Stakeholder Comments Day Ahead Market Enhancements

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The Sacramento Municipal Utility District (SMUD) appreciates the opportunity to comment on the latest information provided by the CAISO on the Day Ahead Market Enhancements (DAME) proposal. SMUD submitted comments on the Issue Paper/Straw Proposal, dated February 28, 2018, and the Revised Straw Proposal, dated April 11, 2018. In those comments, we identified a few issues/questions to help us determine the full scope of the DAME proposal. The CAISO's comments matrix and subsequent June 19th workshop meeting provided useful information and answers to some issues.

However, SMUD seeks additional clarification on the CAISO's specific answer in the matrix to one of our questions.

- <u>SMUD's Question:</u> SMUD schedules against supporting resources (i.e., internal CAISO supply resources not already committed to support Resource Adequacy obligations inside the CAISO BA) in the CAISO to prioritize and firm our exports. These supporting resources are usually offered by the resource owner in the day ahead market timeframe and are matched against SMUD's self-scheduled export for a particular hour. SMUD assumes the Revised Proposal will not affect our ability to continue this practice or in any way diminish SMUD's ability to ensure the firmness of certain self-scheduled exports, but we seek confirmation from the CAISO that this is the case.
- <u>CAISO Answer:</u> The proposed day-ahead market enhancements do not change SMUD's ability to ensure the firmness of certain self-scheduled export.

While the CAISO Answer states that SMUD retains the ability to ensure the firmness of certain self-scheduled exports, it is not clear from this answer whether the *mechanism* for doing this will change. SMUD requests the CAISO confirm whether or not the process for ensuring the export firmness will remain the same. If the market mechanism to schedule energy and/or demand for self-scheduled exports will in fact change, please provide additional details about the change and how it will work.

Thank you.