Integration of the Market Response 2019

Task Force Implementation Strategic Reserve – Presentation

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Market Response volume determination is essential to size the volumes of Strategic Reserves

Market Response corresponds to the response of electricity consumers in periods of tension and high prices in the electricity grid





In the aggregated curves of EPEX DAM Belgium, Market Response volumes appear as a demand decrease or as an offer increase



Disclaimer:

The details on the activation cannot be estimated with the aggregated curve methodology, it is not possible to extract it from the curves. This has been validated with EPEX

Source: E-CUBE Strategy Consultants







The update of the Market Response Study is based on the exact same methodology as the one performed in 2017 and 2018

The process followed four key steps to come to a pertinent volume of Market Response:









EPEX DAM Belgium provides hourly aggregated curves of the purchase and sale orders

EPEX DAM Belgium aggregated curve



- The curves determine the clearing price: at the intersection of the demand and supply curve.
- From the curves, we can deduce the load variation corresponding to a given price increase
- This load variation corresponds to the perimeter of Market Response with contract based and price based MR but also voluntary DR. Indeed, if there are some volumes in the voluntary DR category, BRPs will anticipate voluntary DR events: it will impact their bidding behaviors and hence be reflected in the aggregated curves

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The Market Response volumes were extracted from the aggregated curves. The 2019 update added 7873 hours to the dataset











The cumulated dataset refinement follows the same approach as in the previous years and contains now 36.672 hours values



The refined dataset was used in the following analysis









The additional volumes of the 2019 update do not present a specific behaviour and are coherent with the dataset of the Market Response study 2017 and 2018



In the Market Response volumes of 2014, we noticed a specific behaviour of the customers not present in the volumes of 2015, 2016 and 2017 → The year 2014 was excluded of the dataset This type of behaviour doesn't appear in the 2015-2019 updated dataset → the volumes are coherent with the dataset of the Market Response study 2017 The 2019 data is coherent with the 2015-2018 dataset





Numerous analyses were conducted to explain the volume patterns, yet without any strong correlations

Various analyses were conducted :

- Simple correlations and multivariate regressions:
 - Day-ahead prices
 - Temperatures
 - Normal temperatures
 - Daily maximum price
 - Load
 - Gas prices
- Analysis of the tail of the distribution

No satisfying results were found from these analyses (very low R²), so the impact of the three main parameters (load, price and temperature) was assessed differently: by restricting the dataset to periods of important load, price, temperature etc.

All detailed documentation will be presented before summer and put thereafter on the Task Force ISR website



The impact of various parameters was assessed on the new dataset to verify the coherence with the analyses conducted in the last years





Contrary to the 2017 study, only the restrictions of the dataset to the winter period decrease the volatility, while further restrictions to weekdays and peak hours increase it



The focus on the most relevant hours in the context of the adequacy assessment (week days, peak hours of the winter period) is slightly less relevant in the updated dataset compared to the previous years

1) The additional data goes from April $18^{th},\,2018$ to March $11^{th},\,2019$

Source: E-CUBE Strategy Consultants



In the additional data received for the 2019 update, 1068 values remain after the data restriction





Contrary to the previous years, the categorization of the additional data is less coherent with the 2017 dataset: it leads to a standard deviation increase, and to a slightly lower market response volume

Summary of the two categories (refined and restricted dataset)







The market response in the 2018/2019 winter season is not higher than the previous years



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The weekly averages for both the high and the low bounds are below those of last year (non-restricted hours), yet higher than winter periods 2015/2016 and 2016/2017







The 2018/2019 data update leads to a slightly higher cumulated MR value

- Winter 2018/2019 shows average MR volumes slightly lower than during Winter 2017/2018, yet higher than in previous winter periods analysed
- Nevertheless, on a cumulated basis, the MR volumes slightly increase with the addition of 2018/2019 data
- The restrictions applied on the winter 2018/2019 data lead to an increase of the standard deviation, contrary to the last years
- Additional analyses such as the evolution of the standard deviation following restrictions as in the last years show that the MR response values are most variable during the weekday peak hours.



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Goal, scope and planning of the 2019 update – Reminder

Results of the aggregated curves analysis – 2019 update

3 Next steps



Based on today's discussions, the following steps will be performed

- Update of the market response values until the end of March (end of winter)
- Implementation proposal with extrapolation of the results (including ancillary services)
- Presentation in Task Force Implementation Strategic Reserve before the summer