

Power to the people – Creating markets for supply security based on consumer choice

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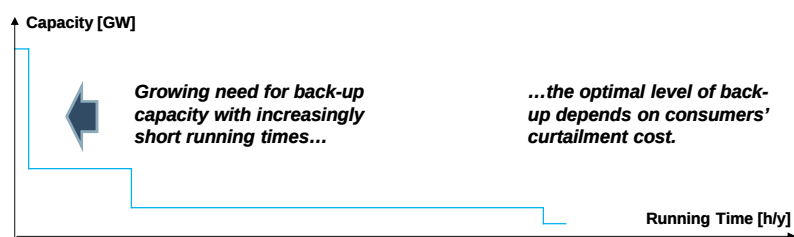
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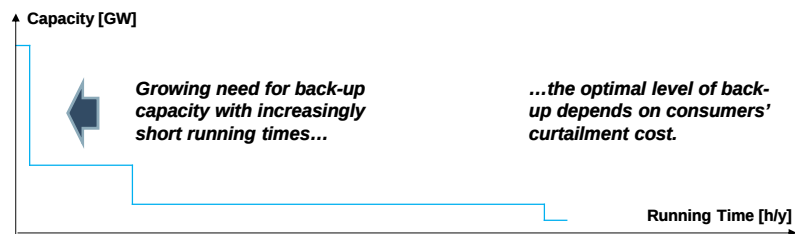
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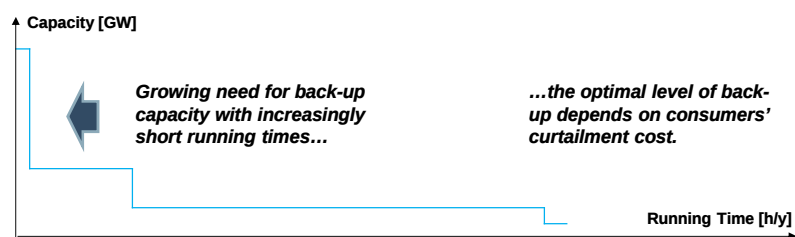
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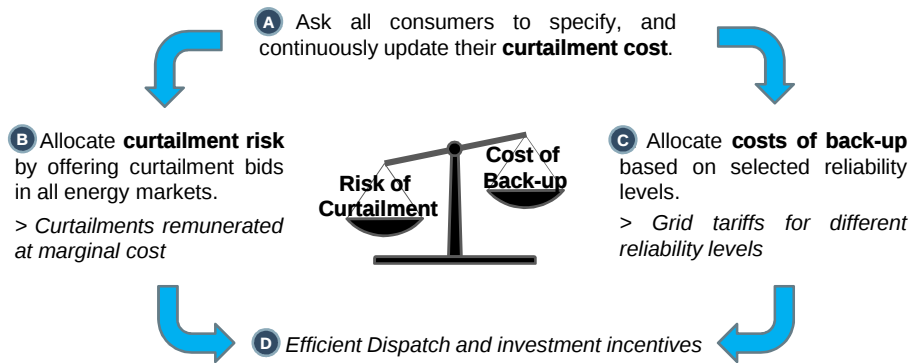
True curtailment cost is unknown because emergency curtailments are not market-based:

- Inefficient, administrative dispatch during emergencies, e.g. simultaneous scarcities
- Administrative investment incentives, e.g. capacity markets required to make up missing money

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How could market arrangements be changed?

Markets for emergency curtailments should enable each consumer to trade-off curtailment risk against the cost of back-ups.

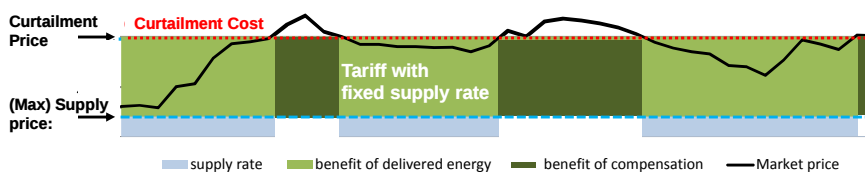


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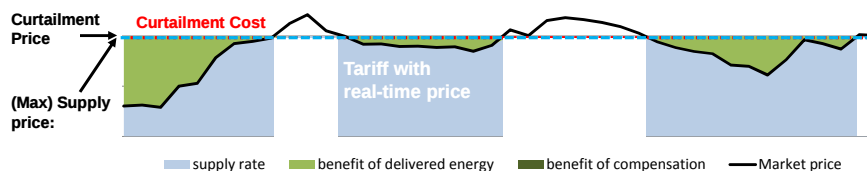


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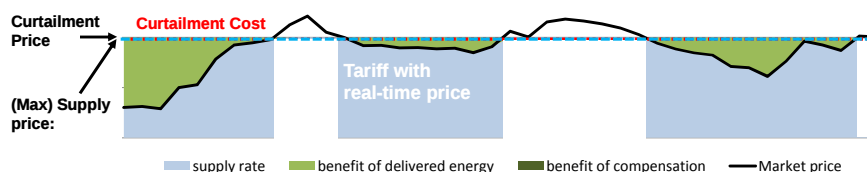
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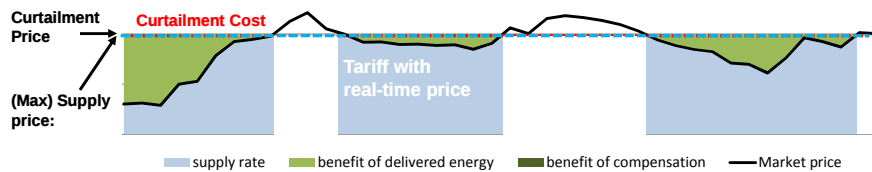
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e.g. enabled through Load-Limiting-Devices

e.g. provided through Central Data-Hub



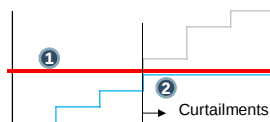
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Market based approach

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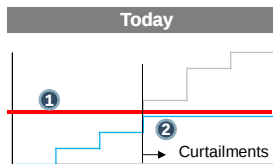
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Legend: Curtailment cost (blue), Price cap (red), Market price (blue line)

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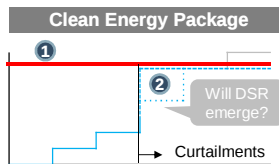
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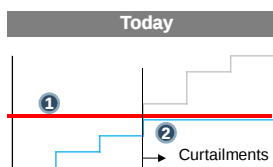
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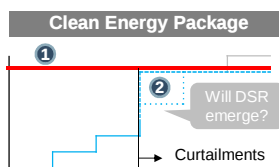
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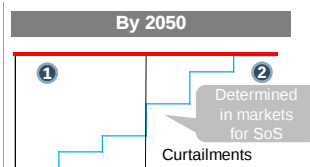
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- + Curtailment bids **may** emerge
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- 2 All curtailments are priced at marginal cost

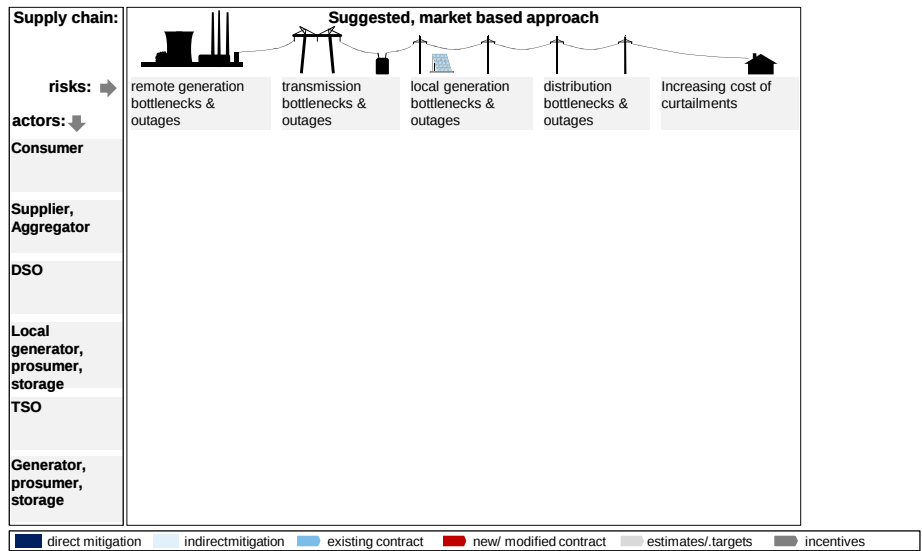
- + Curtailment bids **guaranteed**
- + Market based emergency dispatch based on consumer preferences
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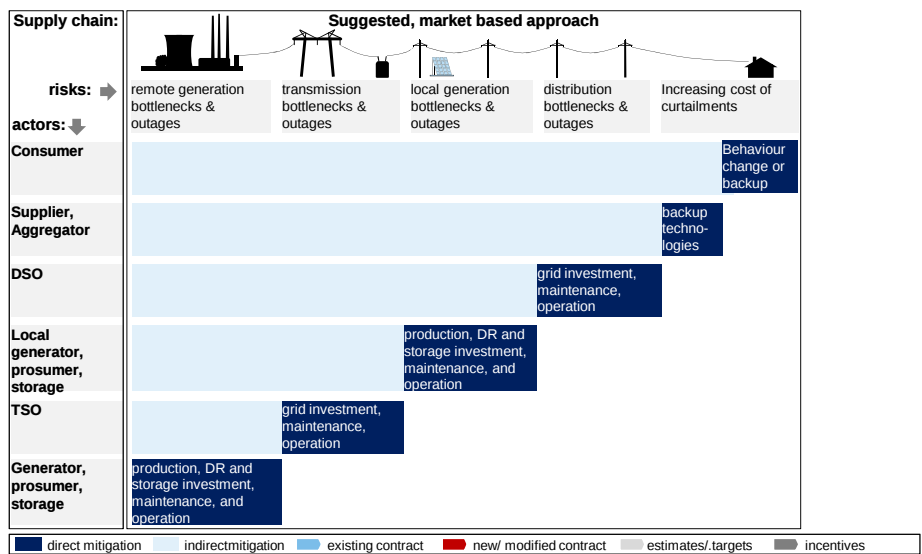
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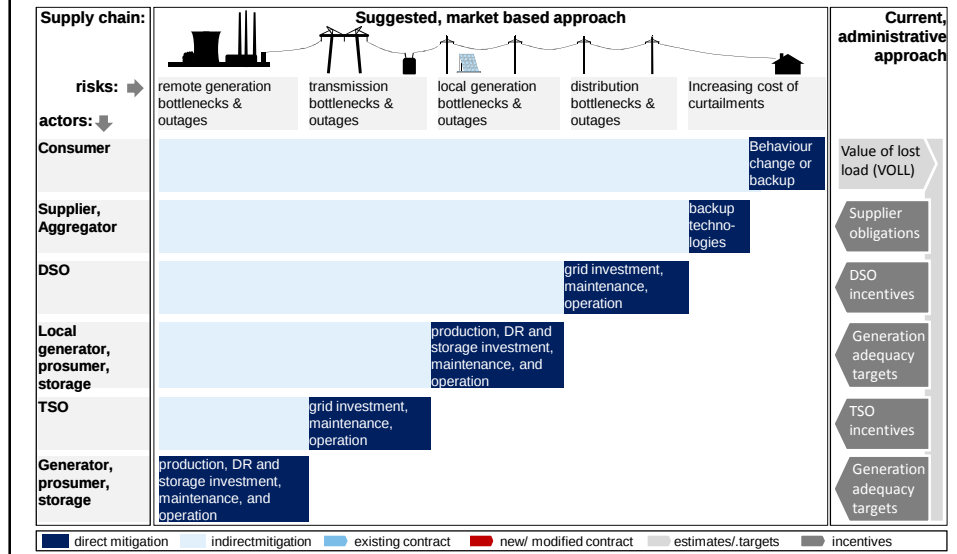
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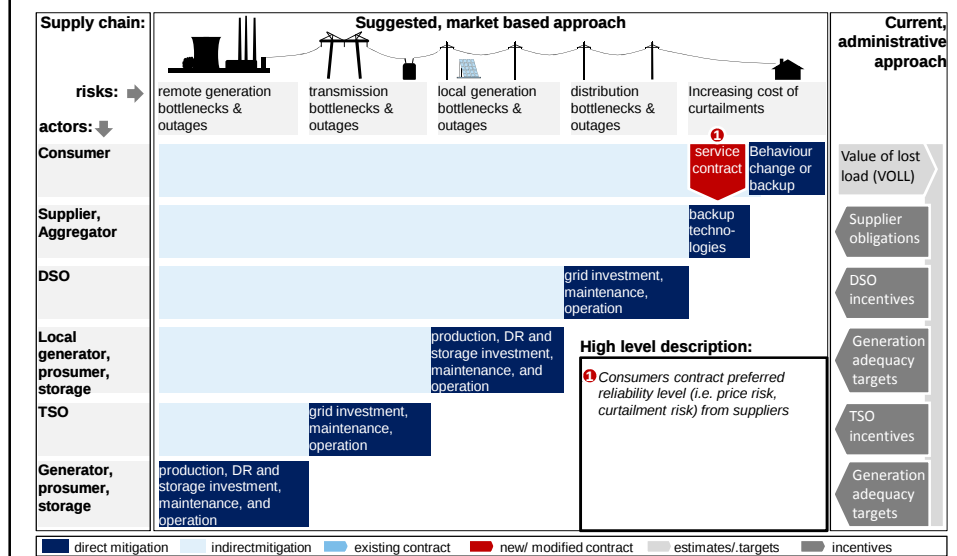
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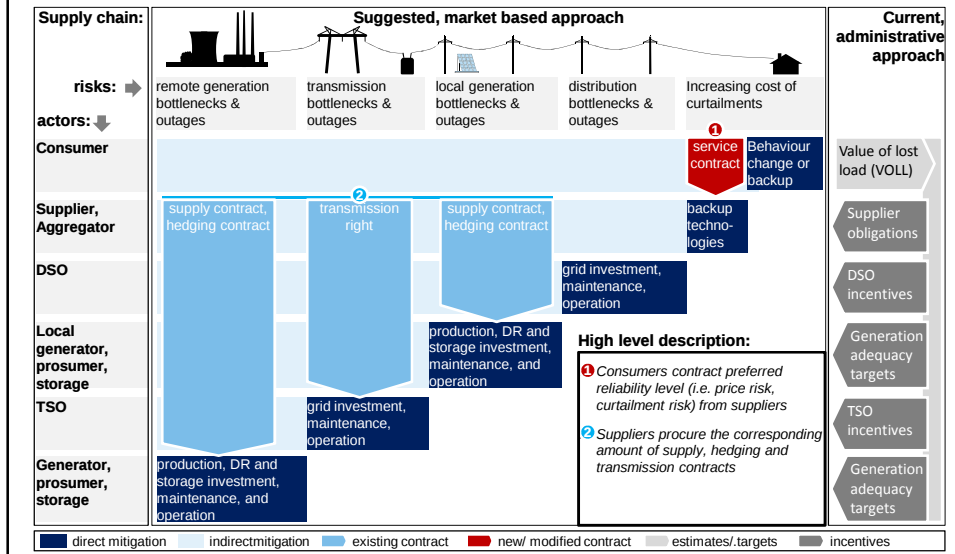
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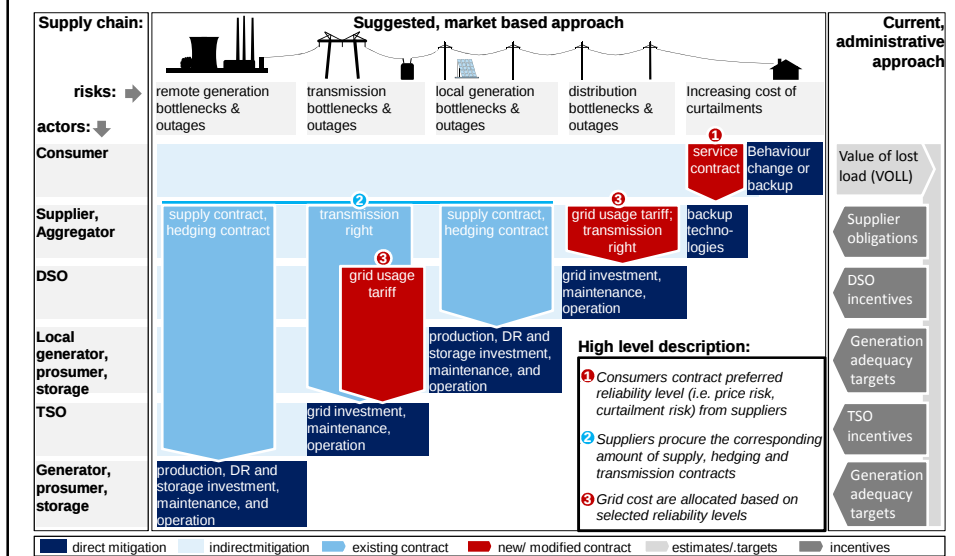
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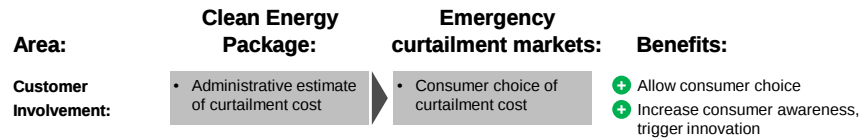
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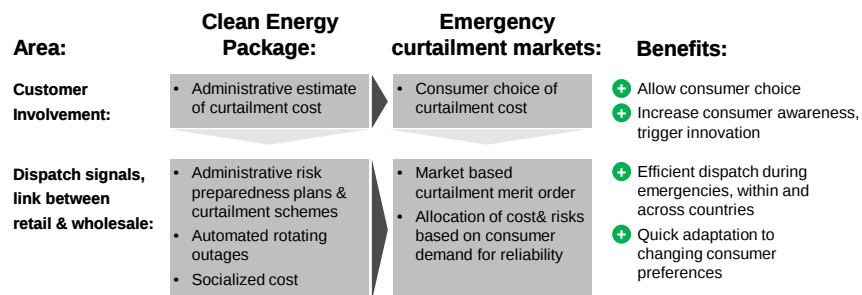


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Investment signals, system adequacy:	- Administrative procurement targets for capacity mechanisms - Administrative grid reliability targets	- Market based demand for hedging contracts and back-up capacity - Market based investment decisions	+ Undistorted investment signals + Quick adaptation to technological changes and high potential for innovation

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-> Further details & transitional arrangements see [forthcoming paper](#).

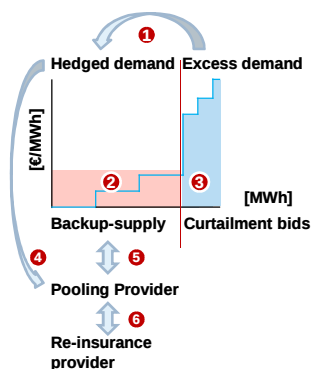
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Thank you for your attention!

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Would curtailment prices create excessive risks?

Markets for hedging contracts could protect consumers against imbalance price spikes and create investment incentives.

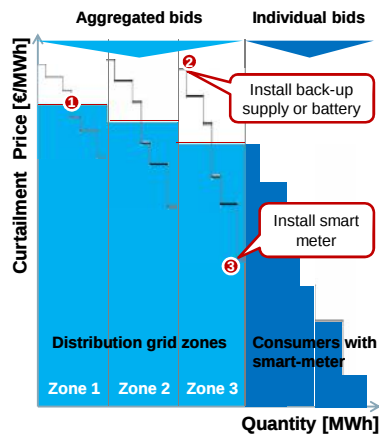


- ① Possibility of extreme price spikes and appropriate liquidity requirements for unhedged demand will create incentive to hedge against high imbalance prices
- ② Imbalance price risk for hedged consumption will be limited (e.g. to the strike price of option contract).
- ③ Only the unhedged excess demand will be exposed to the full imbalance price risk
- ④ Hedging contracts will be sold by pooling providers, and will pay back the difference between the hedged price and the marginal imbalance price.
- ⑤ To recover the price difference, pooling providers will contract sufficient back-up supply (creating investment incentives) and offer it in the imbalance market.
- ⑥ To cover against risk of extreme events, pooling providers could sign re-insurance contracts .

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In absence of smart meters, consumers could vote on the preferred reliability level for their distribution grid zone.

Votes on the preferred reliability level could be used for efficient roll-out of smart technologies.



① Already today, consumers in different sections of the transmission and distribution grid can be (and are!) assigned different reliability levels. However the curtailment sequence is determined administratively.
-> [See example](#)

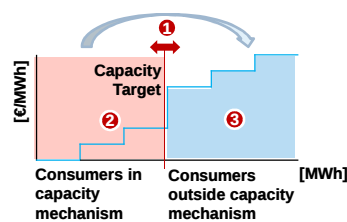
① This could be improved by allowing consumers in each zone could to vote on their preferred curtailment priority. Each zone would be assigned the average curtailment price and pay for the corresponding share of costs for grid and back-up supplies.

② Consumers with a curtailment cost above the average value of their zone could install back-up supplies to avoid frequent curtailments.

③ Consumers with a curtailment below the average value of their zone, could install smart meters to avoid paying a high share of the costs for grid and back-up supplies.

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To start the transition, consumers could be allowed to opt out of capacity mechanisms.



① Consumers could be allowed to opt out of capacity mechanisms (for part of their consumption), and procurement targets should be adjusted accordingly

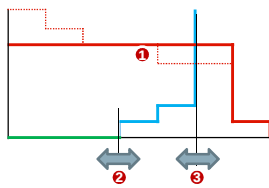
② Consumers that chose to remain in the capacity mechanism, should pay the cost of the capacity mechanism, as well as the grid cost associated with the maximum curtailment price. In return, they should only be curtailed as last resort.

③ Consumers that chose to opt out, should not pay for the capacity mechanism. They would be asked to specify their preferred curtailment price and pay the associated share of grid costs. In case of a scarcity that exceeds the capacity target, they would be curtailed in the order of ascending curtailment costs.

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The market designs that have been suggested in the FSR call differ along a number of key criteria.

— demand — variable supply
— dispatchable supply



Criteria:

- ① Dispatch price and priority during (simultaneous) scarcities which require curtailment
- ② Side-payments vs. completely separate markets for variable renewable generators.
- ③ Types of contracts (i.e. products) used to achieve capacity target (in each of the markets)

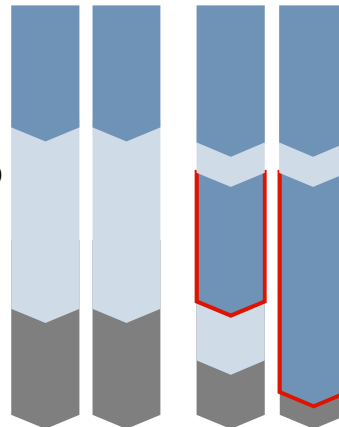
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We propose new consumer centred market mechanism for security of supply during emergency operations.

Current System Operation

D-1 12:00 Day ahead market
D-1 15:00 Intraday market
H-1 Balancing markets:
Realtime >Frequency containment reserve (FCR)
+5Min >Frequency restoration reserve (FRR)
+15Min >Replacement reserve (RR)
Varying Lead-times System defence plan:
>Multilateral remedial actions (MEAS)
>Voltage reductions
>Manual curtailments
>Automatic curtailments
>System restoration

Current design EC winter package Suggested design: transition/by 2050



Market based elements include:

■ demand & supply ■ supply ■ none

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