

Implementation of National Winter Group Actions

Update
System Operator Industry Workshops

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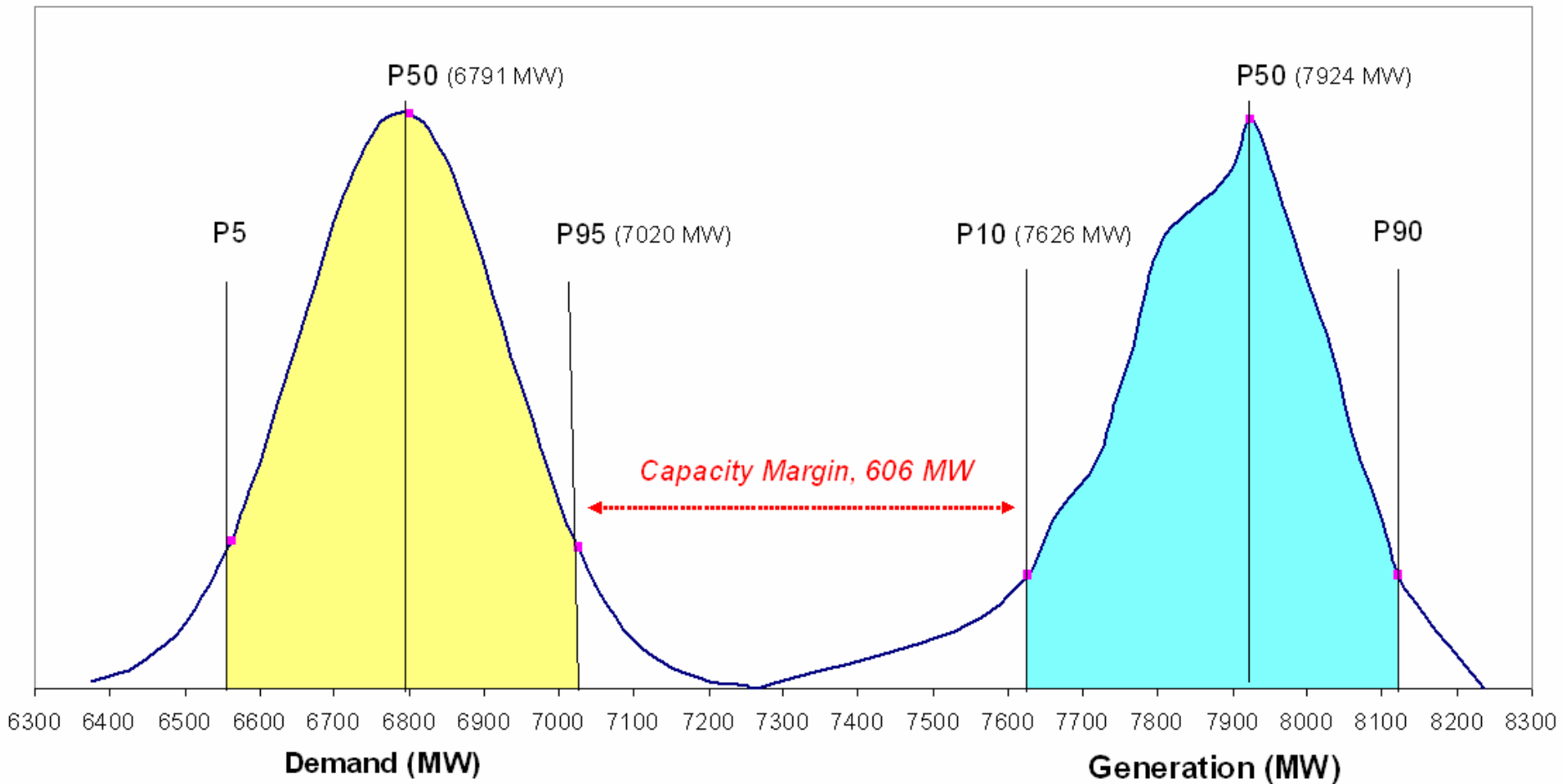


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National Winter Group

- objective –review outlook for peak demand in winter 2007
- established prudent demand and generation scenarios to establish if demand could be met
- identified short term initiatives to help winter 2007
- NWG has completed work. Future work on generation adequacy at system peak is with EC.

Electricity Demand / Generation - Capacity Balance at Peak, Winter 2007



- Source National Winter Group 29 Sept final report
- Margin between prudent demand and generation assessment is predominantly uncommitted slow starting thermal generation.

Update on initiatives for SO

- awareness of actions in nationwide Grid Emergency
 - separate workshop topic; complete by this winter
- market information improvements
 - better reporting of standby reserve situations – separate workshop topic; complete by this winter
 - publish SO Security Dispatch Schedule information – to be scoped when resources available; unlikely for winter 07
 - publish 7 day load forecast – not being progressed; could form part of other market development work

Update on initiatives for SO

- increase reserve sharing allowance from HVDC
 - proposal was to go from 25 to up to 100 MW
 - ready to implement change to 50 MW
 - should be in place for this winter
- request recall of planned outages when standby reserve situation exists
 - new section in draft 2007/8 Policy Statement
 - threshold when SO will request recall of outages under tech code D extended
 - changes to obligate others would require rule changes
 - Policy Statement changes effective 1 September