



Problem/Opportunity Statement

LONG TERM REGIONAL TRANSMISSION PLANNING

Detailed instructions and process steps are available in M34, Section 6

PROBLEM / OPPORTUNITY STATEMENT

PJM's long-term planning process has served the RTEP process well in years during low load growth. However, in recent years the rising level of load growth and rapid pace of retirements coupled with a significant change in the types of resource additions, has caused PJM to review this process of long-term planning and has resulted in a decision for a change to that long-term reliability planning process. Additionally, and in recent years, the number and magnitude of requests for scenario studies have increased and have become an area of focus for PJM Stakeholders. This is an opportunity to provide more clarity to the process and expectations for involved parties.

The PJM Operating Agreement includes language around scenario analysis, public policy planning, and the need to consider scenarios that inform decisions surrounding RTEP analyses and project selection. PJM is seeking to update Manuals 14B and 14F to include more detail around the Long Term Regional Transmission Planning Process. PJM uses the guidelines in M14B to coordinate processes required for regional transmission planning, and M14F to outline the details of the competitive planning process. These updates will add detail to the manuals, based on the processes allowed under the Operating Agreement.