



Decision on interconnection service capacity and deliverability retention for non-operating generating facilities

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Background

- Historical practice:
 - Remove deliverability and interconnection service capacity from generators that ceased to operate for more than three years.
 - Authority in the Business Practice Manual for Reliability Requirements.
- FERC found the practice was unsupported by the ISO tariff, and the language was removed in 2025.
- The ISO conducted a stakeholder process in 2026.

Management proposal:

- Require generators to return to service within a reasonable timeframe or permanently retire.
- Generators planning to return to service can retain their rights by taking the steps set out in the proposal.

Benefits

- Efficient use of existing interconnection service capacity and deliverability
- Improve accuracy of ISO study results

Approval will enable the ISO to more efficiently manage non-operating generating facilities

- Interconnection service capacity and deliverability not used by retired generators will be available for new interconnection requests.
- Future ISO studies will only include offline generators that are expected to return to service.
- Will result in more accurate study results and cost savings for customers.
- Stakeholder comments were supportive; no stakeholders expressed opposition.