INTRODUCTION TO WHOLESALE ELECTRICITY MARKETS: RTOs AND ISOs

February 7-8, 2017
Denver Marriott Tech Center
Denver, CO

POST-CONFERENCE WORKSHOP
Wholesale Electricity Markets 201
WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 8, 2017
OVERVIEW

This course is designed to provide a basic understanding of the operation of electricity systems in the North America, focusing on the role of electricity markets, including the how and why markets have evolved over the past two decades. Considerable time will be spent in the beginning to understand the role of generation, transmission, and load for reliable system operation, which is a must to facilitate competitive regional wholesale markets. Participants will gain a high-level understanding of current issues affecting electricity markets and will receive detailed explanation at a basic level of how the electricity markets operate. Upon completion of the course, participants will return to their organizations with the ability to discuss the functions and day-to-day operations of power systems in the interconnected environment and electricity markets, as well as actively contribute to their organization’s analysis and discussions on electricity markets. Topics addressed in the course include:

- Electricity basics
- Generation basics
- Transmission, distribution, and load basics
- Functioning of generators, transmission, and loads in integrated manner
- Transmission contingencies and congestion
- RTOs/ISOs’ roles and functions
- Locational Marginal Pricing (LMP) and its components
- Ancillary services requirements and responsibilities
- Demand response participation in capacity and real time energy markets
- Capacity and ancillary services markets
- State and federal regulation
- Bidding strategies
- Energy price forecasting
- FTRs and transmission congestion
- Risk management
- Credit issues

LEARNING OUTCOMES

- Describe the role of generators, transmission, and load
- List the major components of transmission and generation plants
- Describe the uniqueness of the AC power system, reactive power and power factor
- Define and provide examples of ancillary services
- State the role of FERC and state regulatory agencies
- Describe the ISO/RTO functions
- Describe role of transmission in the regional wholesale electricity markets
- Review Bilateral and real-time energy markets
- Explain locational marginal pricing –energy, congestion, and loss components
- Discuss financial transmission rights for hedging transmission congestion
- Describe how risk can be managed involving electricity markets
- Discuss energy price forecasting and credit issues

WHO SHOULD ATTEND

- Employees new to the industry or with limited industry experience
- Attorneys and regulatory personnel new to the industry
- Accounting, IT personnel, and support personnel that need a better understanding electricity markets
- Marketing and customer service representatives
- Employees of independent system operators
- Energy market participants
- Power generator owners/developers
- Electricity marketers and brokers
- Energy service companies
- Energy purchasing agents
- Power generator owners/developers
AGENDA

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 7, 2017

7:30 – 8:00 am  Registration and Continental Breakfast

8:00 – 10:15 am  Basics of Electric Power Systems
• Fundamentals of electricity, definitions and units
• Generation, transmission, distribution, and loads
• Types of generation resources, including intermittent resources, costs, and capabilities
• Load duration curves, system load factors, load growth and customer classes
• Power system losses

10:15 – 10:45 am  Networking Break

10:45 am – 12:00 pm  Power System Relationships to Electricity Market Basics
• Power system integration and operations
• Transmission congestion and loop flows
• Power system reliability and NERC compliance
• Ancillary services
• Regulatory oversight – Role of FERC and State regulatory agencies
• Power flow simulation

12:00 – 1:00 pm  Group Luncheon

1:00 – 3:00 pm  Regional Transmission Originations (RTOs) and Independent System Operators (ISOs)
• RTOs/ISOs in U.S. and Canada
• Regulatory structure of RTOs/ISOs
• Characteristics and functions of RTOs
• Advantages and disadvantages of RTO participation
• RTO case study
• Role of FERC and state regulatory agencies

3:00 – 3:30 pm  Networking Break

3:30 – 5:00 pm  Regional Wholesale Electricity Markets Fundamentals – Part 1
• Types of participants in RTOs/ISOs
• Review of supply and demand relationship, spot versus bilateral markets
• Economic merit order and unit commitment
• Security constrained economic dispatch
• Cost of transmission congestion and losses
• Locational marginal pricing (LMP)
• Financial transmission rights (FTRs) for hedging
• Demand response
• Capacity markets: functions, design, and operation
• Ancillary services markets
• Comparison of markets offered by RTOs/ISOs in the U.S.
• Two settlement system: Day ahead and real-time settlement

“Very good high level view of wholesale markets”

Public Utility Specialist, Southwestern Power
AGENDA

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 8, 2017

8:00 – 8:30 am  Continental Breakfast

8:30 – 9:00 am  Review of Previous Day; Opportunities for Questions and Discussion on Previous Day’s Material

9:00 – 10:00 am  Regional Wholesale Electricity Market Fundamentals - Part 2
• Bidding strategies
• Energy price forecasting - technical and fundamental
• Regulatory oversight: FERC and state regulatory agencies, market monitor
• Energy and ancillary service markets

10:00 – 10:30 am  Networking Break

10:30 – 11:15 am  Risk Management
• Credit requirements

11:15 am – 12:00 pm  Issues and Challenges

12:00 pm  Wrap-Up, Final Questions, and Completing Course Evaluation and Assessment Form

INSTRUCTOR

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President, Rana Energy Consulting

While serving as the director of RTO Policy and NERC Compliance at American Electrical Power, Raj was responsible for coordination of energy, transmission, market structure, finance, and governance related RTO policy issues among the AEP business units, development of corporate positions/policies, and advocacy of such positions at regulatory agencies, at stakeholder forums in PJM, SPP, and ERCOT RTOs. He was also responsible for the development and coordination of strategic direction of AEP’s power system reliability compliance program among all business units as well as coordination and facilitation of compliance plans, policies and procedures within the company to ensure timely and successful compliance of NERC and regional reliability standards.

Previously, Mr. Rana worked in AEP’s System Planning department in various positions. His experience at AEP includes planning and operation of the bulk transmission network, generation interconnections, tariff and regulatory/legislative issues, system integration, asset management, mergers and acquisitions, as well as planning and engineering studies for international transmission and generation projects.

Mr. Rana holds a BSEE degree from M. S. University (India), an MSEE degree from West Virginia University, and an MBA degree from University of Dayton. Mr. Rana also completed the AEP Management Development Program at the Fisher Business College of the Ohio State University. He is a life-senior member of IEEE, and holds the Ohio State PE license. Mr. Rana is also a certified energy manager and project management professional.

“Raj is very thorough in explaining topics and patient when responding to questions. More importantly, Raj is very knowledgeable in the subject matter.”

Senior Project Manager, Southern California Edison
POST-COURSE WORKSHOP

Wholesale Electricity Markets 201

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 8, 2017

EUCI’s post-course workshop builds upon the basic concepts covered in the Introduction to Wholesale Electricity Markets: RTOs and ISOs course, and deep dives to increase the understanding of attendees from basics to an intermediate level. This half-day session will include simulation of LMP and FTRs for a three-bus system, mechanics and options of participating in the RTO markets, understanding of generation dispatch instructions and obligations, as well as examples of managing risk by hedging using futures, options, and spreads. This session will also further explore issues raised during the Introduction to Wholesale Electricity Markets: RTOs and ISOs course.

LEARNING OUTCOMES

• Discuss energy market participation options
• Explain bilateral contract components
• Discover LMP and FTR simulations
• Identify examples of managing risk
• Examine generation dispatch instructions and obligations

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12:30 - 1:00 pm  Registration
1:00 - 5:00 pm   Workshop Timing

• Demonstration of LMP and FTRs
• FTR auctions and ARR eligibility
• Bilateral contract components
• Wholesale energy market participation options
• Scheduling generation and loads
• Generation operation and participation – three-part offer
• Dispatch instructions
• Risk management strategy
• Examples of hedging using futures and options

“If you are looking to a comprehensive course that covers the basics of RTO’s and ISO’s, this is the course for you!”

Settlements Analyst, City of Utilities Springfield, MO

“The Information provided an excellent overview of the electricity markets”

Director, IPA
REQUIREMENTS FOR SUCCESSFUL COMPLETION OF PROGRAM

Participants must sign in/out each day and be in attendance for the entirety of the course to be eligible for continuing education credit.

INSTRUCTIONAL METHODS

This program will use PowerPoint Presentations, group discussions, as well as active participation.

PROCEEDINGS

The proceedings of the course will be published, and one copy will be distributed to each registrant at the course.

EVENT LOCATION

A room block has been reserved at the Denver Marriott Tech Center, 4900 S Syracuse St, Denver, CO 80237, for the nights of February 6-7, 2017. Room rates are $149 plus applicable tax. Call 1-303-779-1100 for reservations and mention the EUCI event to get the group rate. The cutoff date to receive the group rate is January 16, 2017 but as there are a limited number of rooms available at this rate, the room block may close sooner. Visit https://aws.passkey.com/e/48994088 to book online. Please make your reservations early.

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There is no prerequisite for this course.

Program Level 1: Intermediate, Delivery Method: Group-Live, Advanced Preparation: None

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PLEASE REGISTER

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INTRODUCTION TO WHOLESALE ELECTRICITY MARKETS: RTOs AND ISOs COURSE ONLY, February 7-8, 2017: US $1395, Early bird on or before January 20, 2017: US $1195

WHOLESALE ELECTRICITY MARKETS 201 POST-COURSE WORKSHOP ONLY, February 8, 2017: US $595, Early bird on or before January 20, 2017: US $495

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