



Generation and Large Load Alignment (LLWG-2026-6)

Large Load Working Group (LLWG)

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Define and Summarize Issue/Recommended Next Steps

- **Issue Statement:** MISO is proposing a new process that aligns large load studies with the generation needed to serve those loads. Aligning these studies will allow MISO to apply consistent assumptions, reduce timing mismatches, and produce more optimized network upgrades — while maintaining reliability.
 - Today's MTEP practice requires a signed Generator Interconnection Agreement before generation can be included in load studies, creating delays in the EPR process
 - Large load growth continues to accelerate, with 27 GW complete or under study in MTEP26
 - Recent Expedite Project Review (EPR) cycles included 34 GW of newly-signed Generator Interconnection Agreements (GIA) added into EPR models over the past year, demonstrating that load and generation continue to arrive together and benefit from aligned study treatment
- Recommendation for Large Load Working Group to Adopt Issue ✓

EPR Cycle*	Load in MW (Projects)
June-2026	3452 (9)
April-2026	+5457 (19)
Feb-2026	2600 (10)
Dec-2025	4297 (6)
Oct-2025	5455 (24)
Aug-2025	5780 (15)

*EPR cycles that begin near or after MTEP SPM 3 roll into the next MTEP cycle

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