Weekly Power Outlet

Period: 5/15/2023 - 5/19/2023



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- NERC Assessment Natural Gas Bullish?
- Reliability, It Can Always Be Worse

POWER PRICING (\$/MWh)

Day-Ahead LMPs		Mon 5/15	Tue 5/16	Wed 5/17	Thu 5/18	Fri 5/19	
WIG	On-Peak	WESTERN HUB	\$39.51	\$35.54	\$31.89	\$33.54	\$31.16
	Off-Peak	WESTERN HUB	\$23.33	\$22.15	\$20.76	\$22.94	\$20.27
	On-Peak	N ILLINOIS HUB	\$36.28	\$32.42	\$27.98	\$31.26	\$24.84
	Off-Peak	N ILLINOIS HUB	\$16.21	\$18.49	\$17.12	\$14.29	\$10.43
	On-Peak	PPL	\$28.42	\$29.15	\$25.64	\$27.56	\$25.77
	Off-Peak	PPL	\$18.40	\$18.25	\$19.39	\$21.36	\$19.51
	On-Peak	PENELEC	\$32.88	\$31.39	\$27.75	\$29.63	\$28.03
	Off-Peak	PENELEC	\$20.72	\$20.09	\$20.05	\$22.04	\$19.84
	On-Peak	COMED	\$36.34	\$32.51	\$28.05	\$31.32	\$24.88
	Off-Peak	COMED	\$16.23	\$18.53	\$17.16	\$14.30	\$10.43
MISO	On-Peak	INDIANA HUB	\$45.41	\$43.41	\$36.66	\$36.02	\$42.57
	Off-Peak	INDIANA HUB	\$27.21	\$30.67	\$22.77	\$22.15	\$19.90
	On-Peak	MICHIGAN HUB	\$36.93	\$34.55	\$34.18	\$33.61	\$29.23
	Off-Peak	MICHIGAN HUB	\$20.79	\$20.46	\$19.90	\$19.47	\$16.58
	On-Peak	MINN HUB	\$36.76	\$34.86	\$28.91	\$25.86	\$19.40
	Off-Peak	MINN HUB	\$19.06	\$18.08	\$16.52	\$5.75	\$8.37
	On-Peak	LOUISIANA HUB	\$43.87	\$37.98	\$33.96	\$36.07	\$37.04
	Off-Peak	LOUISIANA HUB	\$19.29	\$23.42	\$20.38	\$19.74	\$18.73
ERCOT	On-Peak	NORTH	\$59.23	\$59.88	\$38.91	\$26.80	\$33.69
	Off-Peak	NORTH	\$19.90	\$21.14	\$18.03	\$18.19	\$19.18
	On-Peak	SOUTH	\$60.22	\$60.38	\$39.18	\$29.62	\$37.94
	Off-Peak	SOUTH	\$20.46	\$21.60	\$18.33	\$18.28	\$19.32



* Forward 12 month strip

On-Peak

\$52.40

Western Hub

Off-Peak

\$40.86



* Red signifies week over week price change down / Green signifies week over week price change up

Off-Peak

\$41.49

North Hub

Off-Peak

\$32,50

On-Peak

\$51.25

Indiana Hub

On-Peak

\$53.50

COMMENTARY

This week NERC released their <u>summer reliability assessment for 2023</u>. We are attaching the report for reading and recommend it as it is an easy read and nicely detailed. For those short on time or patience, we can sum it up....as long as conditions are normal, everyone should be just fine meeting load demand this summer. Should some ISOs see higher demand or more outages than anticipated, or a reduction of imports counted on in extreme conditions, there might be a problem.

Natural gas summer futures reacted to the EIA storage report with a roughly 10% move higher Thursday as the storage build was roughly 10% below expectations. Market participants had already been on alert as natural gas rig count dropped the most since 2016 last week. The market has shaken any potentially bullish news recently citing plenty of supply. It's possible the narrative might be changing.

Worth noting, publicly traded LNG shipper Flex LNG, mentioned in their earnings call this week that China LNG import has seen a recent uptick over YTD trend. It's fair to say right now it's a data point to be watching, but if it continues it's fair to assume the market will digest and add it to the bullish side of the leger.

While our system of electricity generation and transmission has some pending issues we need to deal with, it's always good to remind ourselves it could always be worse. Not to be outdone by NERC and CAISO, Eskom which is South Africa's generation, transmission, and coordinator all rolled into one state-owned utility, put out their winter (remember, southern hemisphere) assessment this week. We've mentioned Eskom in the past and it seems not much has changed. Due to shoddy maintenance, parts theft, and iffy generation, Eskom is bracing South Africa's plenty of generation shortfall for the winter, up to 25% of demand shortfall.

COMMODITIES PRICING (\$/MMBtu)

