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Market Structure for a Decarbonized New York Electricity Market

Electricity Markets and Regulation
Preferential Subject 3 + What Market
Structures should be put in place to ensure a smoother transition to the market of the future to support a fully decarbonized grid – Q4

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Reliability Through Markets

- The NYISO supports reliability through three complementary markets for energy, ancillary services, and capacity.
 - Capacity Markets provide fixed cost recovery supporting an installed resource base needed to support the 1 in 10 Loss of Load Expectation Planning Criterion
 - Energy and Ancillary Markets incent real time resource performance corresponding to operational needs.
 - Though energy and ancillary services markets provide infra-marginal revenues for fixed cost recovery, the volatility of energy and ancillary service markets is not as effective in attracting and retaining needed generating resources compared to the capacity market.
 - The complementary nature of the energy, ancillary services, and capacity markets allow for stable investment signals and real time system performance.



Reliability Through Markets

- Energy Markets, the marginal resource is either
 - Zero variable cost renewable resource, or
 - High cost zero carbon fuel (e.g., hydrogen), or
 - Price Responsive demand, or
 - Opportunity cost offered in by storage resources.

(Expected to result in increased volatility of real time prices)

- Ancillary Services become increasingly important for price formation
 - Set by defining granular areas for procurement of reserves and regulation
 - Guided by demand curves (anchored by value or lost load VOLL)
 - The definition of granular areas and quantity of resources to be procured likely to be defined dynamically

(Volatility of intermittent resources and the co-optimization with energy also increases price volatility)

- Capacity Markets provides fixed cost recovery (net of energy and ancillary services revenues and subsidies)
 - Capacity accreditation important to value resources based on marginal contribution to reliability
 - Granular capacity zones allow for locational capacity prices

