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Thank you for the opportunity to address this issue. The conference call on October 28<sup>th</sup> was informative. Though many questions remain, SMUD does support further exploration of this issue.

During the conference call, the participant from PWX offered many concise comments with which I am in agreement. Here are other comments I would like to offer:

- Following the WECC preschedule calendar, all schedules/awards should be tagged the day they are traded.
- o As was mentioned, 95% of schedules follow this rule why can't the other 5%?
- Can we get examples of why the 5% cannot be tagged prior to the HASP.
- If an opportunity exists for gaming the system at the expense of reliability, that opportunity must be shut down immediately.
- It is a concern that implied virtual bidding may be occurring prior to the convergence bidding market and the ISO's ability to identify physical vs. financial trades.
- o Will the fees the market participants may avoid with this practice be put upon other participants in any way?
- It may be that same day tagging may be the only way the ISO can be sure the DA physical energy award has a way to come to the load in real time.
- o If participants are waiting for just in time transmission before they can tag, how reliable can that energy really be.

I look forward to further stakeholder participation on this issue.

Thank you,

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