

Data Confidentiality Clarifications

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Current Confidentiality Rules in Manual 33 Section 3.5 state aggregate market data may only be disclosed if:

- A. More than three (3) market participants' data in a particular category is being aggregated for posting. For example, if the data being considered for posting is load data, more than three (3) Load-Serving Entities' data must be aggregated; and
- B. The data to be posted is aggregated over a geographic area no smaller than a PJM transmission zone.

PJM may not disclose confidential data even if it has been released in the public domain.

The rules as they currently exist serve as a good general guideline, but limit PJM's ability to share information with stakeholders and other interested parties. PJM is unable to be more specific about conditions surrounding weather events, closed-loop interfaces, transmission planning, etc.

The draft manual language leaves the current general rule intact but provides for six specific exceptions.

1. Individual generation outages: PJM may release information on specific generation outages. While PJM will not systematically release data on all individual generation outages, it may disseminate information on specific outages in the preparation of any report or lessons learned relative to a transmission system event on the electric grid (for example, a severe weather event or a transmission system event that required the shedding of load). Such outage information may only be disclosed if the outage has already concluded, and only if at least two months have passed since the transmission system event. PJM will review the information related to the generation outage with the Market Seller prior to publication of the report.

2. Demand response: PJM may release information on the amount of Demand response available in localized areas (i.e. the amount of MW in a defined area such as a set of zip codes). This information shall not contain specific offers or suppliers and shall not disclose the amount of supply in an area smaller than three zip codes.

3. Cleared and Offered Capacity Resources: PJM may release the total amount of offered and cleared Capacity Resources when reporting on RPM Capacity Market results. Such information must be aggregated by transmission zone.

4. Information regarding uplift payments may be released provided that such information represents generation in an area no smaller than a transmission zone, and a time period no shorter than a single operating day. Such information may include uplift payments broken down in the Day-Ahead and Real-Time Energy Markets by payment category or cause.

5. Three Pivotal Supplier Test Results: PJM may release aggregated statistics related to the execution and results of the Three Pivotal Supplier Test. Such statistics may not identify individual resource owners.

6. Member data that has been publicly made available by that PJM Member or by a state or federal regulator shall not be considered confidential by PJM.