

UP IRP 5-1-2017 Meeting Notes

May 1 meeting notes:

Comments from April 19th email request:

- Zone 1: NSP-W would file an IRP under the multi-state option in PA 341, Sec. 6t (4). “However, the commission may require supplemental information if necessary as part of its evaluation and determination of whether to approve the plan. Upon request of an electric utility, the commission may adjust the filing dates for a multistate integrated resource plan filing in this state to place its review on the same timeline as other relevant state reviews.”
- Zone 1: City of Wakefield has contracts for imported capacity and energy
- Zone 2: All comments received were supportive of working towards an informal UP IRP on modeling the generation, load, and imports in to the UP.
- Zone 2: Two transmission companies supplied additional scenarios for modeling which I added to the matrix as Sensitivities.

Comments from April 27th email request:

- Please fill out the requested matrix of scenarios and sensitivities on what should be modeled for the two UP rate regulated utilities (UPPCO and UMERC).
- Follow-up from Friday’s Forecasting WG on that the Business as Usual will basically be the Utility’s base case, Carbon/Environmentally Constrained will still be needed with the natural gas plants, and coal generation imported in from Wisconsin, and the Distributed generation scenario would need more parameters defined on utility versus non-utility generation.
- Possibly change or add a scenario for the import reliant UP, wherein as market prices go up, their power supply prices increases, and vice-versa and DG/EE/DR always look better as market prices increase.
- Coordinate with the Transmission WG regarding the two proposed sensitivities on building transmission lines.
- Energy Waste Reduction WG is working to update the 2013 EWR study for 2016 and will have a potential study in mid-June.
- Jen Hill representing the UP County Commissioners stated that they have sent out a letter to the munis/coops/IOUS to get them engaged in the energy issues in the UP and work to improve the conditions for economic development and assist low income customers.
- Feedback requested by 5/5/2017 5:00 pm
- Further discussion on the matrix will be a conference call on May 8th 2:00-4:00 pm eastern.