Wind and Solar Curtailment February 18, 2018

This report is produced daily to provide a detailed accounting of the wind and solar renewable generation that was curtailed and the reasons why[1]. This report should be read in the context of the Renewables Watch report for a more complete understanding of both renewable curtailment and generation[2].

Wind and solar curtailments are grouped into the following categories:

1. Economic - Local: Market dispatch of generators with economic bids to mitigate local congestion[3].
2. Economic - System: Market dispatch of generators with economic bids to mitigate system-wide oversupply.
3. SelfSchCut - Local: Market dispatch of self-schedules to mitigate local congestion.
4. SelfSchCut - System: Market dispatch of self-schedules to mitigate system-wide oversupply.
5. ExDispatch - Local: Exceptional dispatch to mitigate local congestion.
6. ExDispatch - System: Exceptional dispatch to mitigate system-wide oversupply.

Note: Amounts smaller than 1 MW are filtered out for simplicity. Such small curtailments are occasionally observed when forecasts are lower than Pmin when market will de-commit the unit and send the 0 MW dispatch.

[1]Only wind and solar resources can be reported in this manner because these resources have a forecast. Curtailment is defined as the difference between actual production and the forecast when actual production is less than the forecast.

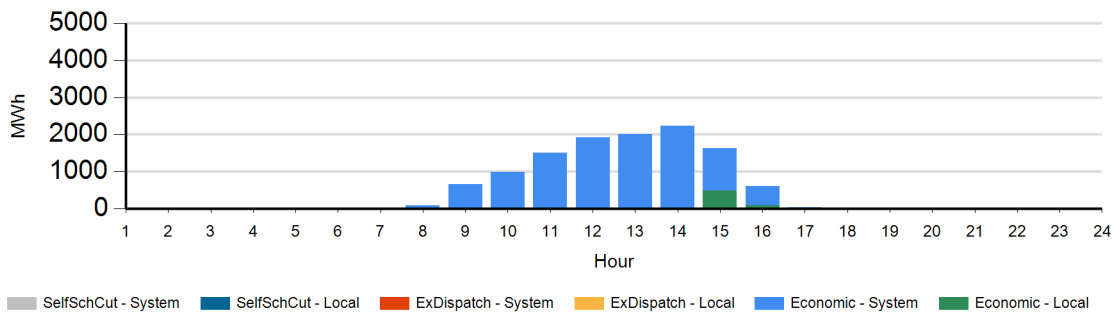
[2]The Renewables Watch report provides daily actual renewable production within the ISO grid. It is available at: http://www.caiso.com/green/renewableswatch.html.

[3]Congestion occurs when available, least-cost energy cannot be delivered to some loads because transmission facilities do not have sufficient capacity to deliver the energy.

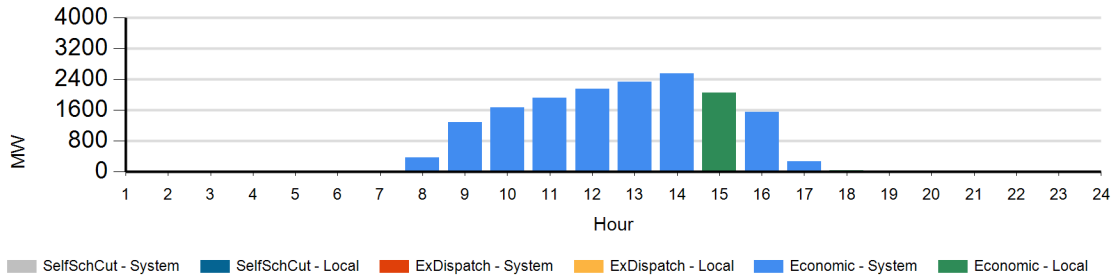
For more information on oversupply conditions, please see:
https://www.caiso.com/Documents/FlexibleResourcesHelpRenewables_FastFacts.pdf

The following charts show the daily and 7-day rolling wind and solar curtailment by category, if any.

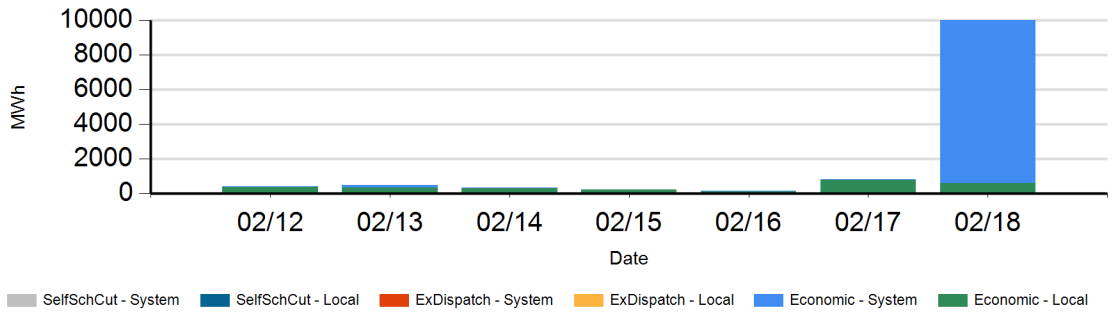
1. Hourly wind/solar generation curtailment energy in MWh.



2. Maximum wind/solar generation curtailment in MW for any one of the twelve real-time dispatch intervals in a particular hour.



3. Daily wind/solar curtailment energy in MWh on a 7-day rolling basis.



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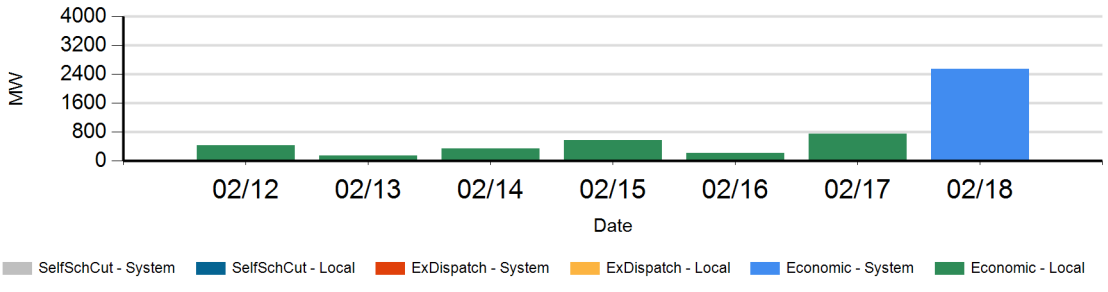

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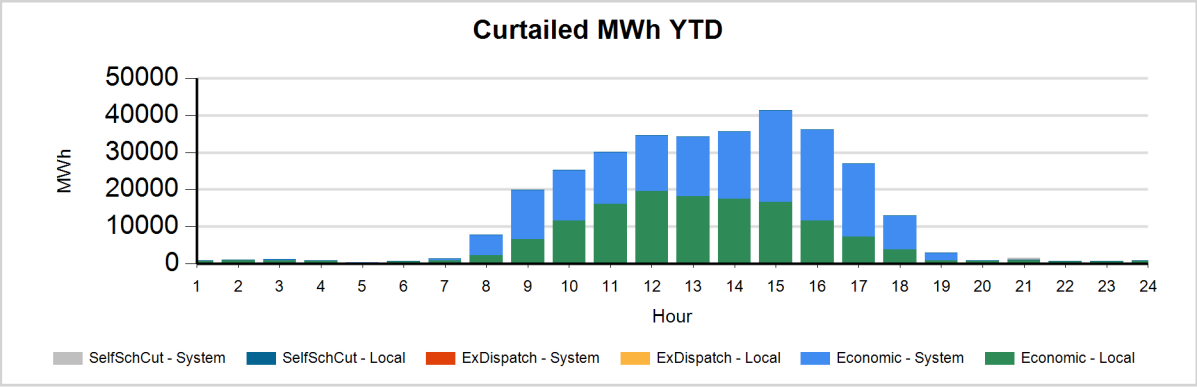

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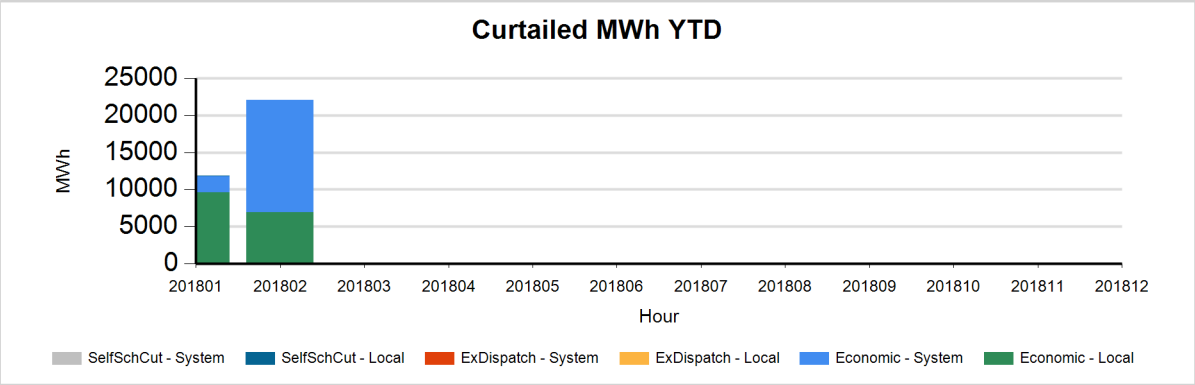

TYPE	YTD CURTAILED MWH
LocalEconomic	140,589
LocalSelfSchCut	1,370
SystemEconomic	175,893
SystemSelfSchCut	493
TOTAL	33,946

California ISO

Data used to produce hourly chart

DATE	HOUR	CURT TYPE	REASON	FUEL TYPE	CURTAILED MWH	CURTAILED MW
02/18	8	Economic	System	SOLR	77	357
02/18	9	Economic	System	SOLR	599	1184
02/18	9	Economic	System	WIND	47	97
02/18	10	Economic	Local	SOLR	4	2
02/18	10	Economic	System	SOLR	932	1574
02/18	10	Economic	System	WIND	49	94
02/18	11	Economic	System	SOLR	1461	1879
02/18	11	Economic	System	WIND	38	46
02/18	12	Economic	System	SOLR	1876	2097
02/18	12	Economic	System	WIND	47	53
02/18	13	Economic	System	SOLR	1953	2292
02/18	13	Economic	System	WIND	49	51
02/18	14	Economic	System	SOLR	2146	2343
02/18	14	Economic	System	WIND	78	203
02/18	15	Economic	Local	SOLR	466	2001
02/18	15	Economic	Local	WIND	14	54
02/18	16	Economic	System	SOLR	501	1507
02/18	16	Economic	System	WIND	15	44
02/18	17	Economic	System	SOLR	31	262
02/18	18	Economic	Local	WIND	8	25
02/18	19	Economic	System	WIND	0	2