MA Clean Peak Standard: Market Issues and Implications for Hydroelectric

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Participation

Eligible Technologies

- "Cat1": All RPS Class I w/ COD on/after Jan 1, 2019
- "Cat2": RPS Class I and RPS Class II w/ COD before Jan 1, 2019 paired with a Qualified Energy Storage System that has COD on/after Jan 1, 2019
- "Cat3": Standalone Qualified Energy Storage System that charges/discharges primarily from renewable energy
- "Cat 4": Demand Response Resources (that are measurable and verifiable + do NOT generate electricity)

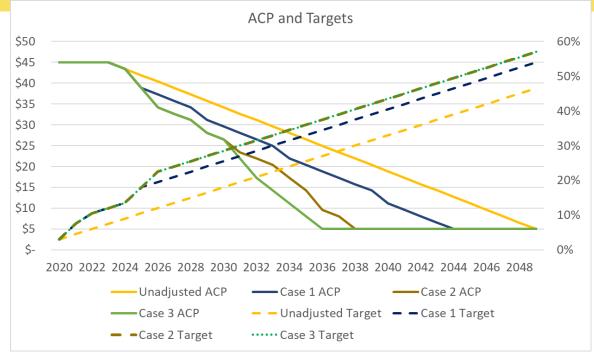
Access (Interconnection & Geography)

- In MA:
 - Eligible:
 - Interconnected to Distribution system in MA
 - Interconnected to Transmission system in MA (unless...)
 - Not: have an obligation to deliver outside
- Out of MA
 - Eligible: CP Resources that are "interconnected to the Transmission System" and "have an obligation to deliver to MA" sufficiently demonstrate that they will discharge to the Distribution System of MA
 - Not: no obligation to deliver to MA
- Key question: What constitutes an "obligation to deliver to MA"?



CPS Revenue = CPEC price * CPEC quantity

- Will CPS price be financeable?
- Hedged CPECs
 - 30% (15%-35%) of demand to be sought by EDCs under *periodic* longterm contract competitive procurements
 - Details TBD
- Market CPECs
 - Price = f(supply-demand, ACP, start date)
 - Market supply-demand difficult to discern this early
 - No firm price floor, but → self-correcting targets, ACP designed to support price
 - Spot price will often be below ACP
- Take-aways:
 - Unless hedged, confidence gained only through experience & market analysis
 - For revenue, earlier better than later



After 2024, ACP declines by

\$1.54/CPEC, unless:

- If "Market Supply" between 100%-120% of target, the following year
 - Before 2030, the minimum standard would increase 4.5% in the following Compliance Year (3x the normal rate of increase)
 - ACP would decrease \$3.08/CPEC (2x the normal rate of decline).
- If "Market Supply" >120%:
 - Before 2030, the minimum standard would increase 4.5% in the following Compliance Year (3x the normal rate of increase)
 - ACP would also decline \$4.62/CPEC during that time period (3x the normal rate of decline).

Once the ACP reaches four dollars and ninety-six cents (\$4.96), it will hold fixed at that price for the remainder of the program



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CPS Revenue = CPEC price * CPEC quantity

- # CPECs earned = function of:
 - eligibility category
 - project configuration
 - multipliers
 - performance during peak periods
- CPEC earnings →
 - see illustrative use cases
- Multipliers
 - Seasonal (x1/4)
 - Monthly peak hour (x25)
 - Existing (Cat 2) (x0.1)
 - Contracted (any category)(x0.01)
 - Resilience (backup power to onsite load)
 - Distribution circuit



Lowell Hydroelectric Project. Source: LIHI

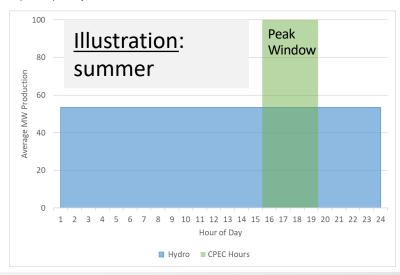
Use Case:

Cat 1: New or Upgraded MA RPS Class 1 hydro

- CPS Opportunity: Additional revenue stream for new/upgraded renewable resources. Not required but can also be paired with Cat 3 QESS.
- Resource Potential: Incremental opportunities -
 - Upgrade or new powerhouses not requiring new impoundment: Resource already heavily exploited: 2003 INEEL study: of 2155 sites identified →2 in MA (2 MW)
 - Many costly, hard to site, require long lead time
 - Limited additional small upgrade or conduit sites?
- Incentive for investment: Levelized CPEC Revenue \$/MWh produced
 - Ex: 1 MW ROR, COD 2023
 - \$3.60/MWh (25% of ACP) to \$10.81 (75% of ACP)
 - (or, NPV of \$123 to \$370/kW over 20 years @ 10% discount rate)
- Project design & operations: Design project and manage operations to maximize performance in CP windows (e.g., can impoundment be utilized?); design for storage, operate in CP windows
- **O&M:** enhanced incentive re: scheduling / strategy in non-CP windows
- Considerations & issues, open questions:
 - For non-MA, eligibility via contracting for delivery into MA via EDC procurements or other contractual structures. What will be sufficient to constitute delivery? Would financial structures of most EDC long-term contracts (which typically deliver to the generator pricing node and do not require physical delivery) be sufficient? What if "delivered" to a MA pricing node, e.g., MA HUB?

Resource Potential			
	MA (#/ MW)	Northeast (#/MW)	
Certified since 1/2019 ¹	0/0	10/14	
Incremental ROR ²	2/2	109/471	
Incremental, total ²	2/2	132/709	

Sources: (1) DOER; (2) 2003 Idaho National Engineering and Environmental Laboratory Hydropower Resource Economics Database (IHRED) study





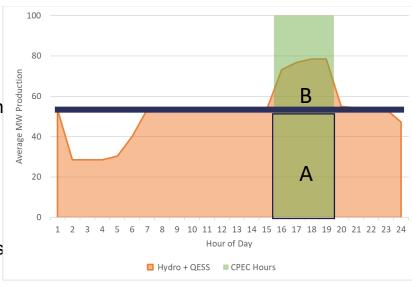
Use Case:

Cat 2: Existing MA RPS Class 1 or Class 2 hydro

- **CPS Opportunity:** Add co-located QESS to existing sites (if sufficient physical/interconnection space)
 - Additional revenue stream for to be shared by existing (pre- Jan. 2019 COD) RE resources when paired w/ new (post-Jan. 2019) QESS (either co-located or virtually) with capacity of at least 25% of the RE capacity and at least 4-hr duration or equivalent
- Resource Potential:
 - Certified existing Class I or Class II supply
 - Additional Class II 2 supply that may become certified
- Incentive for investment: Ex: 2 MW "MA typical" ROR hydro; 0.5 MW 4-hour duration 'perfect' storage, → NPV of CPEC revenue over 20 years @ 10% discount rate for 25% 75% of ACP:
 - [B] Storage Alone: \$68 \$204/kWh of storage
 - [A]Hydro Resource (0.1x existing multiplier): \$12 \$37/kWh of storage
 - [A+B] Total: \$80 \$241/kWh of storage
- Project design & operations
 - Operate both RE & QESS to maximize performance in CP windows (e.g., can impoundmen be utilized?); or design for QESS to maximize CP windows and RE is essentially free-rider
- **O&M:** Enhanced incentive re: scheduling / strategy
- Considerations & issues, open questions
 - For non-MA, eligibility via contracting for delivery into MA via EDC procurements or other contractual structures?
 - Interconnected to T system: 'excess capacity' / incremental capacity interconnection reques
 - Interconnected to D system: Can existing interconnection accommodate w/o material modification (guidance from DPU Docket 19-55)

Resource Potential				
	MA (#/ MW)	Northeast (#/MW)		
Certified Class 1 hydro	20/14.7	53/67		
Certified Class 2 hydro	36/67.6	139/325		

Source: DOER



Use Case:

Cat 3 Stand Alone Qualified Energy Storage System

- CPS Opportunity: Additional revenue stream for new QESS if primarily charged from renewable energy
- Resource Potential: limited only by quantity of renewables with which to pair
- Incentive for investment: Ex: 50 MW, 4 hr duration 'perfect' storage NPV of CPEC revenue over 20 years @ 10% discount rate, for 25% 75% of ACP → \$68 \$204/kWh
- **Project design & operations** maximize operations of both RE & QESS to maximize performance in CP windows (e.g., can impoundment be utilized?); or design for QESS to maximize CP windows and RE is essentially free-rider

	Energy Storage Charging Windows	
Clean Peak	Wind-Based	Solar-Based
Season	Charging Hours	Charging Hours
Spring	12am - 6am	8am - 4pm
Summer	12am - 6am	7am - 2pm
Fall	12am - 6am	9am - 3pm
Winter	12am - 6am	10am - 3pm

O&M: Must charged primarily from RE by

- 1) Co-location with a Qualified RPS Resource (Cat 1 or Cat 2)
- 2) Contractual pairing with a Qualified RPS Resource (Cat 1 or Cat 2)
- 3) Charging coincident with periods of typically high renewable energy production
- 4) Inclusion of an operational schedule in the QESS's ISA demonstrating that the QESS serves to resolve load flow or power quality concerns otherwise associated with intermittent renewable energy resources.

Considerations & issues, open questions

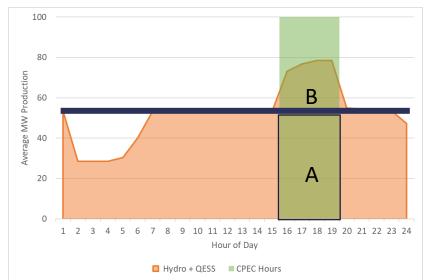
- •Will there be opportunity to earn anything through virtual pairing?
- •Without the timing option for Cat 3, maybe... but timing option may undercut, unless physical or interconnection synergies or a more flexible charging profile is worth an ESS giving up a share of rev to virtual RE partner could this be the case?



Cat 1 + Cat 3

- **Opportunity**: Additional revenue stream for new paired (collocated or virtually) RE & QESS (compared to pre-CPS) if primarily charged from renewable energy.
- Incentive for investment? For a 2 MW "MA typical" ROR hydro; 0.5 MW 4-hour duration 'perfect' storage → NPV of CPEC revenue over 20 years @ 10% discount rate for 25% 75% of ACP:
 - [B] Storage Alone: \$68 \$204/kWh NPV
 - [A] Hydro Resource: \$124-\$371/kWh NPV
 - [A + B] Total: \$192-575/kWh NPV

- Considerations & issues, open questions
 - •Will there be opportunity to earn anything through virtual pairing?
 - •Benefits on the cost side (Interconnection, permitting) on the revenue side (more capacity value?)
 - •Without the timing option for Cat 3, maybe... but timing option may undercut, unless a more flexible charging profile is worth an ESS giving up a share of rev to virtual RE partner could this be the case?



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Webinar 1: CPS Market Introduction & Early Insights October 1, 2020, 12:30 pm ET

Webinar 2: Preliminary CPS Market Analysis November (date TBD)

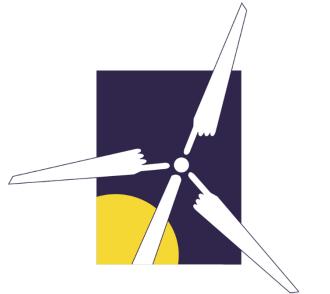
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