Bilateral-Residual Forward Capacity Market Structure

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Objectives of Proposal

- Preserve as much of current FCA structure as possible.
- Assure that resources procured for state policies are reflected in quantity of resources procured for resource adequacy.
- Align capacity market benefits of state policy resources with those paying for such resources.
- Produce reasonable prices for the total quantity procured based on appropriate point on the demand curve.

Approach

- Build upon the existing "self-supply" provisions of the Forward Capacity Market.
 - Certified Load Asset Resources (CLAR) are resources with bilateral arrangements between a Load Asset Owner (LAO) and a resource's lead participant.
 - CLARs will not recieve a base FCM payment.
 - CLARs would rely on contract payments plus non-FCM market revenues.
 - The LAO's Capacity Load Obligation will be reduced by the certified capacity value of the CLAR.

CLAR Requirements

- CLARs must go through the certification process like all other resources.
 - CLARs could be either New Resources or Existing Resources.
 - Both the LAO and the resource's lead participant would need to certify CLAR treatment.
 - CLARs would be subject to the same performance requirements as other capacity resources.
 - Includes PFP penalties.



Treatment of CLARs in FCA

- Once certified and accepted by ISO, CLARs would automatically be cleared at their full qualified capacity.
 - CLARs that have not previously cleared in a primary FCA would be subject to the existing MOPR provisions for determining their location on the FCA supply curve.
 - The Proxy Price for new CLARs will be set at the applicable ORTP, unless the LAO can demonstrate that its contract price is lower than the applicable ORTP.
 - CLARs that have cleared in prior FCAs will be treated like any other Existing Resource.

FCA Settlement Considerations

- The total quantity procurred (Q_{Total}) and the FCA Clearing Price (P_{Final}) will be determined based on the intersection of the supply curve (including CLAR Proxy Prices) and the demand curve.
 - If any CLARs have a proxy price gretaer than P_{Final}, the sum of the CLAR capacity and the quantity of Non-CLAR resources will exceed Q_{Total}.
 - The final Capacity Supply Obligation (CSO) of the Non-CLAR resources will be reduced proportionally such that the sum of the CLAR capacity plus the Non-CLAR capacity equals Q_{Total}.

FCA Settlement Example

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Q_{Total} = 35,500 MW

P_{Final} = $ 6.44 per kW-month

Total Q_{CLAR} = 6,000 MW

Total Q_{CLAR \ above \ P^{Final}} = 2,000 MW (Equals In-Betweens)

Total Q_{Non-CLAR} = 35,500 MW - (6,000 MW - 2,000 MW)

= 31,500 MW
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Calculations for a 100 MW Non-CLAR

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CSO = 100 MW * [(31,500 MW - 2,000 MW)/31,500 MW] 93.65 MW (Would be paid \$ 6.44 per kW-month.),

Load Settlement Considerations

- LAOs will be required to "link" the CSO of their CLARs with the ICAP Tags of their respective Load Assets.
- ISO settlement needs to recognize this linkage between CLARs and ICAP Tags when the ICAP Tags get transferred.
- The Capacity Load Obligation of retail load suppliers will be reduced by the allocated share of CLAR capacity.

Questions and Considerations

- A concern has been raised that if the amount of CLAR capacity with a price above P_{Final} gets too large, it may impact bidding incentives for new Non-CLARs.
 - Should there be a limit on the amount of such CLAR resources?
 - If so, how should any limits be determined?
 - % of LAO's Capacity Load Obligation?
 - Overall MW Cap?
 - Impact test?
 - Other?



Questions and Considerations (cont)

- Zonal settlement implications where CLAR is in a different capacity zone than the associated load.
 - Use a CTR-type construct to reflect zonal price differences?
- Should there be a minimum number of years for CLAR treatment for a New Resource?
 - What term would be appropriate?
- Other issues?



Questions?

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