



CRR Settlement Rule Under Convergence Bidding

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Background

- Other ISO's with virtual nodal bidding have tariff provisions to deter use of virtual bids to increase CRR revenues
 - PJM and ISO-NE ("Claw back" rule for CRR revenues)
 - MISO
 - More general authority to suspend trading that contributes to price divergence between DA and real time.
 - All ISO may also refer behavior to FERC that they believe constitutes potential "market manipulation"
- CRR "gaming" concern not hypothetical
 - Despite confidential nature of most information on this issue, cases are known to have occurred.

Initial DMM Recommendations under Nodal Convergence Bidding

- Automated CRR “clawback” rule
 - Variation of PJM approach that DMM believes will be more targeted based on specific flows and congestion prices.
 - Specific variations and thresholds need further discussion/input.
- Other proposed features that may limit gaming of CRRs via virtual bidding:
 - Position limits (10%)
 - Tariff authority to quickly limit or suspend VB’s that are creating significant price divergence.
 - Ability to refer behavior that may constitute potential “market manipulation” to FERC

Review of DMM's Understanding of PJM/ISO-NE Approach

- Step 1:

$$(\text{CLMP}_{\text{DA, CRR Sink}} - \text{CLMP}_{\text{DA, CRR Source}}) - (\text{CLMP}_{\text{RT, CRR Sink}} - \text{CLMP}_{\text{RT, CRR, Source}}) > 0?$$

- Step 2:

- Determine critical constraints based on shift factors (PTDF) of CRR source/sink relative to constraint
- $\text{PTDF}_{\text{CRR, Source}} > 0$ and $\text{PTDF}_{\text{CRR, Sink}} < 0$?
- $\text{Abs}(\text{PTDF}_{\text{CRR, Sink}} - \text{PTDF}_{\text{CRR, Source}}) > .10$?

	Shadow Price	Shift Factors			Subject to CRR Rule?	CLMP		
		Source	Sink	Difference		Source	Sink	Difference
		A	B	abs(B - A)		A	B	B - A
Constraint 1	\$100	.3	-.3	.6	Yes	-\$30	\$30	\$60
Constraint 2	\$200	.9	.5	.4	No	-\$180	-\$100	\$80
Constraint 3	\$100	-.5	-.9	.4	No	\$50	\$90	\$40
Constraint 4	\$100	.02	-.06	.08	No	-\$2	\$6	\$8
Totals						-\$162	\$26	\$188

Note: Illustrative example of PJM approach based on DMM's Aug 18, 2009 whitepaper on options for CRR Settlement Rule.

PJM/ISO-NE Approach – Step 3

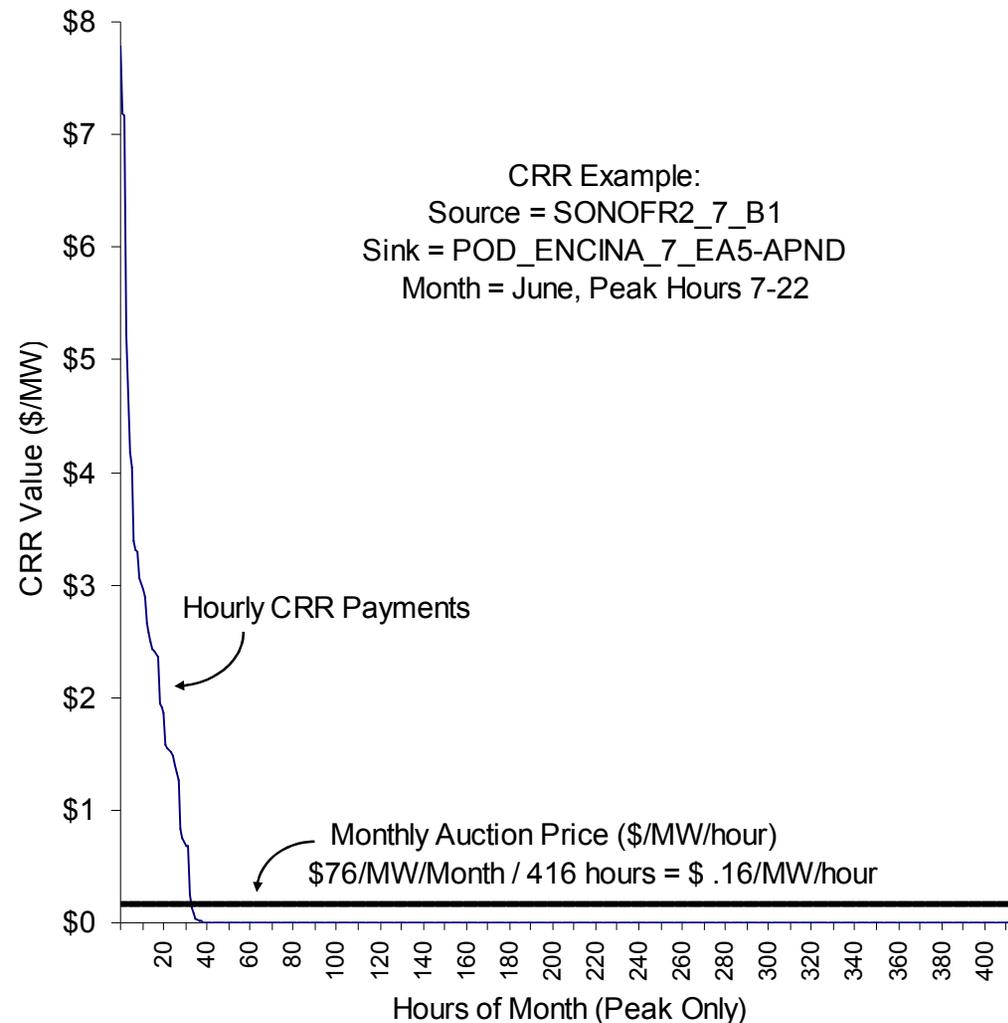
- Step 3: Identify CRR holders accepted VB at “nearby nodes”
 - Threshold = .75

Bid Type	Node	Shift Factor
Virtual Supply	J	.7
Virtual Supply	K	.6
Virtual Supply	L	.5
$A_{\text{Maximum}} =$.7

Bid Type	Node	Shift Factor
Virtual Demand	X	-.1
Virtual Demand	Y	-.04
Virtual Demand	Z	-.03
$B_{\text{Minimum}} =$		-.1
$A_{\text{Maximum}} - B_{\text{Minimum}} =$.8

PJM/ISO-NE Approach – Step 4

- Step 4:
- Limit CRR Payment to Average Auction Price for CRR (\$/MW/hour)
- Not applied to “counterflow CRRs” ?
- e.g. If VB decreases or avoids congestion, no increased charge to holder of CRR in opposite flow of reduced/avoided congestion.



Alternative Approach Proposed by DMM - Step 1

- Same as PJM/NE Approach

CLMP _{DA,Sink}	\$51
CLMP _{DA,Source}	-\$9
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ΔN_{DA}	\$60
CLMP _{RT,Sink}	\$34
CLMP _{RT,Source}	-\$6
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ΔN_{RT}	\$40
$dL_1 = \Delta N_{DA} - \Delta N_{RT} =$	\$20
$\Delta N_{DA} > \Delta N_{RT} ?$	Yes

- Real time prices used to screen CRRs with source/sink at interties based on HASP prices.
- Potential variation proposed by SCE would apply screen based on prices at CRR source/sink over entire time period of CRR (e.g. all peak hours during calendar month of CRR auction)

Note: Illustrative examples of proposed approach in slides based on Example 1 (p.6) of DMM's Sept. 14, 2009 whitepaper on Draft Proposal for CRR Settlement Rule.

Alternative Approach Proposed by DMM - Step 2

- Quantify contribution of each constraint to difference in CLMPs at CRR source/sink.

	Constraint 1	Constraint 2	Constraint 3
$CLMP_{DA, Sink}$	\$30	\$15	\$6
$CLMP_{DA, Source}$	-\$15	-\$3	\$9
ΔC_{DA}	\$45	\$18	-\$3
$CLMP_{RT, Sink}$	\$20	\$10	\$4
$CLMP_{RT, Source}$	-\$10	-\$2	\$6
ΔC_{RT}	\$30	\$12	-\$2
$dL_2 = \Delta C_{DA} - \Delta C_{RT} =$	\$15	\$6	-\$1

Alternative Approach Proposed by DMM - Step 3

- Quantify impact of CRR holder's accepted VB on flows of each constraint (k) in DA market.

	Constraint 1	Constraint 2	Constraint 3
$F_{DA, k, i}$	150 MW	50 MW	50 MW

- Option: Could exclude accepted VB at LAP and Gen Hub level since it may be very difficult to profitably increase CRR payments from such bids.

Alternative Approach Proposed by DMM - Step 4

- Determine if CRR holder's VB impacted flows more than $x\%$ (L) of constraint's total limit (K).

	Constraint 1	Constraint 2	Constraint 3
$F_{DA, k}$	1,000 MW	1,000 MW	400 MW
K	1,000 MW	1,000 MW	400 MW
L	.10	.10	.10
$(K \times L) + (K - F_{DA, k, i})$	100 MW	100 MW	40 MW
$ F_{DA, k, i} $	150 MW	50 MW	50 MW
$ F_{DA, k, i} > (K \times L) + (K - F_{DA, k, i})$?	Yes	No	Yes

- Threshold parameter (L) may be set at initial value (e.g. 10%) and may be modified, if appropriate, on constraint-by-constraint basis depending on level of VB flow that may tend to create significant impact on shadow price.

Alternative Approach Proposed by DMM - Step 5

Step 2

$$dL_2 = \Delta C_{DA} - \Delta C_{RT} =$$

Step 3

$$F_{DA, k, i}$$

Step 4

$$F_{DA, k}$$

$$K$$

$$L$$

$$(K \times L) + (K - F_{DA, k, i})$$

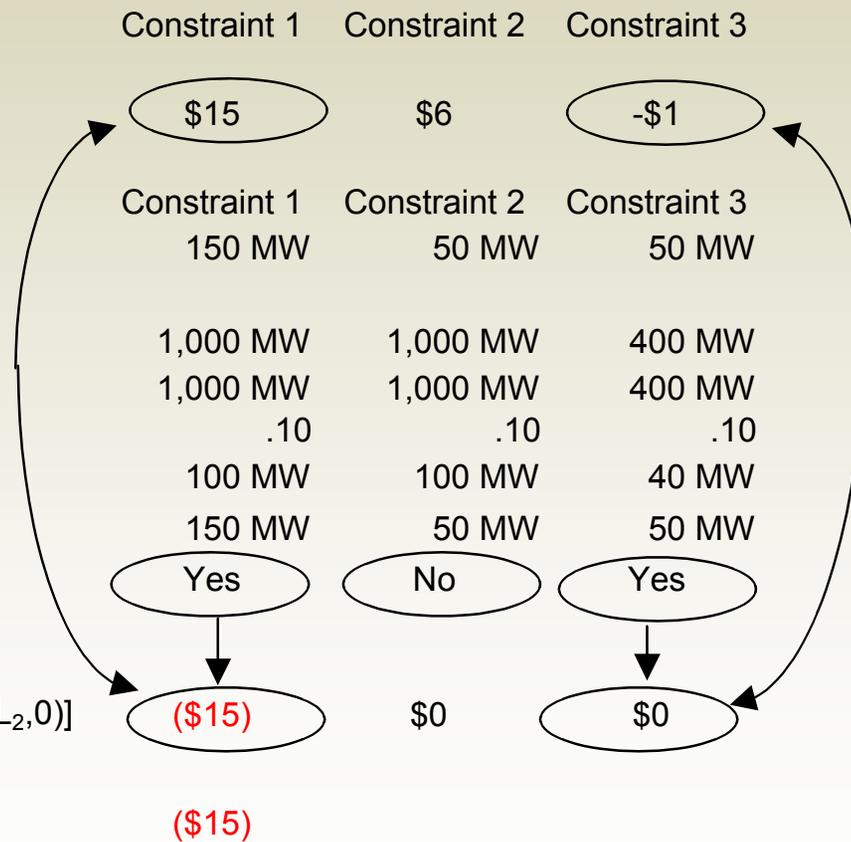
$$|F_{DA, k, i}|$$

$$|F_{DA, k, i}| > (K \times L) + (K - F_{DA, k, i}) ?$$

Step 5

$$\text{CRR Payment Adjustment } [\min(-dL_2, 0)]$$

$$\text{Total CRR Payment Adjustment } [\max(\min(-dL_1, 0), \sum(\min(-dL_2, 0)))]$$



Other Issues/Options

- If same formulas applied to “counterflow” CRRs, owners could be required to pay more than actual CRR congestion costs.
 - See Example 2 (p.6) of DMM’s Sept. 14, 2009 whitepaper on Draft Proposal for CRR Settlement Rule.
- Should adjustments be applied only if net value of CRR in IFM > RT when summed over multiple CRR hours (SCE, WPTF)?
 - e.g. perform Step 1 screening based on summation over CRR hours in month? day?
- Application of CRR rule for affiliated SCs
 - Exclusion for affiliates subject to verifiable regulatory affiliate rules (e.g. IOUs and unregulated subsidiaries)?

Counterflow Example – Step 1

- See Example 2 (p.6) of DMM's Sept. 14, 2009 whitepaper on Draft Proposal for CRR Settlement Rule.

Step 1

$CLMP_{DA,Sink}$	-\$1
$CLMP_{DA,Source}$	\$18
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ΔN_{DA}	-\$19
$CLMP_{RT,Sink}$	-\$7
$CLMP_{RT,Source}$	\$56
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ΔN_{RT}	-\$63
$dL_1 = \Delta N_{DA} - \Delta N_{RT} =$	\$44
$\Delta N_{DA} > \Delta N_{RT} ?$	Yes

Counterflow Example – Step 2

Step 2

	Constraint 1	Constraint 2	Constraint 3
$CLMP_{DA,Sink}$	\$0	-\$5	\$4
$CLMP_{DA,Source}$	\$0	\$15	\$3
ΔC_{DA}	\$0	-\$20	\$1
$CLMP_{RT,Sink}$	-\$5	-\$10	\$8
$CLMP_{RT,Source}$	\$20	\$30	\$6
ΔC_{RT}	-\$25	-\$40	\$2
$dL_2 = \Delta C_{DA} - \Delta C_{RT} =$	\$25	\$20	-\$1

CRR holder may have avoided \$25/MW in CRR payment obligation by preventing congestion in IFM via VB.

Counterflow Example – Steps 3 through 5

	Constraint 1	Constraint 2	Constraint 3
Step 2 $dL_2 = \Delta C_{DA} - \Delta C_{RT} =$	\$25	\$20	-\$1
Step 3 $F_{DA, k, i}$	-150 MW	-50 MW	-50 MW
Step 4 $F_{DA, k}$	980 MW	1,000 MW	400 MW
K	1,000 MW	1,000 MW	400 MW
L	.10	.10	.10
$(K \times L) + (K - F_{DA, k, i})$	120 MW	100 MW	40 MW
$ F_{DA, k, i} $	150 MW	50 MW	50 MW
$ F_{DA, k, i} > (K \times L) + (K - F_{DA, k, i})$?	Yes	No	Yes
Step 5 CRR Payment Adjustment $[\min(-dL_2, 0)]$	(\$25)	\$0	\$0
Total CRR Payment Adjustment $[\max(\min(-dL_1, 0), \sum(\min(-dL_2, 0)))]$	(\$25)		

CRR holders VB avoided congestion in IFM by reducing flow 150 MW (15% of constraint limit)