

Standard Market Design Fact Sheet

Past and Future Outreach Activities

Activities Leading Up to the Proposed Regulations

The Standard Market Design (SMD) rulemaking process included many interactions with state officials, industry interests and public from October 2001 to July 2002. These included:

1. [RTO Week](#)- a week of focused, comprehensive discussion of all aspects that lead up to SMD by state, industry and public participants in October 2001, exploring key issues and some early ideas about options and best practices to deal with each.
2. Eleven [Technical Conferences](#) between November 2001 and July 2002 that addressed 12 topics important to SMD implementation, including market mitigation and monitoring, resource adequacy, demand response and software needs for SMD; all technical conferences were publicly noticed, and the presentations and transcriptions were made available on the FERC web site;
3. Inviting comments on two [Staff SMD Working Papers](#) that were compiled in an effort to help frame the proposed regulations.
4. Received nearly 600 comments on the Staff's SMD Working Papers and related matters.
5. Commissioners and Staff made over 80 presentations and [speeches](#) at various energy conferences and meetings;
6. Staff participated in about 10 meetings and teleconferences with State Commissioners.
7. Staff and commissioners have held numerous meetings over the past months with individual and group representatives from every sector of the electric industry. These include:
 - a. generators, investor-owned utilities, municipal and cooperative utilities, large public power entities, independent system operators and regional transmission organization applicants
 - b. state regulators, large industrial customers, residential consumer groups and state consumer advocates, retail competitive load-serving entities, renewable generators, distributed generators
 - c. demand-response and energy services providers, transmission equipment providers, software providers, R&D entities, environmental advocates, consultants and academic experts
 - d. federal agencies including the Department of Energy, Department of Justice, Federal Trade Commission, and the Environmental Protection Agency.
8. FERC has noticed its intent to prepare an Environmental Assessment on the proposed SMD regulations and to hold a [scoping meeting](#) on August 12, 2002

Most of the details of our [outreach activities](#) are available on our web site.