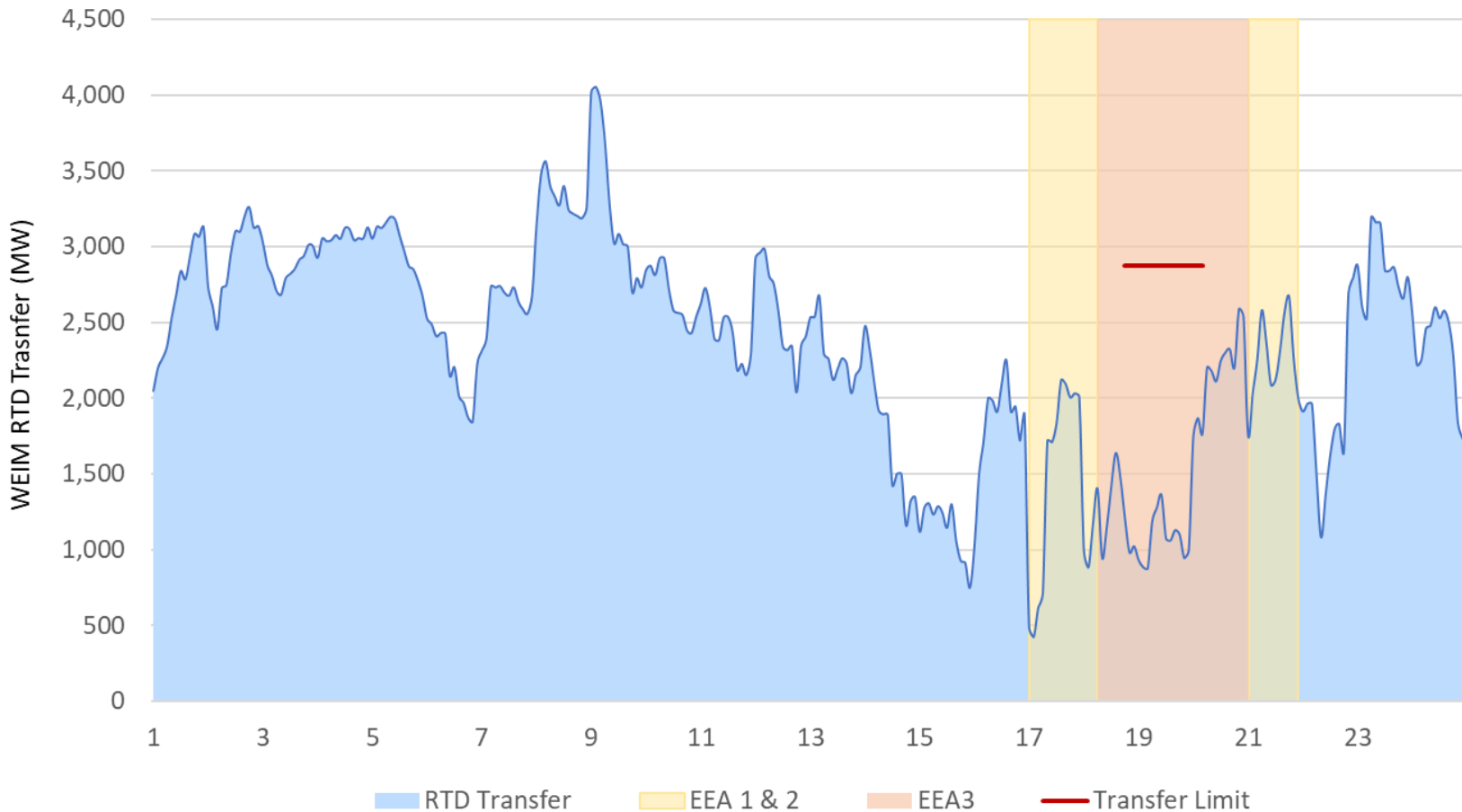
- Imports and export reductions
  - Up to 460 MW of cleared imports considered in the test were curtailed after the fact by other areas. The test used the data known at that time. Over-counting
  - Export reductions projected in the market were not utilized in the test. Over-counting
  - Emergency imports and exports were inconsistently considered in the test due to their timing. Over- or under-counting
- Load arming in EEA3 resulted in additional supply in real-time not seen in the test. Under-counting

# CAISO area would have failed four more intervals on Sept 6 if not for the miscalculations of capacity





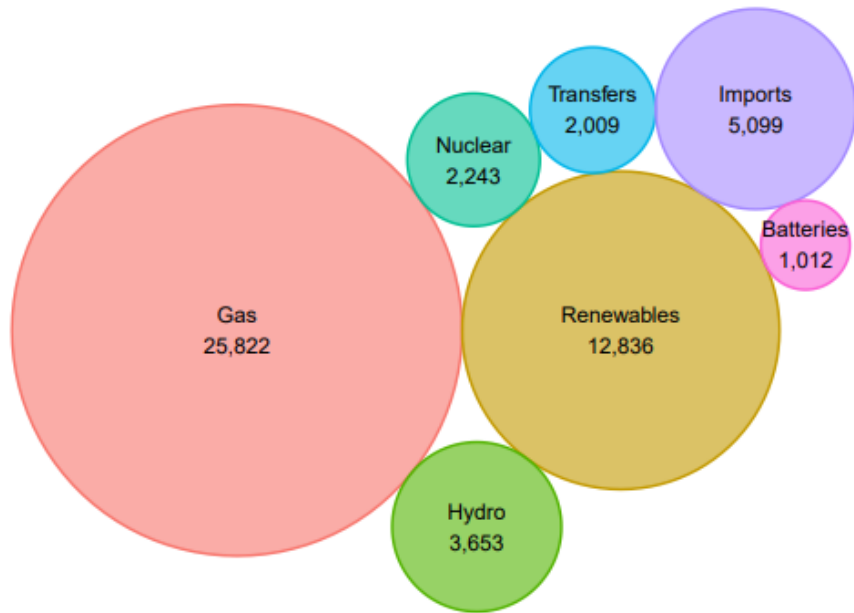
The additional capacity test failures would have been immaterial to the real-time transfers since transfers were already cleared at much lower values



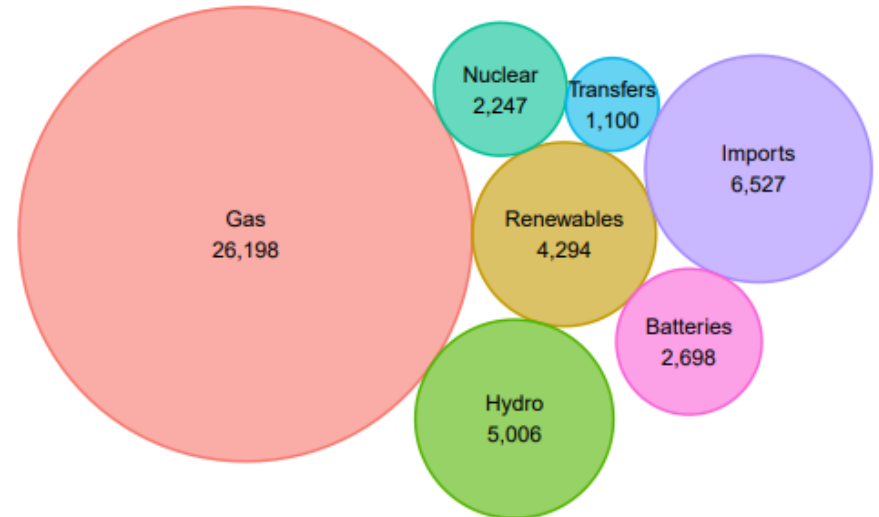
# STORAGE RESOURCES

# Storage resources contributed to meet demand peaks of Sept 6

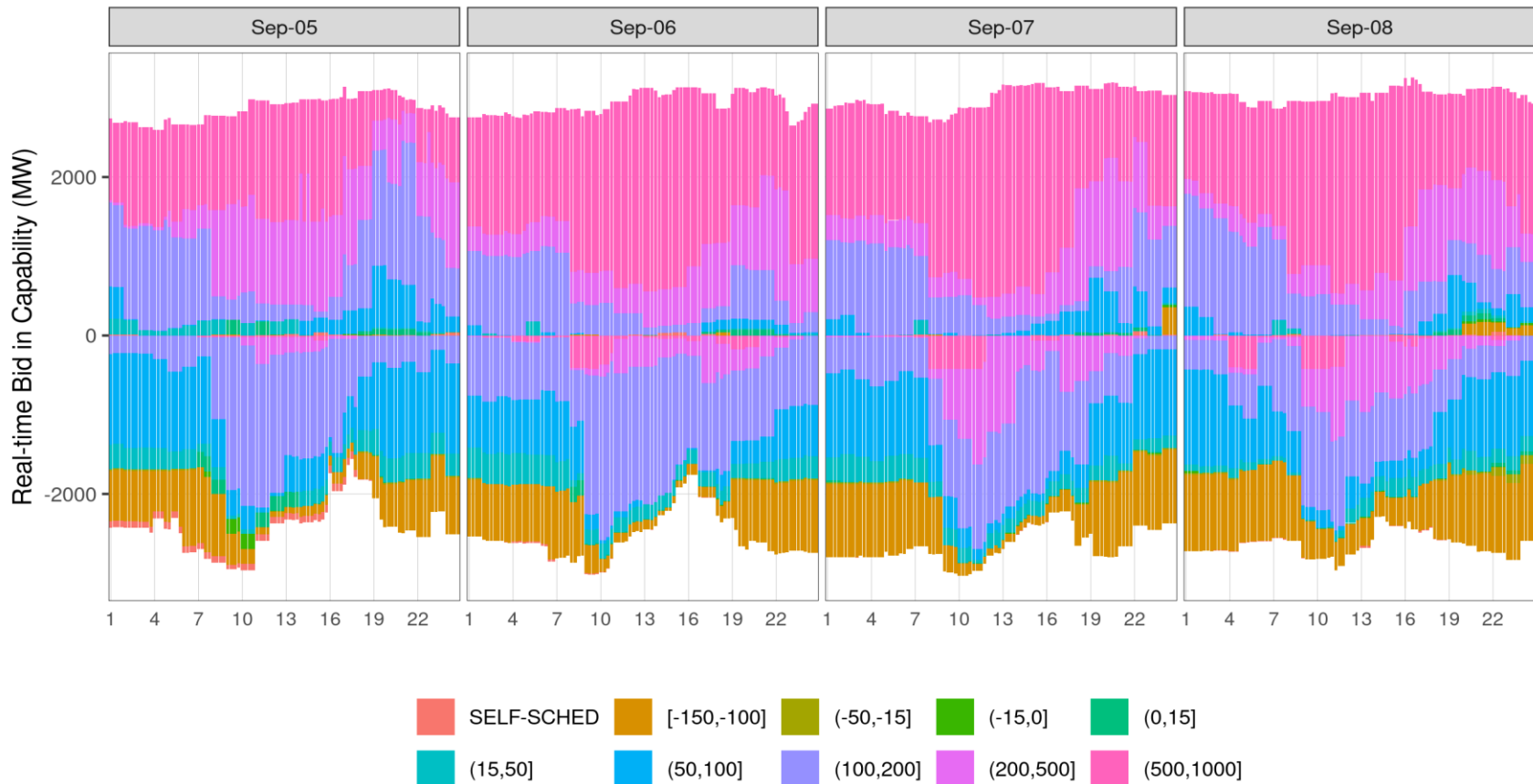
Gross Peak (MW)



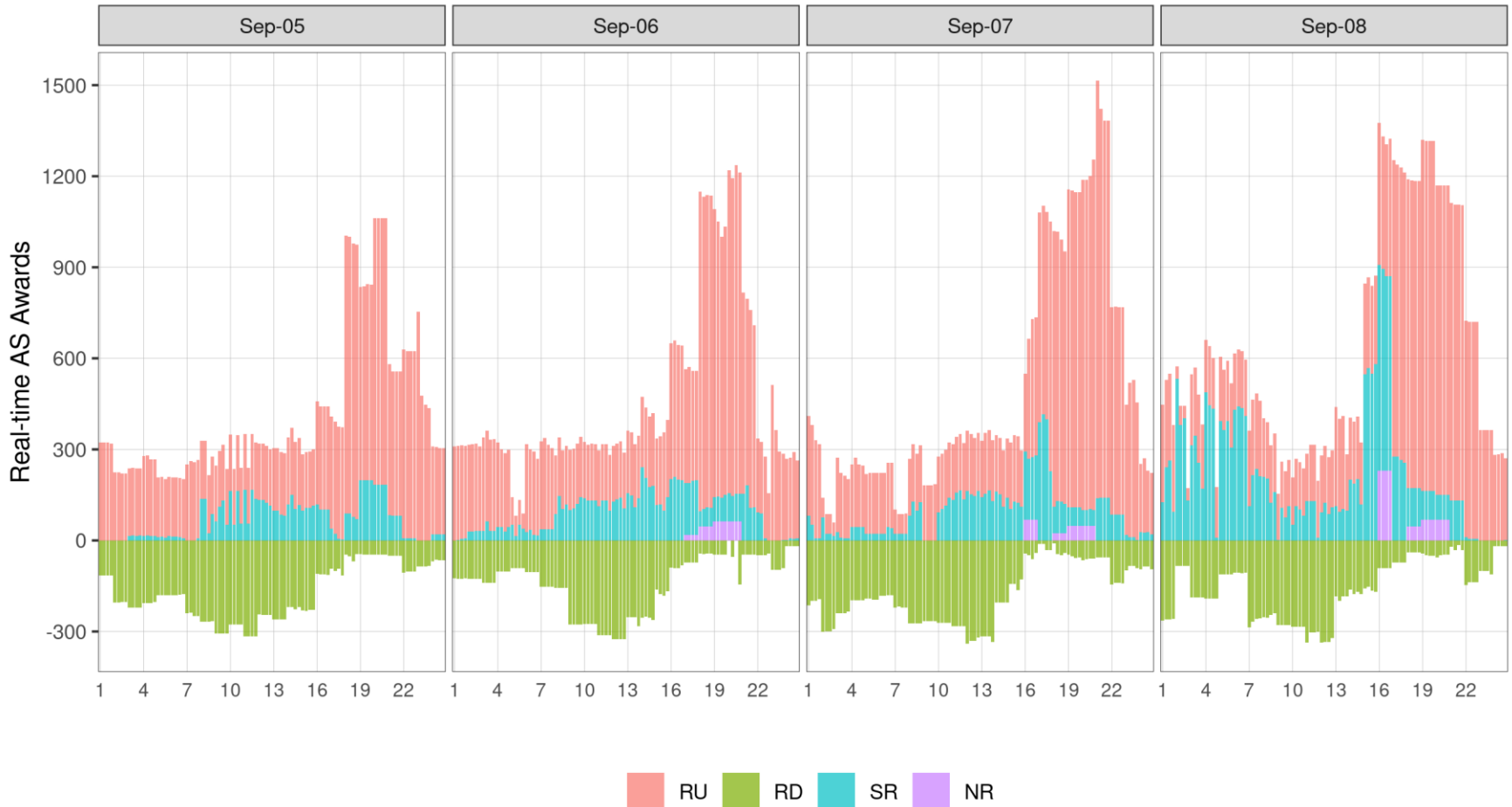
Net Peak (MW)



# Real-time bids of storage resources adjusted through the heatwave and were **bound** at the bid cap of \$1,000MWh

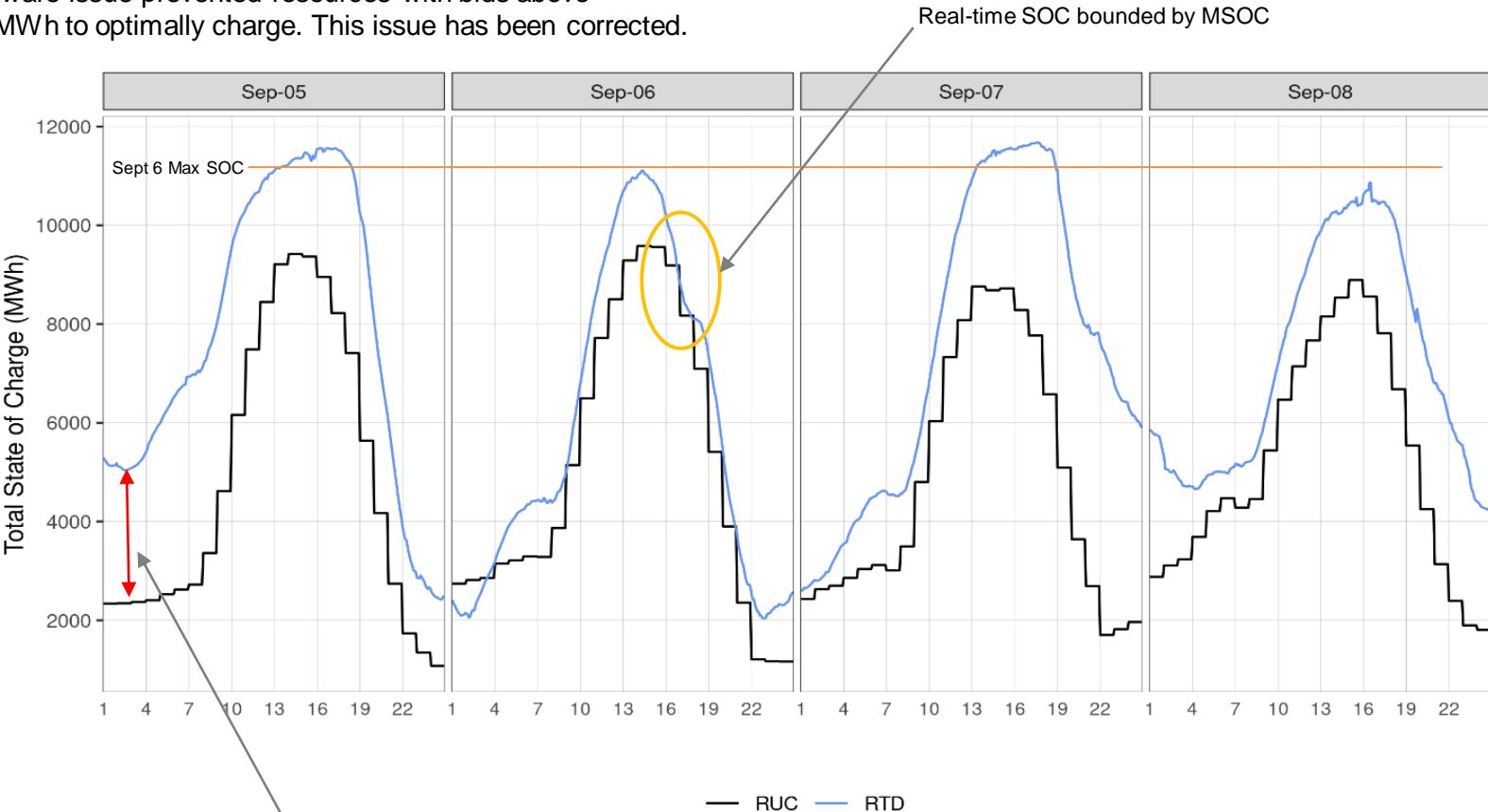


# Storage resources carried a significant share of regulation requirements



# September 6 observed a lower maximum SOC relative to adjacent days

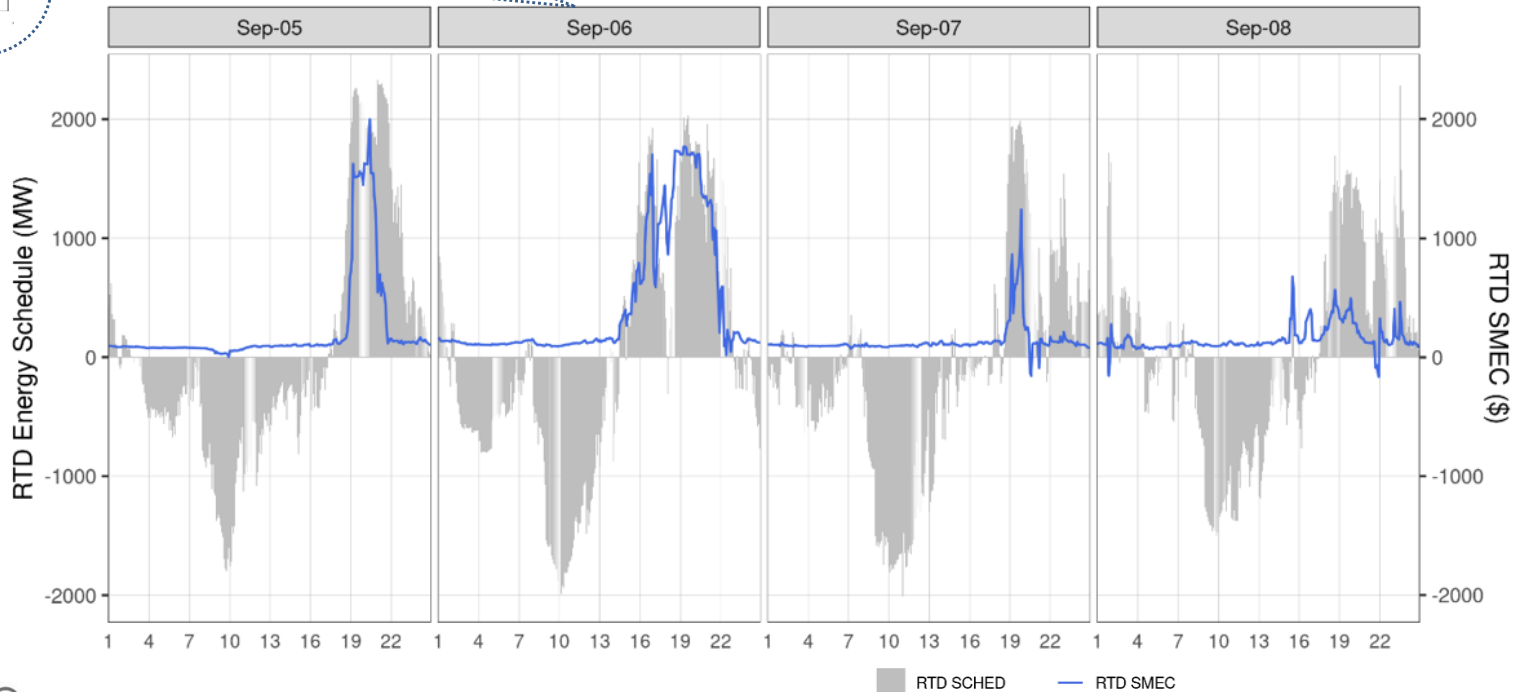
A software issue prevented resources with bids above \$150MWh to optimally charge. This issue has been corrected.



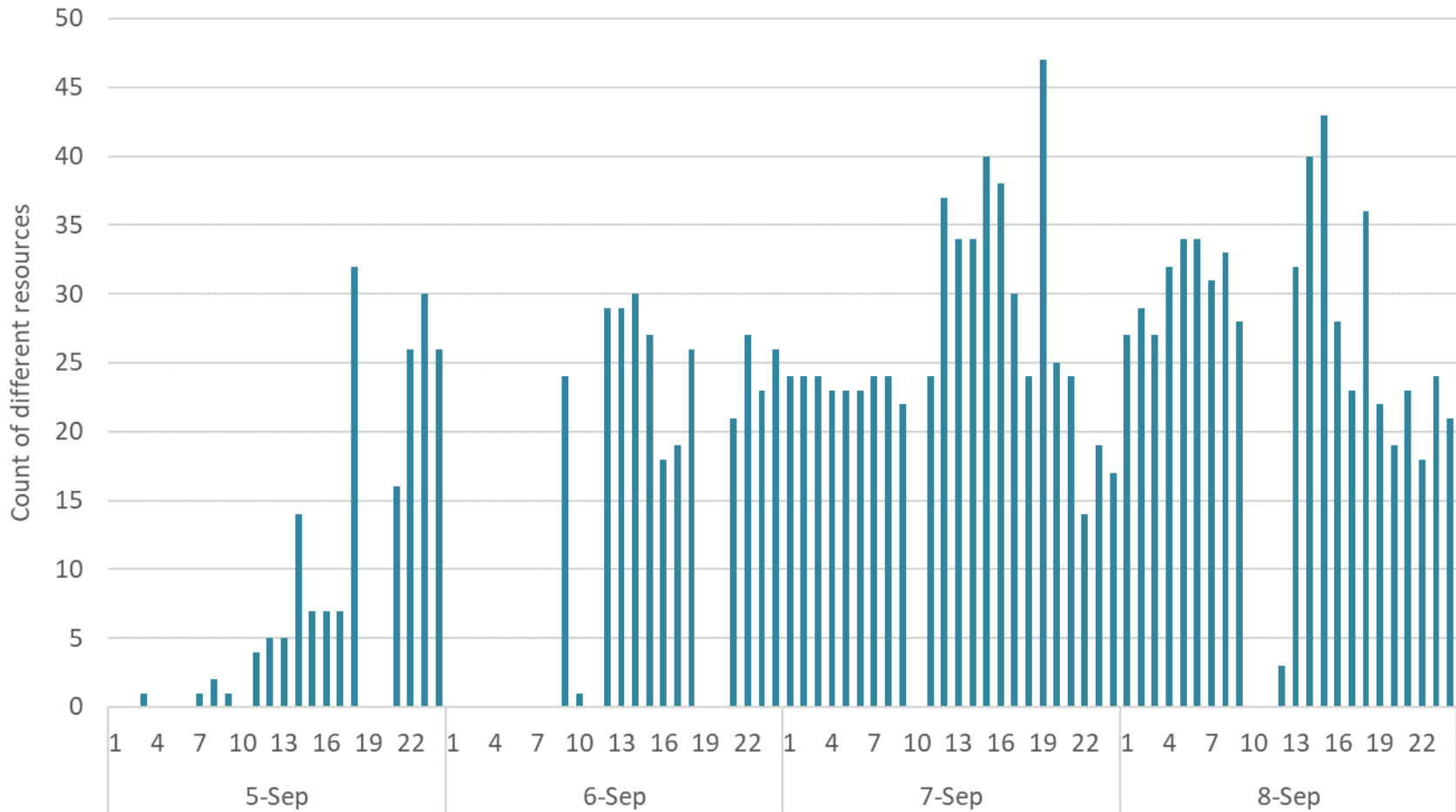
The initial day-ahead state of charge can be very different to what realizes in real-time. It will influence what MSOC is imposed in real-time

# Storage resources started to discharge early on Sept 6 as prices quickly increased making resources economical

RTD dispatches can only look ahead for next 50 minutes.  
RTD multi-interval optimization can only optimize through that horizon

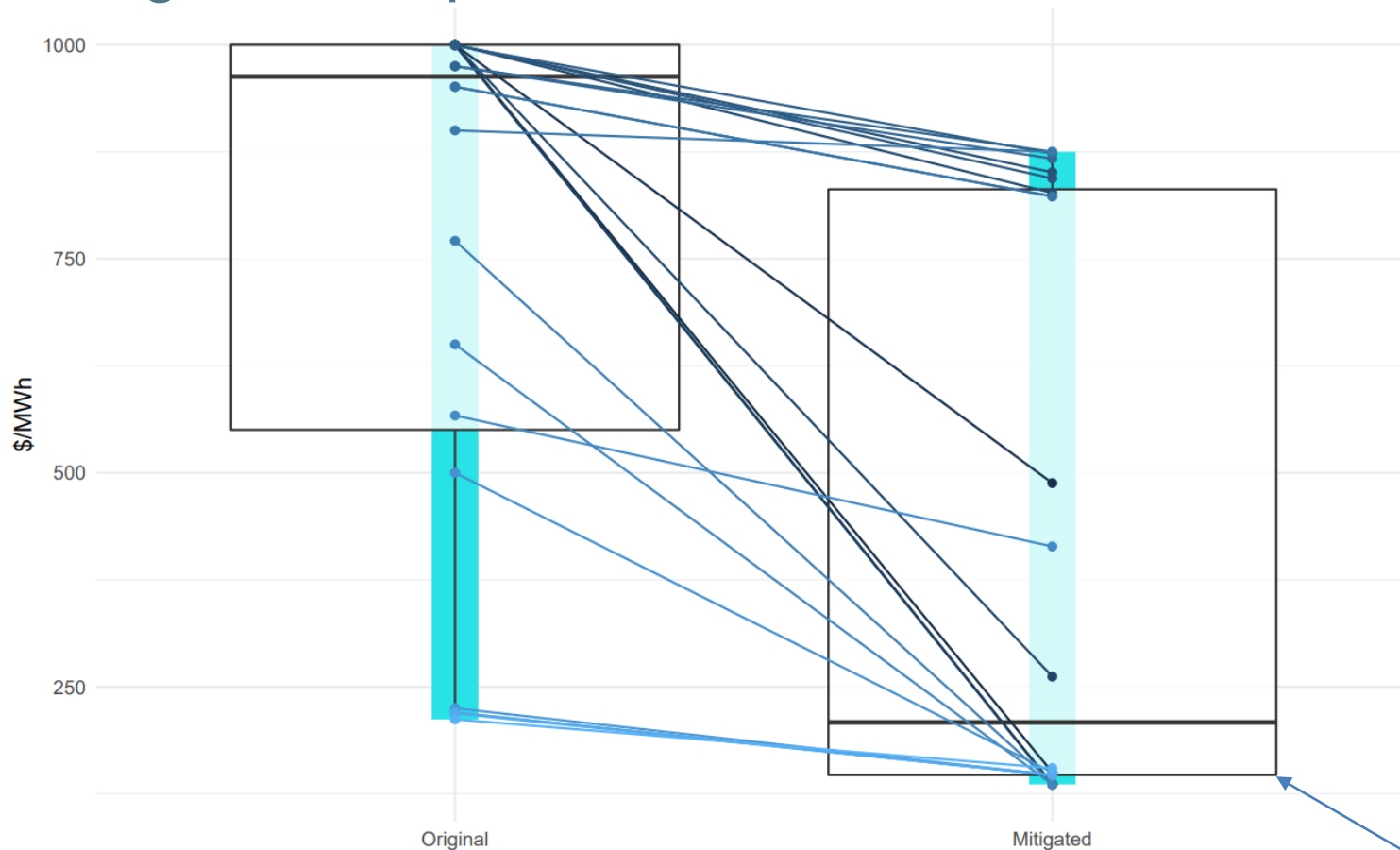


# Multiple storage resources became in merit after mitigation





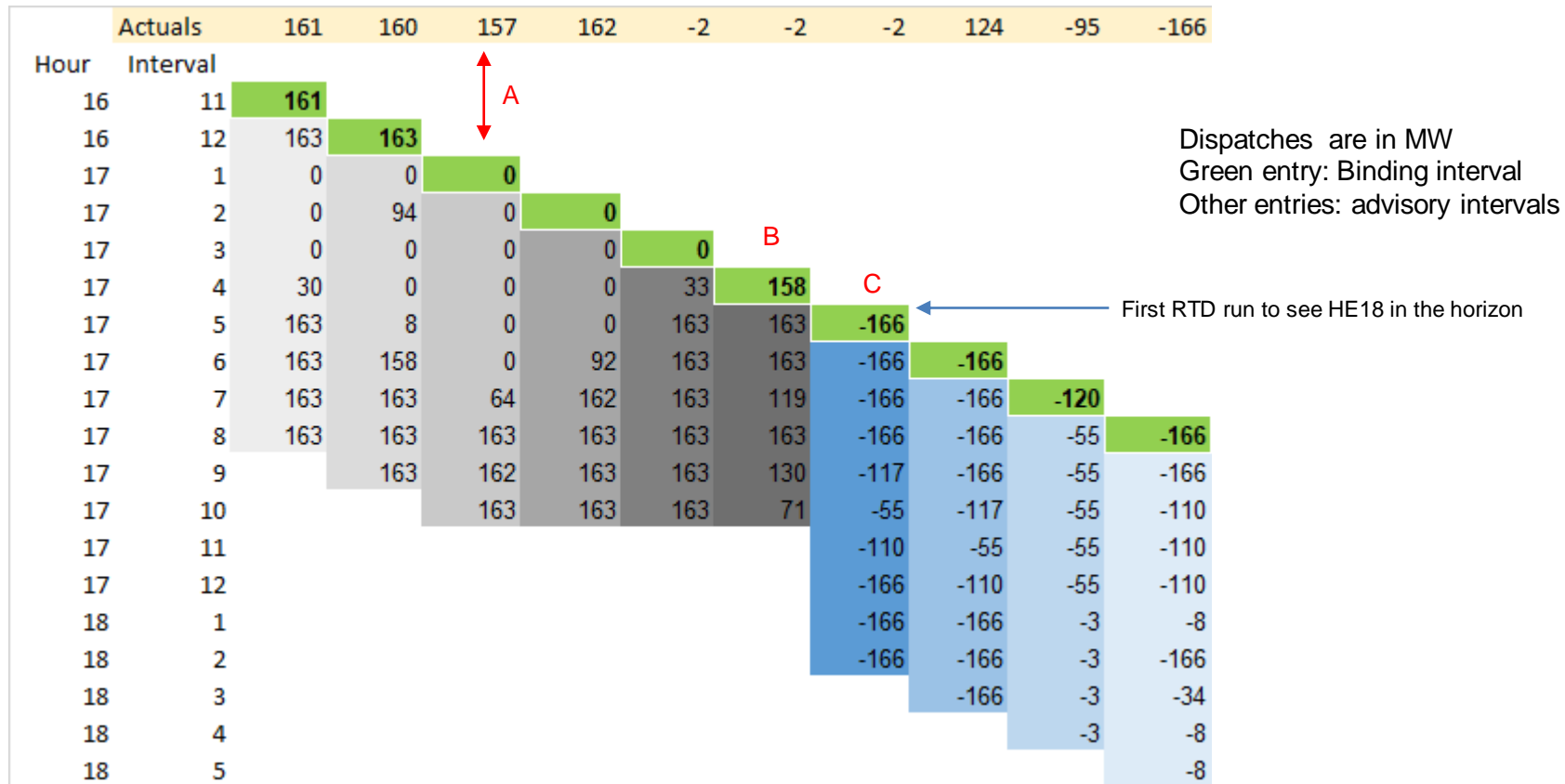
# With mitigation multiple resources were considered for clearing at lower prices



Sample for price change due to mitigation for Sept 6, HE14

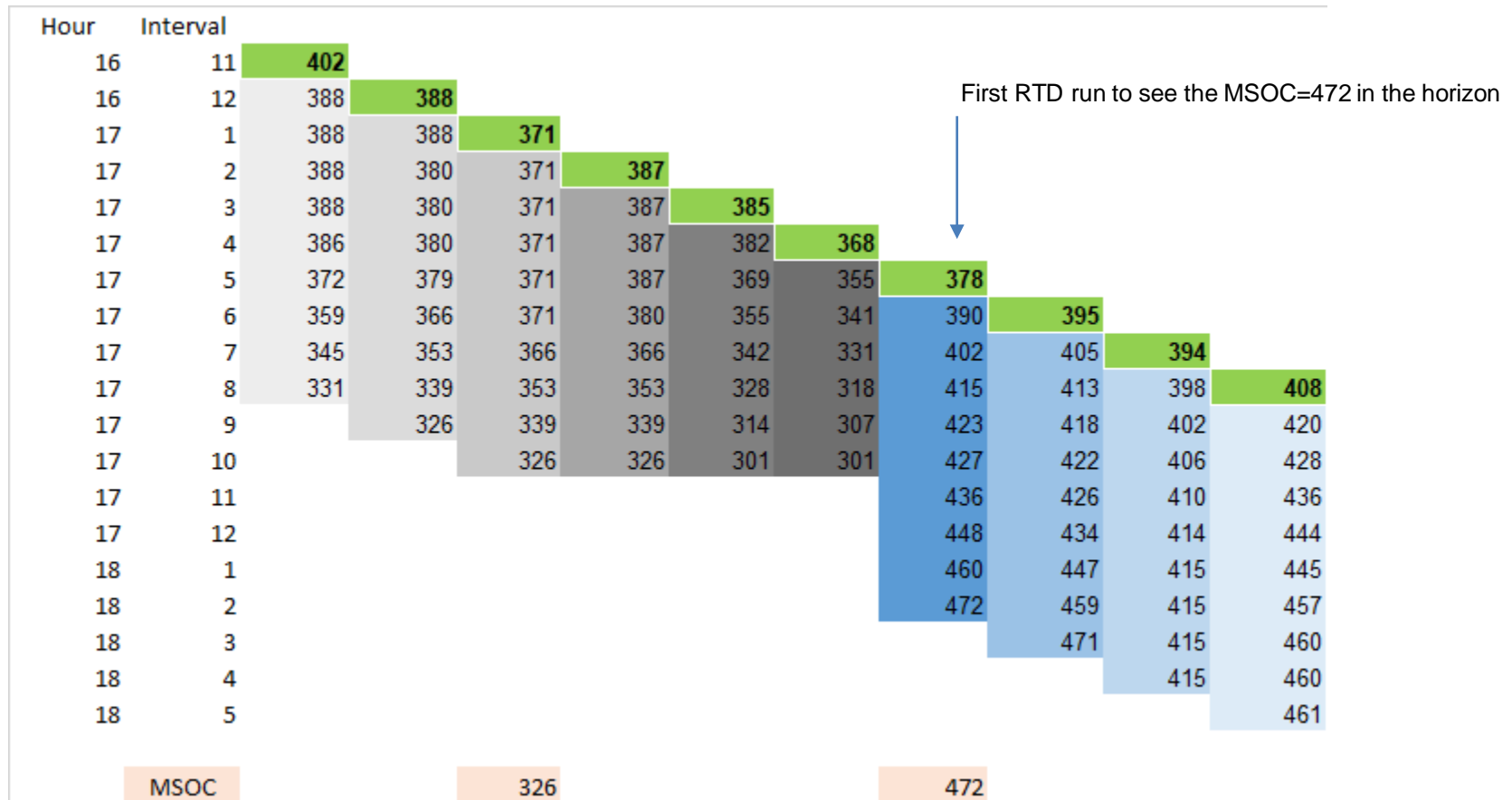
Box plots show distribution of prices for original and mitigated bids

# Early discharges were driven by economics when resources were in merit across the optimized horizon

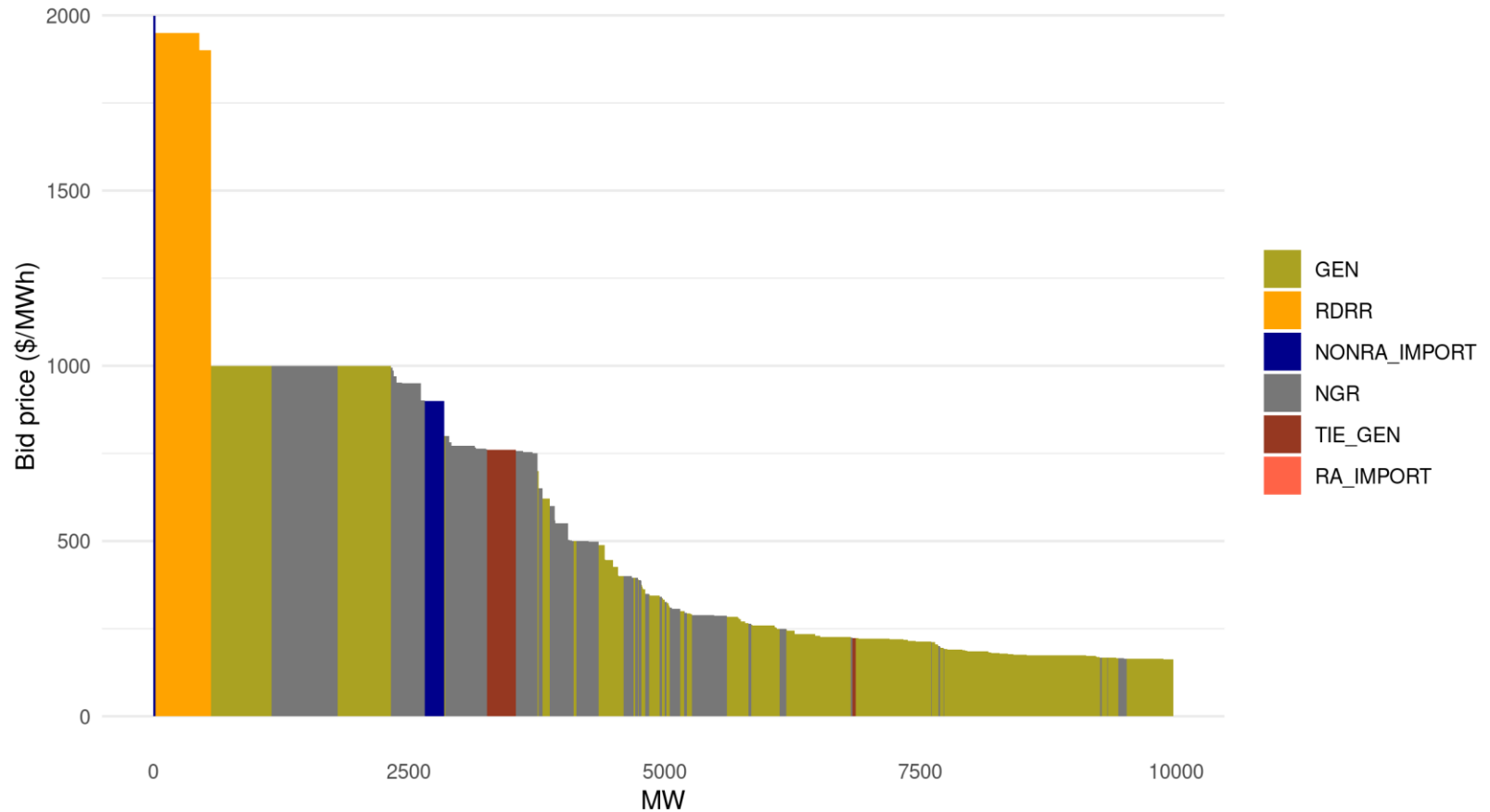


The multi-interval horizon was too short to foresee and position resources more in advance

# Dispatches were driven to meet SOC constraints and regulation procurement

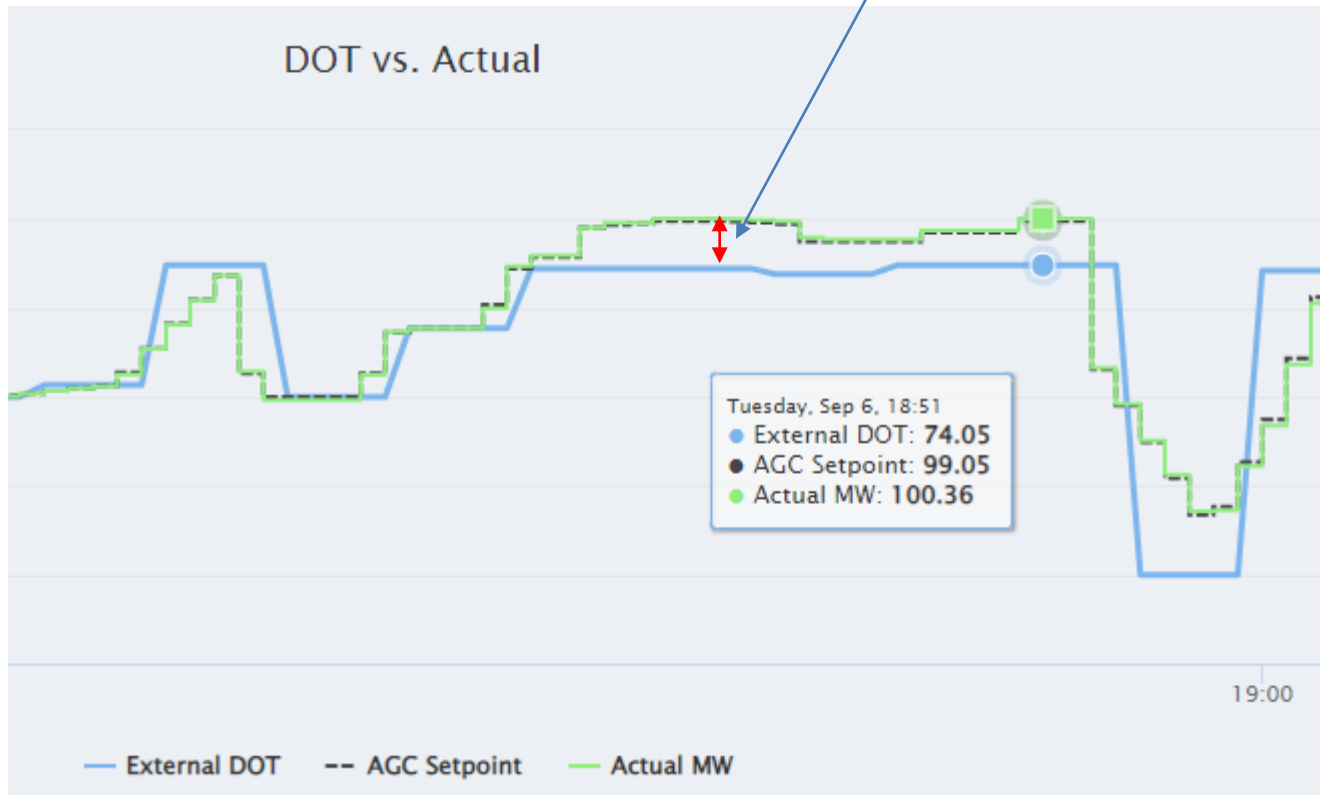


# Storage bids capped at \$1,000 even when bid caps increased to \$2,000 and clearing prices were above \$1,000



# Resources on regulation depleted SOC faster than projected by RTD

Following AGC signal uses up more SOC and changes RTD projections



# Several storage resources were manually dispatched to maintain state of charge

