

<b>MINUTES OF THE RULES CHANGE COMMITTEE 142<sup>nd</sup> REGULAR MEETING (No. 2018-06)</b>	
<b>Meeting Date &amp; Time:</b>	02 July 2018, 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM
<b>Meeting Venue:</b>	19/F Conference Room, Robinsons Equitable Tower, Ortigas Center, Pasig City
<b>Attendance List</b>	
<b>In-Attendance</b>	<b>Not In-Attendance</b>
<b>Rules Change Committee</b>  <b>Principal Members:</b>  Maila Lourdes G. de Castro, Chairperson – Independent Francisco Leodegario R. Castro, Jr. – Independent Concepcion I. Tanglao – Independent Allan C. Nerves – Independent Abner B. Tolentino – Generation (PSALM) Jose Ildebrando B. Ambrosio – Generation (Northwind) Ciprinilo C. Meneses – Distribution (MERALCO) Jose P. Santos – Distribution (INEC) Ludovico D. Lim – Distribution (ANTECO) Lorreto H. Rivera – Supply (TPEC) Ambrocio R. Rosales – System Operator (NGCP) Isidro E. Cacho – Market Operator (PEMC)	
<b>Other attendees:</b>  <b>PEMC – Market Assessment Group (MAG)</b>  Elaine D. Gonzales Geraldine A. Rodriguez Bienvenido C. Mendoza Divine Gayle C. Cruz Aldjon Kenneth M. Yap	

**DOE Observers**

Ferdinand B. Binondo  
Ryan Jaspher Villadiego  
Francis Oliver P. Bandong

1 There being a quorum, Chairperson Maila Lourdes G. de Castro called the meeting to order at  
2 9:31 AM.

3 **1. Adoption of the Proposed Agenda**

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5 The RCC adopted the revised provisional agenda as proposed by the Secretariat.

6 **2. Review of the Minutes of the Previous Meeting**

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**Agreements/Action Plans**

The RCC approved the minutes of the 141<sup>st</sup> RCC Meeting held on 01 June 2018, as submitted.

8 **3. New Business**

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10 **3.1. PEMC-MAG's Review of the DOE's Concerns on Cross-Grid Power Supply**  
11 **Agreements**

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13 During its previous meeting, the RCC requested the PEMC – Market Assessment Group  
14 (PEMC-MAG) to initially review the points and concerns raised by the DOE regarding Cross-  
15 Grid Power Supply Agreements (PSAs). Mr. Aldjon Kenneth M. Yap presented before the  
16 body PEMC-MAG's review, as follows<sup>1</sup>:

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18 1) *Review current Line Rental formula computation if it reflects actual System Line and Loss*  
19 *Congestion charges and provide reasons why some line rental amounts are being credited*  
20 *instead of being debited*

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22 Mr. Yap stated that WESM Rules Clause 3.13.12 provides line rental trading amount  
23 (LRTA) to be calculated as the difference between the nodal prices of the customers and

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<sup>1</sup> See Annex A for the presentation slides.

24 the generators. Depending on the nodal prices, the LRTA may at some instance, be  
25 credited instead of being debited to the customers.

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**Where:**

- 32  $TTA_L$  - total trading amount of load (customer) L  
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34 (customer) L  
35  $LRTA_L$  - line rental trading amount corresponding to BCQ declared for load  
36 (customer) L  
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39  $BCQ_L$  - bilateral contract quantity declared for load (customer) L  
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41  $EAP_L$  - ex-ante price of load (customer) L  
42  $EAP_G$  - ex-ante price of generator G  
43  $EPP_L$  - ex-post price of load (customer) L

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46 Based on the formula, if the ex-ante price of the generator is higher than that of the  
47 customer, then negative LRTA is expected and that amount will be paid to the customer.  
48 If the ex-ante price of the generator is lower than that of the customer, then the resulting  
49 LRTA will be paid by the customer.

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52 On the inquiry if line loss and congestion charges are reflected in the computation of LRTA,  
53 Mr. Yap explained that actual line loss and congestion charges are reflected in the LRTA  
54 computation during normal pricing conditions (as reflected in the formula above). But in  
55 cases where there is pricing error at ex-ante and price substitution at ex-post, or there is  
56 market suspension or intervention, actual line loss and congestion charges are not  
57 reflected in the line rental calculation since market prices are generated based on either  
58 previous prices in the market or other applicable methodologies (e.g., administered price),  
59 as the case may be.

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62 Mr. Yap continued that in case of price substitution during ex-ante, no line rental trading  
63 amount can be calculated since the price for that specific interval will only be pro-rated to  
64 the metered quantity of each customer during the trading interval, which means that no  
65 difference can be calculated between the nodes of customers and the generators.

65 In cases of cross-region bilateral contract quantity declaration (across Luzon and  
66 Visayas), Mr. Yap showed that line loss and congestion cannot be reflected in the LRTA  
67 if Luzon and Visayas have different pricing conditions.  
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70 *2) Identify existing cross-grid Power Supply Agreements*

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72 Mr. Yap presented that based on BCQ declarations in the WESM, there are 4 Luzon  
73 Distribution Utilities (DUs) and 13 Visayas DUs which have cross-grid power supply  
74 agreements.  
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78 *3) What is the material effect of cross-grid bilateral contract between the load and generator?*

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80 Mr. Yap continued by presenting the result of PEMC-MAG's simulation to determine the  
81 effect of zonal price differences on LRTA. He explained that PEMC-MAG calculated the  
82 difference in prices of generators and DUs from different zones using the actual data from  
83 January 2017 to May 2018. The nodal prices used were the monthly average nodal prices  
84 for each zone (North Luzon, South Luzon, Leyte-Samar, Cebu, Negros and Panay). 1  
85 MWH of BCQ was used for the simulation for a North Luzon customer with supply coming  
86 from other zones, and similarly for a Leyte-Samar customer with supply coming from other  
87 zones. The result of the simulation showed an approximate monthly LRTA per 1 MWH of  
88 cross-grid BCQ for each zone.

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90 Based on the simulation, it was observed that significant nodal price differences between  
91 Luzon and Visayas occur when the limit of high-voltage direct current (HVDC) cable is  
92 maximized, restricting the flow of power from Visayas to Luzon and results to price  
93 separation between Luzon and Visayas. Consequently, the LRTA for Luzon customers  
94 would be significantly high, while Visayas customers would be settled at extreme negative  
95 prices. Mr. Bienvenido C. Mendoza, Jr. (PEMC-MAG) further clarified that the simulation  
96 is based on the premise that bilateral contracts are merely settled "on paper", so even if  
97 HVDC is not operational and there is no actual physical flow across Visayas to Luzon and  
98 vice-versa, cross-grid bilateral contracting can still be settled in the market.

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100 In summary:

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102 • Without High-Voltage Direct Current (HVDC) Cable constraints, there would be  
103 minimal differences in the line rental trading amounts (LRTA) among customers with  
104 or without cross-grid bilateral contracts.

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106 • With HVDC cable constraints, the LRTAs for customers with cross-grid PSAs are  
107 affected as follows:

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Flow of HVDC	Effects in LRTA
Luzon to Visayas	minimal effect due to minimal times that this flow occurs in the system
Visayas to Luzon	For Luzon Customers: <b>High LRTA</b>
	For Visayas Customers: <b>Negative LRTA</b>

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111 Mr. Yap added PEMC-MAG's assessment that bilateral contracting with line rental,  
112 whether cross-grid or not, ensures a stable price for customers' electricity requirement  
113 since they are shielded from the volatility of spot market prices.

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115 Following the presentation, Ms. Lorreto H. Rivera (TeaM Energy) commented that  
116 whoever pays the line rental, whatever amount it may be as it is market-driven, depends  
117 on the terms of the contract between the generator and the customer. A DU for instance  
118 can easily compute for line rental using historical, or sometimes even projected data,  
119 which it could take into consideration before entering into a contract. A generator or  
120 customer should therefore not be restricted in entering into power supply contracts  
121 regardless whether they are cross-grid or not, since both parties would have already  
122 negotiated who and by how much one party pays for the line rental amounts.

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125 4) *What is the line rental rate/charges imposed to the 167 MW Coal-fired Power Plant in Iloilo*  
126 *City, Panay?*

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128 Mr. Yap informed the RCC that the information is confidential and PEMC-MAG will simply  
129 provide the data directly to the DOE.

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132 5) *How does the line rental amount affect the paying consumers?*

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134 Mr. Yap explained that the details of the PSAs are needed to accurately evaluate the effect  
135 of line rental to the end-users.

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138 6) *Is there a need to examine ERC's methodology in the approval of cross-grid PSAs?*

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140 PEMC-MAG opined that RCC may not be the proper body to examine the ERC's  
141 methodology.

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145 7) *What must be the advantage to bid at negative cap (-10,000 Php/MW) for a typical*  
146 *generation company trader?*

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148 If the offered quantity is covered by contracts, Mr. Yap stated that this bidding strategy is  
149 done to ensure dispatch of the power plant, especially when covered by contracts.

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152 8) *Is there a need for WESM Rules Change?*

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154 Upon further assessment, PEMC-MAG deemed that there may be no need to amend the  
155 current provisions on line rental calculations in the WESM Rules. However, a review on  
156 the price substitution mechanism application may be undertaken as a mitigating measure  
157 for large line rental amounts. Also, the problems in the notable differences of prices  
158 between two grids may be addressed by upgrading the HVDC interconnection.

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160 There being no other matters left for discussion, the RCC requested the Secretariat to draft  
161 an RCC report for submission to the PEM Board and the DOE, for the Committee's review in  
162 the next meeting. In addition, a related presentation will be prepared for the PEM Board.

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<b>Agreements/Action Plans</b>
a) The RCC will submit a report to the PEM Board and the DOE based on PEMC-MAG's review and assessment. b) The RCC will subsequently present its report to the PEM Board.



### **3.2. Presentation on Negative Line Rental Amount, Cross-grid Energy Flows and Other WESM Peculiarities in Aid of Revision and/or Creation of WESM Rules**

164 In view of the concerns raised by the DOE during the previous RCC meeting, Mr. Ciprinilo C.  
165 Meneses (MERALCO) requested the inclusion in the agenda of MERALCO's presentation on  
166 *Negative Line Rental Amount, Cross-grid Energy Flows and Other WESM Peculiarities in Aid*  
167 *of Revision and/or Creation of WESM Rules*<sup>2</sup> for the Committee's appreciation of the  
168 fundamental concepts and basis for calculating the line rental trading amounts in the WESM.

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170 Before proceeding with his presentation, Mr. Meneses clarified that MERALCO has long been  
171 taking into account line rental amounts as one of the criteria in the selection of Power Supply  
172 Agreement it enters, particularly in determining which supplier offers the least cost. He added  
173 that MERALCO calculates line rental amounts through PEMC's provision of nodal prices for  
174 each node in Luzon and Visayas. Mr. Meneses stated that line rental amount should be

<sup>2</sup> See Annex B for the full presentation.

175 included as a variable in accurately comparing supply between WESM and through bilateral  
176 contracts as the latter always have accompanying line rental amounts. In MERALCO's case,  
177 he informed that it imposes a cap on line rental charges that it will shoulder and any excess  
178 will be absorbed by the generator, hence MERALCO customers are shielded from high line  
179 rental charges. All of these is to say that the DUs have already managed the effects of line  
180 rental charges.

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#### 182 *A. Introduction and Review of Basic Principles*

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184 As a review of the basic concept of line rental, Mr. Meneses offered a more appropriate  
185 definition of "line rental" as: *"the cost of electricity that was used in transmitting a certain*  
186 *volume of electricity (the bilateral contract quantity or BCQ) from a particular generator node*  
187 *to a particular customer node."* This means that a customer will not receive the full volume of  
188 energy produced by a generator due to transmission losses. Without the generator buying  
189 from the WESM, a generator can either declare as BCQ for its customer the difference  
190 between energy generated and the transmission loss, or generate additional energy on top of  
191 the required quantity to account for the transmission loss. As a rule, line losses increase, the  
192 farther energy moves along the transmission line.

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194 Mr. Meneses explained that line rental is necessary because it serves as an instrument to  
195 balance energy generated and sold, taking into account the location of a customer in the grid  
196 relative to the location of the generator supplying the energy.

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198 However, in a multi-generator system, Mr. Meneses explained that transmission losses can  
199 no longer be attributable to a single generator-customer pair, thus line rental cannot be easily  
200 calculable. This is because a customer does not necessarily receive its energy requirement  
201 from its generator counter-part given the fact that electrons flow from generator to load centers  
202 irrespective of whoever the parties are to a bilateral contract. This is where generator and  
203 customer nodal prices come in, wherein each nodal price is determined by the price of the  
204 marginal generator and line losses. The difference between a particular customer nodal price  
205 and a particular generator nodal price is equivalent to the rate of line rental. In general, the  
206 closer a customer is located relative to the marginal generator, the lower the line rental cost  
207 is.

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#### 210 *B. Do Negative Line Rentals Make Sense?*

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212 As for the occurrence of negative line rental, Mr. Meneses expounded that this is a result of  
213 the contractual flow of power moving in reverse relative to power flow coming from the  
214 marginal generator. From an engineering analysis, power flowing from opposite directions  
215 cancels out the line current thereby decreasing line loss as well. Negative line rental reduces  
216 the transmission line loss of the entire system. Essentially, negative line rental occurs when  
217 the customer in a bilateral contract happens to be nodally closer to the marginal generator

218 rather than from its generator counter-part. Mr. Meneses added that negative line rental  
219 naturally occurs since theoretically in every interval, the location of the marginal generator  
220 changes.

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222 Mr. Meneses proceeded to show examples where positive and negative line rental amounts  
223 always match the cost of energy accounting for both line losses, and bilateral contract  
224 quantities plus line losses. He then stated his observation that “line rental may yet be the best  
225 method for costing line losses, as other options are just as problematic...”

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#### 228 *C. How Line Rental is Used by DUs for Initial Evaluation of Generator Offers*

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230 As for how the DUs use line rental, Mr. Meneses reiterated that DUs use it as “an important  
231 criterion for evaluating PSA proposals from prospective power suppliers, thereby helping DUs  
232 meet their mandate of ensuring least-cost of power to its customers.” For instance, although  
233 a prospective renewable energy supplier does not have VAT as a component of its all-in rates  
234 at delivery, it may still lose out from a prospective conventional power plant if the former’s  
235 average line rental is high due to its plant’s location.

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#### 238 *D. How the WESM Makes Cross-Grid Energy “Flows” Possible*

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240 Mr. Meneses proceeded to explain that the WESM serves as a “virtual energy reservoir into  
241 which generators can inject energy, and from which customer can draw energy, while  
242 maintaining supply-demand balances in both [Luzon and Visayas] grids”. This makes it  
243 possible for a Visayas generator to declare BCQ for a Luzon customer even if the HVDC line  
244 is out and no physical flow of power occurs between the grids. He also stated that “cross-grid  
245 energy flows benefit consumers because they can avail of bilaterally-contracted energy that  
246 is cheaper than energy sourced from the spot market.”

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#### 249 *E. What Forces Generators to Offer Negative Prices?*

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251 Mr. Meneses stated that due to the proliferation of renewable energy (RE) generators which  
252 are prioritized for dispatch, generators with conventional plants now have a small window of  
253 energy demand for which they must compete to be dispatched and fulfill. He also explained  
254 that conventional generators cannot fully maximize their plants’ generation capacity because  
255 of the insufficient transmission capacity in an island grid and of the HVDC where power flows  
256 toward other island grids. Because of these constraints, “non-RE plants must compete for  
257 constrained dispatch by offering the lowest possible offer price, -P10/kwh, to increase  
258 probability of dispatch.” Mr. Meneses raised that if all of them offered at negative price resulting  
259 to a negative clearing price, all the financial flows will still be balanced courtesy of line rental  
260 but the line rental amount to be borne by certain customers would be very high. This is

261 especially true for the line rental between a generator in the area where the negative prices  
262 cleared and its bilaterally-contracted customer. In the situation presented, Mr. Meneses stated  
263 that line rental is not the problem, but it is the establishment of too many RE plants in an island  
264 that exceeds the export capacity of transmission facilities.

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266 Following the presentation and with the permission of Mr. Meneses, the RCC agreed to attach  
267 the said presentation to the RCC report that will officially be submitted to the DOE and the  
268 PEM Board.

<b>Agreements/Action Plans</b>
The RCC report to be submitted to the PEM Board and the DOE will include MERALCO's presentation.

269 **4. Other Matters**

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271 **4.1. Extension of Commenting Period for the Proposed Amendments to the WESM**  
272 **Penalty Manual**

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274 The Secretariat informed the body that the commenting period for the proposed amendments  
275 to the WESM Penalty Manual was extended until 18 July 2018 from the original deadline of  
276 06 July 2018 to coincide with the deadline of submission of comments to the additional  
277 proposed amendments to the WESM Rules, Market Surveillance Manual and the proposed  
278 new Enforcement and Compliance Manual which have provisions related to those in the  
279 Penalty Manual.

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281 The RCC noted the information.

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284 **4.2. Elected PEM Board of Directors**

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286 The Secretariat informed the RCC that a new set of PEM Board of Directors was elected on  
287 25 June 2018 during the Annual PEMC Membership Meeting. Likewise, the PEM Board  
288 convened on 27 June 2018 to elect the PEM Board Chairperson, PEM Board Treasurer,  
289 PEMC President and the Chief Governance Officer. The names of the new PEM Board  
290 Directors are in the list below:

NAME	SECTOR	POSITION
Aboboto, Noel V.	Supply	Chairman & Director
Ala, Oscar E.	Independent	President & Director
Go, Elenita D.	Generation	Treasurer & Director
Tan, Rauf A.	Independent	Chief Governance Officer & Director
Arranza, Jesus	Independent	Director
Wallace, Peter	Independent	Director
Roxas, Juan Eugenio	Generation	Director
Rubio, Emmanuel	Generation	Director
Santos, Victor Emmanuel	Generation	Director
Agdigos, Felino Herbert	Distribution	Director
Cagampan, Rolando	Distribution	Director
Laniba, Allan	Distribution	Director
Pagobo, Gilbert	Distribution	Director
Concepcion, Ronald Dylan	Transmission/ System Operator	Director
Juan, Francis Saturnino	Market Operator	Director

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Mr. Isidro C. Cacho, Jr., on the other hand, informed the RCC of the names of the appointed board of directors for the Independent Electricity Market Operator of the Philippines, as follows:

NAME	POSITION
Villanueva, Ralph A.	Chairman & Director
Juan, Francis Saturnino	President & Director
Nethercott, Richard J.	Treasurer & Director
Bigornia, Jose Mari T.	Chief Operating Officer & Director
Tang, Carroll U.	Corporate Secretary & Director
Porto, Vicente M.	Director
Mangulabnan, Jose Rodelio V.	Director

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The RCC noted the Secretariat's update.

303 **4.3. Proposals Promulgated by the DOE**

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305 The Secretariat informed the RCC that the Proposed Amendments to the WESM Rules and  
306 Dispute Resolution Manual regarding Arbitration and Mediation Procedures, which were  
307 previously approved by the RCC on two separate occasions in 2016 and 2017, have already  
308 been promulgated by the DOE through Department Circular No. 2018-05-0016 - *Adopting*  
309 *Further Amendments to the Wholesale Electricity Spot Market (WESM) Rules and Market*  
310 *Manual on Dispute Resolution* dated 18 May 2018.

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312 The RCC noted the Secretariat's update.

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314 **5. Next Meeting**

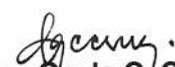
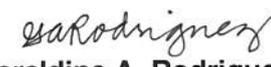
315 The RCC agreed to hold subsequent meetings on the following schedules:

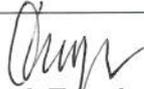
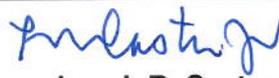
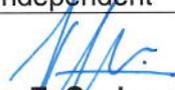
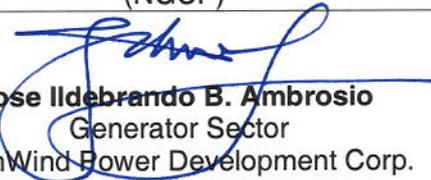
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- **03 August 2018**
  - **07 September 2018**
  - **05 October 2018**
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319 **6. Adjournment**

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321 There being no other matters for discussion, the meeting was adjourned at 1:36 PM.

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ANNEX A

PEMC-MAG's Presentation Regarding DOE's Concerns on Cross-Grid PSAs

  
Philippine Electricity  
Market Corporation

**DOE's Concerns on Cross-  
Grid Power Supply  
Agreements**

**06 July 2018**  
*19/F Conference Room*

**Outline**

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- DOE's Concerns on Cross-Grid PSAs
  - ✓ Discussion of Available Data
  - ✓ Market Assessment Group's Response and Recommendation
- **Assessment / Conclusion**



## DOE's Concerns on Cross-Grid PSAs

- Review Current Line Rental Formula Computation if it reflects Actual System Line and Loss Congestion Charges and Provide reasons why some line rental amounts are being credited instead of being debited
- Identify Existing Cross-Grid PSAs
- What is the material effect of cross-grid bilateral contract between the load and generator?



## How is Line Rental Trading Amount Calculated?

**Normal (Ex-ante) - Based on Ex-ante Prices**

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**Where:**

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- $EPETA_L$  - ex-post energy trading amount of load (customer) L
- $EAQ_L$  - ex-ante quantity of load (customer) L
- $BCQ_L$  - bilateral contract quantity declared for load (customer) L
- $MQ_L$  - metered quantity of load (customer) L
- $EAP_L$  - ex-ante price of load (customer) L
- $EAP_G$  - ex-ante price of generator G
- $EPP_L$  - ex-post price of load (customer) L





## How is Line Rental Trading Amount Calculated?

**PEN (Ex-ante), Normal/MRR (Ex-post) - Based on Ex-post/MRR Prices**

$$TTA_L = (EAQ_L - BCQ_L)(EAP_L) + (BCQ_L)(EAP_L - EAP_G) + (MQ_L - EAQ_L)(EPP_L)$$

$$\text{Let } EAQ_L = MQ_L; EAP_L = EPP_L; EAP_G = EPP_G$$

$$TTA_L = (MQ_L - BCQ_L)(EPP_L) + (BCQ_L)(EPP_L - EPP_G)$$

**Where:**

- $TTA_L$  - total trading amount of load (customer) L
- $BCQ_L$  - bilateral contract quantity declared for load (customer) L
- $MQ_L$  - metered quantity of load (customer) L
- $EPP_L$  - ex-post or market re-run price of load (customer) L
- $EPP_G$  - ex-post or market re-run price of generator G



## How is Line Rental Trading Amount Calculated?

**PEN (Ex-ante), PSM (Ex-post) - Based on Substituted Ex-post Prices**

$$TTA_L = (EAQ_L - BCQ_L)(EAP_L) + (BCQ_L)(EAP_L - EAP_G) + (MQ_L - EAQ_L)(EPP_L)$$

$$\text{Let } EAQ_L = MQ_L; EAP_L = EPP_{Lsub}; EAP_G = EPP_{Gsub}$$

$$TTA_L = (MQ_L - BCQ_L)(EPP_{Lsub}) + (BCQ_L)(EPP_{Lsub} - EPP_{Gsub})$$

**Where:**

- $TTA_L$  - total trading amount of load (customer) L
- $BCQ_L$  - bilateral contract quantity declared for load (customer) L
- $MQ_L$  - metered quantity of load (customer) L
- $EPP_{Lsub}$  - substituted ex-post price (load reference price) of load (customer) L
- $EPP_{Gsub}$  - substituted ex-post price (constrained-on and unconstrained) of generator G



## How is Line Rental Trading Amount Calculated?

### PSM (Ex-ante), Normal (Ex-post) - No Line Rental

$$TTA_L = \left[ \sum EAETA_G \left| \frac{MQ_L}{\sum MQ_L} \right| + \left[ \sum (BCQ_G \times EAP_{Gsub}) \left| \frac{MQ_L}{\sum MQ_L} - \frac{BCQ_L}{\sum BCQ_L} \right| + (MQ_L - EAQ_L)(EPP_L) \right] \right]$$

**Where:**

- $TTA_L$  - total trading amount of load (customer) L
- $EAETA_G$  - ex-ante energy trading amount corresponding to spot quantity of generator G
- $EAQ_L$  - ex-ante quantity of load (customer) L
- $BCQ_L$  - bilateral contract quantity declared for load (customer) L
- $BCQ_G$  - bilateral contract quantity declared for generator G
- $MQ_L$  - metered quantity of load (customer) L
- $EAP_{Gsub}$  - substituted ex-ante price (constrained-on and unconstrained) of generator G
- $EPP_L$  - ex-post price of load (customer) L



## How is Line Rental Trading Amount Calculated?

### Market Intervention/Suspension - Based on Administered Prices

$$TTA_L = (EAQ_L - BCQ_L)(EAP_L) + (BCQ_L)(EAP_L - EAP_G) + (MQ_L - EAQ_L)(EPP_L)$$

$$\text{Let } EAQ_L = MQ_L; EAP_L = AP_L; EAP_G = AP_G$$

$$TTA_L = (MQ_L - BCQ_L)(AP_L) + (BCQ_L)(AP_L - AP_G)$$

$$AP_L = \frac{\sum (MQ_G \times AP_G)}{\sum MQ_L}$$

**Where:**

- $TTA_L$  - total trading amount of load (customer) L
- $BCQ_L$  - bilateral contract quantity declared for load (customer) L
- $MQ_L$  - metered quantity of load (customer) L
- $MQ_G$  - metered quantity of generator G
- $AP_L$  - administered price for load (customer) L
- $AP_G$  - administered price of generator G



## Line Rental Reflects Line Loss and Congestion?

### Same Pricing Condition in Luzon and Visayas

#### Intra-region and cross-region BCQ declaration

Pricing Condition in Both Regions		Prices Used for Line Rental	Line Rental Reflects Line Loss and Congestion Cost?
Ex-ante	Ex-post		
OK	Any condition*	Ex-ante prices	Yes
PEN	OK	Ex-post prices	Yes
	PEN	Re-run prices	Yes
	PSM	PSM-substituted prices during Ex-post	No
PSM	Any condition*		No line rental
Intervention/ Suspension		Administered prices	No

Note: \* pricing condition may not be the same both regions



## Line Rental Reflects Line Loss and Congestion?

### Different Pricing Condition in Luzon and Visayas

#### Intra-region BCQ declaration

Pricing Condition in One Region		Prices Used for Line Rental	Line Rental Reflects Line Loss and Congestion Cost?
Ex-ante	Ex-post		
OK	Any condition	Ex-ante prices	Yes
PEN	OK	Ex-post prices	Yes
	PEN	Re-run prices	Yes
	PSM	PSM-substituted prices during Ex-post	No
PSM	Any condition		No line rental
Intervention/ Suspension		Administered prices	No



## Line Rental Reflects Line Loss and Congestion?

### Different Pricing Condition in Luzon and Visayas

#### Cross-region BCQ declaration

Pricing Condition in Each Region		Prices Used for Line Rental (Intra-region BCQ)	Line Rental Reflects Line Loss and Congestion Cost?
Ex-ante	Ex-post		
Luz (PEN), Vis (PEN)	Luz (OK), Vis (PEN)	Luz (Ex-post), Vis (Re-run)	No
	Luz (OK), Vis (PSM)	Luz (Ex-post), Vis (PSM Ex-post)	No
	Luz (PSM), Vis (PEN)	Luz (PSM Ex-post), Vis (Re-run)	No
Luz (OK), Vis (PEN)	Luz (Any), Vis (OK)	Luz (Ex-ante), Vis (Ex-post)	No
	Luz (Any), Vis (PEN)	Luz (Ex-ante), Vis (Re-run)	No
	Luz (Any), Vis (PSM)	Luz (Ex-ante), Vis (PSM Ex-post)	No
Luz (OK), Vis (PSM)	Luz (Any), Vis (Any)	Luz (Ex-ante), Vis (PSM Ex-ante)	No
Luz (OK), Vis (AP)	Luz (Any)	Luz (Ex-ante), Vis (AP)	No
Luz (PEN), Vis (AP)	Luz (OK)	Luz (Ex-post), Vis (AP)	No
	Luz (PEN)	Luz (Re-run), Vis (AP)	No
	Luz (PSM)	Luz (PSM Ex-post), Vis (AP)	No



## Line Rental Reflects Line Loss and Congestion?

### Same Pricing Condition in Luzon and Visayas

Pricing Condition	Prices Used for Line Rental	2017												2018					Total	
		Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May		
OK	Any condition	Ex-ante	442	458	511	538	495	513	587	420	505	470	571	494	504	533	582	498	512	7,698
PEN	OK	Ex-post	5	8	2		4	10	1	1	2	11	3	8	10	1	5	28	5	102
	PEN	Re-run	5	11			10	9	6		1	10	10	11	1		2	5	8	96
	PSM	PSM Ex-post	1	8	2	4	5	5	10		1	16	5		2	5	2	8	5	75
PSM	Any condition	Luz	45	128	152	224	188	201	70		152	201	152	182	97	237	265	189	161	2,540
AP		AP									5			7				2		14
			485	613	667	566	687	736	254	671	644	708	730	702	716	740	652	730	682	10,523





## Visayas DUs with Cross-region Bilateral Contract

### As of May 2018 Billing

DU's Name	Class	Generator Node Name							
		North Luzon	Metro Manila	South Luzon	Liga-Liga	Cebu	Negros	Bater	Panay
1	RETAIL	ERAPL_001							
2	RETAIL	ERAPL_001							
3	RETAIL	ERAPL_001							
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## Impact of Cross-grid Bilateral Contract

### Simulated Line Rental Based on Zonal Price Differences

1 MWH BCQ of N. Luzon customer with generator in other zones

Month	Trading Intervals	Line Rental Amount (PHP)						Frequency of Constraints					
		Generator Zones						Leyte-Luzon		Leyte-Cebu	Cebu-Negros	Negros-Panay	
		North Luzon	South Luzon	Leyte-Samar	Cebu	Negros	Panay	Not Available	Maximized Luzon				
Jan 2017	443	9,113	1,430	728,196	726,004	7,21,781	730,407	27	341		1	20	
Feb 2017	458	18,511	3,871	446,587	428,488	5,48,099	549,312		287			55	7
Mar 2017	311	7,909	16,001	366,290	446,648	5,21,180	518,535	1	260			32	
Apr 2017	338	8,470	22,361	251,850	247,078	5,24,615	517,538		185			48	1
May 2017	495	11,026	48,841	101,890	38,715	46,113	(1,503)	8	12		12	36	4
Jun 2017	513	9,430	51,719	33,456	2,341	135,024	179,051	2	2		4	68	29
Jul 2017	167	2,820	14,673	11,999	(9,737)	35,864	35,472				4	22	2
Aug 2017	420	11,847	21,474	472,161	451,061	8,49,026	834,568	420				51	8
Sep 2017	508	13,240	42,420	128,174	112,155	281,637	361,106	227	1	4		51	13
Oct 2017	470	15,258	43,226	14,860	(12,728)	114,147	206,689		1			36	27
Nov 2017	571	20,273	89,994	88,063	48,588	94,166	61,993		4	5		17	
Dec 2017	494	18,654	34,910	37,240	9,702	76,121	61,921			14	1	18	1
Jan 2018	604	24,064	44,488	7,800	(9,208)	66,576	26,912			41		29	
Feb 2018	519	18,135	36,415	(10,940)	(16,212)	180,981	184,748		8		1	81	16
Mar 2018	382	12,026	45,676	(22,443)	(16,344)	206,780	268,115		11			66	16
Apr 2018	498	16,572	47,080	57,415	(5,997)	101,901	64,474		14		8	19	
May 2018	512	13,655	47,388	47,918	62,299	28,325	14,752		1		18	5	4
<b>Total</b>	<b>7,698</b>	<b>224,765</b>	<b>594,775</b>	<b>2,841,513</b>	<b>2,525,433</b>	<b>4,135,057</b>	<b>4,203,493</b>						

**Notes:**

- Hourly line rental calculated as the difference between North Luzon customer average price and generator average price
- The table covers trading intervals with normal ex-ante market result for Luzon and Visayas



## Impact of Cross-grid Bilateral Contract

### Simulated Line Rental Based on Zonal Price Differences

#### 1 MWH BCQ of Leyte-Samar customer with generator in other zones

Month	Trading Intervals	Line Rental Amount (PHP)						Frequency of Constraints				
		Generator Zones						Leyte-Luzon		Leyte-Cebu	Cebu-Negros	Negros-Panay
		North Luzon	South Luzon	Leyte-Samar	Cebu	Negros	Panay	Not Available	Maximized			
Jan 2017	445	(728,805)	(724,489)	2,478	88	(2,138)	(5,513)	27	541		1	20
Feb 2017	458	(431,900)	(424,540)	17,978	75	120,088	120,001		287			55
Mar 2017	311	(448,880)	(441,789)	8,501	8,859	61,390	60,748	1	260			32
Apr 2017	538	(230,812)	(235,041)	14,428	9,878	87,215	79,938		385			48
May 2017	405	(50,871)	(23,205)	29,994	(15,181)	(25,783)	(7,397)	5	12		12	36
Jun 2017	513	6,495	52,004	33,741	2,426	135,305	139,316	2	2		4	68
Jul 2017	167	550	12,393	9,720	(12,035)	51,525	51,193				4	22
Aug 2017	420	(458,975)	(427,548)	22,338	288	194,203	183,745	420				51
Sep 2017	505	(78,428)	(85,449)	34,106	20,087	191,569	209,017	227	3	4		51
Oct 2017	470	32,577	62,544	34,178	8,590	133,485	225,887		1			36
Nov 2017	571	(29,251)	20,389	58,458	(4,235)	94,562	11,888		4	5		17
Dec 2017	494	851	16,106	18,457	(9,407)	57,318	43,117			14	1	18
Jan 2018	604	35,333	54,827	18,139	1,231	76,915	57,271			41		29
Feb 2018	519	56,560	76,840	29,481	24,215	221,388	225,175		8		1	81
Mar 2018	382	60,898	94,548	26,429	32,528	255,651	316,988		11			66
Apr 2018	498	30,242	40,980	51,286	(9,497)	97,771	58,544		14		6	19
May 2018	512	(1,528)	32,305	32,735	47,116	11,142	(431)		1		18	5
<b>Total</b>	<b>7,498</b>	<b>(2,732,369)</b>	<b>(1,844,299)</b>	<b>404,844</b>	<b>88,343</b>	<b>1,697,988</b>	<b>1,766,422</b>					

**Notes:**

- Hourly line rental calculated as the difference between Leyte-Samar customer average price and generator average price
- The table covers trading intervals with normal ex-ante market result for Luzon and Visayas



## Assessment on Cross-Grid Bilateral Contracts

- Without High-Voltage Direct Current (HVDC) Cable constraints, there would be minimal differences in the line rental trading amounts (LRTA) among customers with or without cross-grid bilateral contracts
- With HVDC cable constraints, the LRTAs for customers with cross-grid PSAs are affected as follows:

Flow of HVDC	Effects in LRTA
Luzon to Visayas	minimal effect due to minimal times that this flow occurs in the system
Visayas to Luzon	For Luzon Customers: <b>High LRTA</b>
	For Visayas Customers: <b>Negative LRTA</b>



## Assessment on Cross-Grid Bilateral Contracts

- **Customers benefit from engaging in bilateral contracts by ensuring a stable price for its electricity requirement**

### High Market Price

	No BCQ	With BCQ	Benefit
EAQ	10	10	
BCQ	0	5	
EAP (L)	10,000	10,000	
EAP (G)	9,900	9,900	
EAETA	100,000	50,000	(50,000)
LRTA	0	500	500
<b>TTA</b>	<b>100,000</b>	<b>50,500</b>	<b>(49,500)</b>

BCQ	5
Price	5,000
Amount	25,000

### Low Market Price

	No BCQ	With BCQ	Benefit
EAQ	10	10	
BCQ	0	5	
EAP (L)	5,000	5,000	
EAP (G)	4,900	4,900	
EAETA	50,000	25,000	(25,000)
LRTA	0	500	500
<b>TTA</b>	<b>50,000</b>	<b>25,500</b>	<b>(24,500)</b>

BCQ	5
Price	5,000
Amount	25,000



## DOE's Concerns on Cross-Grid PSAs

- **What is the line rental rate/charges imposed to the 167 MW Coal-fired Power Plant in Iloilo City, Panay?**
  - ✓ The data is confidential, MAG will provide the same directly to the DOE
- **How does the line rental amount affect the paying consumers?**
  - ✓ Details of the PSAs are needed to evaluate the effects of line rental amount to the end-users
- **There is a need to examine ERC's methodology in the approval of cross-grid PSAs**
  - ✓ RCC may not be the proper body to examine the ERC's methodology



## DOE's Concerns on Cross-Grid PSAs

- **What must be the advantage to bid at negative cap (-10,000 Php/MW) for a typical generation company trader?**
  - ✓ If covered by contracts, the advantage in bidding at negative offer prices is to ensure dispatch of the power plant.
- **Is there a need for WESM Rules Change?**
  - ✓ There may no need to amend the current provisions on line rental calculation in the WESM Rules.
  - ✓ Significant nodal price difference between regions may be addressed by upgrading the HVDC interconnection. Meanwhile, DUs should be fully informed of the effects of cross-grid bilateral contracting in the calculation of LRTA.
  - ✓ Review of Price Substitution Mechanism application



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**Annex B**

**MERALCO Presentation**

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# **Negative Line Rental and Other WESM Mysteries Explained**

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July 6, 2018

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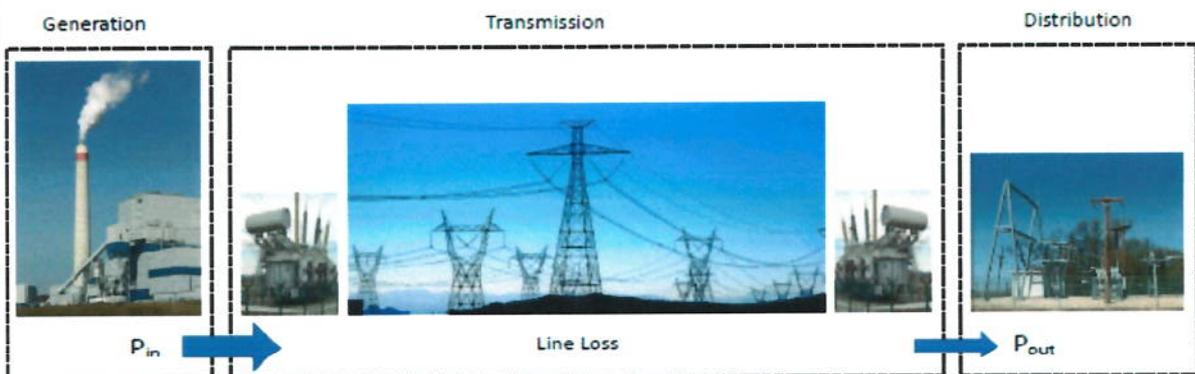
## **1. Introduction and Review of Basic Principles**

## A. Terminology

“Line Rental” - a misnomer because transmission lines are not for rent, and the fee for the use of transmission lines is not called a rental, either. More importantly, the hourly “line rental” that WESM charges is distinct and separate from the monthly transmission charges that customers pay to NGCP.

A more appropriate definition would be “the cost of electricity that was used in transmitting a certain volume of electricity (the “Bilateral Contract Quantity” or BCQ) from a particular generator node to a particular customer node.”

## B. Basic Concepts - The Power Train



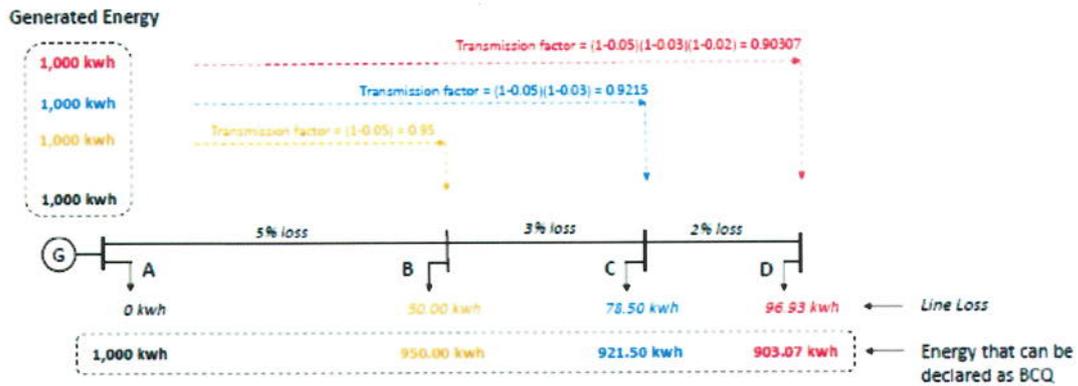
$$P_{in} = \text{Line Loss} + P_{out}$$

$$\% \text{ Line Loss} = \frac{\text{Line Loss}}{P_{in}} = a \times (P_{in})^b$$

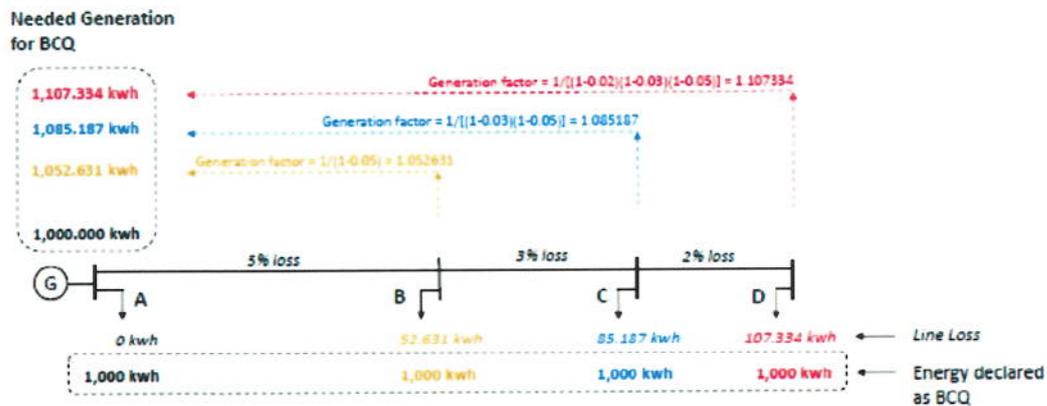
$$P_{out} = P_{in} - \text{Line Loss}$$

where  $a$  and  $b$  are constants determined by the circuit's length, the wire's material and diameter, and the line voltage. To simplify calculations in the succeeding slides, the % line loss will be assumed to be constant for all values of  $P_{in}$ .

**B. Basic Concepts - Generation vs BCQ, moving downstream**



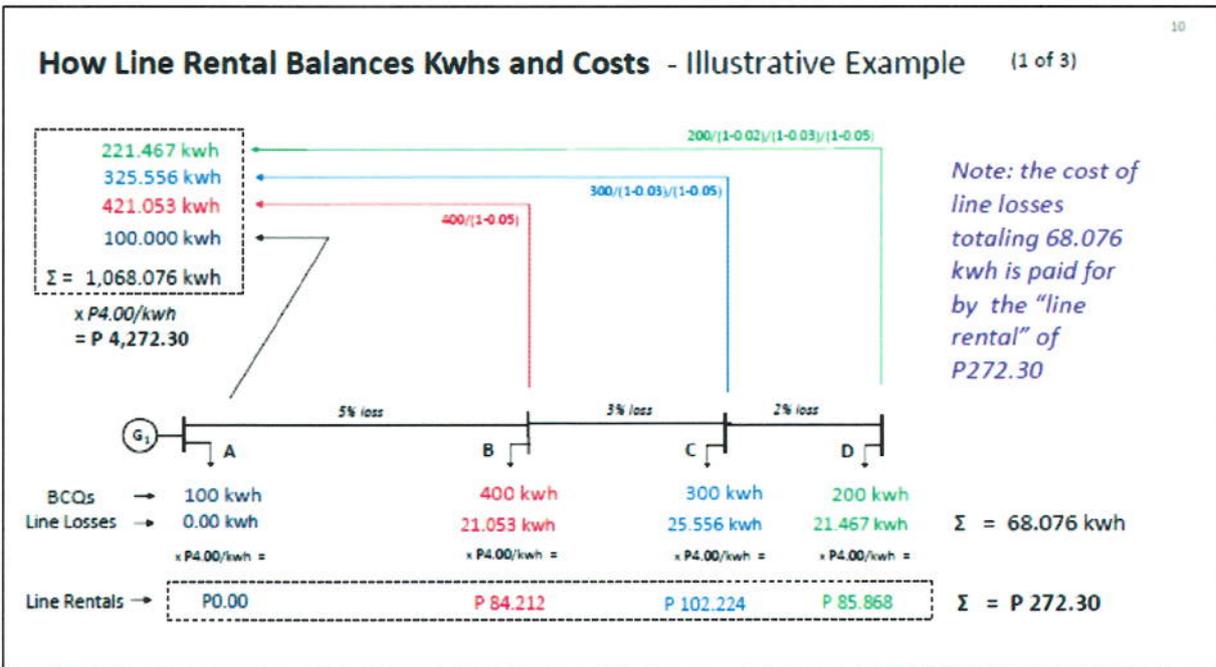
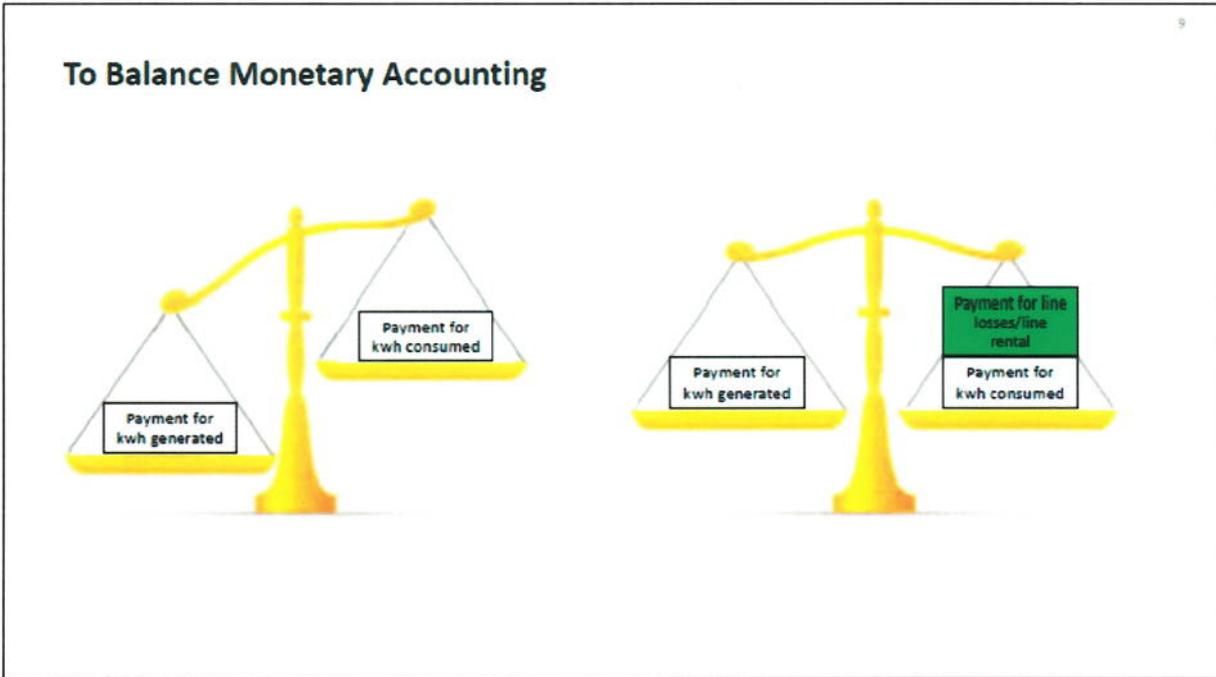
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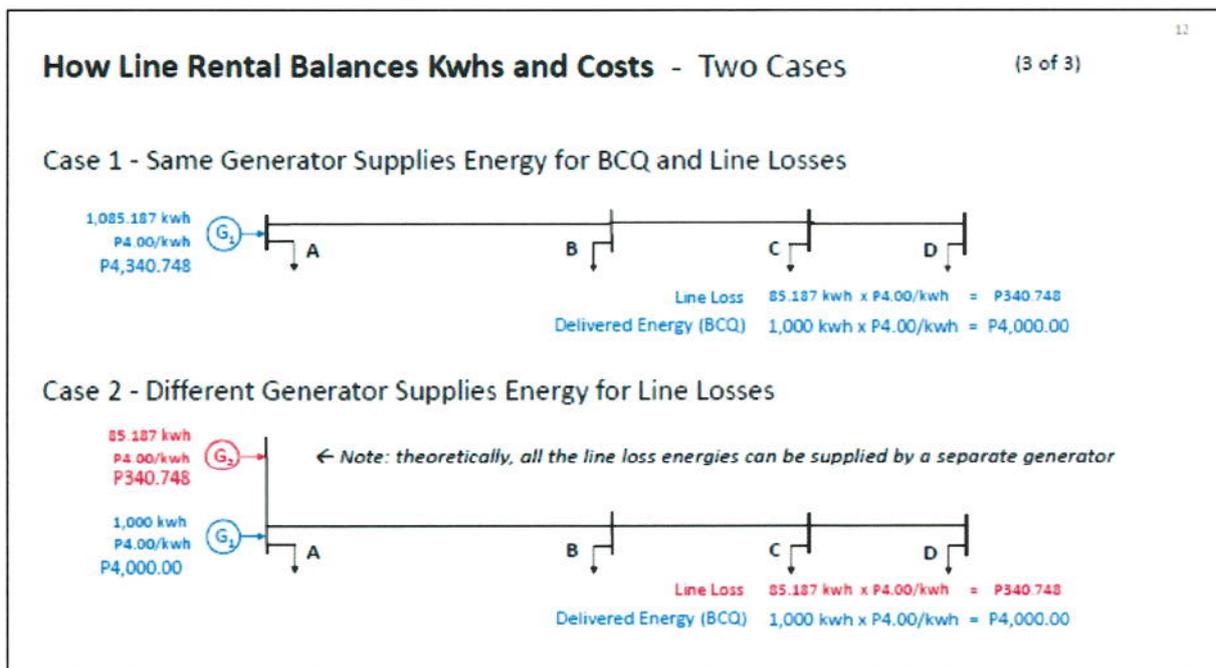
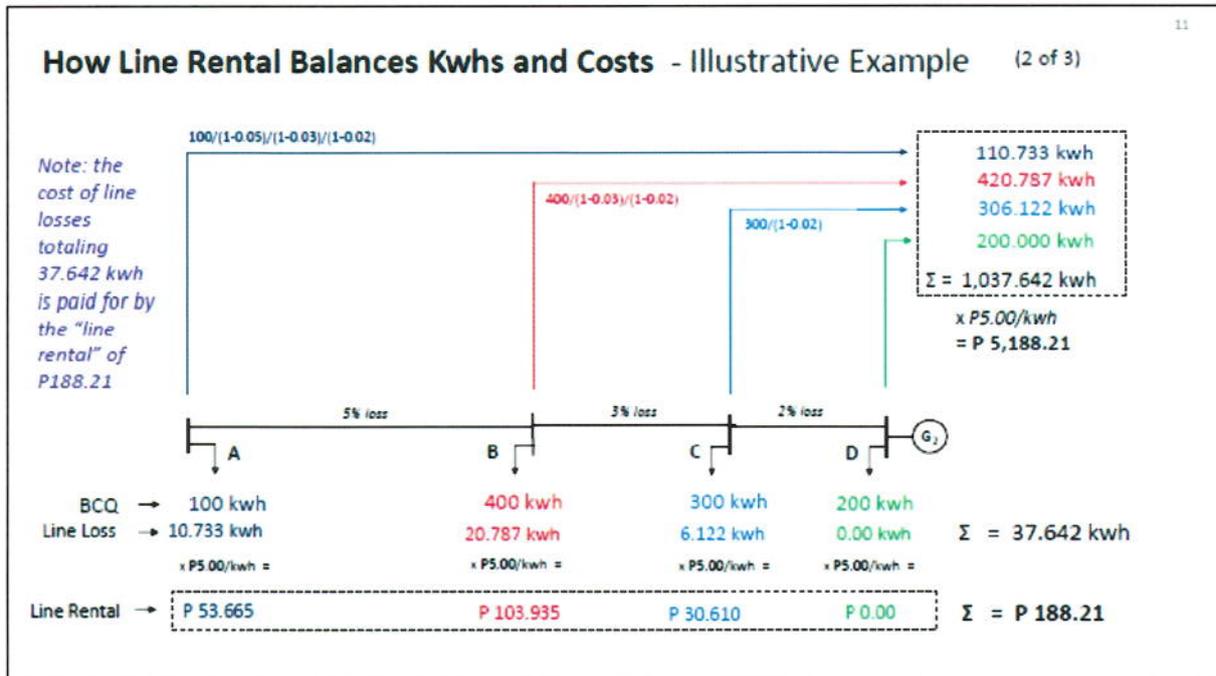


## 2. Why Line Rental is Necessary

**To Balance Energy Accounting**

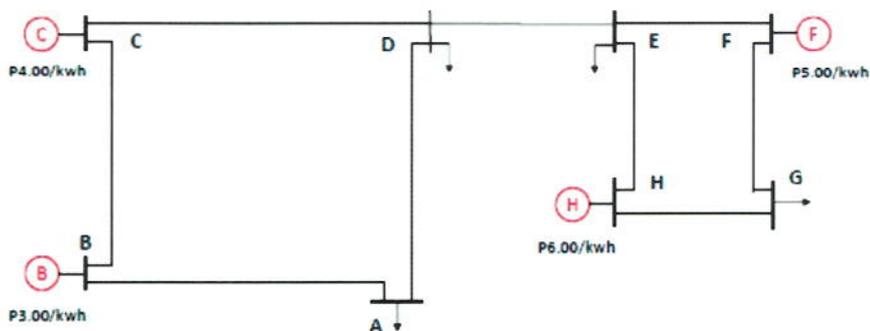






### 3. Derivation of Line Rental Rate Formula

#### Line Rental in a Multiple-Generator System



The preceding method of calculating line rental, based on transmission losses directly attributable to a generator-BCQ pair, is only feasible for a one-generator/one price system.

For a multiple-generator system, the transmission losses directly attributable to the various pairs of generators and BCQs are no longer easily calculatable. In addition, the line losses for a BCQ-ed energy can come from a different generator. Thus, a more workable method is needed for computing line rental.

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### A. Derivation By Numerical Example (1 of 4)

Line Rental Cost =  $\left[ \begin{matrix} \text{Line loss} \\ \text{energy} \end{matrix} \right] \times \left[ \begin{matrix} \text{Price at} \\ \text{generator} \\ \text{node} \end{matrix} \right]$

A to B = 50.00 kwh x P4.0000 = P200.00  
 A to C = 78.50 kwh x P4.0000 = P314.00  
 A to D = 96.93 kwh x P4.0000 = P387.72

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### A. Derivation By Numerical Example (2 of 4)

Line Rental Cost =  $\left[ \begin{matrix} \text{Line loss} \\ \text{energy} \end{matrix} \right] \times \left[ \begin{matrix} \text{Price at} \\ \text{generator} \\ \text{node} \end{matrix} \right]$

**Line Rental Rate per kwh of BCQ (Customer Viewpoint)**

A to B = 50.00 kwh x P4.0000 = P200.00 → A to B = P200.00 / 950.00 kwh = P0.210526/kwh  
 A to C = 78.50 kwh x P4.0000 = P314.00 → A to C = P314.00 / 921.50 kwh = P0.340749/kwh  
 A to D = 96.93 kwh x P4.0000 = P387.72 → A to D = P387.72 / 903.07 kwh = P0.429335/kwh

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### A. Derivation By Numerical Example (3 of 4)

Line Rental Cost =  $\left[ \begin{matrix} \text{Line loss} \\ \text{energy} \end{matrix} \right] \times \left[ \begin{matrix} \text{Price at} \\ \text{generator} \\ \text{node} \end{matrix} \right]$

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**Line Rental Rate as Difference in Nodal Prices**

A to B = P4.210526 - P4.000000 = P0.210526/kwh  
 A to C = P4.340749 - P4.000000 = P0.340749/kwh  
 A to D = P4.429335 - P4.000000 = P0.429335/kwh

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### A. Derivation By Numerical Example (4 of 4)

Line Rental Cost

A to B = 50.00 kwh x P4.0000 = P200.00 = 950.00 kwh x (P4.210526 - P4.0000) = P200.00  
 A to C = 78.50 kwh x P4.0000 = P314.00 = 921.50 kwh x (P4.340749 - P4.0000) = P314.00  
 A to D = 96.93 kwh x P4.0000 = P387.72 = 903.07 kwh x (P4.429335 - P4.0000) = P387.72

Line Rental Cost =  $\left[ \begin{matrix} \text{Line loss} \\ \text{energy} \end{matrix} \right] \times \left[ \begin{matrix} \text{Price at} \\ \text{generator} \\ \text{node} \end{matrix} \right] = \left[ \begin{matrix} \text{Delivered} \\ \text{energy} \end{matrix} \right] \times \left[ \begin{matrix} \text{Difference in price} \\ \text{between load node} \\ \text{and generator node} \end{matrix} \right]$

Line Rental Cost = BCQ x Line Rental Rate



### B. Mathematical Derivation



where  $P_G$  - Price at generator node (P/kwh)  
 $E_G$  - Energy produced by generator (kwh)  
 $r_{AB}$  - line loss rate (decimal)  
 $P_A$  - Price at node A (P/kwh)  
 $E_A$  - Energy delivered at node A (kwh)

From the diagram

$$\text{Line Loss Energy (LLE)} = E_G \times r_{AB}$$

$$\text{Delivered Energy (E}_A\text{)} = E_G \times (1 - r_{AB})$$

Nodal Cost Equality

$$E_G \times P_G = E_A \times P_A = [E_G \times (1 - r_{AB})] P_A$$

$$P_G = (1 - r_{AB}) P_A$$

$$P_G = P_A - r_{AB} \times P_A \rightarrow r_{AB} P_A = (P_A - P_G)$$

$$r_{AB} = (P_A - P_G) / P_A$$

Line Rental Cost (LRC) = (Line Loss Energy) x (Generation Cost)

$$\text{LRC} = \text{LLE} \times P_G = (E_G \times r_{AB}) \times P_G$$

$$\text{Line Rental Rate (LRR)} = \frac{\text{Line Rental Cost}}{\text{Delivered Energy}} = \frac{\text{LRC}}{E_A}$$

$$\text{LRR} = \frac{(E_G \times r_{AB}) \times P_G}{E_G \times (1 - r_{AB})} = \frac{r_{AB} \times P_G}{(1 - r_{AB})} = r_{AB} \frac{P_G}{(1 - r_{AB})}$$

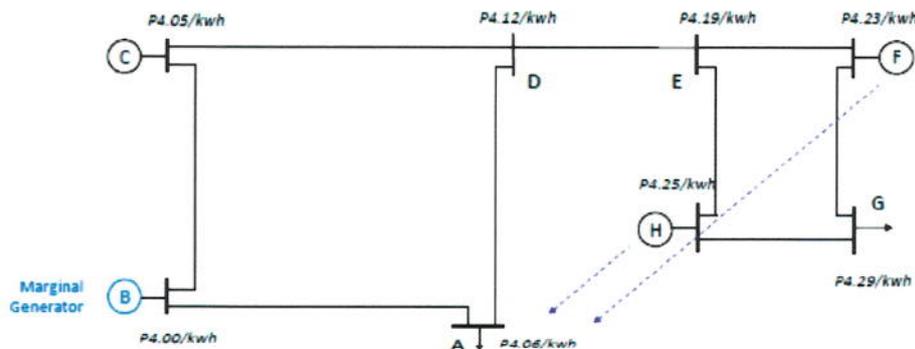
$$= r_{AB} \times P_A = \left[ \frac{(P_A - P_G)}{P_A} \right] P_A$$

$$\text{LRR} = (P_A - P_G)$$

Line rental rate (LRR) can be obtained from the difference in nodal prices between the load node ( $P_A$ ) and the generator node ( $P_G$ )

### C. How Negative Line Rental Occurs

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Negative Line Rental rates naturally occur when the BCQ recipient happens to be nodally closer to the marginal generator than the BCQ-ing generator

Negative Line Rentals for BCQ Declaration

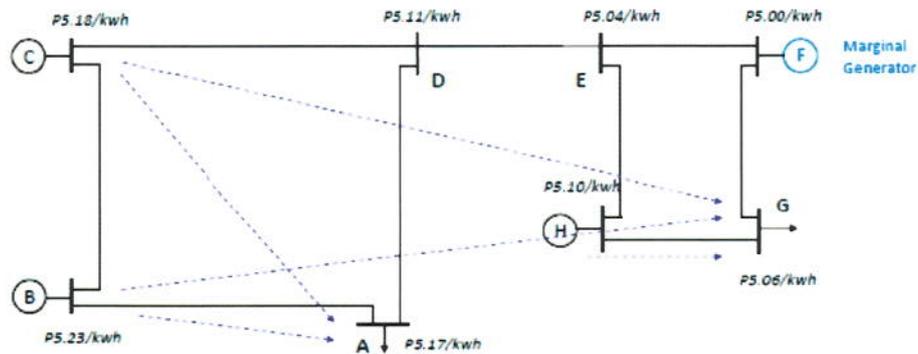
- from F to A = 4.06 - 4.23 = -0.17
- from H to A = 4.06 - 4.25 = -0.19

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**C. How Negative Line Rental Occurs**

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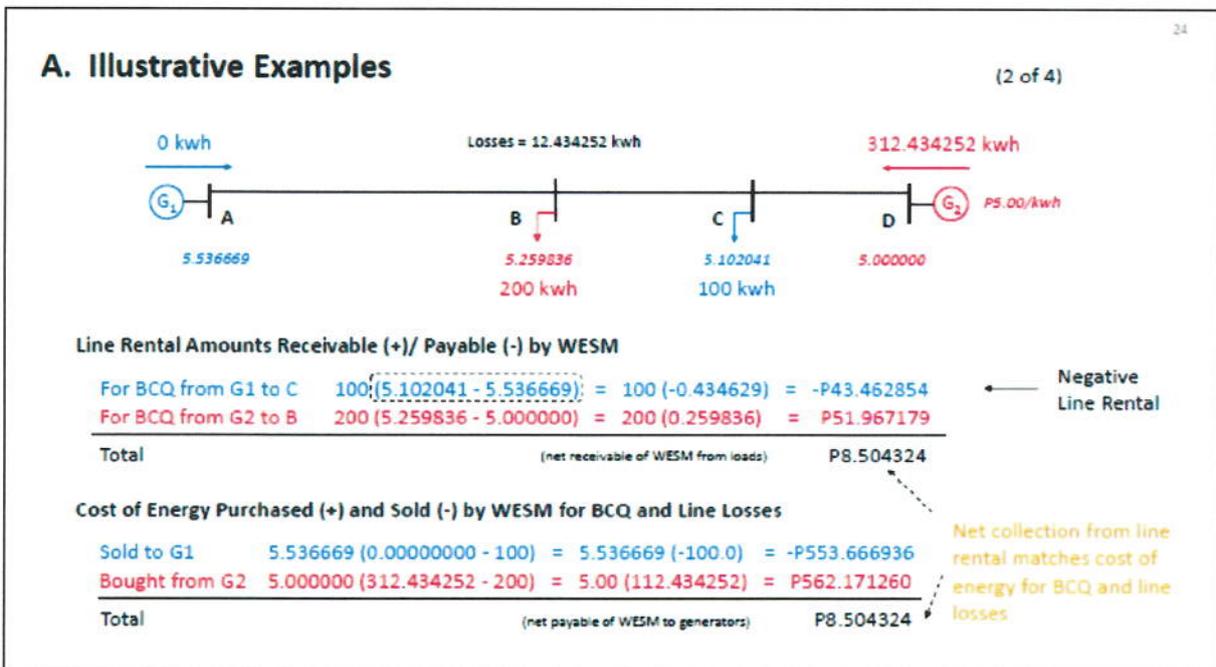
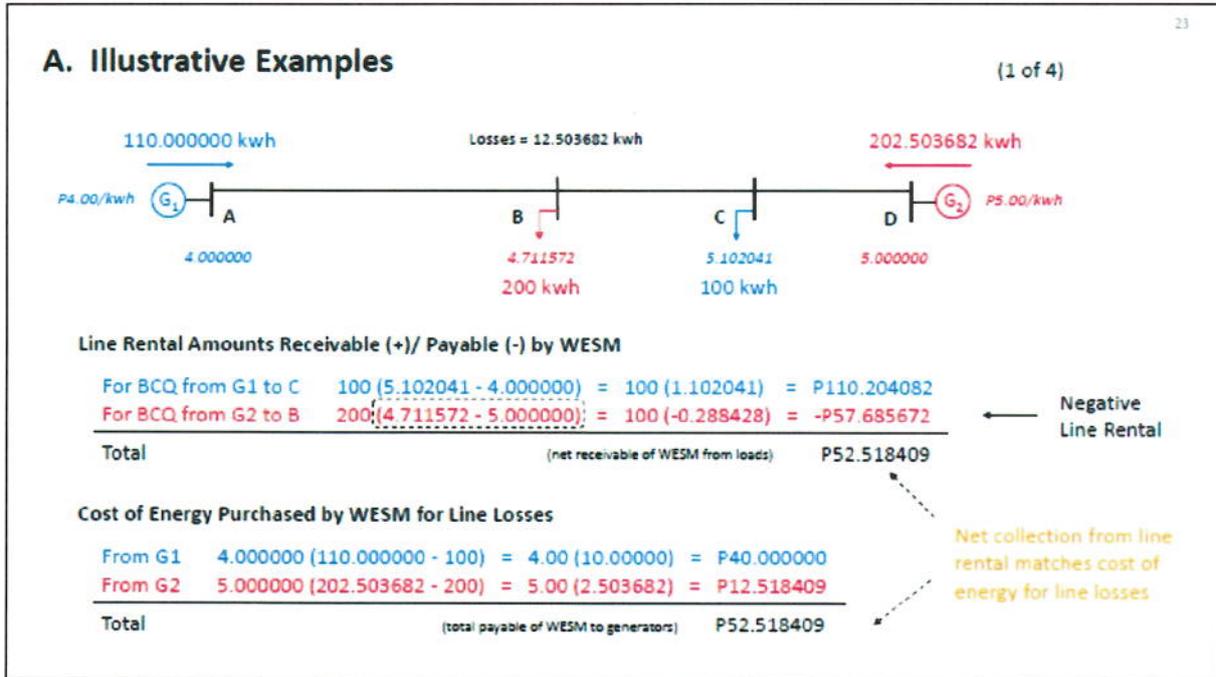
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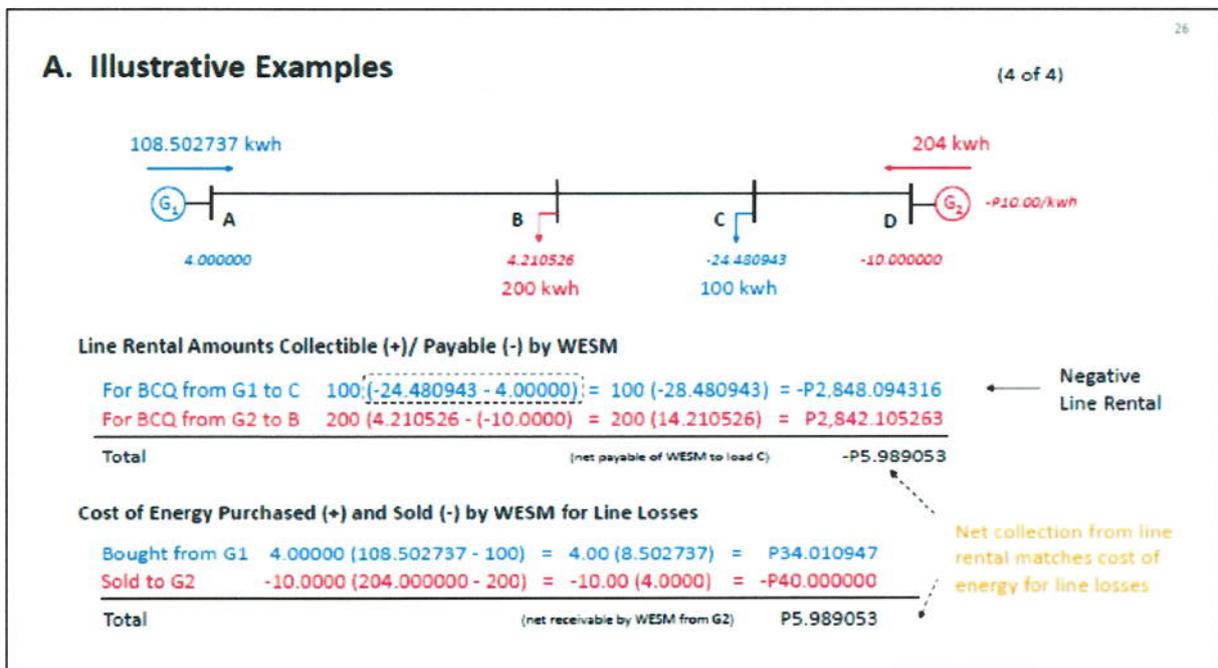
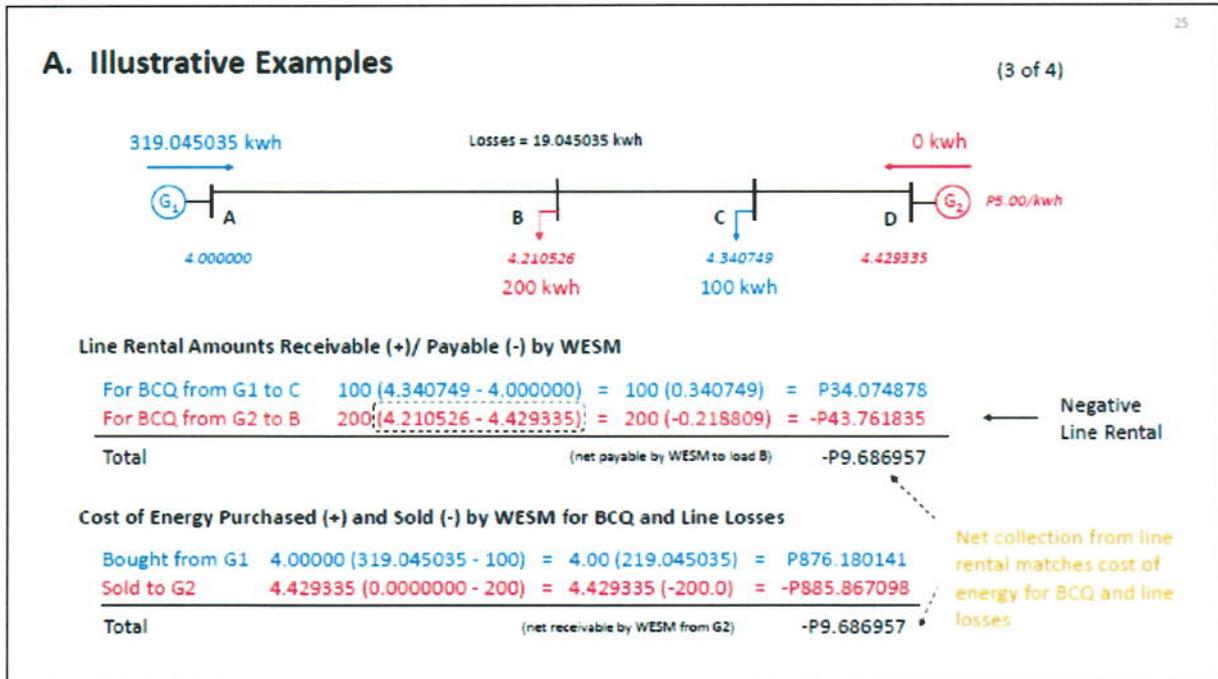
**Negative Line Rentals for BCQ Declaration**

- from B to A =  $5.17 - 5.23 = -0.06$
- from B to G =  $5.06 - 5.23 = -0.17$
- from C to A =  $5.17 - 5.18 = -0.01$
- from C to G =  $5.06 - 5.18 = -0.12$
- from H to G =  $5.06 - 5.10 = -0.04$

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**4. Do Negative Line Rentals  
Make Sense?**





## Observation

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Even if the results may seem “unfair”, line rental may yet be the best method for costing line losses, as other options are just as problematic:

1. Uniform Cost of Loss Method (constant P/kwh cost regardless of distance between generator and load) - not cost reflective and does not factor in the demand (MW) of loads
2. Megawatt-Mile Method (cost varies with load and distance) - the “mile” component is difficult to proxify in a meshed grid.
3. Zonal Loss Pricing Method - can also give rise to negative line rental

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## **5. How Line Rental is Used By DUs for Initial Evaluation of Generator Offers**

### Illustrative Example

Line Rental is used by the DU to determine the ex-plant, ex-VAT rate of prospective power suppliers

		A	B	C = A + B	D	E	F = C + D + E
Power Supplier	Proposed Outage Allowance (days/yr)	Plant Gate Pre-vat Rate*	Plant Gate VAT	Plant Gate Post-vat Rate	Average Annual Line Rental**	Annualized Cost of Replacement Power***	Annualized All-in Rate at Delivery Point
Gen A	55.00	3.7869	0.4544	4.2413	0.2514	0.1802	4.6729
Gen B	50.00	3.8315	0.4598	4.2913	0.2072	0.1570	4.6555
Gen C	45.00	3.8742	0.4649	4.3391	0.1618	0.1354	4.6363
Gen D	45.00	4.5900	-	4.5900	0.3000	0.1044	4.9944
Gen E	45.00	4.6800	-	4.6800	0.1875	0.0934	4.9609

← Lowest

\* normalized using a common annual capacity factor (e.g., 80%)

\*\* determined based on the location of supplier's power plant. Line rental figures greater than P0.30/kwh are capped at P0.30/kwh for evaluation purposes (excess to be shouldered by power supplier)

\*\*\* calculated from proposed outage allowance and forecast WESM price of P5.4372/kwh

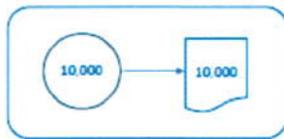
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Line Rental provides DUs with an important criterion for evaluating PSA proposals from prospective power suppliers, thereby helping DUs meet their mandate of ensuring the least-cost of power to its customers.

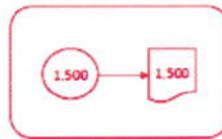
## 6. How the WESM Makes Cross-Grid Energy “Flows” Possible

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#### 1. Energy Generation and Consumption Balance



Luzon



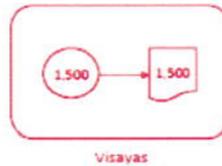
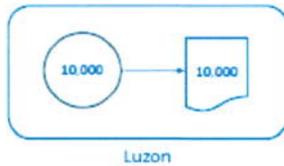
Visayas

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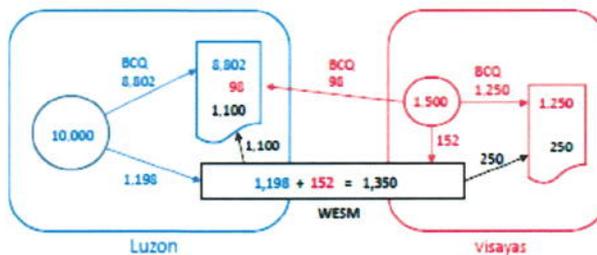
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### 2. Energy Accounting Balance



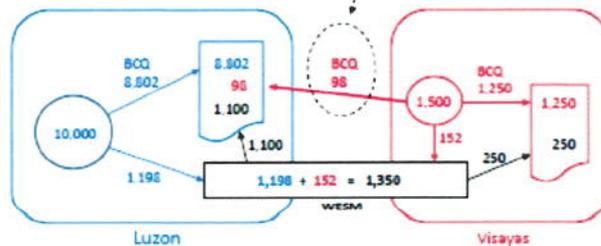
**Visayas Generation Balance**  
 $1,500 = 1,250 + 98 + 152$

**WESM Energy Balance**  
Sold to WESM =  $1,198 + 152 = 1,350$   
Bought from WESM =  $1,100 + 250 = 1,350$

Note: the BCQ declaration by a Visayas generator for a Luzon DU (98 MWh) can be made even if the HVDC line is out

## Observations

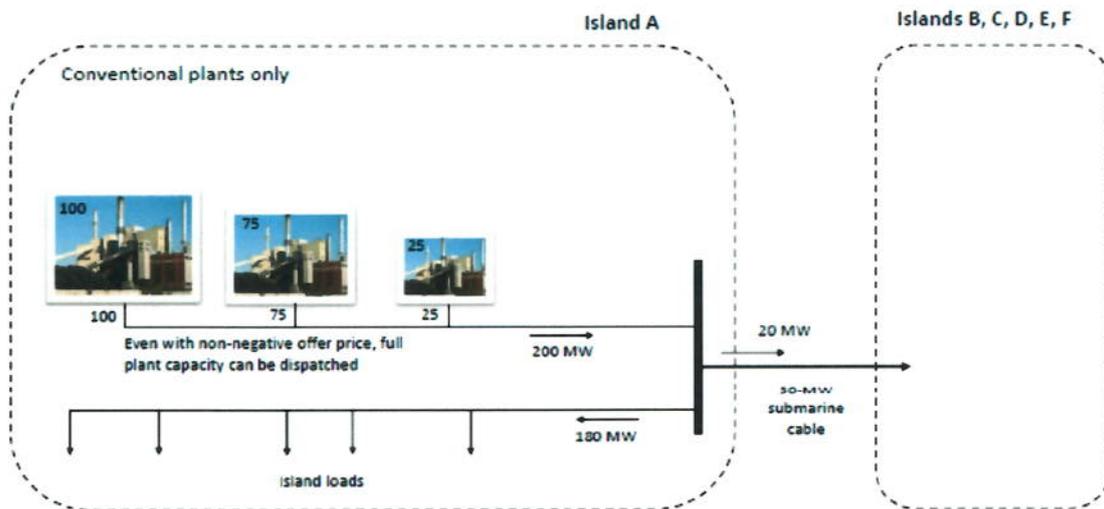
One benefit of the WESM is that it makes possible cross-grid energy flows by serving as a virtual energy reservoir into which generators can inject energy, and from which, customers can draw energy, while maintaining supply-demand balances in both grids.



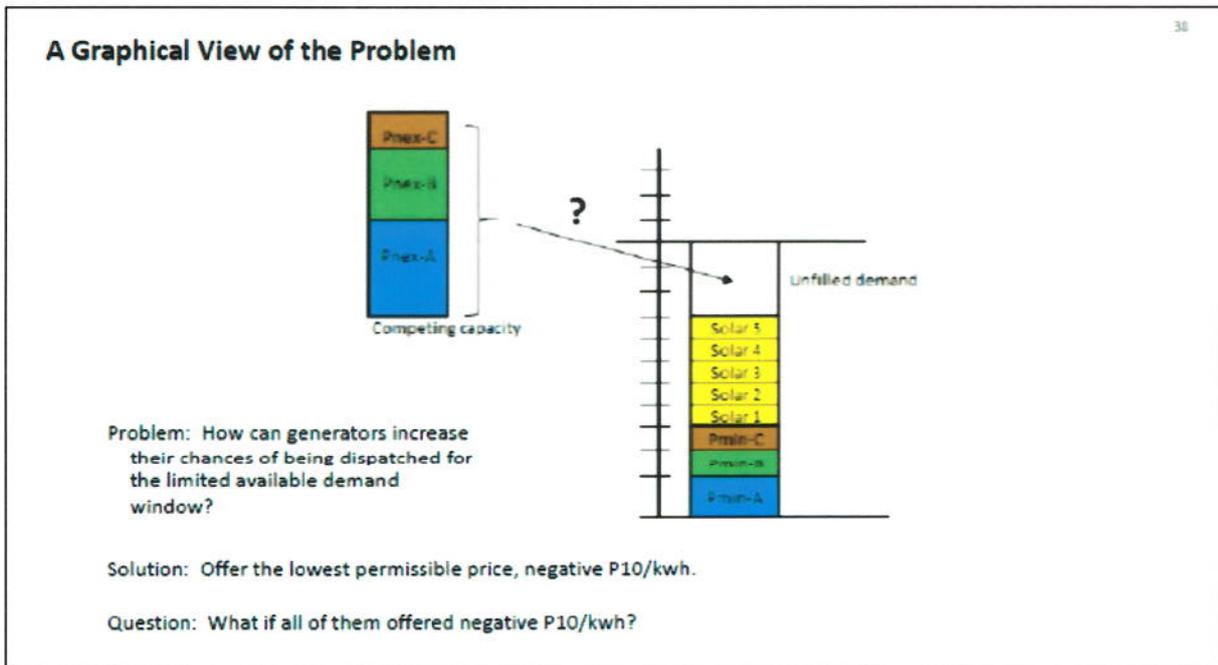
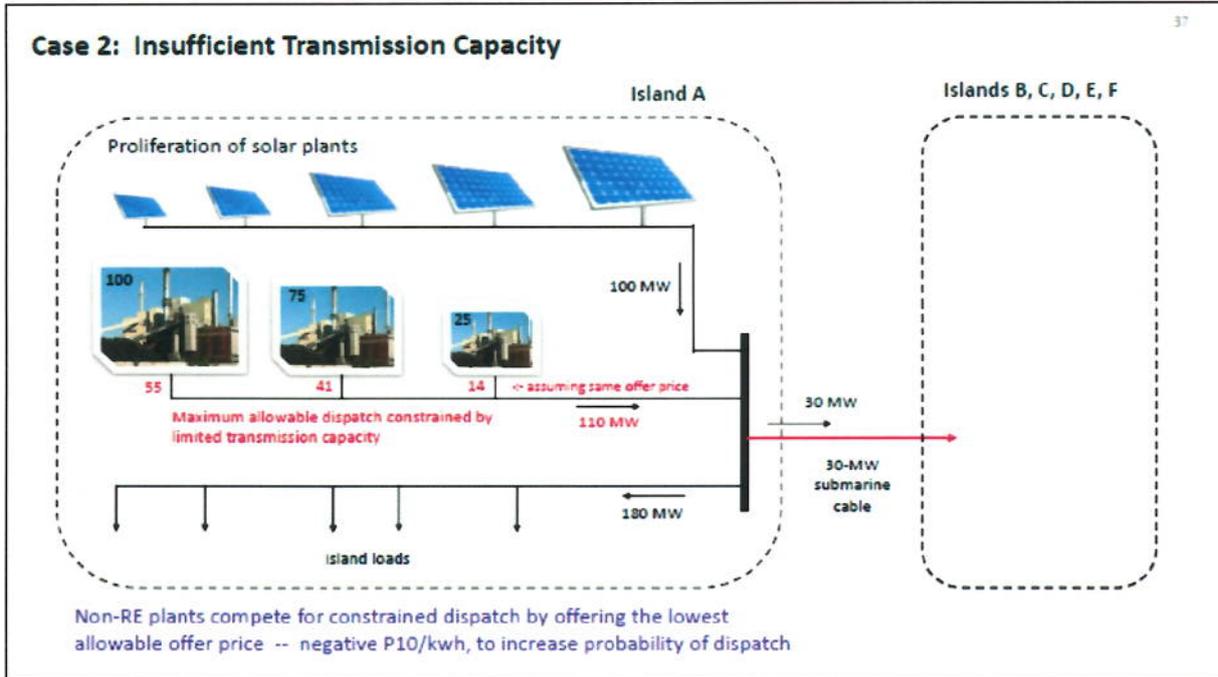
Cross-grid energy flows benefit consumers because they can avail of bilaterally-contracted energy that is cheaper than energy sourced from the spot market.

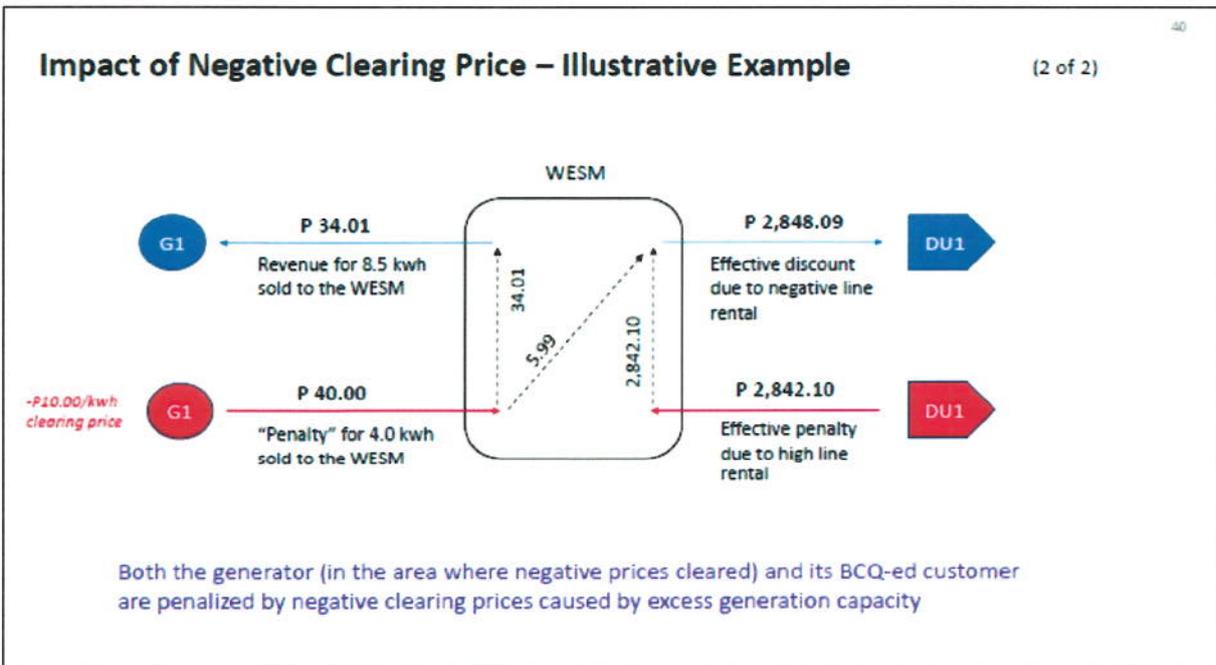
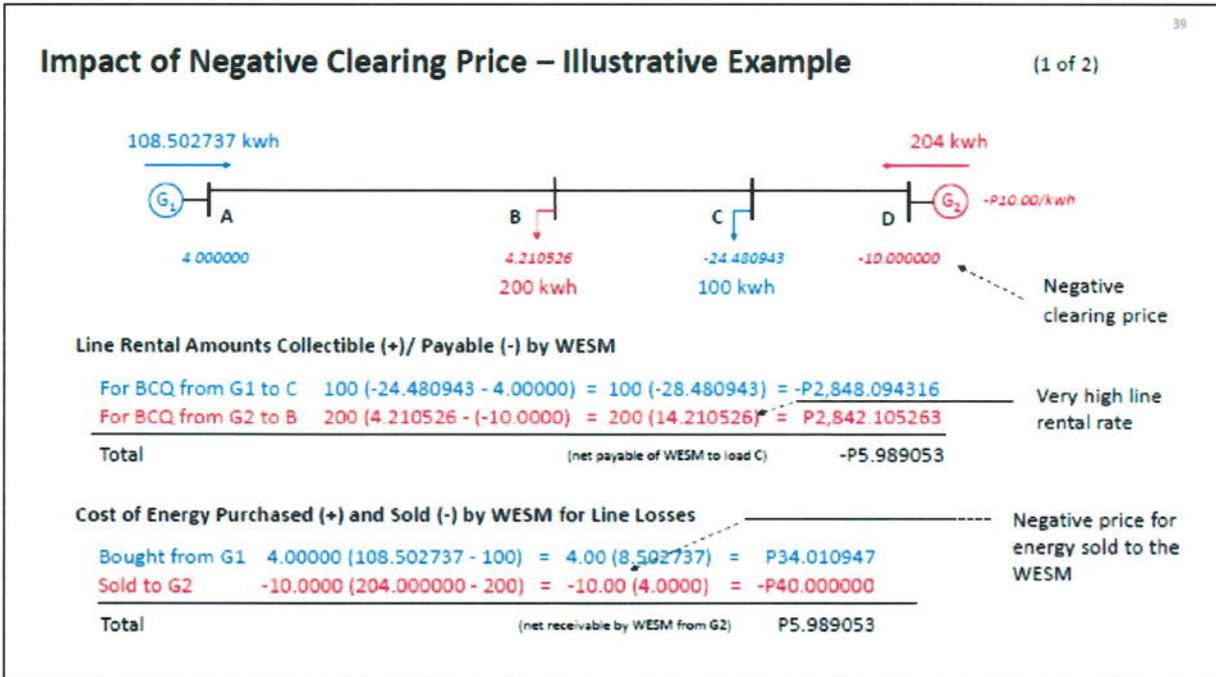
## 7. What Forces Generators to Offer Negative Prices

### Case 1: Sufficient Transmission Capacity



Note: the conventional plants can be fully dispatched; they need not offer negative prices to ensure dispatch







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With negative clearing prices, generators, instead of getting paid, pay for energy sold to the wesm

Customers of generators on the transmission-constrained islands suffer high rental charges

Negative prices sometimes get cleared

Non-RE generators are forced to offer the minimum permissible price (negative P10 per kwh) to get dispatched

Dispatch of non-RE generators is greatly suppressed to give way to priority-dispatch RE plants

Transmission inadequacy prevents the excess capacity from being exported to other islands

Too many RE plants were allowed to be built on an island, exceeding the export capacity of transmission facilities

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**End**