2023 RPU Resource Plan Update

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About 1898 & Co.



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Power Supply Planning Overview



Power Supply Planning Study Foundations



Power Supply Plan Highlights

- RPU will need to replace both energy and capacity.
 - The Southern Minnesota Municipal Power Agency (SMMPA) contract (CROD) will expire in March of 2030.
- Dramatically reduces fossil-based energy supply.
 - Provides a pathway to drastically reduce RPU's current use of fossil-fueled energy by shifting most of the energy production to renewable resources.
- Greatly exceeds goals for environmental friendliness.
 - Positions RPU to exceed City's and State's goals regarding environmental attributes and compliance.
- Provides RPU flexibility, resiliency, and diversity.
 - Provides RPU a diverse power supply portfolio implementing wide-range of resources and technologies.
 - Allows RPU to adapt to new seasonal capacity requirements from MISO.



Industry Overview & Trends



Power Industry Trends

- Energy transition is still occurring, the pace differs by region (within MISO and across the U.S.).
- Generation interconnection requests continue to flood the independent system operators (ISO).
- New generation and retirements present challenging transmission constraints that are impacting power market prices.
- Shifting away from baseload plants to quick-start, flexible resources to accommodate renewables.
- Increased interest in firm peaking capacity
 - Required to integrate increasing amounts of renewable power
 - Firm, dispatchable resources especially after Winter Storm Uri
 - Renewed interest in dual fuel capabilities (fuel oil, LNG) in constrained areas
- Industry is focusing on seasonal reliability as the system experiences fossil-based retirements, becomes more reliant on renewables, and evaluates impacts from significant weather events.
- Continued electrification of the economy and higher rates of electric vehicle (EV) penetration.
- Research continues in emerging technology such as long-duration battery storage, hydrogen, and small modular nuclear reactors (SMR) as carbon-free sources of capacity to balance the intermittency of renewables.
 - The Inflation Reduction Act (IRA) provided many incentives for emerging technologies as well as tax breaks for renewables.



Industry Wrestling with Capacity Accreditation

- Power supply resources have two major components for satisfying customer load: 1) Energy and 2) Capacity.
- Power supply resources have different attributes: Renewable resources are great for energy, but not as great for capacity.
- The industry historically had planned to the highest peak during the year: Summer.
- The industry across the country is determining how to accredit resources for their ability to provide capacity across the different seasons.
 - Wind: Production is high during spring and fall months, lower in the summer.
 - Solar: Production is great during summer, but winter has short days and less direct sunlight.
 - Gas units: Some areas of the country can be constrained for fuel in winter with heating demand.
- Many studies are being completed to assess the "right" value for seasonal capacity:
 - Xcel Filed a request with the Commission that 50 hours of energy storage be the minimum capability.
 - PJM (ISO located east of MISO) Currently 4-hours of storage gets 80% accreditation.
 - MISO 2022 Regional Resource Assessment (November 2022)

Takeaway: This is a moving target, the industry has a lot of work to do to assess risks with intermittent resources and a grid more reliant on renewables.

Industry Wrestling with Capacity Accreditation



Figure 8: Sample MISO-wide load profile for Year 2031

Source: MISO - 2022 Regional Resource Assessment (November 2022)





Industry Wrestling with Capacity Accreditation

MISO's capacity projections for Load Resource Zone 1, which RPU is located





¹Over the study period, RRA assumes wind stays at 16.7%, solar declines from 50% to 20%, hybrid declines from 60% to 30%, and battery declines from 100% to 75%. The assumptions in RRA should not be taken as indicative of the outcomes of the non-thermal accreditation work, where the ultimate decisions will be made on future accreditation methodology ²"Other" includes hydro, pumped storage hydro, demand side management, biomass, landfill gas, waste biomass, and petroleum MISO

Disclaimer: The RRA results are a reflection of publicly stated plans as of January 2022 and MISO modeling assumptions. The study provides an informational view of a possible future and should not be interpreted as an investment plan or recommendation.

Source: MISO - 2022 Regional Resource Assessment (November 2022) Technical Appendix: RRA Assumptions and Methodology



Challenges of Reliability with Intermittent Resources

- Intermittent generation: Wind and solar production during extreme weather may be reduced.
- Long-duration resources, with firm energy supply, are needed to incorporate more renewables





Industry Wrestling with Managing Energy

• The power industry has the need for firm, dispatchable, flexible, reliable generation to integrate large amounts renewable resources





Planning Input Assumptions



Power Supply Planning Study Foundations



Peak Load (Electric Vehicles & Demand Response)



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MISO Seasonal Resource Adequacy Construct

- MISO has moved to a four-season resource adequacy construct
- Market entities are required to demonstrate sufficient reserves on a quarterly basis
- Unplanned unit outages which occur during peak hours - carry an increased penalty toward future accreditation

• Reserve Margin Requirements vary by season...





Analysis & Results









Resource Selection

Year	100x2030 Base Case	100x2030 50 MW Self-Build Max	100x2030 SCGT PPA Option	100x2030 150 MW SCGT PPA	100x2030 No MISO Market	100x2040
Storage	4-Hr Storage (100 MW)	4-Hr Storage (100 MW)	4-Hr Storage (50 MW)	\otimes	4-Hr Storage (100 MW)	4-Hr Storage (100 MW)
Wind	Wind (350 MW)	Wind (350 MW)	Wind (350 MW)	Wind (400 MW)	Wind (400 MW)	Wind (200 MW)
Solar	Solar (50 MW)	Solar (50 MW)	Solar (50 MW)	Solar (50 MW)	Solar (50 MW)	Solar (50 MW)
Thermal 🔶	Aeroderivative (50 MW)	Aeroderivative (50 MW)	F-Class SCGT PPA (100 MW)	F-Class SCGT PPA (150 MW)	Aeroderivative (50 MW)	Aeroderivative (50 MW)
2031			Wind (50MW)		Removed from consideration.	
2033	Wind (100 MW)	Wind (100 MW)	Wind (50 MW)	Wind (50 MW)		
2042			Wind (50 MW)		Those Wore of	valuated for
	4-Hr Storage (100 MW)	4-Hr Storage (100 MW)	4-Hr Storage (50 MW)		^{4-Hr Stoppositivity impacts}	
Total	Wind (450 MW)	Wind (450 MW)	Wind (500 MW)	Wind (450 MW)	Wind (450 MW)	Wind (450 MW)
	Solar (50 MW)	Solar (50 MW)	Solar (50 MW)	Solar (50 MW)	Solar (100 MW)	Solar (50 MW)
	Aeroderivative (50 MW)	Aeroderivative (50 MW)	F-Class SCGT PPA (100 MW)	F-Class SCGT PPA (150 MW)	Aeroderivative (50 MW)	Aeroderivative (50 MW)
Total NPV (\$)	\$479 Million	\$479 Million	\$500 Million	\$449 Million	\$639 Million	\$459 Million
Delta from Base (\$)			-\$29 Million	-\$30 Million	\$159 Million	-\$21 Million
Delta from Base (%)			-3%	-3%	15%	-2%

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Storage may require overbuild for accreditation/

NPV Summary



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In all Cases: MISO Transmission Charges, FTRs, ARRs, Energy Hedging, and other Power Market Participant Costs are excluded from the modeling

Detailed Summary Analysis





50 MW Self-Build Max Limited New RPU Owned Thermal Resources to 50MW

SELF-BUILD THERMAL



Base Case (100x2030)

Case Description

The Base Case and 50 MW Thermal Self-Build Case have different resource options for meeting our RPU's commitment to 100% Net Renewable energy by 2030.

Case Summary

The Base Case and 50 MW Thermal Self-Build Case select the same resource plans from the alternatives even though the Base Case includes the option to select a full-sized F-Class SCGT.

The resource plan includes a diverse mix of small thermal, storage, wind and solar. The solar is included to reach compliance with the Minnesota Solar Energy Standard.

RPU 2030 Clean Energy Commitment (100%x2030) RPU COMMITMENT 50 MW Self-Build Max Limited New RPU Owned Therma sources to 50MV 100x2030 Year **Capital Costs Base Case** 4-Hr Storage (100 MW) \$180M* Wind (350 MW) \$600M 2030 Solar (50 MW) \$98M Aeroderivative (50 MW) \$100M^ 2031 2033 Wind (100 MW) \$187M 2042 4-Hr Storage (100 MW) Wind (450 MW) Total Solar (50 MW) Aeroderivative (50 MW) Total NPV (\$) \$479 Million Delta from Base (\$) Delta from Base (%)

BASE CASE

* Energy storage considers overbuild to account for capacity accreditation.

^ Allowances include for costs such as transmission and gas upgrades, back-up fuel.

BLR after CROD Expiration (Summer)



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Detailed Summary Analysis

SCGT PPA Option Limited New Thermal Additions to PPA from F-Class SCGT

3rd PARTY THERMAL

150 MW SCGT PPA

Added 150 MW of New Thermal PPA Additions from an F-Class SCGT

150 MW PPA



SCGT PPA Case (100x2030)

Case Description

The SCGT PPA Case forces in 50 MW of 4-hr Storage while allowing the model to select a PPA for capacity and energy from an F-Class SCGT in 50MW blocks.

Case Summary

The SCGT PPA Case selects more wind and less storage than the Base Case along with 100 MW of PPA F-Class SCGT. The reduction in Storage is driven by a reduced need for capacity (caused by the SCGT). The increase in Wind is attributable to less storage for energy shifting.

The resource plan is the cheapest of the plans considered but relies on finding a majority partner willing to finance an F-Class SCGT for RPU. SCGT PPA Option Limited New Thermal Additions to PPA from F-Class SCGT

3rd PARTY THERMAL

Year	100x2030 SCGT PPA Option	Capital Costs	
	4-Hr Storage (<mark>50</mark> MW)↓	\$90M*	
2020	Wind (350 MW)	\$600M	
2030	Solar (50 MW)	\$98M	
	F-Class SCGT PPA (100 MW)		
2031	Wind (<mark>50</mark> MW) 🕇	\$88M	
2033	Wind (<mark>50</mark> MW)	\$94M	
2042	Wind (<mark>50</mark> MW)	\$123M	
	4-Hr Storage (<mark>50</mark> MW)↓		
Total	Wind (<mark>500</mark> MW)		
	Solar (50 MW)		
	F-Class SCGT PPA (100 MW)		
Total NPV (\$)	\$500 Million		
Delta from Base (\$)	-\$29 Million		
Delta from Base (%)	-3%		

CHANGE FROM BASE CASE

* Energy storage considers overbuild to account for capacity accreditation.

150 MW SCGT PPA Case (100x2030)

Case Description

In this case, the model selects a 150 MW PPA for capacity and energy from an F-Class SCGT along with renewable additions in the early 2030s.

Case Summary

The 150 MW SCGT PPA Case selects more wind than the Base Case, no battery storage, and 150 MW of a F-Class SCGT PPA. Due to the SCGT PPA driving no need for storage, the model selects an increase in Wind which can be attributed to less storage for energy shifting.

The resource plan is only slightly more expensive than the SCGT PPA Case (100 MW SCGT PPA) but they both rely on finding a majority partner willing to finance an F-Class SCGT for RPU.

CHANGE FROM BASE CASE

150 MW SCGT PPA Added 150 MW of New Thermal PPA Additions from an F-Class SCGT

150 MW PPA

Year	100x2030 SCGT PPA Option	Capital Costs
2030	No Storage Wind (400 MW) NO AERODERIVATIVE Solar (50 MW) F-Class SCGT PPA (150 MW)	\$685M \$98M
2031		
2033	Wind (<mark>50</mark> MW)	\$94M
2042		
Total	No Storage Wind (<mark>450</mark> MW) Solar (50 MW) F-Class SCGT PPA (150 MW)	
Total NPV (\$M)	\$449 Million	
Delta from Base (\$)	-\$30 Million	
Delta from Base (%)	-3%	

Key Takeaways



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• Base Case & 50MW Self-Build Case: most cost-effective plans for RPU to shoulder independently

KEY CONSIDERATIONS

• Provides RPU an independent path and local control for developing firm capacity and energy storage for resiliency

- Thermal PPA Case: lower cost than the Base Case, but the margin is heavily dependent on a 3rd-Party cost of capital
- Will require finding a partner on a large combustion turbine project

- State Statute Case: lower cost than the Base Case by timing the addition of wind
- RPU has already publicly committed to being 100% Net Renewable by 2030



Considerations for Path Forward

- RPU's power supply portfolio path remains largely unchanged from previous efforts.
 - Net 100% renewable after 2030
 - Addition of firm, dispatchable capacity
 - Consideration of energy storage
- Continue exploring multiple resources options in parallel to provide flexibility.
- Consider capacity expansion project at West Side.
 - Site selection assessment indicated West Side as a preferred location against alternatives (the site provides better options for gas supply and transmission interconnection).
- Continue exploring partnership opportunities for participation in:
 - Renewable projects and power purchase agreements
 - Large firm, dispatchable unit to capture economies of scale
 - Energy storage projects
 - Leveraging tax credit opportunities and structures
- Continue to develop programs to mitigate impacts associated with EV adoption and electrification.



