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Dear Respected Legislators,

Thank you for your recent correspondence dated July 15, 2024, regarding PJM's forthcoming engagement in response to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's (Commission) issuance of its long-term transmission planning and cost allocation final rule, Order 1920. There is significant alignment in the feedback you expressed and PJM's desired path forward on Order 1920.

PJM strongly supports the Commission's goal to encourage long-term, forward-looking regional transmission planning, including scenario-based planning. As you note, even prior to the issuance of Order 1920, PJM proposed to its states and stakeholders an enhanced, proactive, long-term planning process to identify, evaluate and select regional transmission facilities that address long-term reliability concerns, changes in the resource mix and changes in demand, including those driven by public policy.

PJM will fully comply with Order 1920. PJM did file with the Commission a request for rehearing and/or clarification of the Order, seeking flexibility to implement its requirements in a less prescriptive way such that PJM can tailor its approach to reflect its unique circumstances and regional needs. The Commission will rule on the numerous rehearing requests filed, and PJM will comply in full with the Commission's ultimate directives.

As announced at the most recent Markets and Reliability Committee meeting, PJM does not intend to wait for an order on its compliance filing (likely a year away) to begin work on long-term planning. Rather, PJM announced its intent to begin scenario analyses immediately. PJM intends to advance scenarios that comply with Order 1920, along with some additional scenarios that may be of value to PJM and the greater stakeholder body. PJM intends to initiate stakeholder engagement beginning in August that will help inform inputs into those scenarios. In fact, the first stakeholder discussion has been scheduled for August 8.

Thank you again for your engagement on this important matter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Manu Asthana', written in a cursive style.

Manu Asthana

cc: PJM Board of Managers