

# Reliability: Managing Missouri's Evolving Energy Needs

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### MISO Overview

MISO is an independent, not-for-profit, member-based organization responsible for keeping the power flowing across 15 U.S. states and Manitoba reliably and cost-effectively.



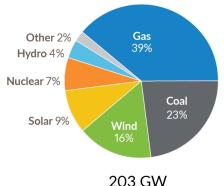
MISO's reliability footprint and regional control center locations

### **MISO STATISTICS**

Population Served	45 Million				
Transmission Line	77,000 Miles				
Generating Units	1,460				
Manahawa	56 Transmission Owners				
Members	173 Non-transmission Owners				
Market Participants	> 550				
Market Transactions	> \$33 billion in 2024				
Carbon Reduction	Approximately 32% since 2014				

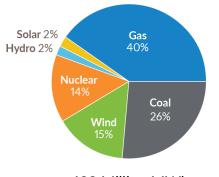
#### **INSTALLED CAPACITY**

June 2025



### **ENERGY PRODUCTION**

January-December 2024



638 Million MWh

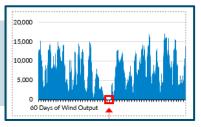


MISO has advanced the energy transition through its Reliability Imperative initiatives; as the transition continues, these efforts must stay aligned with evolving needs

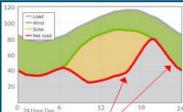
MISO's Operational Risk framework helped us prepare for the Energy Transition

LONG-DURATION

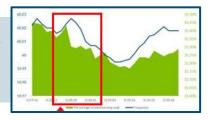
**OUTAGES** 



SHIFTING NET-LOAD SHAPES



SYSTEM STABILITY CHALLENGES



An evolving risk environment is challenging us to ensure our plans are doing enough fast enough



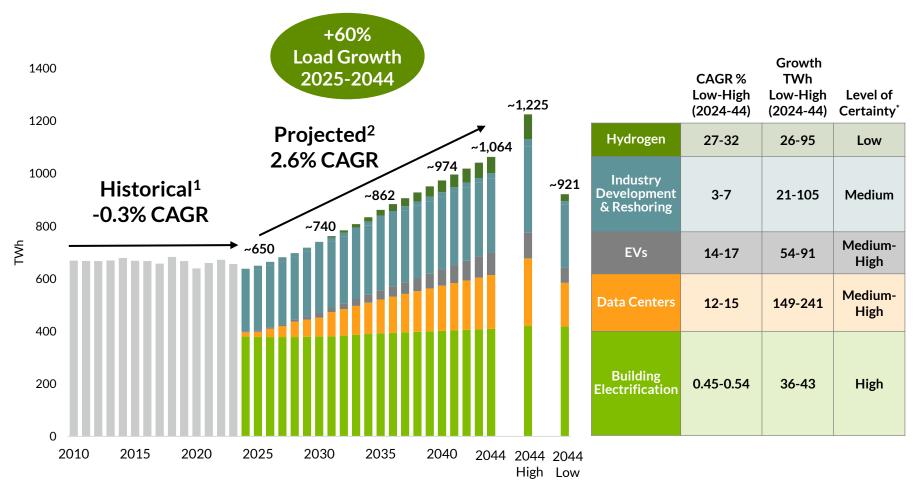
Large loads are interconnecting at an accelerating rate



Load Pocket reliability continues to be a focus



## The MISO region expects load growth rates that have not been seen for decades, requiring additional firm, controllable resources

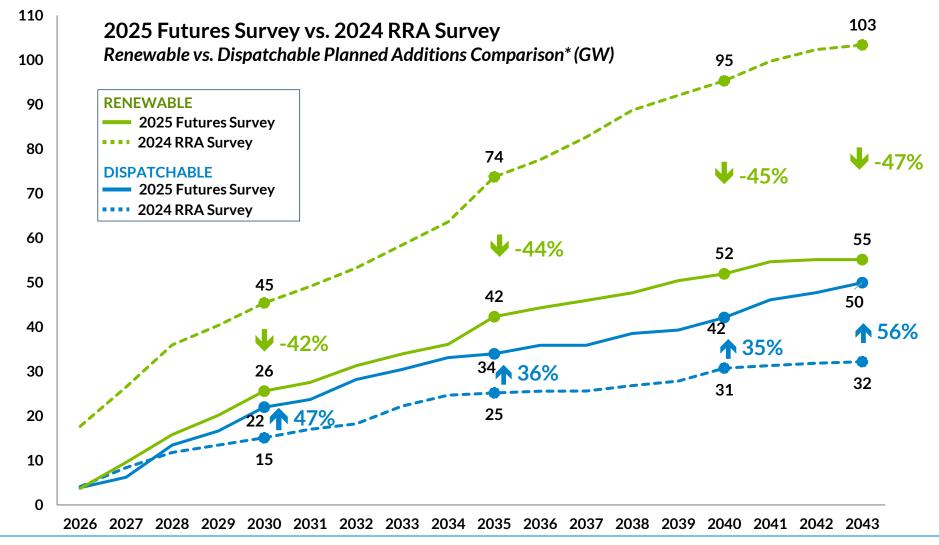


<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Net Load <sup>2</sup> Gross Load



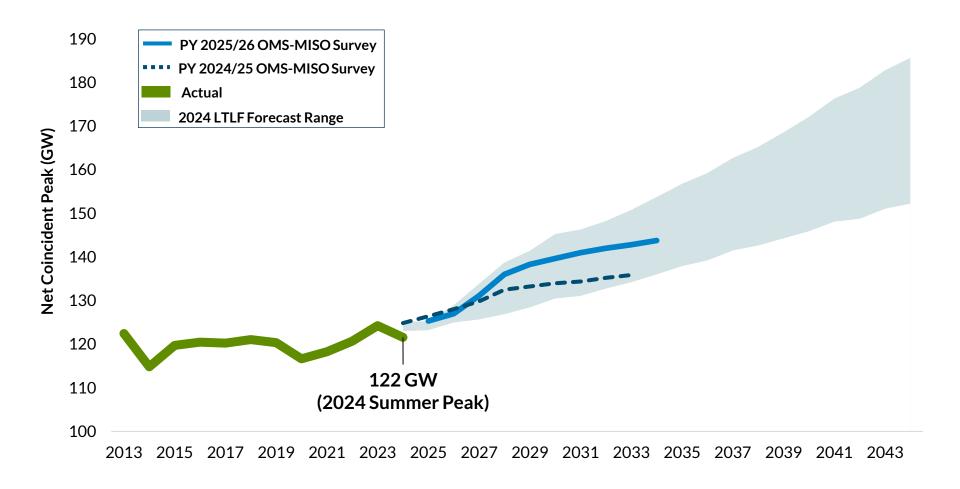
<sup>\*</sup> Expected likelihood of load growth materializing

### Members are increasing focus on maintaining required essential reliability attributes





With member load forecasts rising and trending towards the high end of MISO's range, continued diligence with resource planning is critical to support economic development





### Many initiatives underway and in process are expected to address nearterm needs and improve long-term processes

Reliability-Based Demand Curve

(FERC Approved)

Non-Emergency Resource Accreditation

(FERC Approved)

**Shortage Pricing** 

(FERC Approved)

Expedited Resource Additions Study (ERAS) Process

(FERC Approved)

Demand Response and Emergency Resource (DRER) Reforms\*

(Awaiting FERC Decision)

Generator
Interconnection
Software (SUGAR)
Implementation

(In-Progress)

Long-Range Transmission Planning (LRTP)

(Ongoing)

Futures Planning
Scenarios

(In-Progress)



<sup>\*</sup> Previously referred to as Load Modifying Resource (LMR) Reforms

## MTEP25 includes a record number of Expedited Project Requests and supports significant large load additions

	MTEP21	MTEP22	MTEP23	MTEP24	Preliminary MTEP25				
					Total	West	East	Central	South
Toal line miles	3,707	801	767	4,743	1,930	849	139	572	370
Large load additions (GW)	0.21	0.35	1.19	2.97	11.65	2.38	.02	4.33	4.92
Expedited projects	15	16	32	21	49	10	1	24	14
Project count	327	355	544	478	434	218	30	136	50

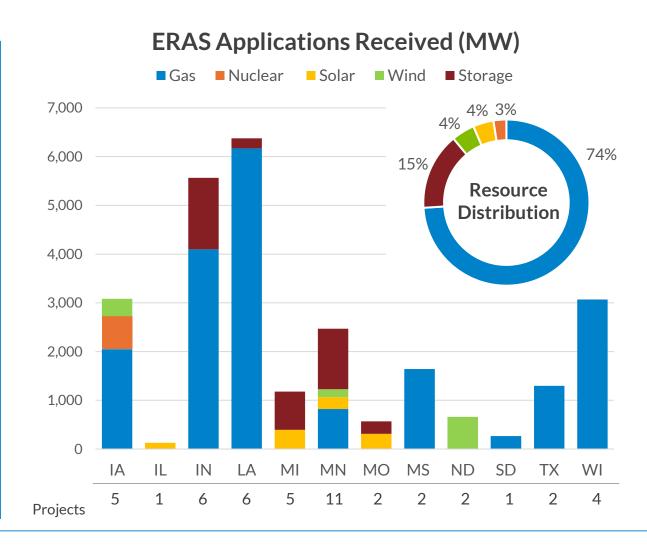
Increased
line miles in
MTEP21 and
MTEP24
attributed to
LRTP

MTEP25 projects submitted by 34 Transmission Owners



### The Expedited Resource Additions Study (ERAS) process is being maximized to accelerate approval of critically needed resources

- 68 projects allowed; 10 processed per quarter
- 47 applications received in first period
- First 10 projects
   include 5 natural gas,
   3 solar, 1 wind and 1
   battery totaling 5.3 GW
   of installed capacity,
   covering all 3 MISO
   regions, from
   Minnesota to Louisiana





## MISO has implemented interconnection reforms to help reduce study cycle time to one year

### **Interconnection Queue Cap**

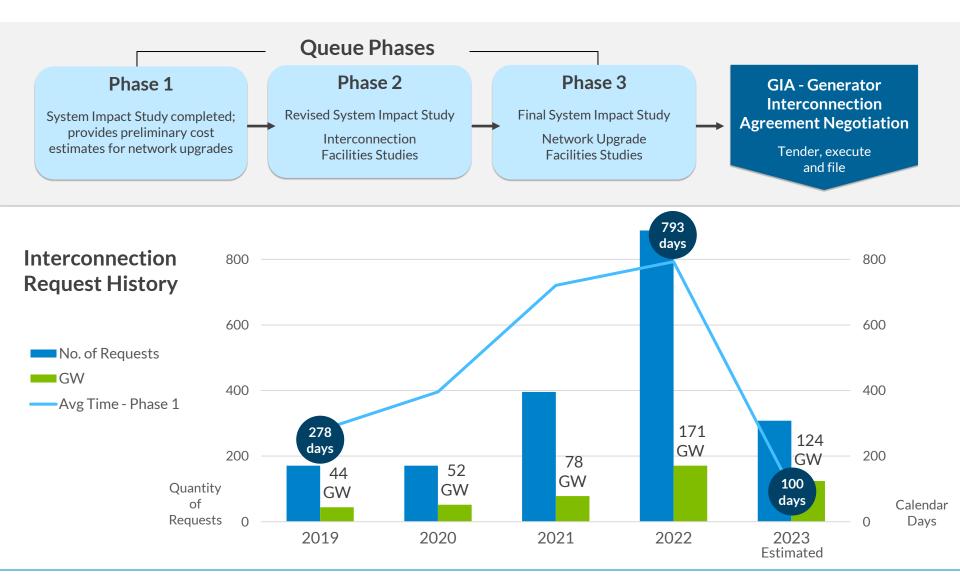
- Queue Cap is 50% of each Queue region's non-coincident peak load
- Will be applied beginning with the 2025 cycle
- Projects over Cap will be first in line for the next cycle, per submission timestamp
- Achieves more realistic resource dispatch, models and analysis
- Helps reduce constraints and needed network upgrades, resulting in fewer studies

#### **Interconnection Process Improvements**

- Implementing Phase 1 study automation with SUGAR®\* software
  - Yields accurate results and substantial time savings
  - Provides customers cost estimates more quickly
  - First use begins with 2023 cycle
- New application portal available in summer
  - Provides simplified, intuitive experience for customers
  - Workflow automation reduces administrative burden
  - Improves data storage and management; enables integrations



## MISO's efforts to reach a more manageable number of interconnection requests and improve early phase processing are producing results





### MISO and stakeholders are prioritizing Reliability Imperative initiatives

#### MARKET REDEFINITION

- Provide Accreditation Data and Risk Metrics
- Illustrate Energy Adequacy Risks Across Time Horizons and Locations
- Implement Dynamic Locational Reserve Products



#### TRANSMISSION EVOLUTION

- Revise MISO Futures
- Refine Probabilistic Load Forecasts
- Reform Queue to Achieve 365 Day Cycle
- Execute Expedited Resource Additions Study Process

### **SYSTEM ENHANCEMENTS**

- Implement Real-Time Market Clearing Engine
- Enhance Systems to Accommodate New Rules (e.g., Order 881)
- Expand Data & Analytics Modeling Capabilities

### **OPERATIONS OF THE FUTURE**

- Advance Platform to Improve Risk Assessment & Evaluation
- Evolve Operator Training and Development
- Enhanced Scenario Manager for Operations Simulator

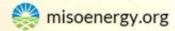




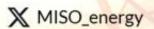
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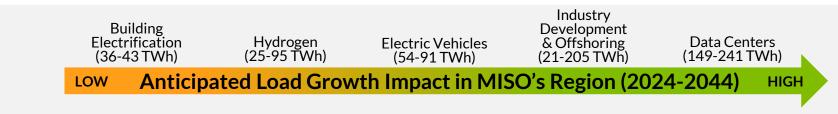
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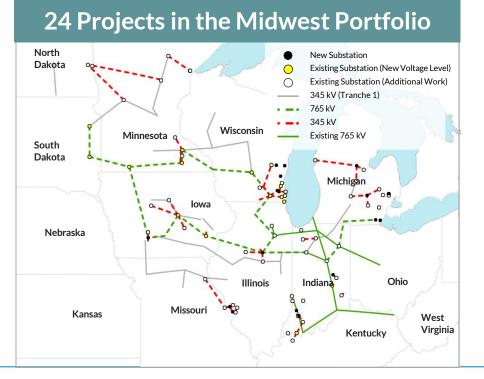




The LRTP Tranche 2.1 portfolio is an example of the beneficial regional transmission investments that will be required to support new large loads and operate the future fleet reliably



### Long Range Transmission Plan Tranche 2.1

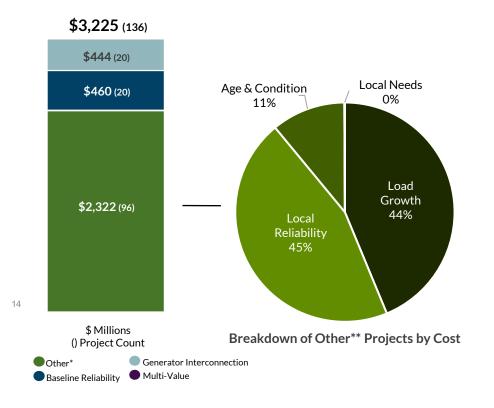


### **Delivers Broad, Measurable Benefits**

- Improves and protects grid reliability
- Reduces energy costs over time
- Delivers consumer cost savings
- Strengthens the economy
- Supports energy demand, data centers and industrial growth



### Central: Summary of MTEP25 Appendix A Projects



### Insights

- Most investment addresses reliability and load growth needs
- Other Local Reliability projects represent 45% of Other Projects; 67% of that investment is in Missouri
- 80% of Other Load Growth investment is in Indiana
- Over 572 total transmission miles; 45% within Indiana
- Top 10 projects represent 56% of total Central region investment
- 24 approved EPRs accounting for 4.3 GW and totaling \$1.2B
  - Nearly 60% of projects and over 50% of the spot load growth located in Indiana

MTEP25 proposed Appendix A & Appendix B projects can be viewed in greater detail on the TO Dashboard within the MISO Portal. Project information as of 8/20/25. \*Other = Projects based on local needs, including reliability, economics, equipment age and condition, environmental, etc. \*\*Breakdown categories are informational only and do not indicate new project types for cost allocation.

