





# Summary of Conclusions

### Market Characteristics

- The fuel mix in the Midwest is dominated by coal-fired resources, accounting for 60 percent of the capability.
- Most of the recent investment has been in natural gas resources, which currently account for 16 percent of the capability in the region.
- The report calculates the capacity margin in the Midwest ISO area at 19.8 percent, which is substantially higher than FERC's minimum requirements
  - ✓ In four sub-regions within the Midwest ISO (not including WUMS), the capacity margin ranges from 19 percent to 27 percent, which is substantial.
  - ✓ The capacity margin in WUMS is much lower, at 15 percent.
- The market concentration in most of the sub-regions is moderate to high with HHIs ranging from 1000 to 2700. The HHI in the WUMS sub-region is 2700.

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Wholesale Market Prices in 2002
Bilateral market prices were primarily determined by load levels, with the highest prices occurring during peak periods.
Daily prices increased by more than 20 percent from February to December, influenced largely by increases in natural gas and fuel oil prices.
These price increases were moderated by decreases in coal prices through 2002, which play an important role in setting prices during lower load periods.
The report also assesses how accurately prices reflected transmission congestion during 2002.
Based on this analysis, we conclude that the current bilateral prices do not fully or accurately reflect the transmission congestion.
This conclusion supports the Midwest ISO's move to LMP spot markets in Day 2, which should provide more accurate and transparent price signals.



# Summary of Conclusions

#### Transmission Utilization: Disposition of Service Requests and AFC Values

- The report finds that both the requests and approvals of transmission service have risen sharply from February to December 2002.
  - Approved non-firm requests increased by 173 percent.
  - Approved firm requests increased by 129 percent.
- The increase in approved reservation requests was primarily caused by:
  - The increasing discounts offered by the Midwest ISO for non-firm transmission service through the year; and
  - Improved modeling of available flowgate capability ("AFC").
- Improvements in AFC calculation are planned for 2003 that should improve the accuracy of the AFC calculations and the availability of capability.

#### The report recommends that the MISO investigate methods to better coordinate hourly non-firm AFC with actual power flows on the flowgates.

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# Summary of Conclusions

#### **Pivotal Supplier Analysis**

- The report summarizes the pivotal supplier analysis performed in 2002, showing those flowgates that have one or more pivotal suppliers.
- A pivotal supplier is a supplier whose resources must be used to prevent a flowgate from becoming over-loaded.
- This analysis:
  - ✓ Identifies significant potential local market power issues; and
  - ✓ Is a precursor to the analysis that will need to be conducted to define Narrow Constrained areas for purposes of the market power mitigation measures.

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# Midwest ISO Capacity - Fuel Profile

The following figures show the quantities and shares of generating resources by fuel-type.

- MISO and each of its sub regions relies heavily on coal-fired generation.
- Over 60% of the generation in MISO is coal-fired.
- Nuclear, Oil, and Hydro resources are all less than 10% of the resources.
- Natural gas-fired generating resources are 16% of the supply in the Midwest, although they account for the majority of the new capacity.

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# Market Prices in 2002

- This report includes two econometric tests designed to determine the relationship between the current bilateral prices and transmission constraints.
- The first analysis tests whether the mean upstream-downstream price is statistically different in days with TLR events versus all other days.
  - ✓ The analysis is conducted on a flowgate by flowgate basis.
  - ✓ This analyzes the peak prices for the day following the TLR event, which result from transactions initiated on day with the TLR event.
  - ✓ We performed the same analysis on the prices for the day with the TLR and the results were comparable.
- The results are presented in the following table, showing:
  - ✓ The number of days in each category (i.e., with TLRs vs. without TLRs);
  - The mean upstream-downstream price difference for each category, and the difference in these means;
  - The "p-value", which indicates the probability that the difference in means is statistically equal to zero.
  - ✓ Economists generally employ a 95% confidence interval to determine whether a result is statistically significant, corresponding to a p-value less than 0.05.

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## Effects of TLRs on Energy Prices

	Without TLR With TLR Differe	Difference	ice			
Flowgate Name	Ν	Mean	Ν	Mean	of Means	<b>P-Value</b>
Eau Claire-Arpin 345 Kv	299	\$0.41	29	-\$0.85	\$1.27	0.052*
Paddock Xfmr 1 + Paddock-Rockdale	311	-\$0.66	19	-\$0.45	-\$0.21	0.769
Albers-Paris138 For Wemp-Padock 345	317	-\$0.65	13	-\$0.67	\$0.03	0.978
Kewaunee Xfmr+Kewaunee-N Appleton	295	-\$0.72	35	\$0.00	-\$0.72	0.169
Lor5-Trk Riv5 161kv/Wempl-Paddock 345	307	\$0.81	23	-\$1.56	\$2.37	0.002*
Poweshiek-Reasnor 161 For Montezuma-Bondurant	300	-\$0.72	7	-\$1.06	\$0.34	0.79
MHEX_N	319	\$0.27	9	\$1.45	-\$1.19	0.291
MHEX_S	322	-\$0.28	6	-\$1.28	\$0.99	0.599
MWSI	308	\$0.38	20	-\$0.89	\$1.27	0.073

\* Statistically significant at 95% level or better.

This table shows that the difference in the means in TLR hours vs. non-TLR hours is not statistically different from zero for most of the flowgates.

- Hence, no apparent relationship exists between the market prices and transmission congestion (as one would expect in a well-functioning market).
- The exceptions to these results are two flowgates shown in **bold** in the table, both of which exhibit the pricing relationships one would expect:
  - A negative mean exists on TLR days (prices higher in the downstream area), although the magnitude of these values is relatively small (\$0.85 to \$1.56 per MWh).
  - Positive difference in the means (prices in downstream markets exceed prices in upstream markets by more on the TLR days than non-TLR days).



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### Market Prices in 2002

- The second analysis examines whether the difference in the means increases or decreases significantly when a TLR is invoked.
  - ✓ This is done by determining whether the mean of the upstream-downstream price difference for the day following the TLR event (associated with transactions initiated on the day with the TLR event) is significantly different than the mean of the difference for the previous day.
  - The hypothesis in the case is that the upstream-downstream price difference should become more negative when the TLR occurs.
- The table below shows the regression results for this case by flowgate. This table shows:
  - ✓ The counts of days with and without TLRs in the analysis
  - The change in the upstream-downstream price difference from the current day to the following day; and
  - The p-value for the test, which will be less than 0.05 when the result is statistically significant at the 95 percent confidence level.
- Like the results of the first analysis, these results generally do not show a statistically significant relationship between the upstream-downstream price differences on the two days.

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### Market Prices in 2002

- Taken together, these results indicate that the daily bilateral prices in the Midwest do not generally reveal the presence of transmission congestion.
  - Hence, the bilateral market prices do not provide transparent and accurate price signals for participants in the Midwest market.
- These conclusions must be tempered by the fact that the prices are daily prices, rather than intraday hourly prices which may provide more accurate price signals.
- In addition, the prices are developed through a survey process that may not be accurate.
  - ✓ For example, we perform many of our market monitoring tasks using both Megawatt Daily price data and similar price data from IO Energy.
  - ✓ Although these sources produce prices for the same locations using very similar methods, their prices differed on a monthly average basis during 2002 by as much as 11%.
- Nonetheless, this analysis indicates that the LMP markets to be implemented by the Midwest ISO should substantially improve the accuracy of prices at various locations throughout the region.

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### Introduction to Transmission Utilization Section

- This section of the report summarizes and evaluates the operation of the transmission system from the perspective the wholesale market.
- This section addresses the:
  - Disposition of transmission reservation requests;
  - ✓ Frequency of and justification for TLRs invoked to reduce the flow on the Midwest ISO's flowgates;
  - ✓ Efficiency of the TLR process for managing congestion relative to the economic dispatch process that underlies the Midwest ISO's Day 2 markets;
  - Estimated available flowgate capability.

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# Analysis of TLR Efficiency

- Although the Midwest ISO has implemented TLRs justifiably, the TLR procedures are not an efficient means to manage congestion.
- The analysis in this section examines the effectiveness of the TLR procedures by comparing its results to an economic dispatch of generation to manage the same congestion.
- The following analysis examines all TLR events by flowgate to determine the quantity of redispatch that would have been necessary to achieve the same relief that the TLRs provided. We examine two scenarios:
  - Minimum redispatch: most effective generating units at relieving flow on the flowgate are used (based on the generation shift factors), regardless of their cost.
  - Economic redispatch: cost data is used to choose the most economic alternative for relieving the flow on the flowgate.
  - ✓ The latter scenario requires a higher quantity of redispatch because a generator with a smaller impact on the flowgate may be redispatched if it is less costly.

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### Redispatch Ratio by Flowgate for TLR Events July to December 2002

				Minimum	Redispatch	Economic Redispatch		
		Relief	Curtailed	Redispatch		Redispatch	1	
	TLR	Provided	Amount	Amount	Redispatch	Amount	Redispatch	
Flow Gate	Events	(MW)	(MW)	(MW)	Ratio	(MW)	Ratio	
Northside-Clifty Creek 138 (Flo) Trimble	6	10	161	128	80%	146	92%	
Eau Claire-Arpin 345 Kv	25	51	368	107	27%	120	31%	
Paddock Xfmr 1 + Paddock-Rockdale	16	27	189	59	31%	63	33%	
Russel-Rockdale 138/Paddock-Rockdale 345	5	23	221	56	27%	58	28%	
Albers-Paris138 For Wemp-Padock 345	10	16	184	158	74%	163	76%	
Poweshiek-Reasnor 161 For Montezuma-Bond	8	9	133	41	32%	71	56%	
Lor5-Trk Riv5 161kv/Wempl-Paddock 345kv	21	21	217	48	22%	92	39%	
Salem 345/138 Quad Cities-Sub 39	7	20	344	77	22%	87	24%	
MWSI	17	102	477	157	30%	195	39%	
N.Platte-Stvl /Gentl-Redwil	3	38	387	354	90%	354	90%	
Quad City West 345kv	2	26	316	114	35%	155	48%	
Sub 92-Hills Flo Sub93-Subt	1	53	630	156	25%	164	27%	
Arnold - Tiffin 345kv line	2	52	447	183	38%	225	47%	
Weighted Average Redispatch Ratio					30%		38%	

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# Pivotal Supplier Analysis

- The analysis was conducted on 41 flowgates likely to be the source of congestion, including those that:
  - ✓ had the highest frequency of Transmission Line Relief (TLR) events of Level 3 and above – the level at which transaction curtailments are initiated; and
  - ✓ are internal to the MISO and showed an AFC value less than 25 percent of the flowgates' rating for July 2002.
- Generation Shift Factors (GSFs) were estimated and used in the analysis. GSFs indicate the portion of each generator's output that will flow on each flowgate.
  - ✓ A positive GSF indicates that incremental production from the unit will increase the flow in the direction of the constraint.
  - ✓ A negative GSF indicates that incremental production from the unit will create flows in the opposite direction from the constraint (i.e., "counter-flow") that will relieve congestion on the flowgate by increasing production.
  - Likewise, a generator with a negative GSF may create congestion on the facility by reducing its output from expected levels.

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	Pivotal	Portfolio	Portfolio	Pivotal	Portfolio	Portfoli
Flowgate	Suppliers	Percent	Percent	Suppliers	Percent	Percen
COLUMBIA PORTAGE138CKT1 FOR COLUMBIA PORTAGCKT2	5	0.0%	4.1%	0		
WHITINGAVE HOOVER FOR NAPPLETON ROCKYRUN	2	0.2%	4.2%	0		
CEDAR NATIONAL FOR CEDAR TILDEN	2	0.3%	1.1%	2	0.3%	1.1%
POWESHIEK REASNOR 161 FOR MONTEZUMA BONDURANT34	2	0.6%	1.1%	0		
ADAM HAZLTON	2	1.3%	27.6%	2	1.3%	27.6%
LAKEHEAD HIAWATHA138 UP	1	1.4%	1.4%	1	1.4%	1.4%
WHITEWATER MUKWONAGO FOR COLUMBIA SFONDDULAC	1	1.5%	1.5%	1	14.1%	14.1%
SALEM_345_138_QUAD_CITIES_SUB_39_	1	1.6%	1.6%	0		
ROCKYRUN WHITINGAVE FOR ROCKYRUN NAPPLETON345	1	1.6%	1.6%	0		
8TH_STREET_LORE161KV	3	1.7%	21.6%	1	8.2%	8.2%
CASSVL_NED_161_FOR_WEMP_PADDOCK_345	1	3.0%	3.0%	1	22.4%	22.4%
MANIPMDOLSWS	1	3.0%	3.0%	1	6.6%	6.6%
LOR5_TRK_RIV5_161KV_WEMPL_PADDOCK_345KV	2	3.7%	11.3%	1	36.4%	36.4%
OTDF_ALBERS_PARIS138_FOR_WEMP_PAD345	1	4.1%	4.1%	1	13.4%	13.4%
PADDOCK_XFMR_1_PADDOCK_ROCKDALE	2	4.5%	11.1%	2	22.6%	37.5%
FTSXFRFTSXFR	3	5.0%	10.0%	1	59.1%	59.1%
NAPPLETON345XFMR2_FOR_NAPPLETON345XFMR1	2	5.3%	17.5%	2	5.3%	17.5%
NAPPLETON345XFMR2_FOR_NAPPLETON345XFMR3	2	5.3%	17.5%	2	5.3%	17.5%
NAPPLETON345XFMR1_FOR_NAPPLETON345XFMR2	2	5.4%	17.4%	2	5.4%	17.4%
NAPPLETON345XFMR3_FOR_NAPPLETON345XFMR2	2	5.4%	17.3%	2	5.4%	17.3%
KEWAUNEE_XFMR_KEWAUNEE_N_APPLETON	2	6.3%	8.6%	2	8.8%	10.8%
RUSSEL_ROCKDALE_138_PADDOCK_ROCKDALE_345	1	10.4%	10.4%	0		
NAPPLETON_LOSTDAUPHIN_FOR_EASTKROUK_KEWAUNEE	1	12.6%	12.6%	1	16.1%	16.1%





# **Pivotal Supplier Analysis**

- If one were to exclude those pivotal suppliers that must manipulate more than 20 percent of their portfolio, the non-firm scenario would still include 20 pivotal suppliers on 13 flowgates.
  - The results of the pivotal supplier analysis are conservative in identifying locational market power.
    - ✓ First, a supplier is only pivotal if the constraint cannot be resolved with others' generation with GSFs greater than 3%.
    - ✓ However, large disparities in GSF factors can allow a supplier to raise its prices substantially even when they are not technically pivotal.
- Hence, network constraints in some locations can create substantial market power concerns.
- These concerns are addressed by the proposed market power mitigation measures that have been conditionally approved by the FERC.
- A similar analysis will be conducted prior to the implementation of the Day 2 markets to define narrow constrained areas ("NCAs") for purposes of the mitigation.

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# Key Market Developments

- February 2002: the Midwest ISO introduced a regional open-access tariff that eliminates rate pancaking within the MISO.
- Steps were taken during 2002 to complete the MISO/SPP merger, but the merger was suspended indefinitely in March 2003.
- In December 2002, the Midwest ISO filed with FERC a request for declaratory order on overall market design for "Day 2".
  - FERC issued declaratory order in February 2002 largely approving the Midwest ISO direction on market design.
- A market power mitigation plan was filed at FERC in December 2002.
  - ✓ FERC conditionally approved the mitigation plan in March 2003 and gave final approval to the previously filed market monitoring plan.
- The former Alliance RTO companies announced intentions to join RTOs:
  - American Electric Power, Dayton Power and Light, and Commonwealth Edison selected PJM.
  - Ameren, Illinois Power, First Energy, and Northern Indiana Public Service selected the Midwest ISO.

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# Shortage Pricing Recommendations

- Our shortage pricing proposal includes the following components:
  - ✓ When energy is produced from reserve resources in shortage conditions, the reserve resource should set the energy price at the safety-net bid cap in the reserve-deficient area.
  - Suppliers providing reserves when the system is in shortage would be paid a lost opportunity cost payment equal to the difference between the energy price and their energy offer.
  - ✓ Shortage conditions should be defined so as not to include transitory responses to system contingencies.
- This proposal was provided to the operating reserves task force in October 2002.
- The Midwest ISO staff is currently developing provisions to address shortage pricing in its stakeholder working groups.
- When reserve markets are introduced, a reserve demand curve would provide a superior means to ensure that the energy and reserve prices are set efficiently under shortage conditions.

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# **RTO Configuration Analysis**

- Potomac Economics conducted an analysis of the configuration of electrical facilities last fall when the Alliance companies proposed their RTO elections;
  - At that time, AEP, Commonwealth Edison, Dayton Power & Light, and Illinois Power announced their intention to join PJM;
  - ✓ FirstEnergy, Ameren, and NIPSco elected to join the MISO;
  - Illinois Power has since decided to join MISO;
- These elections created a potentially irregular seam between MISO and PJM;
- The following analysis was first performed to inform the FERC decision to approve these elections.
  - This analysis was contained in a letter to James Torgerson dated July 10, 2002.
  - FERC approved the elections with specific requirements on the development of the JCM to address reliability and efficiency concerns.
  - The analysis shown in this report has been updated to reflect changes in the MISO's configuration, including the dissolution of the MISO-SPP merger.

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# **RTO Configuration Analysis**

- The analysis was focused on selected flowgates located throughout the MISO and PJM areas in the Midwest that have historically been the source of congestion.
  - The study was not intended to be a comprehensive assessment of all the flowgates.
  - ✓ Approximately 70 flowgates throughout the region were studied.
- Generation shift factors ("GSF") were estimated for each generator that indicate the portion of flow that occurs on each flowgate when the resource is dispatched.
- Using the GSFs, we identified the share of generation resources that would be located within the MISO and PJM that have significant impacts on each of the flowgates studied.
- The following table summarizes the analysis for those flowgates that indicated relatively high degrees of electrical interaction.

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Flowgate In in P	mpacts : JM and	for Gene MISO	ration		
Flowgate Name	RTO Area	Control Area	MISO %	PJM %	SPP %
Bay_Sh_345_Mon12_345_1	MISO	FE, DECO	96%	4%	0%
Bland_Franks_345_KV	MISO	AMRN,AECI	25%	0%	75%
Breed_Casey_345_KV	MISO	AEP,AMRN	49%	11%	40%
Mntzuma	MISO	MEC	59%	3%	39%
Paddock_Xfmr_1_Paddock_Rockdale	MISO	ALTE	59%	41%	0%
Rush_Island_St_Francois_345_KV	MISO	AMRN	77%	0%	23%
Rush St Francois Blands Franks	MISO	AMRN	78%	0%	22%
Coffn Roxfd Ip For Newtn Mt Vrnon	MISO	IP,AMRN	36%	4%	61%
Sidney Xfmr Bunsonville XFMR	MISO	IP	76%	24%	0%
Quad Cities Rock Creek 345	MISO-PJM	ALTW, CE	55%	19%	25%
Bentnhrbr-Palisades345/Twinbranch-Argenta	MISO-PJM	MECS AEP	91%	9%	0%
State Line To Wolf Lake 138	MISO-PJM	CE,NIPS	76%	24%	0%
Sugrek 345 Foster 345 1	MISO-PJM	DPL,CIN	86%	14%	0%
S Canto Star	MISO-PJM	AEP,FE	84%	16%	0%
Bunsonville Eugene Breed Casey	MISO-PJM	IP,AEP	95%	5%	0%
Cook 345 Benton 345 1	PJM	AEP	90%	10%	0%
Dumont 765 Dumteq 999 1	PJM	AEP	79%	21%	0%
Kyger Sporn345 For Amos 765 345XFMR	PJM	AEP,OVEC	39%	61%	0%
Olive 345 138XFMR	PJM	AEP	84%	16%	0%
Plano-Electric Junction 345 Ky	PJM	CE	48%	52%	0%



# Results of the Configuration Analysis

- This table shows that there are a number of flowgates within the expanded MISO and PJM areas that are substantially impacted by generation in other RTOs. For example:
  - 90% of the generation affecting the Cook 345 Benton 345 flowgate on the AEP system would be dispatched by MISO.
  - 41 % of generation affecting the Paddock Transformer flowgate on the Alliant East system in MISO would be dispatched by PJM.
  - ✓ 75% of the of generation affecting the Bland Franks 345 flowgate on the Ameren system in MISO would be dispatched by SPP.
- Overall, the analysis shows:
  - ✓ PJM would dispatch between 3 % and 41 % of the generating resources affecting the flow on 8 MISO flowgates;
  - ✓ SPP would dispatch between 22% and 75 % of the generating resources affecting the flow on 6 MISO flowgates; and
  - ✓ MISO would dispatch 39 % to 90 % of the generating resources affecting the flow on 5 PJM flowgates.
  - The 6 flowgates indicated as "MISO-PJM" are those that would represent the seams between the MISO and PJM. They generally are affected by generation in both RTOs, with the MISO generation having the largest effects.

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# Market Interfaces

The JCM work to resolve seams issues involves the development of a (i) market to non-market interface, and a (ii) market to market interface between the RTOs.

The market to non-market interface involves developing rules and procedures that allow the use of line loading relief procedures.

- These procedures cause the market area resources to be redispatched to reduce their impact on transmission facilities in adjacent areas;
- ✓ The market to non-market interface will address the initial time frames when one area may have an LMP market operating and the adjacent area does not.
- The procedures are being developed with NERC participation and could be used between MISO and other areas after MISO and PJM have operating markets;
- Market to market interface addresses a longer-run state when PJM and MISO are both operating LMP markets in the Midwest;
- Due to the timing of implementation of the markets in the Midwest, the market to non-market interface is likely the first interface to be needed, and has therefore been the focus of most of the JCM work by the RTOs.

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