

Question 1: During the October 8 Workshop #2 Session, Stakeholders actively sought insight into the RA Study model inputs and assumptions, to which the Agencies issued a [response to workshop questions](#). In addition to the responses provided, what additional information are stakeholders interested in obtaining concerning the modeling approach and methodology for the RA Study? Please list any specific questions regarding the modeling approach and/or inputs.

No additional request at this time.

Question 2: Referencing the [response to workshop questions](#) provided by the Agencies to Stakeholders during the RA Study Workshop #2, do stakeholders have any follow-up questions to the responses that could be addressed by the Agencies, either through the RA Study process or that could be considered in future RA Study efforts or activities? Please provide a list of questions or additional considerations.

Following up on the response to Question 6 in Workshop 2 regarding accounting for extreme weather, is there any intent to explicitly evaluate resource adequacy for extreme weather draws given the recent frequency and magnitude of extreme winter weather events (e.g., winter storms Uri and Elliott)?

Such events can affect the regional gas supply relied on by generators and have widespread and dire consequences for customers; NERC has advised RTOs and resource planners to explicitly consider extreme weather in prior Long-term Reliability Assessments.

Question 3: Referencing the [Workshop #2 presentation](#) topics, what key issues or challenges do stakeholders believe are most important to consider in the analysis of future resource adequacy needs within the next five years (to 2030)? Do the identified issues or challenges change for a 2030-2035 study period? If yes, how? Please describe.

Ameren Illinois has identified the below list of key, near-term issues:

1. *Customer Affordability;*
 - *On this point in particular, AIC has concerns that the predicted economic and customer impacts of the expected near-term RA gap will not be presented until the final report released in December. With many downstate customers feeling the effects of recent high capacity prices, AIC believes it is important for stakeholders and customers to understand the potential economic effects of any resource limitations.*
2. *Estimates for resource retirements, new resource additions, and load;*
3. *Ensuring generating profiles of new resource additions match the net impact of generating profiles of retiring units and demand profiles of new loads; and*
4. *Market availability and risks associated with expected market portfolios.*

The challenges listed above remain for a 2030-2035 study period. Additionally, consideration of potential market conditions in 2030-2035 could help provide a more optimal solution for

addressing resource adequacy through 2030. If there are step changes in retirements or additions in the early 2030's, the most cost-effective resource mix determined by only evaluating 2025-2030 may be different than the most cost-effective resource mix determined by considering 2025-2035, while still meeting 2030 RA requirements.

In addition, as resource adequacy concerns are identified in the 2026-2030 window, stakeholders should focus on mitigating actions. For example, Illinois generation that is compelled to retire during this study period is adding to these resource adequacy challenges. Per above, the full economic effects of these challenges are not yet known. In the event that these resource adequacy challenges may still persist when we study the 2031-2035 timeframe, mitigating actions such as retaining existing generation may represent the most practical path towards resolving RA concerns or at least helping to ease those concerns in the near-term future using tools already largely at our disposal.

Question 4: A key consideration influencing model scenario analysis and conclusions is the impact of out of state power plant retirements. How should power plant retirements outside of IL (in MISO and PJM) be considered in the analysis? ○ Provide any exemplary references or reports that provide insights and direction that could be considered as a component of the RA Study analysis and modeling.

Some additional resources for generator retirements beyond those listed in the Workshop 2 presentation are EIA, and MISO's RRA.

*[Preliminary Monthly Electric Generator Inventory \(based on Form EIA-860M as a supplement to Form EIA-860\) - U.S. Energy Information Administration \(EIA\)](#)
[MISO Report Template](#)*

Question 5: Following the RA Study Workshop #2, are there any prevailing stakeholder questions that were not answered? Please provide a list of questions.

As indicated in response to question 3 above, AIC believes that customer affordability should remain top of mind. The study should consider cost benefit analysis related to the economic effects of retiring generating assets to ensure both our residential and non-residential customer dollars are being utilized in the most cost-effective manner.