



# SPP's Integrated Marketplace and Renewable Energy Evolution

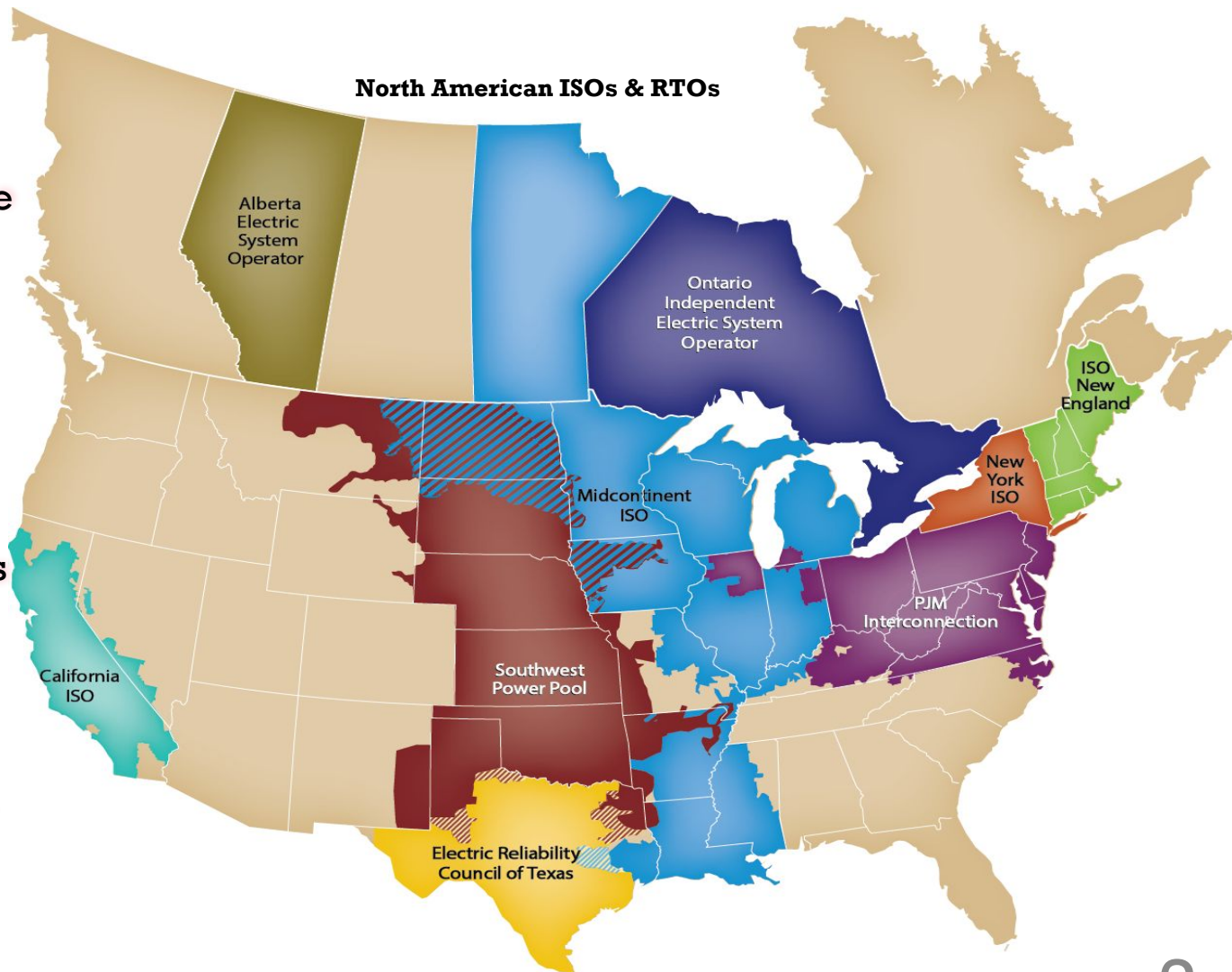
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# Our Regional Footprint

- FERC-approved RTO
- 14 states
- 546,000 miles of service territory
- 17.5 million end-users
- 97 members
- \$15.8 billion market
- 185 market participants
- 50,622 MW peak load
- 726 generating plants
- Accredited generating capacity of 65,410 MW



# Our Mission

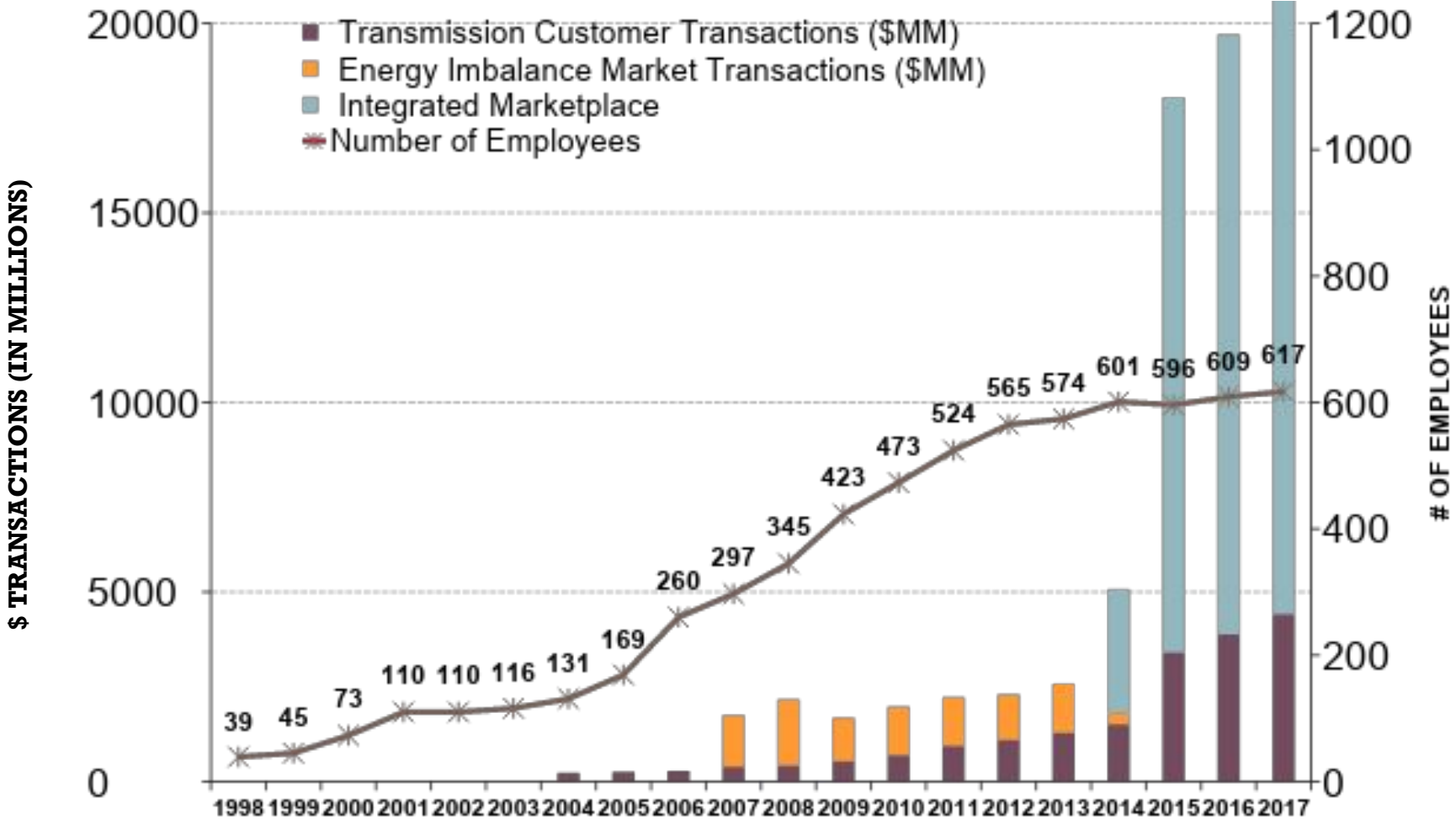
Helping our members work together to  
keep the lights on ...  
today and in the future.

# The SPP Difference



- Relationship-based
- Member-driven
- Independence Through Diversity
- **Evolutionary vs. Revolutionary**
- **Reliability and Economics Inseparable**

# Growth in Responsibilities



# Wind and Solar Statistics

## • Wind

- 23% of 2017 SPP Energy Production
- In SPP Market now: 19,835 MW
- Pseudo-tied out of SPP Market: 605 MW
- Total (SPP Market + pseudo-tied): **20,435 MW**
- Individual Turbines: **10,000**
- Wind Peak: **15,690MW** 12/15/2017
- Wind Penetration Record: **63.96%** 4/30/2018
- GI Queue: **51.3GW** 6/01/2018

## • Solar

- SPP Market: **215MW**
- GI Queue: **17.8GW** 06/13/2018

## • Energy Storage

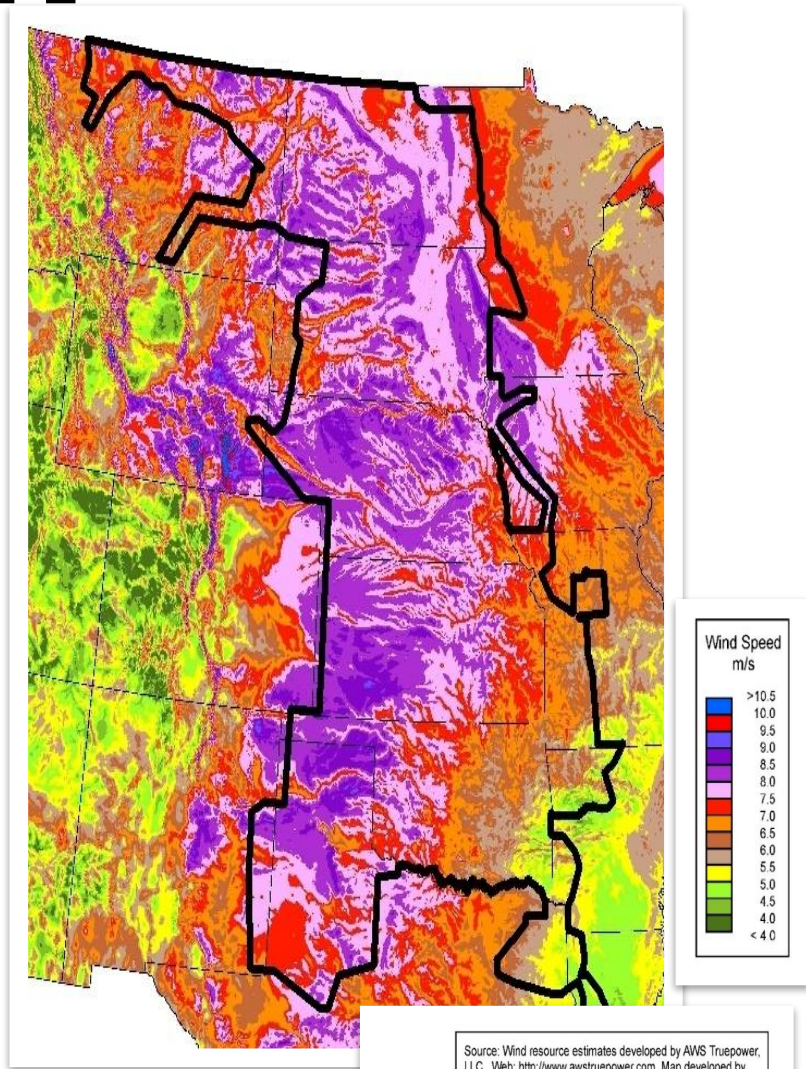
- GI Queue: **2.5GW** 06/13/2018

## • Total Renewable Energy Penetration

- (Wind + Hydro) **69.45%** 4/29/2018

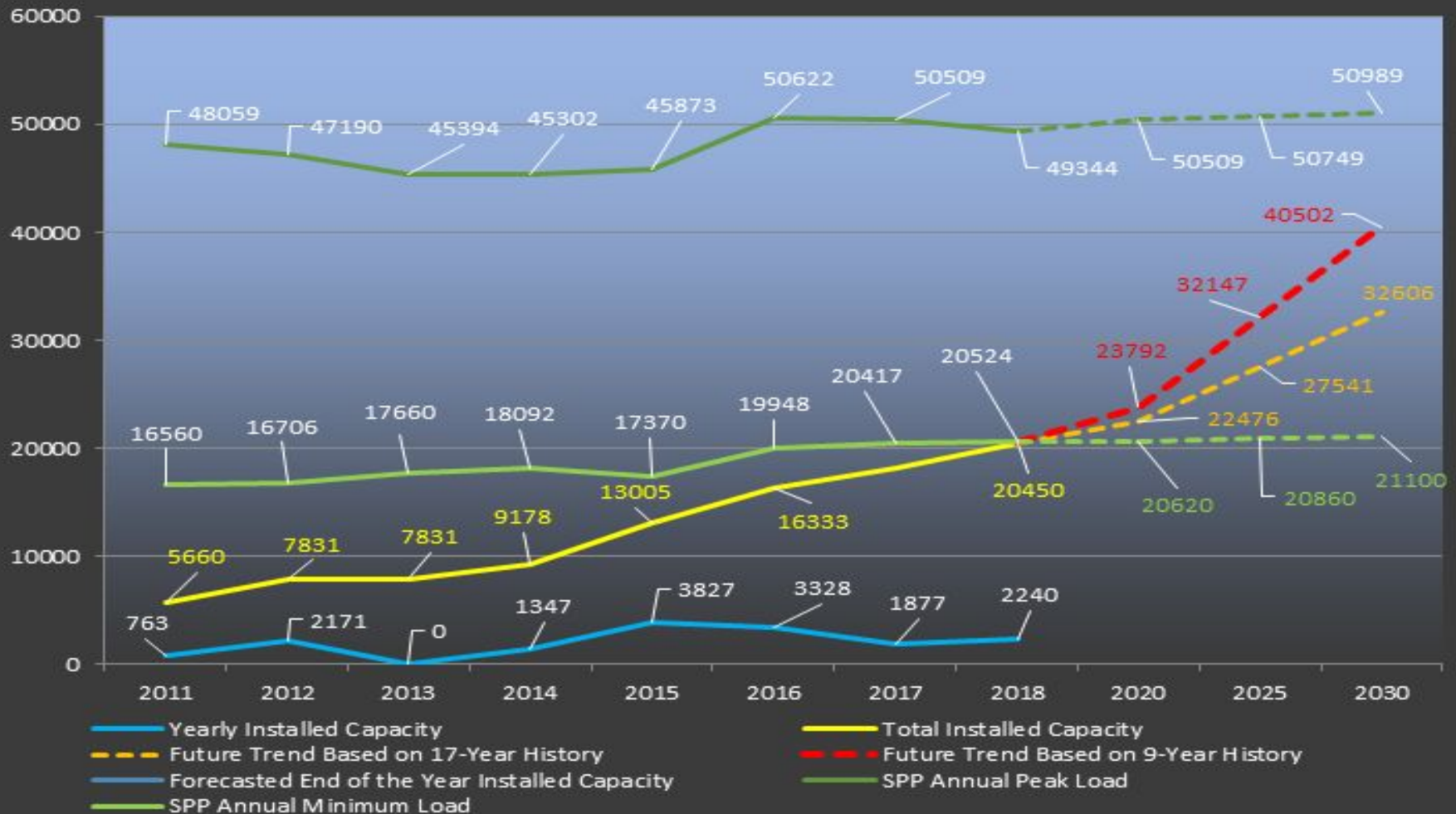
# Wind Energy in SPP

- **Maximum wind penetration:**
  - Instantaneous: 63.96% (4/30/18)
  - Hourly Average: 62.89% (4/29/2018)
  - Daily Average: 54.1% (4/29/2018)
  - 2018 up to May 8th:
    - >60%, 6 days
    - >50%, 40days
- **Max wind swing in a day:**  
>10 GW  
(12.5 GW to 2 GW back to 12 GW)
- **Max 1-hour ramp:** 3,700 MW



Source: Wind resource estimates developed by AWS Truepower, LLC. Web: <http://www.awstruepower.com>. Map developed by NREL. Spatial resolution of wind resource data: 2.0 km. Projection: Albers Equal Area WGS84.

# Wind Installation Projections



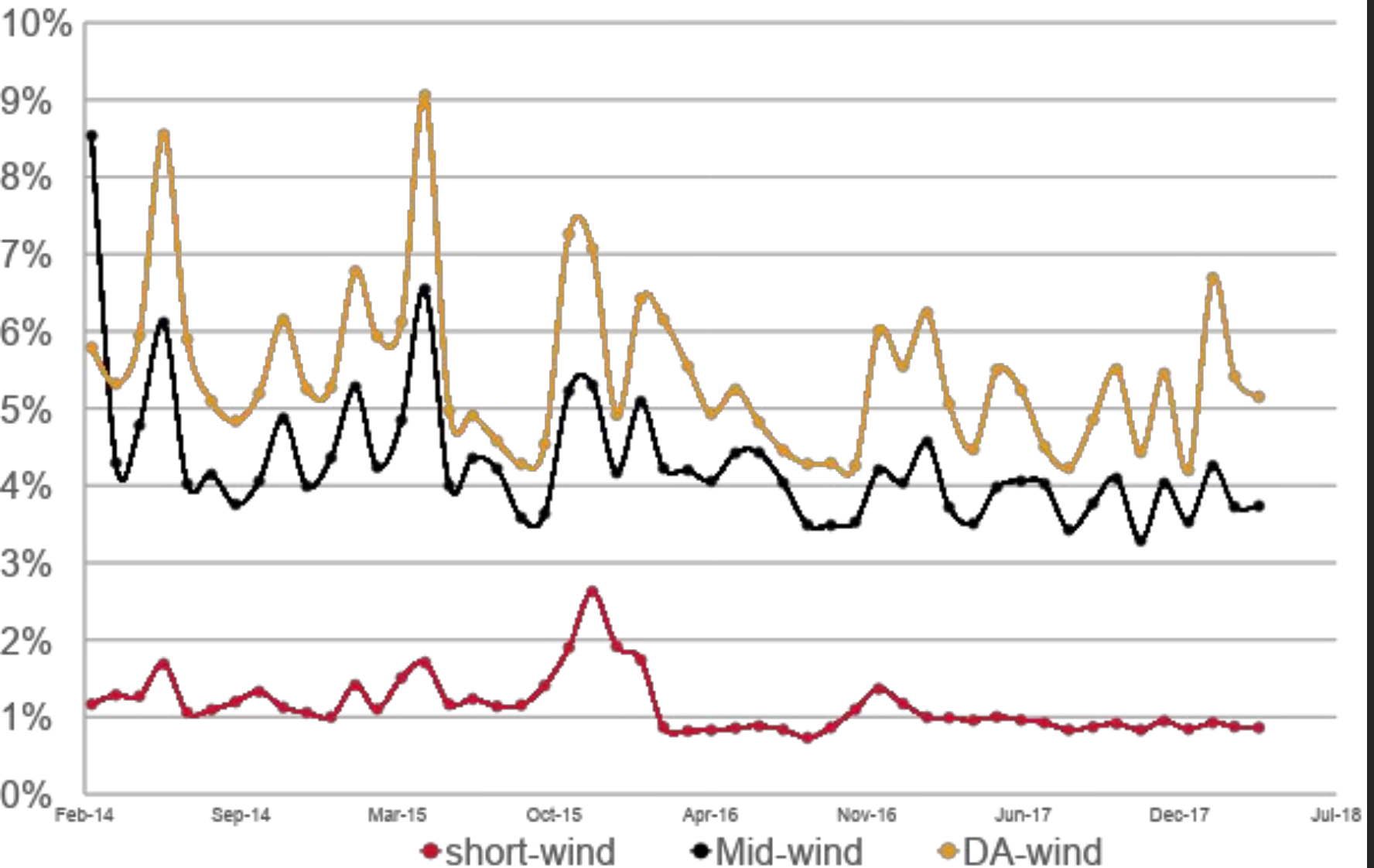


# Wind Forecast Error

DA [24-hrs out]

Mid [4-hrs out]

Short-term [10-mins out]



# Resource Intermittency Concerns

- **Renewables (mainly wind in SPP) can move by large amounts in a very short amount of time**
  - Sudden drops in wind are generally far more concerning than jumps as the timely replacement of lost generation can be difficult
- **Normally, quick-starts & other short-lead resources can be used to counteract the sudden loss of wind generation**
  - However, we've seen certain recent scenarios where quick-starts were economically committed in the DAMKT and we did not have enough remaining quick-starts and short-lead resources to replace the lost wind

# Wind Intermittency Example: Running out of quick-starts on 5/31/18

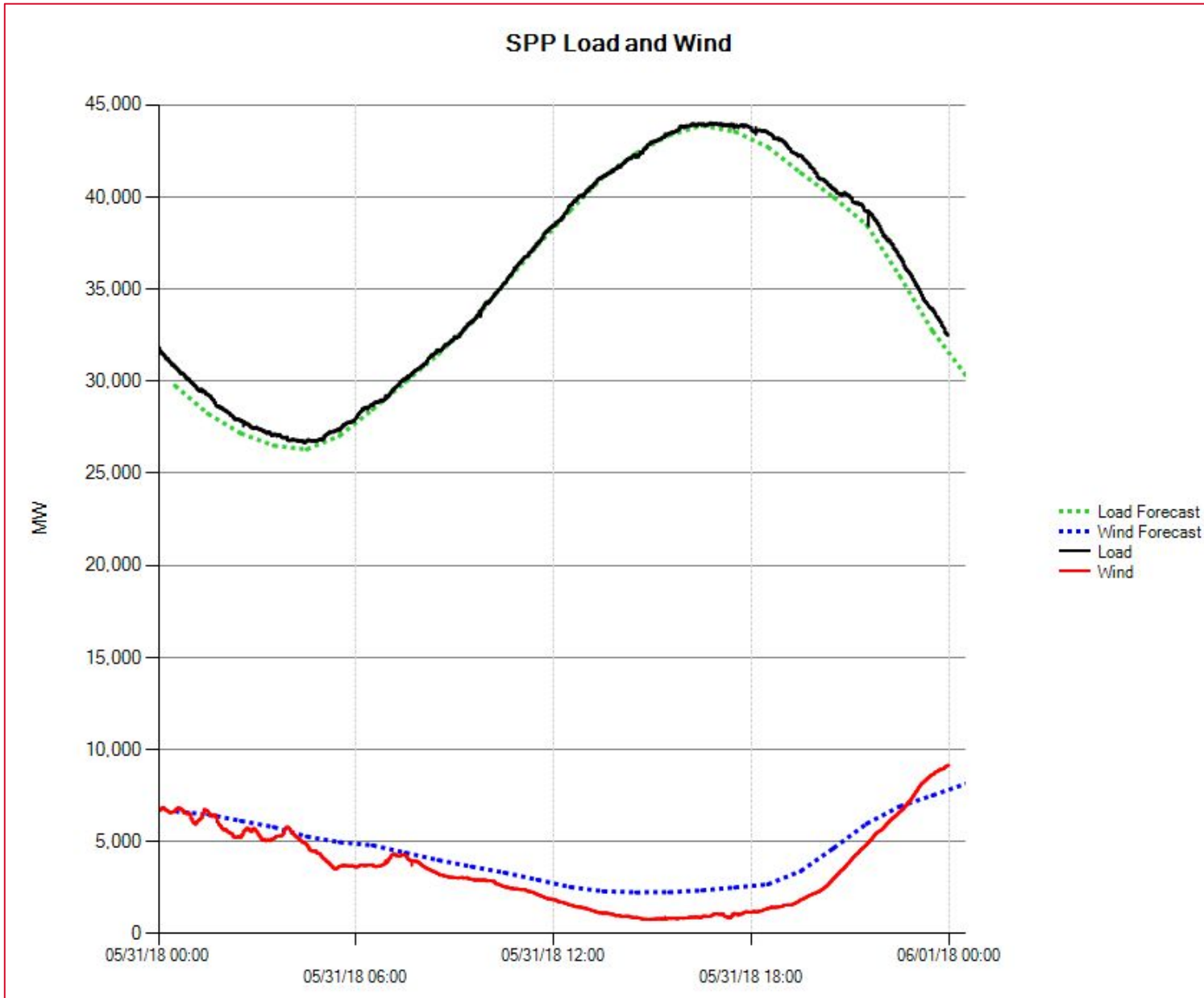
- **Event Details**

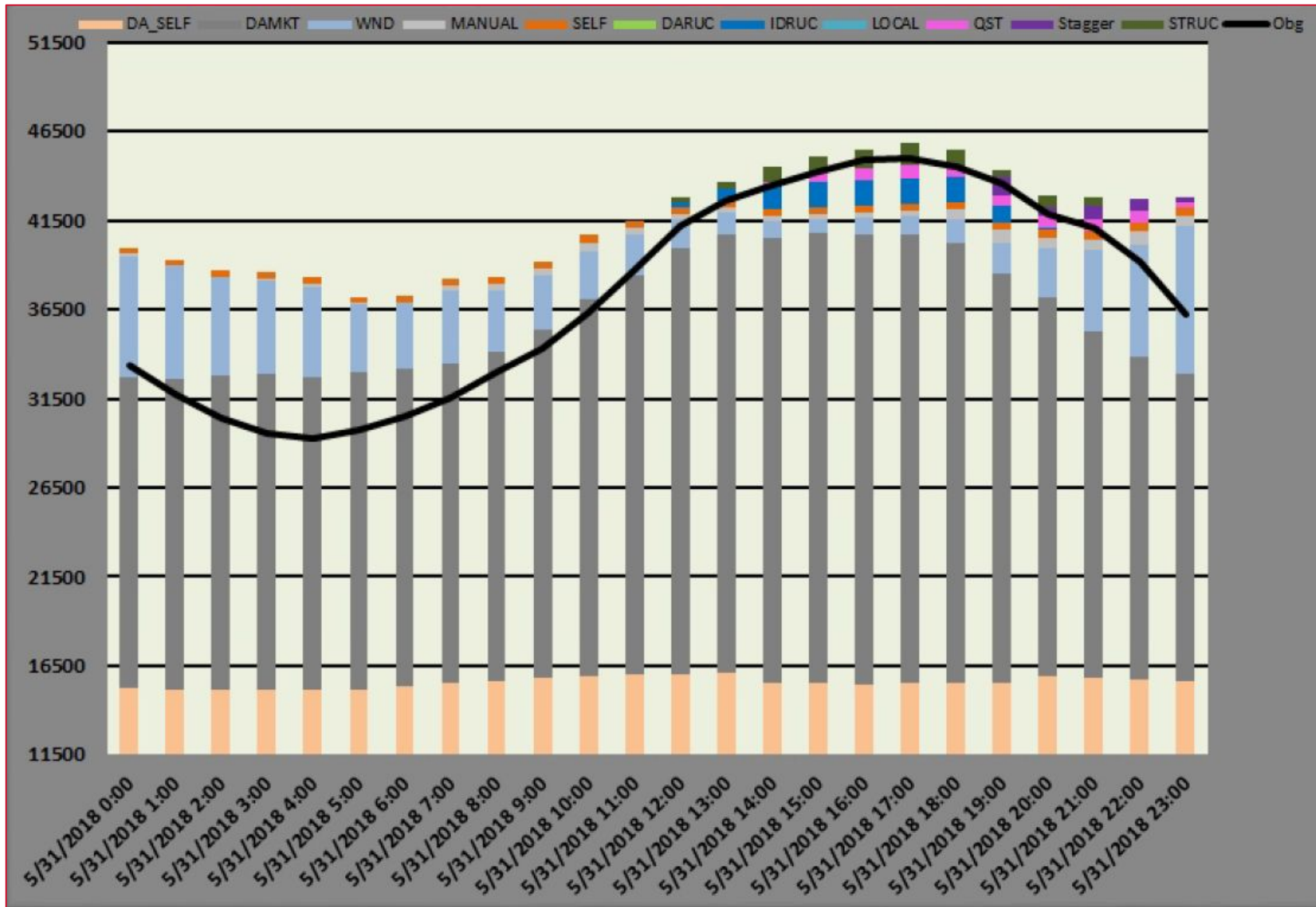
- SPP issued a hot weather alert 5/31/18 @ 15:38 effective 5/31/18 16:00 through 6/1/18 20:00
- Wind came in under forecast by ~1,200 MW at peak
- DAMKT ran and economically committed several quick-start units for the day, which made them unavailable for use in mitigating the sudden drop in wind as they were already online
- DA\_MKT, IDRUC and STRUC kept recommending quick-starts throughout the OD
  - Eventually we ran out of what was left of our quick-starts

- **Issues**

- Too much reliance on quick-starts through peak
- Higher load than previous years
- Higher amount of generation outages than previous years

# Thursday May 31<sup>st</sup>, 2018





# Integrated Marketplace Overview

## Key Components

Day-Ahead Market

Real-Time Balancing Market

Transmission Congestion  
Rights Market

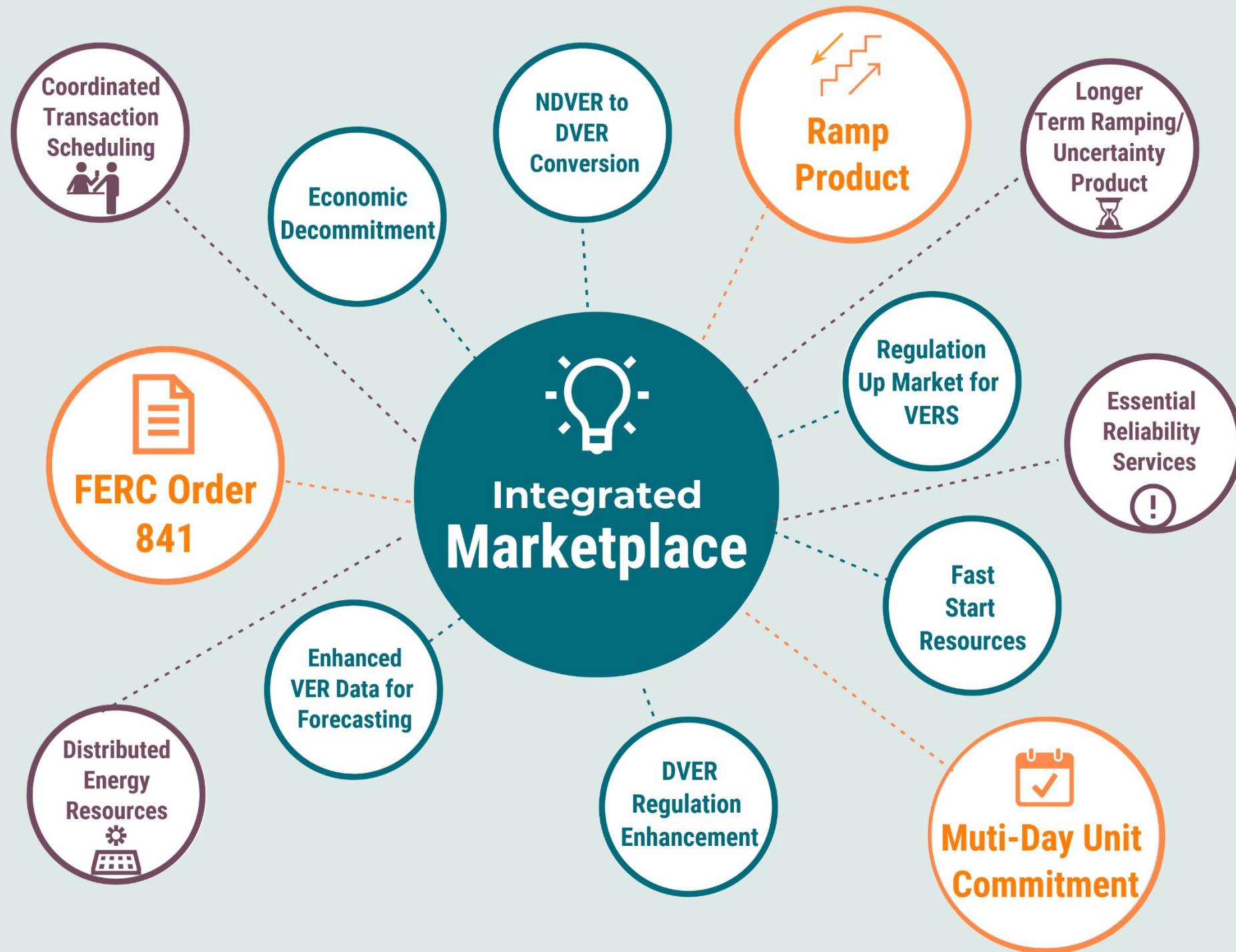
## Products

Energy

Operating Reserve

Regulation Up  
Regulation Down  
Spinning  
Supplemental

Congestion Rights



Coordinated  
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Economic  
Decommittment

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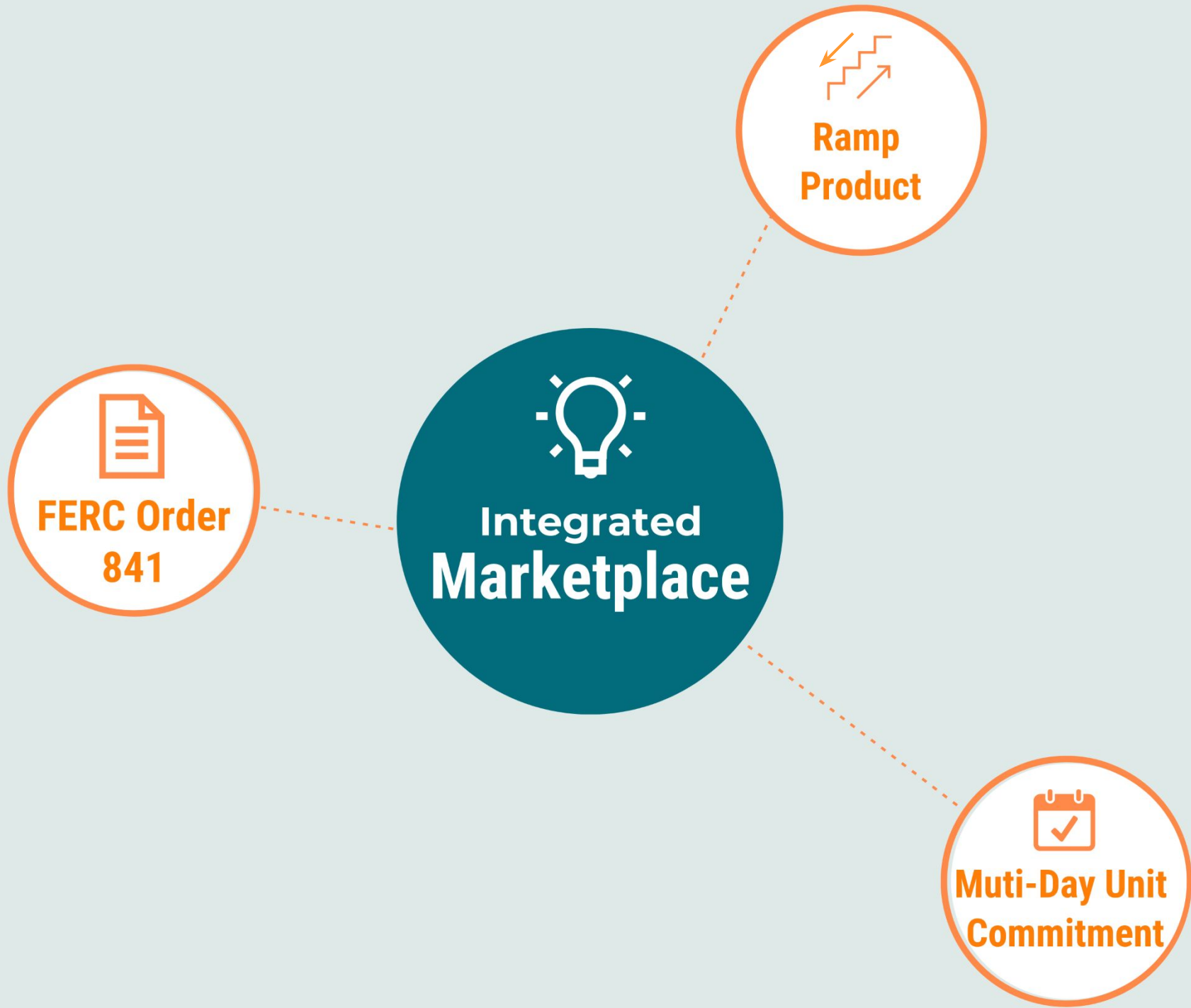
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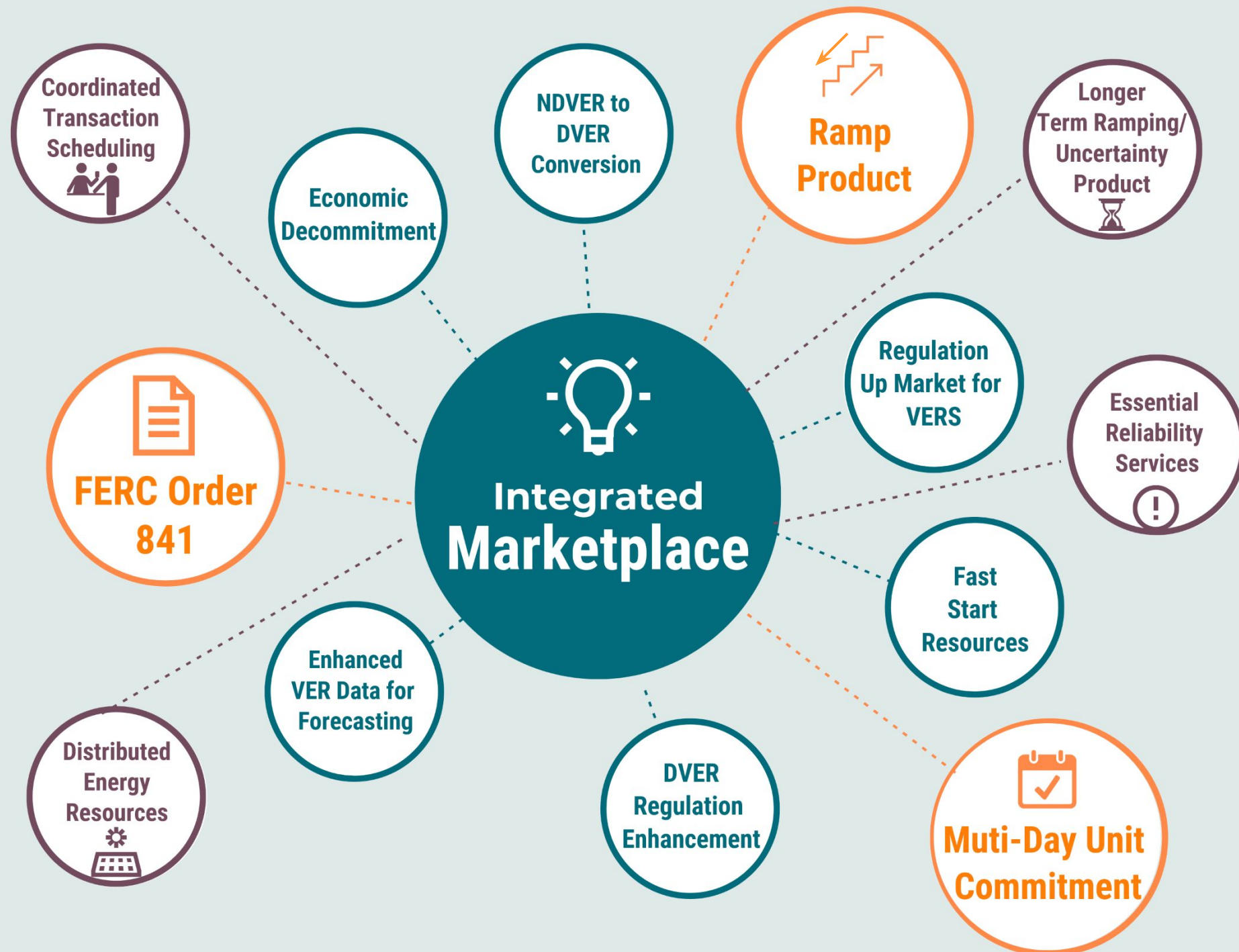
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# Other Notable Market Initiatives

## NDVER to DVER Conversion

- ~7900 MW of Non-Dispatchable Variable Energy Resources
- SPP's only mechanism to control NDVER output is through out-of-market actions
- Conversion results in increased reliability and market efficiencies

## Enhanced VER Data for Forecasting

- Individual wind turbine location data
- Mid-point and corner location data for solar farms
- Inverter technology and controls information
- Improved forecasting of VERs results in better unit commitment and dispatch, lower production costs, and increased reliability

## Economic Decommitment

- Resources committed in the Day-Ahead Market are not typically decommitted unless a reliability need arises that requires it
- Establishment of an economic de-commitment process could alleviate prolonged periods of excess generation which creates severe depression on LMPs

## Regulation Up Market for VERS

- VERS precluded from participating in 'Up' products, except for Energy, because of fuel source uncertainty
- Would allow for additional competition in the regulation up product
- Addresses potential scenarios where grid is primarily renewable

## DVER Regulation Enhancement

- SPP has some inefficiencies in the clearing of Regulation and the requirements for DVERs
- Introduces use of real-time capability in real-time market for VERS

## Fast Start Resources

- FERC 206 proceeding
- Delays commitment of Quick Start Resources until Real-Time Balancing Market

# Future Market Initiatives

## Longer Term Ramping/ Uncertainty Product

- Builds on current short term ramping product
- With more renewables, SPP's forecasting and uncertainty issues continue to grow past short-term into longer than 10-15 minute issues

## Distributed Energy Resources

- Awaiting FERC Order
- Should allow for a broader spectrum of participation in SPP
- More flexibility is essential for coming changes

## Coordinated Transaction Scheduling

- Most real time transactions in SPP are fixed transactions. Allowing transactions to be cleared by Market creates value for all participants.
- Should increase price convergence between seams with other RTOs