



2019 FALL TECHNICAL WORKSHOP

October 28-30, 2019

Hilton Charlotte Center City
Charlotte, NC

PROGRAM AGENDA

Monday, October 28, 2019

7:00 a.m. – 8:00 a.m.

Registration & Breakfast

Location: Plaza

8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Tutorial: Future Directions for Market Operation and System Planning

Location: Carolina

Chair: **Bethany Frew, NREL**

Description: Various approaches are taken by system planners throughout the United States and world to ensure that adequate supply-side (and in some cases, also demand-side) resources exist to supply power and energy requirements for a future time and location. Some areas rely on competitive wholesale electricity markets—either with a capacity market that is linked to resource adequacy targets, or through an energy-only market with higher scarcity pricing caps—to signal for sufficient levels of resources. Other areas, namely those with regulated utilities, utilize conventional IRP processes to determine how many and what resources to build. Each approach has pros and cons, and the ongoing transformation of power systems around the world presents additional challenges and opportunities for ensuring resource adequacy. For example, traditional markets with marginal cost-pricing present a challenge for high renewable energy shares due to their near-zero marginal cost of generation, which depresses energy prices further than that already caused by expanded supply of low-cost natural gas and limited demand growth, making it difficult to recover capital costs in systems that operate for significant periods of time with a near 100% share of renewables. The evolution of electricity markets to recognize unique characteristics of renewable resources and incorporate models of ideal resources is essential.

This tutorial will first present an overview of current resource adequacy approaches in market and non-market areas. These include energy-only markets, energy plus capacity markets, and areas with resource adequacy constructs or conventional IRP processes. Then, an overview of electricity markets and how they could evolve in the future will be discussed. The theoretical discussions will be complemented by examples of planning and market design in each of the system design constructs presented, including potential future changes to those approaches.

- Introduction and Overview
- Current and Future Wholesale Markets
- System Planning and Market Design Case Studies/Examples

10:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.

Break

Location: PCP/Carolina

12:00 p.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Lunch

Location: Plaza

1:00 p.m. – 5:15 p.m.

Working Group Meetings (ESIG Members & Invited Guests Only)

1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Reliability Working Group

Location: North Carolina

Chair: **Jason MacDowell**, GE

Description: The Reliability Working Group will hold the third meeting of the High-Share of Inverter-Based Generation Task Force. This includes discussion and presentations around challenges and technology capability (including grid forming inverters) to address system reliability needs with high penetration of inverter-based resources. NERC will present a new reliability guideline addressing improvements to interconnection requirements for inverter-based resources and the modeling task force will also cover modeling needs and updates for inverter-based resources.”

1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.

System Operation and Market Design Working Group

Location: South Carolina

Chair: **Aidan Tuohy**, EPRI

Title: System and Market Operations with Storage

Description: This working group meeting will focus on operating issues related to the integration of various forms of energy storage, including batteries, pumped hydro and other storage mechanism. Starting with discussion of current experiences of operating storage in markets and systems around the world, the panel will then discuss simulations of future operations with very high renewable penetration. The aim is to identify the major challenges for operating systems and options for integration of storage now and in the future.

1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Research and Education Working Group

Location: Charlotte

Chair: **Mark O'Malley**, NREL

Description: Recognizing the growing demand for more activity in the research and education committee and a more structured approach, we will use this time to develop a focused plan to deliver on the priority demands. These demands include the research roadmap, the Towards 100% workshop report and follow ups, and the development of more educational material through the MOOC initiative.

3:00 p.m. – 3:15 p.m.

Break

Location: PCP/Carolina

3:15 p.m. – 5:15 p.m.

Distributed Energy Resources (DER) Working Group

Location: North Carolina

Chair: **Bryan Palmintier**, NREL

Title: Distributed Storage Value Stacking: Challenges and Opportunities

Description: This working group meeting panel presentation will consider the challenges and opportunities for unlocking the wide-range of potential value streams for distribution-connected storage of all kinds including batteries, thermal storage, electric vehicles, and “virtual” storage through demand response from demand response and smart charging. The goal is to explore across a wide range of value streams, from fairly well defined bulk-grid energy and ancillary services that currently have clear market-based economic signals, but where distribution assets may face regulatory, structural, or implementation challenges; to customer-centric values such as demand charge management, self-consumption-focused solar tariffs, etc.; to difficult to economically realize values such as voltage management, upgrade deferral, and resilience.

3:15 p.m. - 5:15 p.m.

System Planning Working Group Meeting

Location: South Carolina

Chair: **Aaron Bloom**, NextEra Analytics

Title: Modeling Storage in Planning Models

Description: Battery storage is entering electricity markets faster than most people planned. This is creating a new rush to model how we should plan for storage in the future. This working group meeting will discuss recent updates to planning models to reflect the capabilities of storage and hybrid energy systems. The panel will be highly interactive and have a limited number of slides. Our goal at the end of the working group meeting will be to create a top 10 do’s and don’ts for modeling storage.

6:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.

ESIG Board of Directors Meeting/Dinner

Location: Graves

Tuesday, October 29, 2019

7:00 a.m. – 8:00 a.m.

Registration & Breakfast

Location: Plaza

8:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.

Welcome and Overview Session

Location: Charlotte Mecklenburg

Introduction

Mark Ahlstrom, ESIG Board of Directors President, NextEra Energy Resources

Local Welcome and Keynote Comments: IRP Process of the Future

Mark Oliver, Managing Director, Integrated System Operations Planning, Duke Energy

Meeting Overview

Charlie Smith, Executive Director, ESIG

9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Opening Plenary Session: Considerations for the System of the Future

Location: Charlotte Mecklenburg

Chair: **Bryan Hannegan**, President & CEO, Holy Cross Energy

Overview of Past, Current and Future Business Models and How They've Changed in Response to Decreasing Costs of Renewable

Bruce Tsuchida, Principal, The Brattle Group

Impacts of High VRE Futures on Demand-Side Decisions

Joachim Seel, Senior Scientific Engineering Associate, LBNL

On the Road to Dispatchable Variable Resources

Chris Clack, CEO, Vibrant Clean Energy

The Evolving Role of Energy Storage in Power System Planning and Operations

Nick Miller, Consultant

Unlocking the Full Value of Distributed Energy Resources

Astrid Atkinson, CEO & Co-founder, Camus Energy

Hydro Power and High Capacity Energy Storage

Patrick Balducci, Chief Economist, PNNL

10:15 a.m. – 10:45 a.m.

Break

Location: PCP/Mecklenburg

12:00 p.m. – 1:15 p.m.

Lunch

Location: Plaza

1:15 p.m. – 5:15 p.m.

Workshop Parallel Sessions

1:15 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Session 2A – PPA's and Corporate 100% Renewables Targets – What Comes Next: A Panel Discussion

Location: Charlotte Mecklenburg

Chair: **Derek Stenclik**, Founding Partner, Telos Energy

Harry Singh, Vice President, Goldman Sachs

Aaron Barr, Principal Consultant, Wind Energy, Wood Mackenzie

Lori Bird, Director, US Energy Program, World Resources Institute

1:15 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Session 2B – Offshore Wind Development

Location: South Carolina

Chair: **Mike Derby**, DOE

Business Network for Offshore Wind – An Introduction

Fara Courtney, Consultant

Economics of Offshore Wind

Girish Behal, Director - Strategic Initiatives and Development, SNC-Lavalin, Canada

Wind Turbines for Offshore Wind Projects

Walt Musial, Manager Offshore Wind, NREL

European Experience with Interconnection of Offshore Plants

Peter Jorgensen, VP, Energinet, Denmark

Cable Connection Considerations for Offshore Wind Power Plants

Dave Mueller, Director, Energy System Studies, Enernex

3:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.

Break

Location: PCP/Mecklenburg

3:30 p.m. – 5:15 p.m.

Session 3A - System Planning for Energy Storage

Location: Charlotte Mecklenburg

Chair: **Aaron Bloom**, Director New Product R&D, NextEra Analytics

Assessment of Solar + Storage for Resource Adequacy and Ramp Control

Andrew Mills, Sr Scientist, LBNL

Opportunity for Peaking Capacity from Battery Energy Storage

Paul Denholm, Sr Analyst, NREL

Energy Storage Optimization for Solar Power Plant Applications

Andrew Oliver, Chief Technology Officer, RES Group

Duty Cycle and Battery Life

Taylor Kelly, Director, Energy Storage, Intertek

3:30 p.m. – 5:15 p.m.

Session 3B - System Planning for High VRE Penetration

Location: South Carolina

Chair: **Ryan Quint**, Sr. Manager, Advanced Analytics and Modeling, NERC

ISO-NE System Operational Analysis and Renewable Integration Study

Amro Farid, Associate Professor, Dartmouth University

Multiple Timescale PV Model for Dynamics and Scheduling

Jin Tan, Sr. Engineer, NREL

WIEB Flexibility Study
Tom Carr, Western Interstate Energy Board (WIEB)

Integration of Economic and Reliability Planning
Juliano Freitas, Manager of Economic Planning, Southwest Power Pool (SPP)

5:30 pm – 6:30 p.m.

Early Career Networking Meeting/Reception

Location: TBD

6:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Networking Reception & Poster Session

Location: Plaza

Wednesday, October 30, 2019

7:00 a.m. – 8:00 a.m.

Breakfast

Location: Plaza

8:00 a.m. – 9:45 a.m.

Workshop Parallel Sessions

8:00 a.m. – 9:45 a.m.

Session 4A - System Operations Considerations for High Penetration Scenarios

Location: Charlotte Mecklenburg

Chair: **Aidan Tuohy**, Principal Project Manager, EPRI

Australian Experience with Synchronous Condenser Applications

Babak Badrzadeh, Manager, Operational Analysis and Engineering, AEMO, Australia

ERCOT Experience with Synchronous Condenser Applications

Julia Matevosjana, Lead Planning Engineer, ERCOT

Uncertainty in System Operations Due to Severe Weather Events

Josh Novacheck, Electricity System Research Engineer, NREL

T&D System Congestion Management – A Case Study

Frank Kreikebaum, SVP of Products and Solutions, Smart Wires

8:00 a.m. – 9:45 a.m.

Session 4B - Market Design Evolution for High Share of Renewables

Location: South Carolina

Chair: **Rob Gramlich**, Founder & President, Grid Strategies

The RTO, Markets and Decarbonization

Udi Helman, Helman Analytics

A National Energy Market Simulator

Sorrell Grogan, Sr Engineer, Operational Analysis and Engineering, AEMO, Australia

MISO's Short Term Reserve Product to Address Renewable Uncertainty
Akshay Korad, Market Design Engineer, MISO

Renewable Energy Development in China: Market Design and Practice
Guohui Xie, SGERI (invited), China

9:45 a.m. – 10:15 a.m.

Break

Location: PCP/Mecklenburg

10:15 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.

Closing Plenary Session – Creating the Future - A Panel Discussion

Location: Charlotte Mecklenburg

Panel Moderator: **Mark Ahlstrom**, President, ESIG Board of Directors

A View from a Regulator

Matt Schuenger, Commissioner, Minnesota Public Utilities Commission

A View from the ISO

Dave Olsen, Chair, California ISO Board of Governors (invited)

A View from a Small Utility

Bryan Hannegan, President & CEO, Holy Cross Energy

A View from Europe

Peter Jørgensen, Vice President, Energinet, Denmark

A View from Washington

James Hoecker, Counsel & Advisor, WIRES, Former FERC chair (invited)

A View from the Research World

Martin Keller, Laboratory Director, NREL

A View from the Policy Advocates

John Moore, Director, Sustainable FERC Project, National Resources Defense Council

12:15 p.m. – 12:30 p.m.

Working Group Meeting Summaries & Closing Remarks

Mark O'Malley, NREL/ESIG