Transmission Planning in the Eastern Interconnection – Wisconsin's Perspective

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Overview

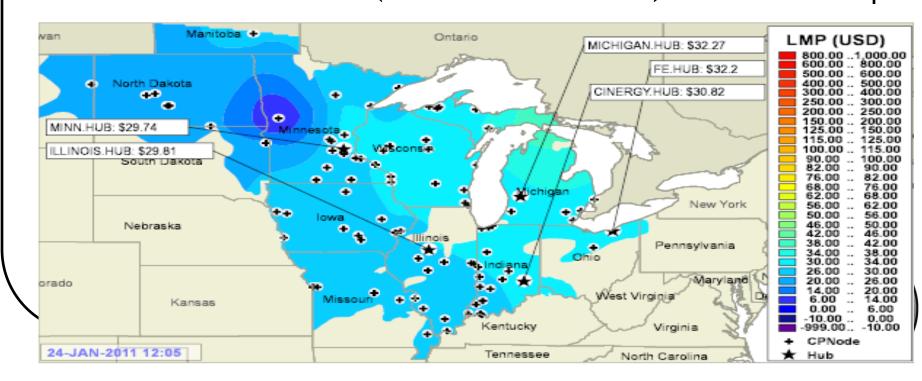
- 1. Wisconsin experience: RTO/ISO and regional planning
- 2. Wisconsin/state motivation for participation in EISPC
- 3. Two key drivers for participation
 - a. Process
 - b. Data/Information



Wisconsin's Participation in Transmission Planning: A Head Start?



• Wisconsin utilities and the Commission engage in regional planning done at the Midwest ISO (Order 890 etc...)



Regional Action

2009/2010: Regulators from the Organization of MISO States (OMS) worked on Cost Allocation and Regional Planning



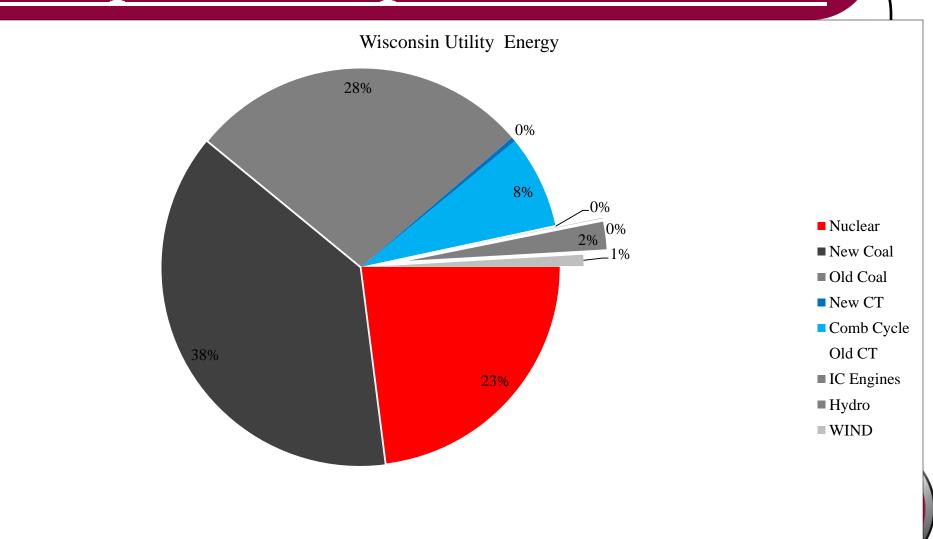


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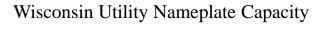


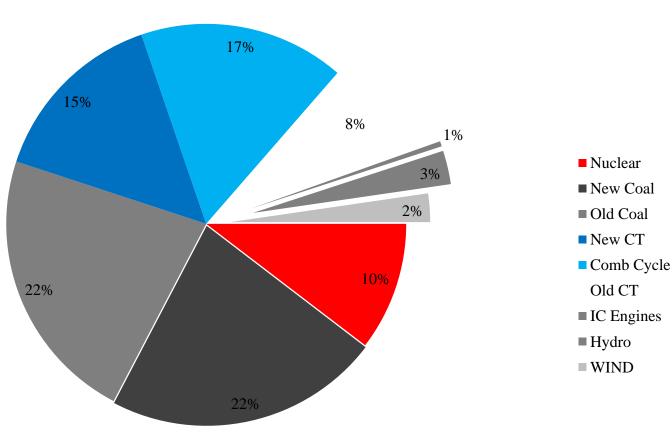
- 1. Recognize Inter-dependence
- 2. Potential Changes in Generation Portfolio
 - Changes in Transmission Strategy
 - A. RPS Requirements
 - B. Carbon and other emission limits (Congress/EPA)
 - C. Other Policy Initiatives (efficiency etc...)
- 3. Economies of Scale

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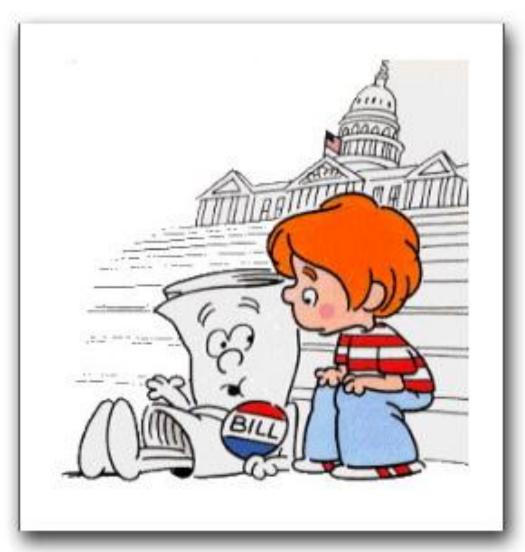


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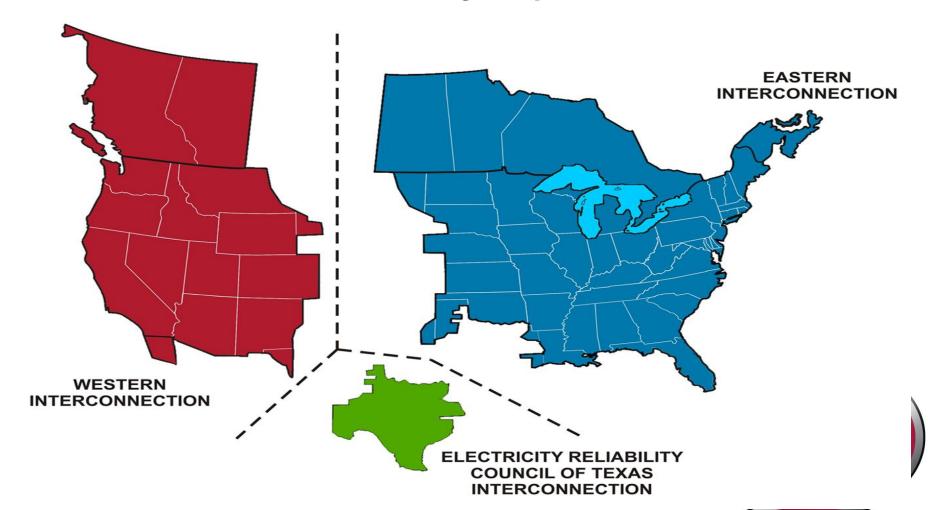
Then along comes...





ARRA creates and über-regional opportunity for states (and planning authorities)

North American Electric Reliability Corporation Interconnections



CARP provided insights on...DOE provides framework and funding

- 1. Recognize Inter-dependence
- 2. Changes in Generation Portfolio Changes in Transmission Strategy
 - A. RPS Requirements
 - B. Carbon Emission Limits
 - C. EPA Rules (Transport Rule/MACT/Cooling water/etc.)
 - D. Other Policy Initiatives new clean energy standard?
- 3. Economies of Scale



Process Benefits

- Working with states and stakeholders we don't normally interact with (people matter)
- Understanding the resources and constraints in other parts of the country
- BASELINE INFRASTRUCTURE EXAMPLE

Process Benefits

- Participating in the process helps to ensure that modeling captures the regional differences within the EI
- Participating helps to ensure that any potential modeling biases are corrected

Data. Information. Knowledge.

- Goal = information
- Modeling helps policy makers identify: what might generation portfolios look like under different futures? How much transmission might be necessary? What might this all cost?
- Identification of "energy zones" in EI
- Studies/Whitepapers will provide specific information demand resources, storage, renewable potential, and other technologies for future modeling efforts

Data. Information. Knowledge.

- If my state is a participant I can help decide what data is developed
- Need to identify state and regional items that are important
 - Example: Nuclear issues
 - Example: Environmental Regulatory Curtailment
 - Example: Off shore wind

The End

