Assessment of Progress Towards Fall 2008 MRTU Go Live



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CAISO has made substantial progress toward a Fall 2008 MRTU Go Live.

- CAISO Grid Operators have tested the systems, run simulations and are confident they can operate the grid with the systems
- Real-Time Market consistently running
- Day-Ahead Market consistently publishing by 1300
- Market solves high percentage of time with AC solution
- Market results are consistently published for participants
- Quality of solution is close to production given market participant bids and use of a simulator
- SAIC has certified the software is consistent with the CAISO Tariff absent minor issues that are being resolved



Nonetheless, market participants need to be given an ample opportunity to test their internal systems and processes.

- The current simulation has been open since February 19
- Most of the functionality can be tested by participants
- Many of the charge codes still need release from CAISO and validation by market participants
- Data traceability issues are contributing to perception of issues
- Questions remain around pricing
- Nonetheless, absent patching/other maintenance CAISO systems are stable and consistent



Much work remains and exit criteria for the market simulation still needs to be met.

The Update 2 Market Simulation Exit Criteria that have not been met consist of:

- Scenario testing needs to be completed
- Charge code Bid-to-Bill validation needs to be confirmed
- Critical and Very High variances need to be resolved
- High variances need to be resolved or mitigated
- Market results need to be traceable to bids & schedules

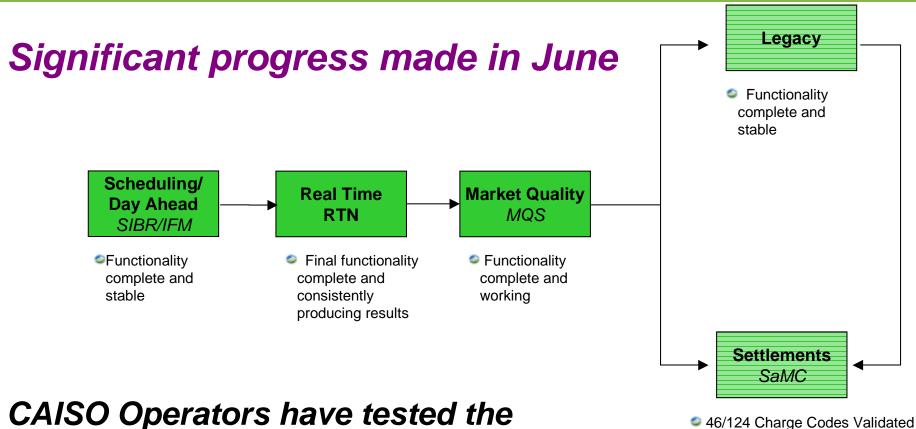


Proposed process between now and September ISO Governing Board Meeting:

- July 9: ISO Governing Board Meeting
 - CAISO readiness
- July 22: MRTU Implementation Workshop
- August 14: ISO Governing Board Meeting
 - Status of CAISO and Participant readiness
 - Discuss Fall Go Live Date
- August 26: MRTU Implementation Workshop
- September 8 9: ISO Governing Board Meeting
 - Status of CAISO and Participant readiness



Remaining MRTU functionality is completed.



systems and affirmed they are ready for a Fall Go Live.



70 anticipated by weeks end

Day-Ahead Market in market simulation is stable.

Between June 2nd and July 3rd:

- Day Ahead Market publish results every day = 100%
- Results publish by production timeline (1300) = 82%

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- Graphical User Interface available = 100%
- Automated Programmatic Interface availability = 98.96%
- Market Participants submitted bids only are used to run the market.
 - Typically, 800 1000 bids processed daily
 - July 1st Participants submitted 10,000 real-time bids and 800 Day-Ahead bids simultaneously



Real-Time Market is consistently solving and publishing on time.

Average Market Simulation Performance over last 3 weeks:

- HASP hourly intervals solving = 87.5%
- RTPD 15-minute intervals solving = 91.7%
- RTD 5-minute intervals solving= 97.4%
- ADS Dispatches broadcast = 99.8%



Market Simulation quality of solution is good.

LECG Report:

- Planned scope of analysis track testing is completed
- Prices and dispatches are consistent with economic objectives
- No fundamental issues with pricing were observed
- Extend the LECG engagement to address:
 - Forbidden Region, Wheeling and Nomograms



Market solution is predominately AC.

Alternating Current (AC) vs. Direct Current (DC) solution

- AC solution better depicts the power flow and has more accurate pricing
- DC solution simplifies the topology of the grid and therefore provides an approximation for pricing
- Day-Ahead Market solves with AC solution
- Real-Time Market solves with AC solution



Results are published timely and participant interfaces are available.

- Publish HASP, RTPD, RTD = 88% of the time
- CAISO Market Results Interface (CMRI) available:
 - Graphical User Interface = 99.25%
 - Automated Programmatic Interface = 99.38%
- Open Access Same-time Information System (OASIS)
 - Graphical User Interface = 100%
 - Automated Programmatic Interface = 99.75%
- MRTU Portal, Scheduling and Logging Information of CAISO (SLIC), and Operational Metering & Reporting (OMAR) are similarly available
- While applications are available, still have data issues



Settlements is the last major hurdle to overcome.

- Total of 124 Charge Codes
 - All charge codes have been unit tested
 - All charge codes are available for participant testing
- CAISO Bid-to-Bill Validation of all components:
 - Valid Daily/Monthly Charge Codes = 29 of 49
 - Valid Special Charge Codes = 17 of 75
 - Total of 46 of 124 Bid-to-Bill validated
- Additional 20 charge codes have been validated in integrated test environment
- New monthly settlement should produce at least 6 more validated charge codes
- Scenario testing still required for validation of ~ 55 codes



Settlement statements and invoices are being published.

- Daily Statements have published every day of market simulation
- Monthly settlement statements
 - March, April & May completed
 - June on track for July 25th
- Invoices
 - April published
 - May invoice targeted for end of this week
- Billing and Processing Interface (BAPI) availability
 - Graphical User Interface = 100%
 - Automated Programmatic Interface = 100%



Internal Key Readiness Accomplishments

- As of June 1st, each Business Unit has completed the Plan, Analysis, Design, Build, and Implement Phase Assessments.
- As a result of the May 1st effort, both Core and Non-Core personnel and processes are on track for a Fall Go-Live.
- Essential knowledge transfer and training activities completed.
- Tier 1 Business Processes were tested end-to-end in April.
- Grid Operators are in the process of receiving final handson refresher training.
- Business Unit scenario execution is ongoing.
- Business process and transition document sign off is in the final stages



Key accomplishments and activities for External Readiness are on-going.

- Core MRTU Level 100, 200, and 300 courses delivered to over 1000 representatives of Market Participants
 - Computer-Based Training and DVDs made available
- "Refresher courses" are ongoing
 - 4 classes to date given to over 250 people
- Go-Live" training plan developed and targeted at Market Participant operators
 - "train the trainer" opportunity for Market Participant
 - Scheduled for July September
 - Other locations Houston, Baltimore, Portland, etc
- MRTU assessments and touch points will continue through the summer



MRTU Readiness Criteria is on-track for a Fall Go Live.

- MRTU Readiness Criteria established with participants
- Criteria established in accordance with FERC Order
- Total Number of MRTU Readiness Criterions: 33
- Criteria status as of June 30th:
 - # of Completed Readiness Criteria: 7
 - # of "On Track" Readiness Criteria: 24
 - On Track means criteria is achievable but not completed
 - # of "Not On Track" Readiness Criteria: 2
 - Both criteria waiting for Bid-to-Bill settlement validation and invoices



There are 19 exit criteria in 5 categories to be completed prior to beginning Pre-Production.

Variance Count

- No critical or very-high variances
- High variances will be resolved or mitigated

Market Simulation Participation

Applications are available and RA Units participating

Settlements

- Publish Daily and Monthly Statements and Invoices
- Validate Charge Codes

Markets Run / Solve

- Specific time criteria for successfully solving markets
- Pass 40 market participant scenarios

CAISO IT Requirements – target for July

- Exercise backup and restoration plans
- Archive and retrieve data



Market Participant issue status need for Update 2 Exit Criteria is as follows:

Current Simulation	Open	Market Test	Postponed	Closed
Critical	1	1	0	7
Very High	10	11	0	49
High	321	213	11	492

- CAISO receives ~ 16 issues per day
- Does not include issues prior to February 2008:
 - 29 open issues that are prior to Update 2 simulation
 - 93 market test issues that CAISO has fixed but participants have not affirmatively validated
 - 19 postponed issues are enhancements for after Go Live
 - 706 closed issues have been resolved



Market Participation Statistics

- Average # of SCs participating = 52 of 91
- Average % Generating Capacity participating = 83%
- Average % Load participating = 73%
- Average % Resource Adequacy Units participating = 82.2%
- Inter-Scheduling Coordinator Trade volume varies from 200-500 trades / day



Participant scenarios still need to be completed.

Total of 40 scenarios consisting of:

- Impact to supply, demand and Existing Contracts when there is a transmission derate
- Insufficient energy, RUC or Ancillary Service bids or selfschedules and relaxation of limits
- Insufficient bids to relieve congestion and the impact on LMP and ASMP
- Evaluate pump impacts, pseudo ties, tie scheduling priority, over generation conditions, and load flow
- Test Exceptional Dispatch, Extremely Long Start, Daylight Savings transition and nomogram implementation



If Update 2 Exit Criteria were assessed today, where would we be?

- Variance Count on track
 - 1 Critical
 - I0 Very-high variances that must be resolved
 - 321 High variances open that must be resolved or mitigated
- Market Simulation Participation completed

Settlements - on track

- All Charge Codes unit tested and validated with stub data
- Not All Charge Codes are Bid-to-Bill validated
- Publish Daily and Monthly Statements
- Publish Invoices

Markets Run / Solve – on track

- Specific time criteria for successfully solving markets
 - Day-Ahead 6 consecutive days met timeline need 7
 - Hour-Ahead still need consistent consecutive day publishing
 - Quality of Solution AC solution 100% for Real-Time
- Initially passed 4 Market Participant Scenarios, 40 required
- CAISO IT Requirements target for July



Cutover/Reversion plan is progressing.

- Draft of detailed version of plan schedule to post on 7/21
- Continuing review with participants
- Table top exercise this summer in preparation for the Fall
 - Walk-through activities leading to Go Live date
 - Simulate various steps including bids, trades and schedule timing; operator communication; and operating requirements over the midnight hour
- Reversion decision called when
 - Issues prevent reliable and accurate dispatching and settlement of markets; and
 - No viable work-around can be implemented; and
 - Underlying condition can not be timely resolved

