OMS Resources Work Group Feedback on 2016 OMS-MISO Survey January 6, 2016

The OMS Resources Work Group ("OMS RWG" or "work group") provides feedback on the 2016 OMS-MISO Survey focused on the documents as they were provided at the December 2-3, 2015 LOLE and SAWG meetings, and questions distributed to stakeholders directly.

Are there any suggested process improvements by the 2016 OMS-MISO Survey?

OMS RWG continues to support the intent of OMS-MISO survey and encourages MISO to continuously improve the process to produce useful information for all OMS members. The work group believes an important process improvement that is needed at this time is the documentation of how data from generator owners will be collected and compared to information provided by EDCs (i.e., how MISO will bring together two separate halves of a "balance sheet" in restructured areas).

Should the OMS-MISO survey allow for updates to the LSE's Load Forecast?

Yes, the LSE or EDC should be allowed to update the Load Forecast within a specific time frame, but this should be the exception, not the rule. Furthermore, MISO should not utilize any updated information in other processes that rely on data gathered through other BPM-documented procedures.

Should the OMS-MISO survey include New Tier 2 and Tier 3 Resources in the LSE's Balance Sheets?

Yes, the new Tier 2 and Tier 3 resources should be provided and should be presented in the summary of the survey and tabulated on the balance sheet for the total results. It should also be clarified how the three tiers will be presented in the final results and/or figures that are made public. An examination of historical generator queue information should be conducted to determine if it may be reasonable for a portion Tier 2 resources to be presented as "certain" in the final results. This could be done on a generator-class or MW level. For example, if 95% of thermal units in the queue have eventually gone on to interconnect to the system, wouldn't it be reasonable to present a large portion of those units in Tier 2 as being certain.