

Follow up questions to ask of MISO and SPP, March 2019

1. What would occur if the Regional Through and Out Rate were eliminated between MISO and SPP? What would need to occur for that rate to be eliminated? What could be learned from the MISO-PJM efforts to eliminate that rate?
2. What would occur if no unreserved use charges were collected on the MISO-SPP seam? What would need to occur for none of those charges to occur? Since these charges are apparently not being assessed on the MISO-PJM seam, what is the impediment to doing the same on the MISO-SPP seam?
3. Page 28 of the Whitepaper states that “[B]arriers arise because different regions prefer to plan their systems differently and have differing opinions on the regional value of transmission.”
  - a. Please describe the differences in how the regions prefer to plan their systems differently.
  - b. Please describe for each RTO their opinion of the regional value of transmission.
4. A joint planning model ensures a separate interregional test where SPP and MISO use the same assumptions and analytical processes to evaluate interregional transmission projects. How will MISO and SPP ensure the same assumptions and analytical processes are used to evaluate and model interregional projects if the joint planning model is eliminated as proposed as part of the CSP process improvements? Could a joint model identify projects that would not be identified otherwise? Could a joint model eliminate the need for regional review of projects?
5. What is the total transfer capacity between MISO and SPP?
6. Is there a benefit to modeling the Eastern Interconnect as a whole in the interregional planning process?
7. What can be done to improve generator and transmission line outage coordination between MISO and SPP?
8. With the MISO/ Joint Parties (including SPP) JOA Settlement set to no longer automatically renew on January 31, 2021, what are MISO’s and SPP’s intentions for addressing the contract path issue for the North/South transfer capabilities? Rollover the current settlement? Renew the settlement with revisions? Let the settlement lapse?

9. On page 30, there is a section related to “Modeling Inconsistencies” where it is stated that “Joint Model inputs must be agreed upon and can divert from the inputs in the RTO’s Regional models.” On Page 31, it states “SPP and MISO staff must decide whether to use SPP’s assumption, MISO’s assumption or a new negotiated assumption.”
  - a. Please describe any modeling inputs or assumptions that were identified as different as between the RTOs, and please describe what input or assumption was used to address that difference in the Joint Model and the rationale for that compromise.
10. On Page 30 there is a section titled “Regional APC Calculation Differences” where it is stated that “SPP calculates APC comparable to how the JOA prescribes” and “MISO’s regional calculation of APC is different than how the JOA states it will be calculated in the joint studies and SPP’s regional calculation”.
  - a. Please describe the differences between how MISO and SPP calculate APC and each RTO’s basis for taking the position they take in regards to the calculation.
11. Please respond to any issues raised in the [stakeholder responses](#) that you deem necessary.