## Decision on Congestion Revenue Rights Enhancements



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# CRRs help Market Participants manage the costs of transmission congestion.

- CRRs entitle its holder to the stream of congestion revenue between two points over a certain time period.
  - Monthly, seasonal (four quarters of the year) and Long Term (10 years) for peak and non-peak hours.

- CRRs are first <u>allocated</u> to Load Serving Entities.
  - Any market participant can bid <u>at auction</u> for CRRs up to the remaining capacity of the transmission grid.

CRRs to be effective in 2008 were previously allocated and auctioned.



#### Key enhancements to the existing CRR rules are needed for three purposes.

Reinforce the value of CRRs for Load Serving Entities

Enhance the fairness of the CRR release process

Strengthen credit policy for CRRs



## Updating the rules for allocating CRRs will reinforce their value to LSEs.

MRTU delay caused allocation of CRRs to get out-of-sync with established rules.

☐ Currently different Tariff rules for "Year One" and "Year 2" CRRs.

☐ 2008 CRRs will be effective only for Quarter 4.

Proposed new rules will realign CRR allocation with policies previously approved.

- ☐ Season 1 (Jan March) CRRs for 2009 would be under "Year One" rules.
  - With sources verified using 2007 historical period.
- ☐ Seasons 2, 3, and 4 CRRs for 2009 would be under "Year 2" rules.
  - Sources already verified.



#### These policy enhancements will promote fairness in the CRR release process.

- More precise MW granularity for CRRs:
  - Up to 0.001 MW CRRs allow more nominations to clear.

- Determines eligibility for monthly CRRs for certain LSEs:
  - New policy for loads that can't provide a verifiable load forecast.



## This proposal strengthens the CRR credit policy in four ways.

- Tightens credit requirements for CRRs that transfer between LSEs due to load migration.
- Uses actual market prices to determine credit requirements to hold CRRs.
- Imposes additional requirement to post collateral before bidding on CRRs at auction.
- Extends affiliate disclosure requirements for entities seeking CRRs.



#### **Upon Board approval, Management will:**

File for FERC approval on tariff language incorporating these CRR policy proposals.

Begin the CRR release process this summer for CRRs effective in 2009.

