

# A Market-based Approach to Power System Expansion Planning

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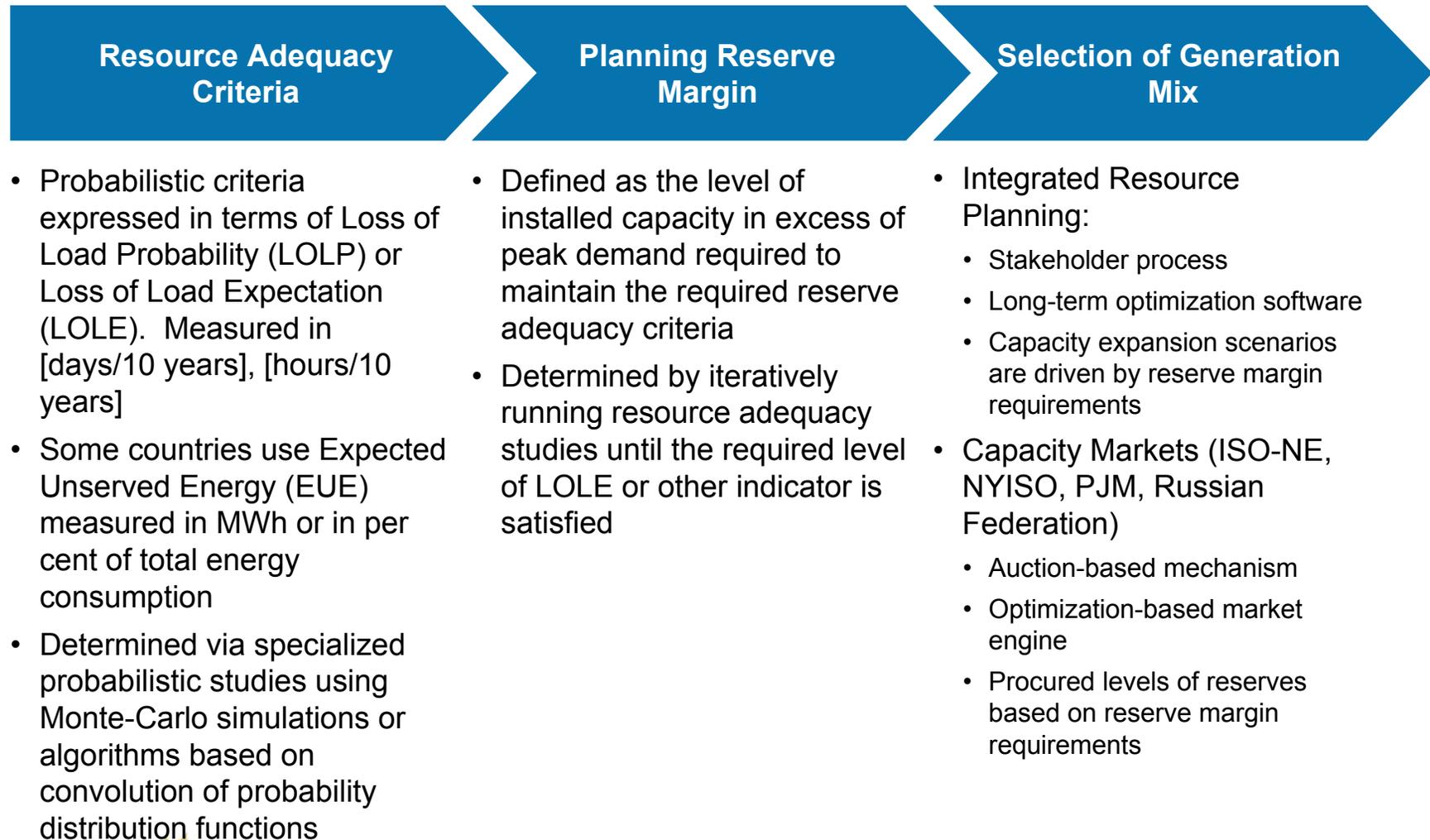
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# Outline

- Revisiting of the generation capacity expansion planning process
- Stochastic Reliability Pricing Model: proposed design and key economic properties
- Conclusions

# High Level Schematic of the Generation Expansion Planning Process



# The time has come to revisit the foundations of this approach

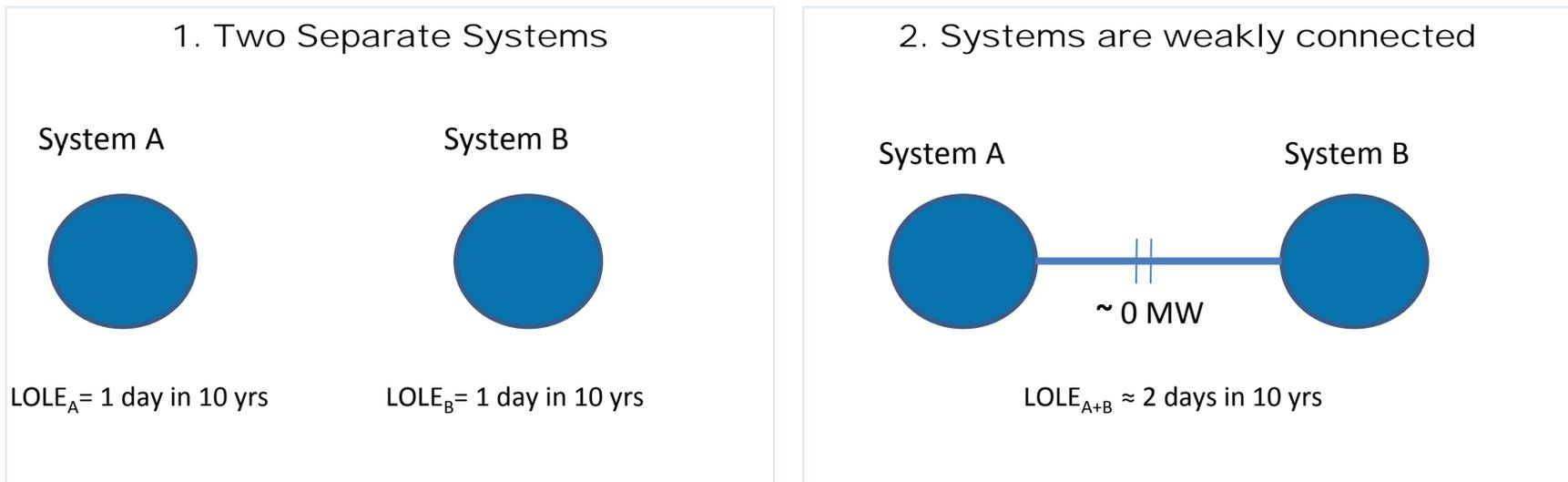
- Relevant technological advancements of the last two decades:
  - Increased computational and algorithmic power allows to address more complex and computationally intensive problems
  - Advancement in metering technologies and development of customer information systems geared toward SmartGrid – improved information on the economics of electricity use
  - Growing penetration of variable resources and energy limited resources, among them resources in the form of demand response, create significant challenges to old concepts
- Institutional advancements
  - Emerging competitive market mechanisms for energy, capacity and ancillary services, virtual power plants auctions, energy procurement auctions, derivative mechanisms (FTRs, virtual bidding)
  - Development of sophisticated market infrastructure supporting optimal operation of electricity markets over large footprints
  - Active participation of demand response in markets for energy, ancillary services, capacity
  - Emergence of highly sophisticated market participants
- Theoretical advancements
  - Theory of spot pricing of electricity, nodal economic theory of power systems
  - Use of auction theory and applications in design and operation of various power markets

“If it is not broken, don’t fix it...” But what if it is?

- Issue 1. Resource adequacy criteria do not fully reflect the economics of service interruption
- Issue 2. Resource adequacy criteria in the form of LOLE are inadequate indicators of optimal investment in transmission-constrained systems
- Issue 3. Local capacity requirements used in practice for transmission-constrained systems are not based on a sound economic theory and do not appear optimal

# Issue 1. LOLE does not fully reflect the economics of service interruptions

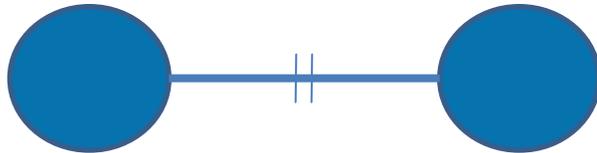
- ❑ LOLE reflects the average frequency of the loss of load in the system as a whole
- ❑ LOLE does not reflect the frequency of interruption of individual end users or groups of end users
- ❑ LOLE does not take into account:
  - size of the system
  - depth of interruption
  - number, fraction, categories of end users being interrupted



**In the second case the frequency of interruption of individual end users is practically the same as in the first case but the LOLE no longer meets the 1 day in 10 years standard**

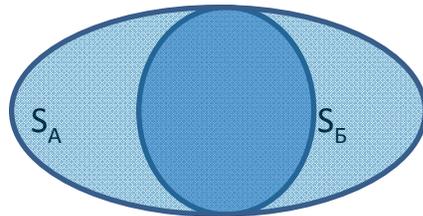
## Issue 2: In a transmission-constrained system LOLE does not drive optimal investment decisions

Capacity Zone A



Capacity Zone B

S



S – set of events of capacity shortage in the system

$S_A$  – set of events in which capacity shortage can be resolved by shedding load in Zone A

$S_B$  – set of events in which capacity shortage can be resolved by shedding load in Zone B

### In the absence of transmission constraints

$LOLE \text{ (hours/yr)} = P [S] \times 8760 = \partial EUE / \partial L$ ,

$P [S]$  – probability of all events in S

Optimal capacity addition rule:

$LOLE \times VOLL = \partial EUE / \partial L \times VOLL \geq CRR$

CRR – annualized capacity revenue requirement

In a constrained system LOLE does not drive the optimal capacity addition rule:

### Optimal capacity addition rule for Zone A

$P [S_A] \times 8760 \times VOLL = \partial EUE / \partial L_A \times VOLL \geq CRR_A$

### Optimal capacity addition rule for Zone B

$P [S_B] \times 8760 \times VOLL = \partial EUE / \partial L_B \times VOLL \geq CRR_B$

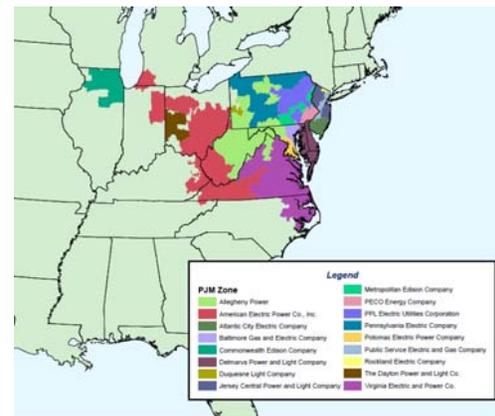
The right indicators are  $\partial EUE / \partial L_A$  and  $\partial EUE / \partial L_B$

The relationship  $LOLE = \partial EUE / \partial L$  only holds for an unconstrained system

# Issue 3. How installed capacity requirements are set

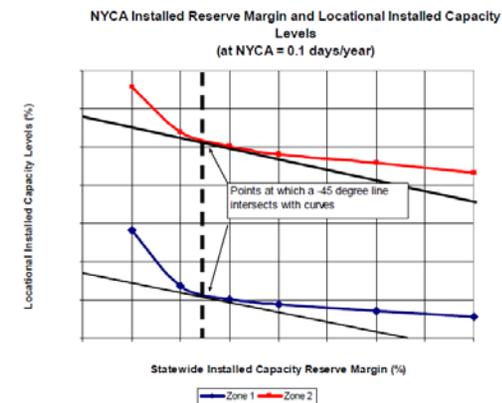
- Example 1: PJM

- Sets system-wide LOLE requirement of 1 day in 10 years and local LDA requirements at 1 day in 25 years
- Effectively determines installed capacity requirements by zone on the basis of 1 day in 25 years LOLE criteria (subject to 100% availability of imports)



- Example 2: NYISO

- Sets up system-wide LOLE requirement of 1 day in 10 years. Upstate/downstate split in capacity requirements are set on the relative trade-off basis: increasing downstate reserve margin by 1% while reducing system reserve margin by 1% must preserve the LOLE of 1 day in 10 yrs



Neither of these methods appears optimal

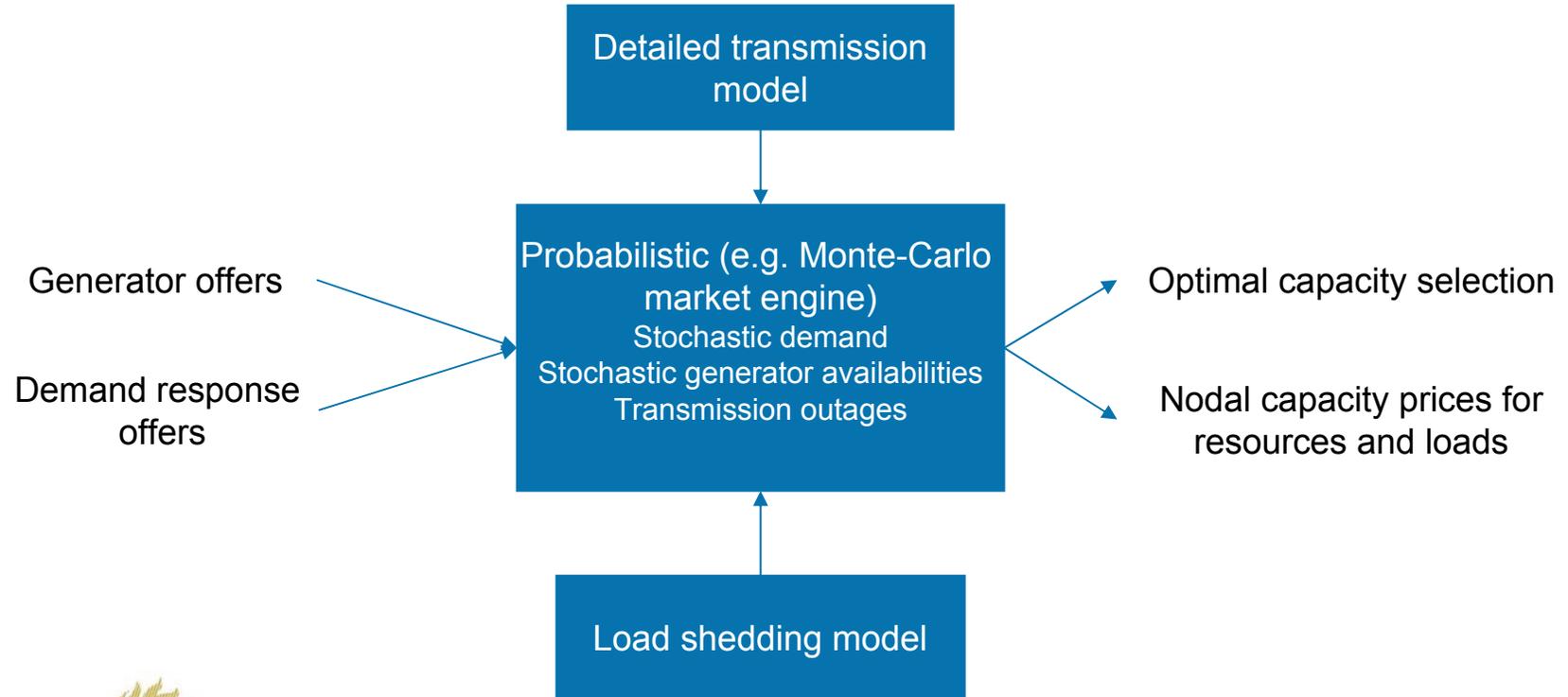
# Proposed Approach: Stochastic Reliability Pricing Model

- Market-based: optimal generation mix is selected through a capacity procurement auction conducted on a regular basis (e.g. annually)
- Planning horizon: one- or multi-year
- Footprint: an RTO but preferably all interconnected RTOs
- Market engine:
  - Uses full transmission model and factors in security constraints;
  - Models generator availability as stochastic processes;
  - Models demand as stochastic processes;
  - Does not require regional reserve margins as an input;
  - Explicitly incorporates expected value of unserved energy  $E(VUE)$  into the auctioneer's objective function
- Auction outcome:
  - Optimal selection of the resource mix
  - Locational capacity prices for resources
  - Locational capacity prices for loads

# Schematic of the Market Engine

*Auctioneer's Objective Function:  $\min [(Gen\ Cost @CRR) + (DR\ Cost @CRR) + E(VUE)]$*

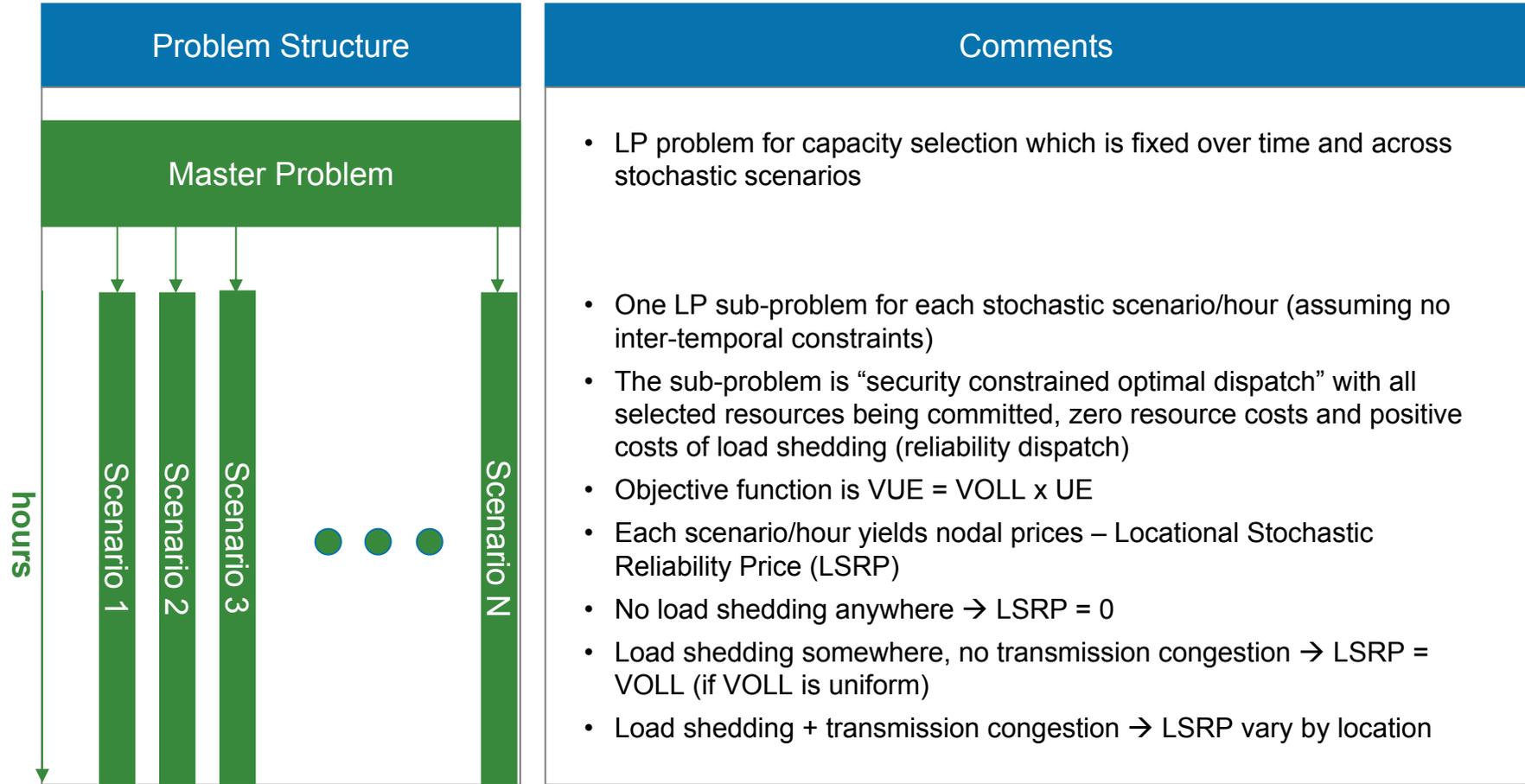
*Planning horizon: one- or multi-year*



# Market Engine Inputs

| Inputs   | Explanation/source   |
|--|--|
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Detailed transmission model</li><li>• Transmission outages</li><li>• Generator offers</li><li>• Stochastic generator availabilities</li><li>• Stochastic demand</li><li>• Demand response offers</li><li>• Load shedding model</li></ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Transmission topology which may be changing over planning horizon by incorporating planned projects and a pre-determined set of flowgates</li><li>• Based on historical statistics or engineering estimates</li><li>• Price/quantity pairs: CRRs and installed capacity for existing and new capacities</li><li>• Based on historical statistics or engineering estimates</li><li>• Stochastic variations around demand forecasts developed by LSEs or System Operator</li><li>• Price/quantity pairs: CRRs and levels of demand reduction below forward contracts to purchase power</li><li>• Locational levels of load shedding potential and associated VOLLs set administratively and/or specified by large buyers</li></ul> |

# Auctioneer's Optimization Problem



## Resource Capacity Price (RCP)

$$RCP_j = \mathbf{E} \sum_t \bar{S}_j(t, \omega) \max(0, LSRP_j(t, \omega)) - \mathbf{E} \sum_t \underline{S}_j(t, \omega) \max(0, -LSRP_j(t, \omega))$$

- Resource capacity price is the difference between the reliability value of the option to use 1 MW of capacity when it is needed and the reliability cost of the obligation to use 1 MW of capacity when it is not needed

$\bar{S}_j(t, \omega)$  and  $\underline{S}_j(t, \omega)$

- p.u. maximum resource availability and low bound operational limitation, respectively

- LSRPs and resource availabilities are negatively correlated! Existing practice of relying on historically estimated UCAP and multiplying it by capacity price is biased and may inadequately compensate generators in the capacity market
- Ultimately, the resource offer is
  - Accepted fully if offer price is below  $RCP_j$
  - Rejected fully if offer price is above  $RCP_j$
  - Accepted partially (marginal) if offer price is equal to  $RCP_j$
- In the auction settlement, resources are paid RCPs for each MW of accepted installed capacity

## Load Capacity Prices (LCP) and the Overall Settlement

$$LCP_j = \mathbf{E} \sum_t LSRP_j(t, \omega) \left[ \frac{L_j(t, \omega) - u_j(t, \omega)}{D_j} \right]$$

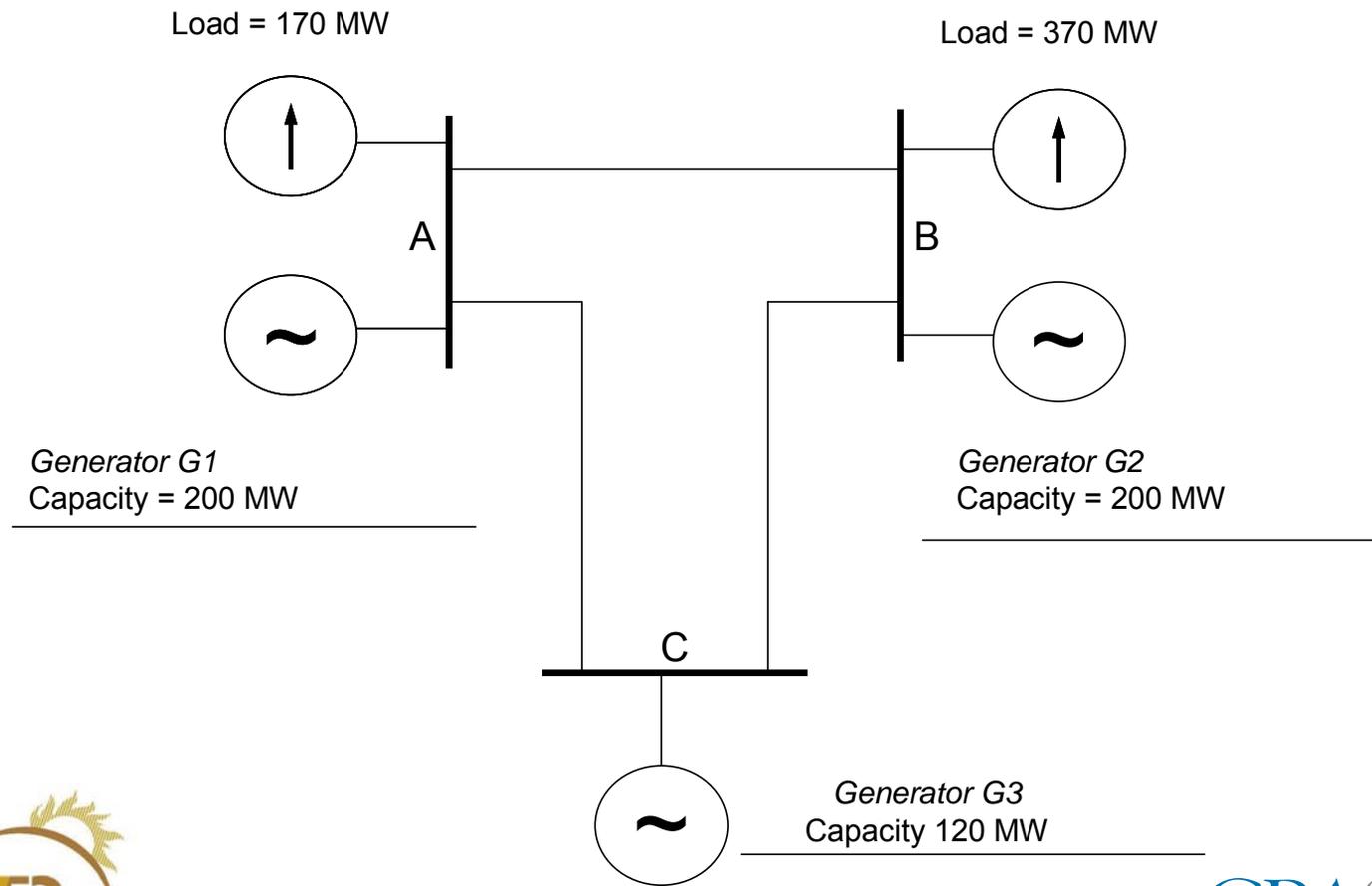
- Load payment depends on served load simulated in each scenario: *a load pays for reliability only to the extent it is not interrupted at the time when others are*
- Depending on consumption patterns and/or level of interruption loads at the same location may pay different capacity prices
- Prices are defined per unit of projected peak demand
- Projected peaks are used as a billing determinants in the auction settlement

$$\sum_j D_j LCP_j = \sum_j X_j RCP_j + \text{CongRent}, \quad \text{CongRent} \geq 0$$

- Congestion rent equals the expected value of total congestion costs of reliability dispatch and is never negative
- The Auctioneer is never revenue deficient

# LSRPs, RCPs and LCPs are primarily driven by the economics of service interruptions

To illustrate this, we consider several examples using a three-node system with all lines having identical impedance. By design, the system is short: total demand is 540 MW, total available capacity is 520 MW. In all examples flow on the line B-C is limited



# Summary of Examples

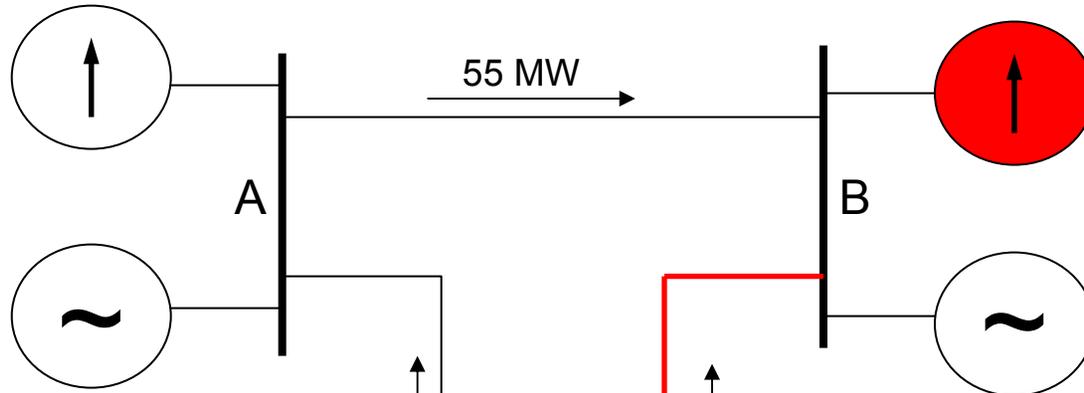
|  | LSRP  |
|--|---|
| • For simplicity, we assume a single VOLL of \$10,000/MWh at all locations   |   |
| • <u>Example 1.</u> Although the system is only short for 20 MW, transmission constraint on a flow from C to B forces shedding of 35 MW of load at B. As a result, LSRPs at all nodes are different, but non-negative and do not exceed VOLL   | (A) \$5,000<br>(B) \$10,000<br>(C) \$0        |
| • <u>Example 2.</u> Similar to Example 1, but load reduction at B is limited. As a result, prices at all nodes double and at node B price is twice the VOLL  | (A) \$10,000<br>(B) \$20,000<br>(C) \$0       |
| • <u>Example 3.</u> Similar to Example 2, but transfer limit from C to B is reduced to 40 MW and load reduction at B above limit is priced at 3 x VOLL. As a result, LSRP at B goes up to 3 x VOLL, while generation at C is forced to zero, resulting in a negative price of – VOLL at that node. | (A) \$10,000<br>(B) \$30,000<br>(C) -\$10,000 |
| • <u>Example 4.</u> Same as Example 3, but generator at C is required to operate above 10 MW. LSRPs are the same as in Example 3 but a case like that reduces RCP for generator C  |   |

# Example 1

VOLL = \$10,000

Load = 170 MW

Load = 370 MW



*Generator G1*  
Capacity = 200 MW of 240 MW

Dispatch = 200 MW  
Load reduction = 0  
Net = 30 MW  
LSRP = \$5,000

*Generator G2*  
Capacity = 200 MW of 220 MW

Dispatch 200 MW  
Load reduction 35 MW  
Net = - 135 MW  
LSRP = \$10,000

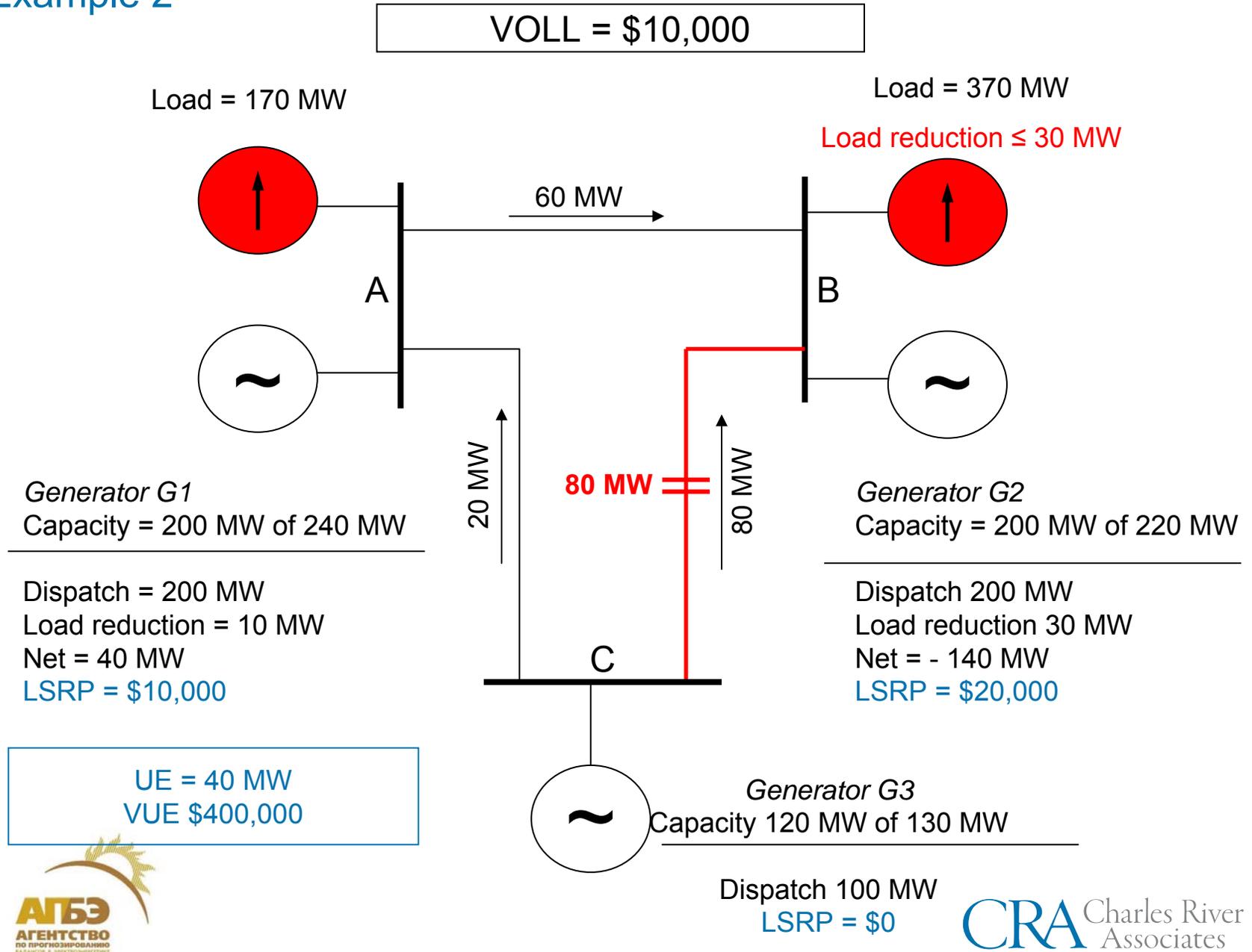
UE = 35 MW  
VUE \$350,000

*Generator G3*  
Capacity 120 MW of 130 MW

Dispatch 105 MW  
LSRP = \$0



# Example 2



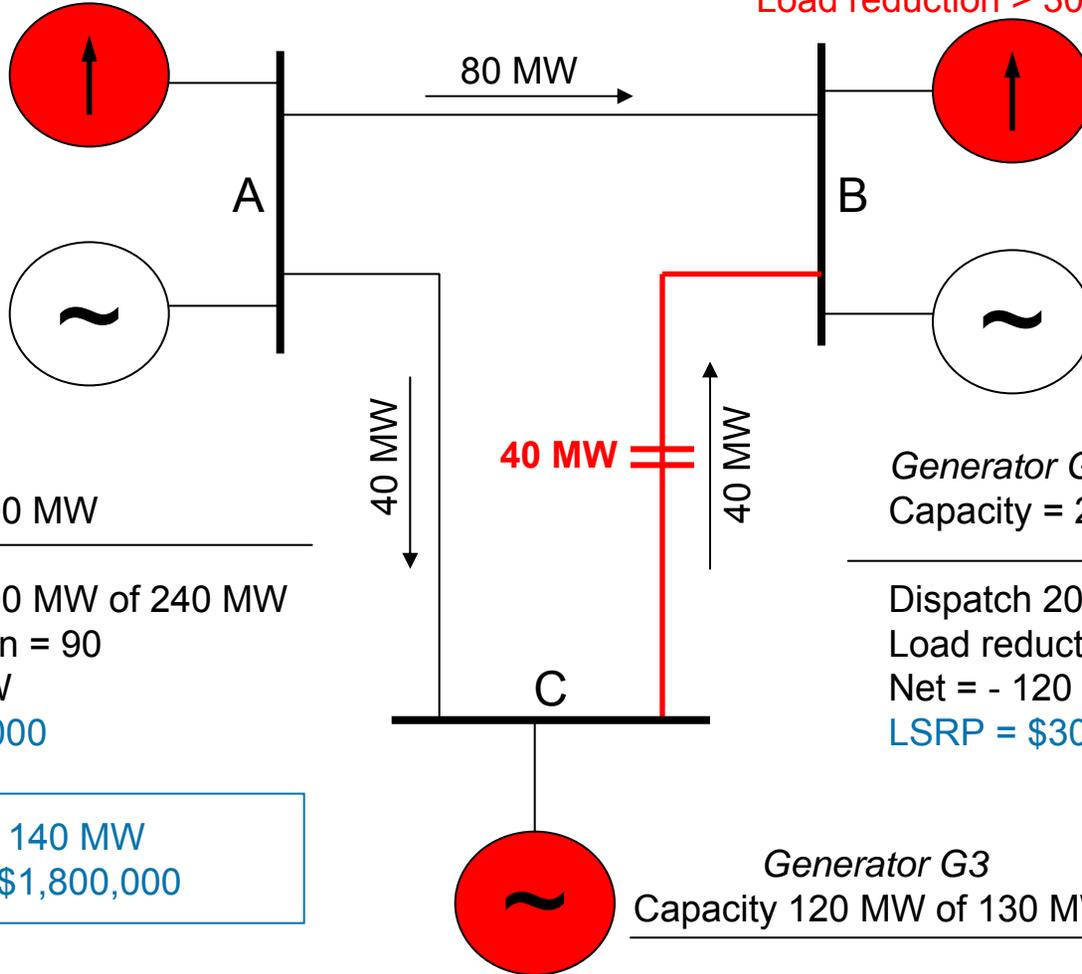
# Example 3

VOLL = \$10,000

Load = 170 MW

Load = 370 MW

Load reduction ≤ 30 MW @ VOLL  
 Load reduction > 30 MW @ 3 x VOLL



Generator G1  
 Capacity = 200 MW

Dispatch = 200 MW of 240 MW  
 Load reduction = 90  
 Net = 120 MW  
 LSRP = \$10,000

Generator G2  
 Capacity = 200 MW

Dispatch 200 MW of 220 MW  
 Load reduction 50 MW  
 Net = - 120 MW  
 LSRP = \$30,000

UE = 140 MW  
 VUE = \$1,800,000

Generator G3  
 Capacity 120 MW of 130 MW

Dispatch 0 MW  
 LSRP = - \$10,000



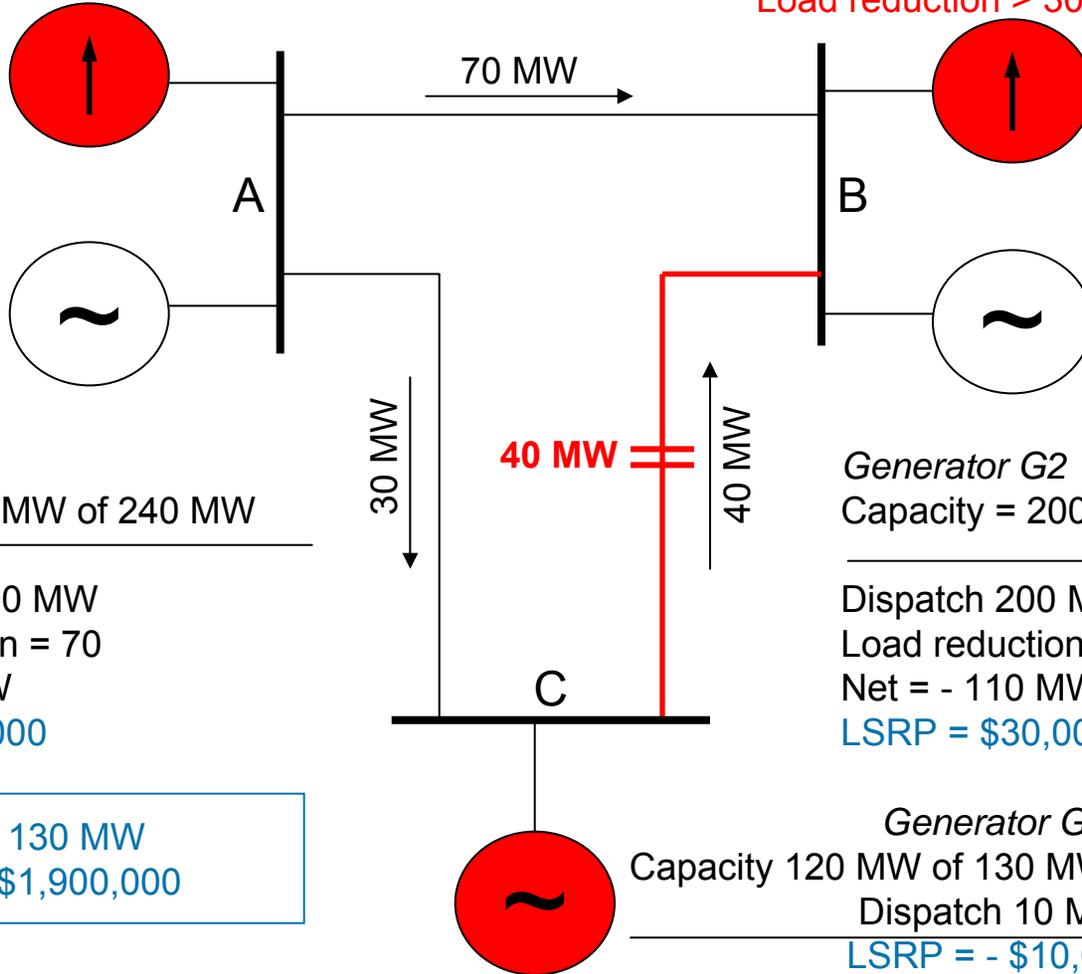
# Example 4

VOLL = \$10,000

Load = 170 MW

Load = 370 MW

Load reduction ≤ 30 MW @ VOLL  
 Load reduction > 30 MW @ 3 x VOLL



Generator G1  
 Capacity 200 MW of 240 MW

Dispatch = 200 MW  
 Load reduction = 70  
 Net = 100 MW  
 LSRP = \$10,000

Generator G2  
 Capacity = 200 MW of 220 MW

Dispatch 200 MW  
 Load reduction 60 MW  
 Net = - 110 MW  
 LSRP = \$30,000

Generator G3  
 Capacity 120 MW of 130 MW Gen ≥ 10 MW  
 Dispatch 10 MW  
 LSRP = - \$10,000

UE = 130 MW  
 VUE = \$1,900,000



## Market Outcome Example

- Examples 1 – 4 are the only instances of service interruption
- Each instance of interruption has a duration of 1 hour
- Each instance of interruption has a probability of 0.1 per year

# Summary of Scenario Outcomes

|                                      | Probability | Bus A  | Bus B  | Bus C    |
|--------------------------------------|-------------|--------|--------|----------|
| Generator capacities                 |             | 240    | 220    | 130      |
| Load capacity requirements           |             | 170    | 370    | 0        |
| LRSPs by Scenario                    |             |        |        |          |
| Example 1                            | 0.1         | 5,000  | 10,000 | 0        |
| Example 2                            | 0.1         | 10,000 | 20,000 | 0        |
| Example 3                            | 0.1         | 10,000 | 30,000 | (10,000) |
| Example 4                            | 0.1         | 10,000 | 30,000 | (10,000) |
| Loads Servable by Scenario           |             |        |        |          |
| Example 1                            | 0.1         | 170    | 335    | NA       |
| Example 2                            | 0.1         | 160    | 340    | NA       |
| Example 3                            | 0.1         | 80     | 320    | NA       |
| Example 4                            | 0.1         | 100    | 310    | NA       |
| Generator Availabilities by Scenario |             |        |        |          |
| Example 1                            | 0.1         | 83%    | 91%    | 92%      |
| Example 2                            | 0.1         | 83%    | 91%    | 92%      |
| Example 3                            | 0.1         | 83%    | 91%    | 92%      |
| Example 4                            | 0.1         | 83%    | 91%    | 92%      |
| Generator low bound limitations      |             |        |        |          |
| Example 1                            | 0.1         | 0.0%   | 0.0%   | 0.0%     |
| Example 2                            | 0.1         | 0.0%   | 0.0%   | 0.0%     |
| Example 3                            | 0.1         | 0.0%   | 0.0%   | 0.0%     |
| Example 4                            | 0.1         | 0.0%   | 0.0%   | 7.7%     |

# Market Settlement

|                                    | <b>Bus A</b> | <b>Bus B</b> | <b>Bus C</b> | <b>System</b> |
|------------------------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|---------------|
| Mean LSRP (\$/MW-yr)               | 3,500        | 9,000        | (2,000)      |               |
| Load Capacity Price (\$/MW-yr)     | 2,500        | 7,851        |              |               |
| Resource Capacity Price (\$/MW-yr) | 2,917        | 8,182        | (76.92)      |               |
| Load Payments (\$)                 | 425,000      | 2,905,000    | -            | 3,330,000     |
| Generator Receipts (\$)            | 700,000      | 1,800,000    | (10,000)     | 2,490,000     |
| Congestion Rent (\$)               |              |              |              | 840,000       |

# Conclusions

- Technological, theoretical and institutional advancements of the last two decades create the need and opportunity to revisit certain foundations underlying the current practice of capacity expansion decisions in the power industry
- The concepts of Loss of Load Expectation and Planning Reserve Margins, while being useful indicators of resource adequacy, are not suitable for making optimal investment decisions in complex transmission-constrained systems
- The proposed approach to explicitly incorporate the resource adequacy assessment into the design of capacity auction overcomes existing methodological difficulties and promises a more efficient selection of generation and demand-side resources than current designs
- If implemented, this approach will:
  - Yield location-specific capacity prices consistent with actual transmission topology and limitations and helping resource developers make better siting decisions;
  - Adequately reflect stochastic and temporal properties of resource availabilities into their compensation in the capacity market – particularly important for variable resources and demand response;
  - Adequately compensate contribution of resources to system reliability based on their location on the grid and availability at the time of need;
  - Provide fair reliability pricing for loads consistent with their impact on system reliability at the time of resource scarcity;
  - Create the means for the demand-side to more fully participate in the capacity market not only in the form of demand-response but by explicitly incorporating into the market model the economics of service interruptions

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