

# Incorporating Electric Storage Resources into Wholesale Electricity Markets While Considering State of Charge Management Options

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# Outline



- FERC Order 841
- Current ISO/RTO Order 841 Implementation Design Proposals
- ISO/RTO Energy Storage Market Modeling Working Group
- State of Charge Management Study
- Other Market Modeling Aspects and Future Research Topics

# State-of-the-Art: ESR Wholesale Participation (before 841)

- Pumped storage hydro (participates in majority of ISO services)
  - Offer as separate pump/generator participants
  - PJM: Hydro optimizer, optimize mode of operation to minimize cost and ensure SOC targets
- Limited energy storage primarily in ISO regulation market
  - Software limitations for provision of energy and other A/S
  - Regulation service typically most lucrative for limited energy characteristics
  - Typically only requires 15 minutes of sustained energy
- CAISO non-generator resource: Offer curve from max consumption to max generation (benchmark model?)
- Industry still learning about how much capacity value ESRs provide to peak needs

# Provision of Services from Limited Energy Storage Resources

## ■ Tariffs and software

- Prior to 841, ISOs did not include all needed tariff language due to priorities
- May not have had confidence in ability to provide longer duration services due to limited energy

## ■ Economics

- Regulation typically highest priced ancillary service
- Capacity typically cannot be shared across ancillary services
- Regulation generally energy neutral over short time periods – probability of SOC depletion lower
- Incentives absent for primary frequency response ancillary service
- Energy prices have little arbitrage value (low natural gas prices)
- Real-time markets traditionally averaged out settlements to the hourly level, leaving no intra-hour arbitrage opportunity (changing due to FERC Order 825)

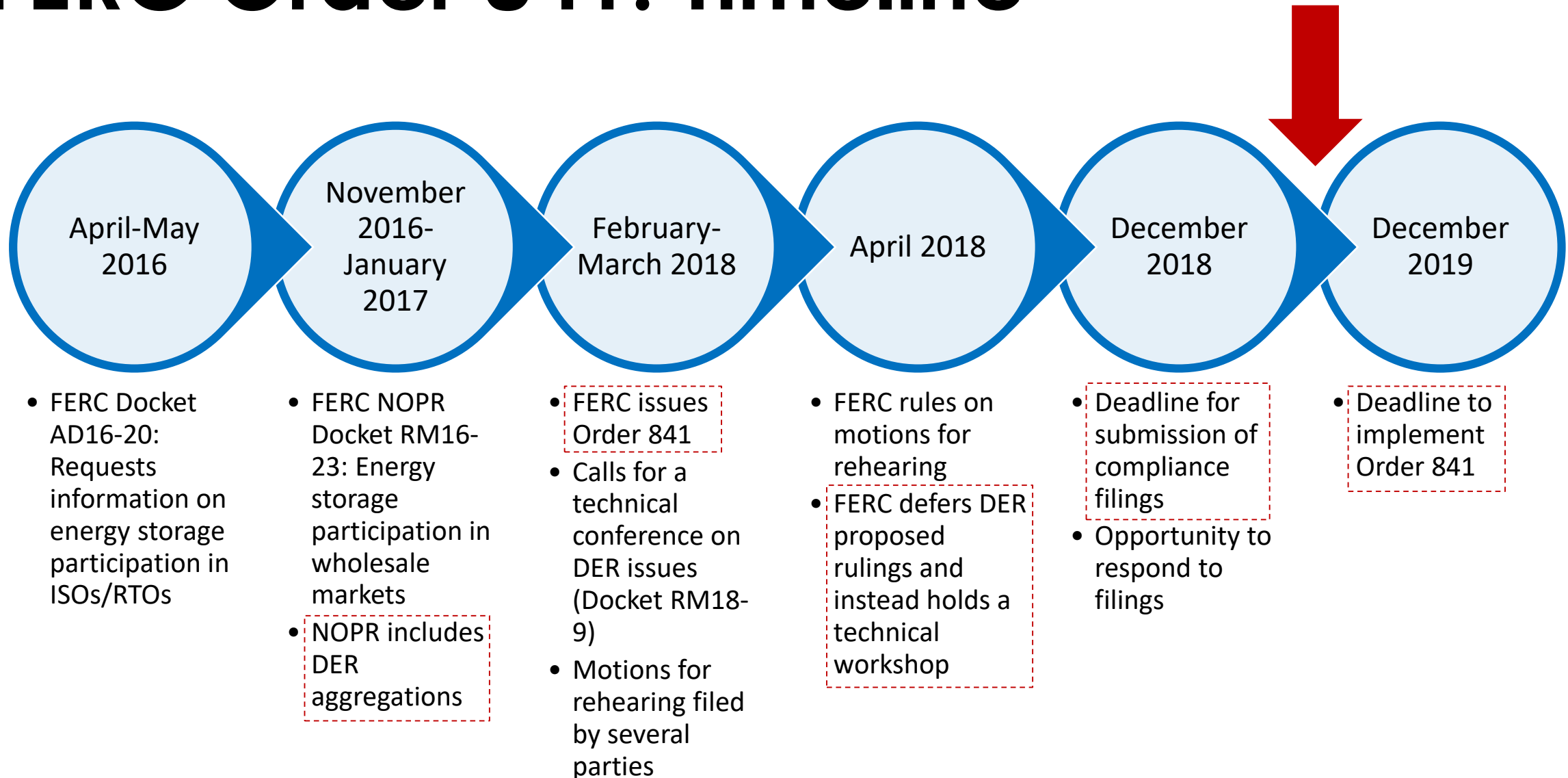
# Order 841: Summary



- ISOs must include a **participation model** for electric storage resources (ESRs) that allows them to participate in energy, ancillary service, and capacity markets when technically capable of doing so
- ESRs must be eligible to **set the wholesale price** as both a buyer and seller when the marginal resource
- ISOs must **account for physical parameters** of ESRs through bidding or otherwise
- ISOs must allow a minimum size requirement that is at most **100 kW**
- Sale of energy that is stored from purchases in the wholesale market must be **sold at wholesale nodal prices**
- ISOs must allow **self-management** of state of charge (SOC)

[1] *Electric Storage Participation in Markets Operated by Regional Transmission Organizations and Independent System Operators, FERC Order 841, Final Rule, 162 FERC 61, 127 (February 15, 2018) ("Order No. 841").*

# FERC Order 841: Timeline



# Current ISO/RTO Order 841 Implementation Design Proposals



# ISO/RTO Implementation Details

Order 841 Aspect	NYISO	PJM	SPP	ISO-NE	MISO	CAISO
<b>Participation Model</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Most entities are proposing two separate participation models: Continuous (e.g., batteries) and discontinuous (e.g., PSH) models</li> <li>Can participate in energy, AS, and capacity markets (wherever applicable)</li> </ol>					
	ESRs and ELRs; PSH cannot submit a charge and discharge offer in the same hour	ESRs; PSH plants can still use <b>pumped hydro optimizer</b>	MSRs; PSH plants cannot submit a charge and discharge offer in the same hour	CSFs and BSFs	ESRs	NGRs and PSH model
<b>Offer Parameters</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Almost all entities are proposing a continuous model for ESRs (continuous offer curve, excludes commitment related parameters, e.g., min and max charge and discharge/run times, fixed costs)</li> </ol>					
	ESRs must submit SOC (RT telemetry) and roundtrip efficiency; excludes max and min charge and run times	ESRs must submit RT SOC telemetry for <b>situational awareness</b> ; excludes max and min charge and run times	MSRs must submit SOC (DA offer/RT telemetry), loss factor and SOC limits; introduced max and min charge and run times	ESFs must submit two new telemetry points in RT; min charge and run times required in DAM & RTM	Must submit SOC (DA offer/RT telemetry), efficiency factor and SOC limits; Max and min charge and run times managed by ESR owner	SOC limits submitted if ISO manages SOC; Min charge and run times for NGRs to be managed by SOC parameters
<b>Pricing and Settlement</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>All entities are allowing ESRs to: set wholesale prices in all markets when marginal, purchase/sell at wholesale prices, and receive make-whole payments if dispatched out-of-market</li> <li>Almost all entities are proposing that withdrawals from ESRs will not be subject to transmission charges when charging to provide a specific service to the ISO/RTO</li> </ol>					
	Self-committed fixed/flexible ESRs ineligible to receive DA BPCG payments but self-committed flexible eligible for RT BPCG payments; withdrawals exempt from transmission charges	PSH using hydro optimizer cannot set wholesale prices and offer negative dispatchable range				

AS: Ancillary Service; BPCG: Bid Production Cost Guarantee; BSF: Binary Storage Facility; CSF: Continuous Storage Facility; DAM: Day-ahead Market; ELR: Energy Limited Resource; ESF: Energy Storage Facility; ESR: Electric Storage Resource; MSR: Market Storage Resource; NCPC: Net Commitment Period Compensation; NGR: Non-Generator Resource; PSH: Pumped Storage Hydro; RTM: Real-time Market; SOC: State of Charge



# ISO/RTO Implementation Details

Order 841 Aspect	NYISO	PJM	SPP	ISO-NE	MISO	CAISO
Ancillary Services	1. All ISOs are allowing ESRs to provide AS (without requiring energy schedules) provided ESRs respect AS duration requirements while allowing for capacity de-rates to meet the duration					
	1-hour duration; AS schedules will respect RT telemetered SOC regardless of SOCM mode	ESRs providing synchronized reserve must update SOC in RT	1-hour duration; MSRs can provide AS without energy schedule but require energy offers	BSFs cannot provide regulation as DARD until 2024; automatic de-rating for CSFs to meet duration requirements (1-hour AS duration, 0.25-hour duration for DARD AS)	1-hour duration; regulation deployment by ESRs should meet energy storage limitations	1-hour duration in DAM, 0.5-hour in RTM; NGRs providing AS must telemeter SOC; restricted market participation for NGRs if opting for reg. energy management in DA
Capacity Market	1. All ISOs have modified their tariffs to allow ESRs to de-rate their capacity to meet their capacity market's minimum duration requirements					
	<b>4 sustained hours (proposed to be modified to 6 hours);</b> ESRs should elect ISO-SOCM in DAM if participating in capacity market	<b>10 sustained hours</b>	<b>4 sustained hours</b> to meet RA requirements	<b>2 sustained hours</b>	<b>4 sustained hours</b>	<b>4 sustained hours</b> for RA participation

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[2] *Electricity Market Design Implications for Bulk Energy Storage*. EPRI, Palo Alto, CA: 2019. 3002013865.

# ISO/RTO Implementation Details

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State of Charge Management	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Only a few ISOs are proposing to allow for both ISO-SOCM and Self-SOCM</li> <li>Entities that are offering <u>only</u> the Self-SOCM option, i.e., SPP, ISO-NE and MISO, are ensuring SOC feasibility</li> </ol>					
	<b>ISO-SOCM</b> (ensures SOC feasibility & optimality) and <b>Self-SOCM</b> (does not ensure SOC feasibility but ISO will align schedules with telemetered SOC); <b>PSH plants – Self-SOCM</b>	<b>ESRs</b> (continuous model) – <b>Self-SOCM</b> (does not ensure SOC feasibility); <b>PSH plants – ISO-SOCM</b>	<b>Self-SOCM</b> ; ensures SOC feasibility; can submit max daily MWh limit	<b>Self-SOCM</b> ; two new telemetered points in RT to ensure SOC feasibility; can submit max daily MWh limit	<b>Self-SOCM</b> ; ensures SOC feasibility; max daily MWh limit included only for PSH plants	<b>ISO-SOCM</b> (ensures SOC feasibility & optimality) and <b>Self-SOCM</b> (does not ensure SOC feasibility)
Minimum Size	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>All entities have reduced their minimum size limit to 100 kW for all markets</li> </ol>					
					Phased approach with limited number of ESRs at this size	
Metering	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>All entities have required ESRs to be directly metered</li> </ol>					

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# Electricity Market Design Research Topics

ISO/RTO Energy Storage Market Modeling Working Group (WG)  
White Paper

# Market Design Research Challenges

- ISO/RTO Energy Storage Market Modeling WG in 2017 [3]

Self management vs. ISO management of SOC—efficiency and reliability impacts

Bidding and scheduling of ESRs in day-ahead (long-horizon, hourly SCUC) energy markets

Bidding and scheduling of ESRs in real-time (single- or limited time-horizon, sub-hourly SCUC & SCED) energy markets

Price formation topics with ESRs as marginal resources – how/when ESRs can set price

Provision of AS, co-optimization with energy considering characteristics of ESRs

Settlement design (including make-whole payments)

AGC enhancements for extracting maximum value out of ESRs

Small resource and computational impacts of significant ESR numbers

Contribution of ESRs in capacity markets

[3] Independent System Operator and Regional Transmission Organization Energy Storage Market Modeling Working Group White Paper: A report on current state of art in modeling energy storage in electricity markets and alternative designs for improved economic efficiency and reliability. EPRI, Palo Alto, CA: 2017. 3002012327.

# State of Charge Management Study

[4] *Integrating Electric Storage Resources into Electricity Market Operations: Evaluation of State of Charge Management Options*. EPRI, Palo Alto, CA: 2019. 3002013868.

# SOC Management: Introduction

- Traditionally, in the power systems sector, SOC management (SOCM) was used as part of **automatic generation control (AGC)**
  - A few ISOs would manage the SOC of ESRs providing regulating reserve by explicitly monitoring the telemetered SOC and providing regulation control signals that would maintain a desired SOC
  - SOC management in AGC ensured that, given the random movements, ESR would still maintain a SOC as desired and that was feasible
  - *This is different from provision of energy in DA and RT markets*
- No definitive statement within Order 841 on what SOCM means resulting in different interpretations and requests for clarifications (does not require ISO-SOC-Management; requires provision of SOC related bid parameters by ESRs)

# SOC Management: Introduction

- **Energy Storage Alliance<sup>4</sup>:**

- **SOCM:** involves monitoring and causing to change the SOC, normally by adjusting resource operating parameters or power level, and perhaps including the placing and/or adjusting of offers/bids, to modify dispatch, generally to achieve a desired SOC level or range, or avoid an undesired SOC level or range, generally in real-time.
- **Self SOCM:** should include the ability to adjust offers/bids and/or operating parameters, such as upper and lower limits, on a short-term basis, including from one dispatch interval to the next (i.e., every 5 minutes).

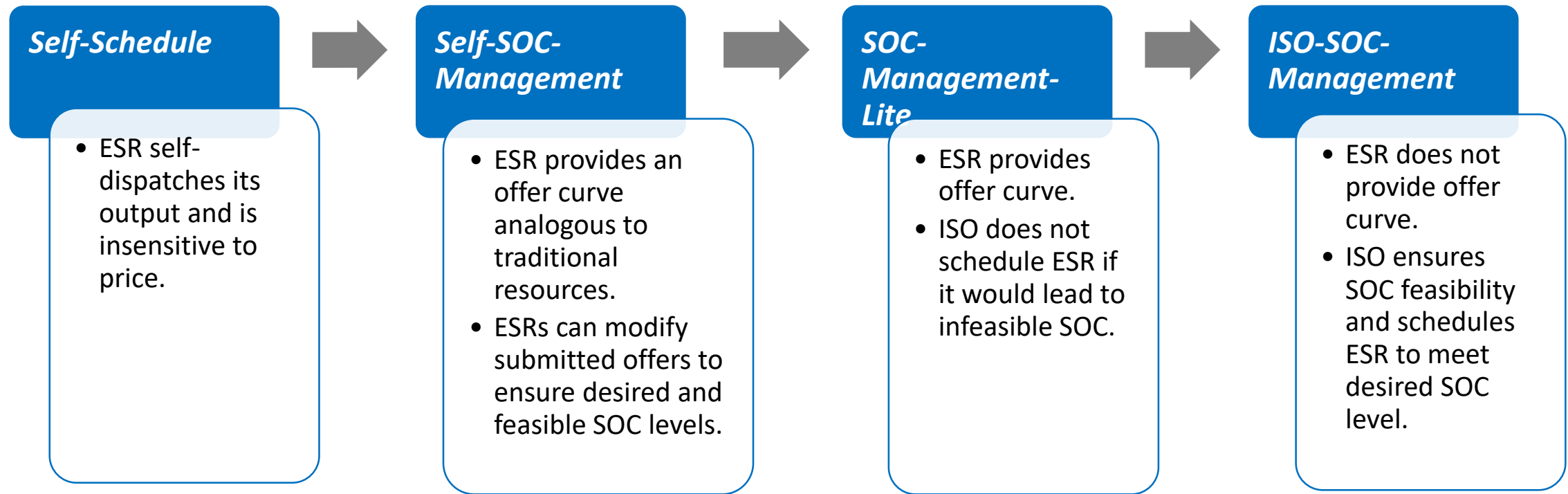
- **Electric Power Research Institute:**

- **ISO-SOCM:** The ISO monitors current SOC, anticipated SOC, and other related ESR parameters (e.g., round-trip efficiency levels) and makes scheduling decisions and schedules that explicitly lead to a desired and feasible SOC level at all times.
- **Self SOCM:** ESR asset owners (market participants) provide cost/quantity offer curves that, to the best ability of the owner, lead to desired and feasible SOC level at all times without need for explicit ISO intervention.

[5] Private communication with the Energy Storage Alliance, used with permission.



# SOC Management: Options

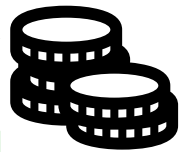
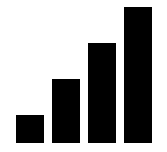


Allowed by all ISOs/RTOs

PJM ESRs

MISO, ISO-NE, SPP

PJM PSH units,  
NYISO, CAISO



# SOC Management: Self SOCM

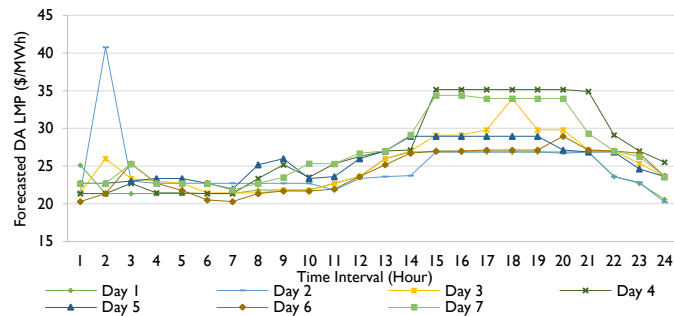
- **Key study assumption:** Self SOCM implies the ISO does NOT explicitly include SOC related constraints, e.g., minimum and maximum SOC, desired SOC, etc.
- **Need:** Represent ESR offer curves appropriately
- **SPP outlook:** Established a development guide for the ESR assets to come up with offer curves – “The fuel cost for an ESR is the unweighted average LMP that is expected for the next Operating Hour adjusted for Round-Trip Efficiency. This expected average LMP for the next Operating Hour is the average of the LMPs for the most recent 45 days comparing like Operating Hours.”

[6] Southwest Power Pool, Inc., Open Access Transmission Tariff, Sixth Revised Volume No. 1 (“Tariff”).

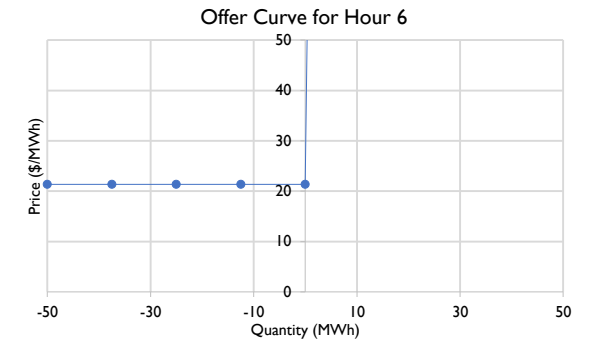
# SOC Management: Self SOCM Offers

Alternatives: Similar historical day, average prices from historical data, etc.

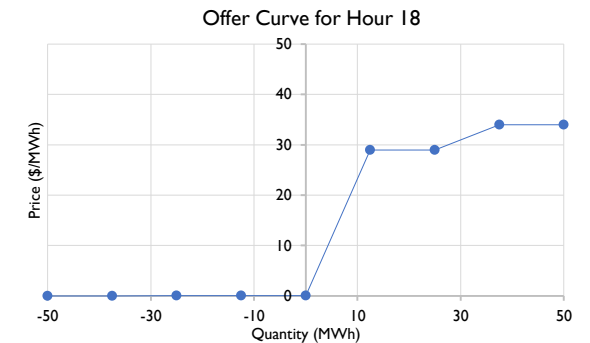
Anticipated or forecasted day-ahead energy price signals at ESR's location



- **Objective:** Maximize the ESR's expected profit for the inputted price signals
- **Subject to:** ESR's physical and operations restrictions
  - Ensure monotonicity of offer curves
  - SOC management constraints, e.g., ensure feasible & desirable SOC levels
  - Scheduling constraints, modes, etc.
  - Partial equilibrium constraints to help attain convergence with inputted price signals



Offer curves for participation in DA energy markets



# Case Studies

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## ■ Goal:

- Evaluate the key differences that the various SOC management options have on economic efficiency (operating costs/societal welfare) and reliability of the system
- Other anticipated impacts include: Price setting, market settlements, make-whole payments, market mitigation, and computational efficiency

## ■ Initial assumptions:

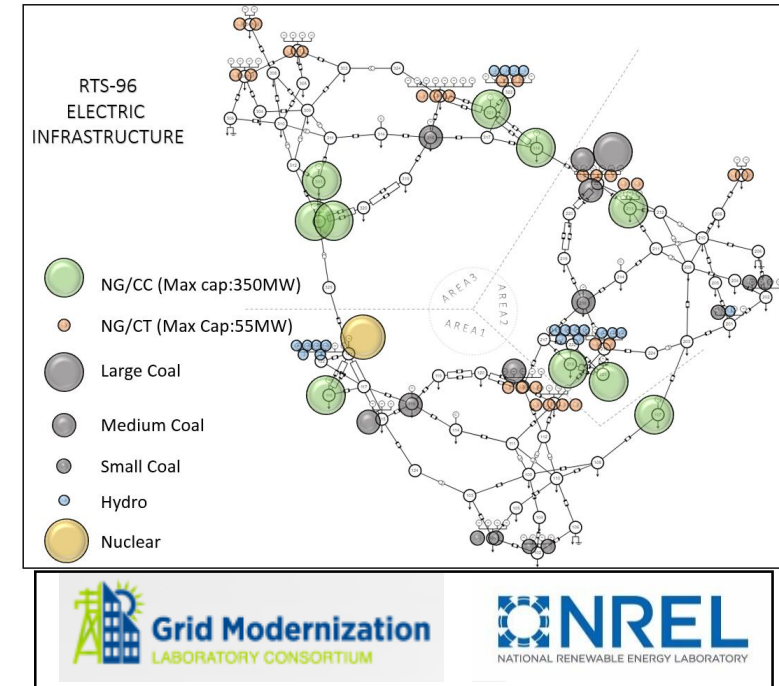
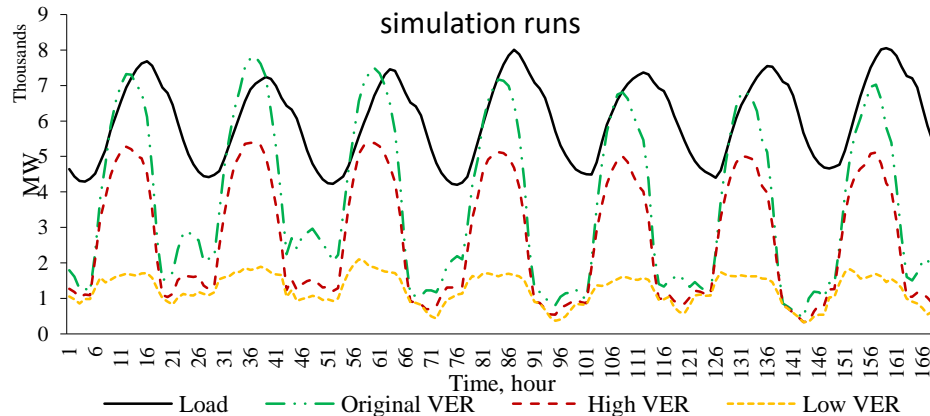
- No A/S (next steps)
- DA SCUC, RT SCUC, RT SCED, and AGC modeled in one integrated manner
- Real-time follows the day-ahead schedule unless SOC limit is hit (next steps)
- Power system test case: RTS-GMLC bulk system model
- Market clearing simulation tool: Flexible Energy Scheduling Tool for Integrating Variable generation
- Varying levels of ESR, levels of VER

**DA SCUC:** Day-ahead Security Constrained Unit Commitment, **RT SCUC:** Real-time Security Constrained Unit Commitment,  
**RT SCED:** Real-time Security Constrained Economic Dispatch, **AGC:** Automatic Generation Control

# Case Studies: RTS-GMLC System\*

Resource Type	Number of Generating Units	Minimum Power Capacity (MW)	Maximum Power Capacity (MW)	Ramp Rate (MW/minute)
Steam	7	5	12	1
Steam	7	30	76	2
Steam	7	62	155	3
Steam	2	140	350	4
Combustion Turbine	12	8	20	3
Combustion Turbine	27	22	55	3.70
Combined Cycle	10	168	350	4.14
Nuclear	1	396	400	20
Hydro	20	0	50	--
Wind	5	0	3000*	--
Utility PV	27	0	9850*	--
Rooftop PV	5	0	2000*	--

Expected hourly (DA) system-wide load and expected hourly (DA) VER forecast for the weekly simulation runs



- Realistic moderate-sized system, small enough to see specific changes with sensitivities
- Dispatchable generation: 8,076 MW, hydro: 1,000 MW, VER: 14,850 MW
  - Low VER: 2,250 MW
  - High VER: 11,000 MW

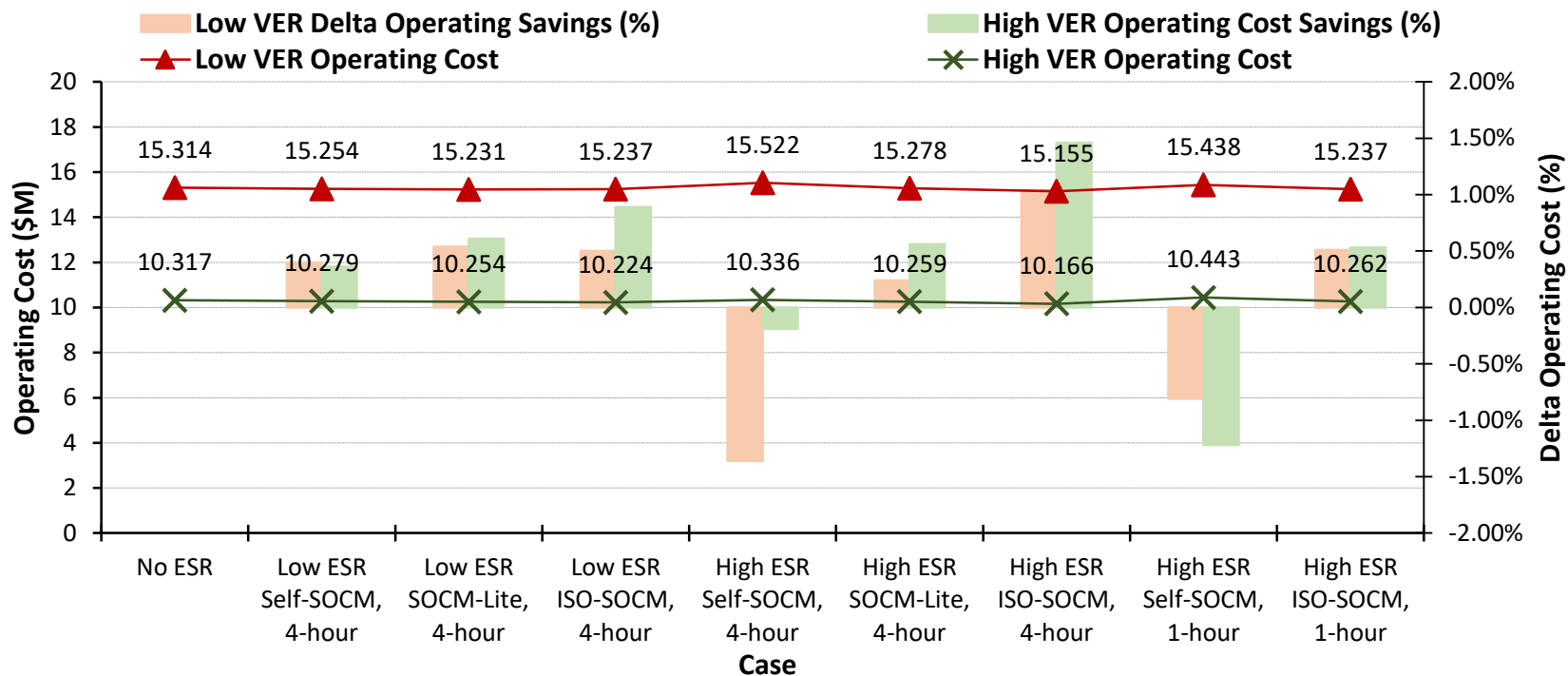
\*<https://github.com/GridMod/RTS-GMLC>

# Case Studies: Simulation Case Matrix

Simulation Case	VER Penetration Level	ESR Penetration Level	SOC Management Option	Duration of ESR
1	Low VER	No ESR	N/A	N/A
2	Low VER	Low ESR	Self-SOCM	4 hours
3	Low VER	Low ESR	SOCM-Lite	4 hours
4	Low VER	Low ESR	ISO-SOCM	4 hours
5	Low VER	High ESR	Self-SOCM	4 hours
6	Low VER	High ESR	SOCM-Lite	4 hours
7	Low VER	High ESR	ISO-SOCM	4 hours
8	Low VER	High ESR	Self-SOCM	1 hour
9	Low VER	High ESR	ISO-SOCM	1 hour
10	High VER	No ESR	N/A	N/A
11	High VER	Low ESR	Self-SOCM	4 hours
12	High VER	Low ESR	SOCM-Lite	4 hours
13	High VER	Low ESR	ISO-SOCM	4 hours
14	High VER	High ESR	Self-SOCM	4 hours
15	High VER	High ESR	SOCM-Lite	4 hours
16	High VER	High ESR	ISO-SOCM	4 hours
17	High VER	High ESR	Self-SOCM	1 hour
18	High VER	High ESR	ISO-SOCM	1 hour



# Case Studies: SOCM Cost Impacts



- Variable energy resource (VER) penetration level:
  - Low VER:** Average penetration is 9% of energy demand
  - High VER:** Average penetration 32% of energy demand
- Electric storage resource (ESR) penetration level:
  - Low ESR:** 300 MW (six 50-MW ESRs, 0.85% roundtrip efficiency), 4% of peak demand
  - High ESR:** 800 MW (sixteen 50-MW ESRs, 0.85% roundtrip efficiency), 10% of peak demand
- Each case was simulated for a 1-week time period

- Self-SOC-Management** option
  - Seems to have a negative impact for high ESR levels
  - Causes imbalance and need for expensive quick starts
- SOC-Management-Lite** option
  - Consistent cost reduction irrespective of VER level or ESR level
  - Hint:** Cost increase in *Self-SOC-Management* due to infeasibility of SOC level and not the developed offer curves primarily
- ISO-SOC-Management** option
  - Seems to have the greatest economic efficiency benefits
  - Benefits seem to increase with increasing ESR levels or VER levels

# Other Market Modeling Aspects

## ■ 2019 research plans:

- Continue following ISO/RTO software implementation details and external design factors
- Continue SOC management studies:
  - Evaluate real-time SOC management
  - Evaluate ancillary service SOC management
  - Evaluate price setting logic
- Initiate evaluation of integrating hybrid co-located resource technology in electricity market design

## ■ Future research topics:

- Variable efficiency loss formulation
- Binary storage representation (e.g., PSH resources)
- Enhanced energy usage representation for SOC calculation (e.g., interpolation errors)
- Make-whole payment calculation
- ESR cycling degradation representation
- Potential for FERC to release DER market participation order

# Questions and Comments?

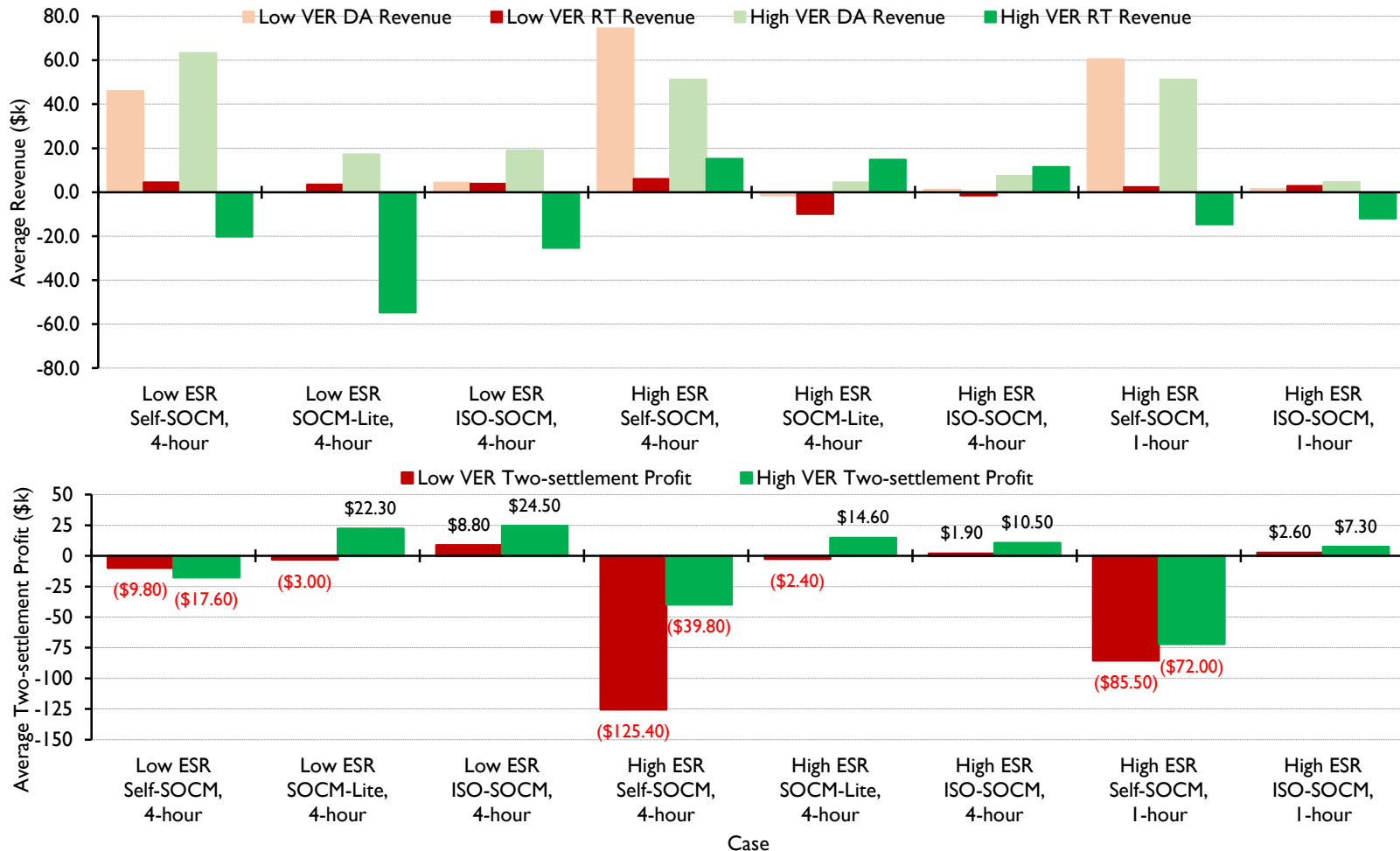
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# Appendix

# Case Studies: SOCM Profit Impacts



- **Self-SOC-Management** option
  - Negative average individual profits (SOC limitations require ESRs to buy back energy in RT)
- **SOC-Management-Lite** option
  - Positive average profits in high VER cases (greater arbitrage opportunities)
  - Low ESR: Higher profits (does not saturate the arbitrage value)
- **ISO-SOC-Management** option
  - Positive average profits in all cases (high VER: greater arbitrage opportunities)
  - Low ESR: Higher profits (does not saturate the arbitrage value)
- Further research: Settlements for RTM when interpolated schedules used for ESRs participating in DAM, e.g., PSH in PJM

- Average results: Excludes make-whole payments, and cycling and O&M costs
  - **DA (RT) revenue:** Sum of the product of DA (RT) schedules and DA (RT) LMPs for each hour (five-minute real-time period)
  - **Two-settlement profit:** Adds (subtracts) the product of positive (negative) deviation from the DA schedules based on RT schedule and the RT LMP