

Power Park Module Setting Schedule

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Foreword

This **Power Park Module Setting Schedule** sets out certain technical criteria that **Generators** must comply with in respect of their **Power Park Modules** in accordance with CC.7.2 of the **Grid Code** and this **Power Park Module Setting Schedule** is deemed to form part of the **Grid Code** and **Distribution Code**.

As set out further in this **Power Park Module Setting Schedule**, the **Power Park Module Setting Schedule** is intended to meet obligations of both SONI and NIE Networks under the **Grid Code** and **Distribution Code**, as applicable. Accordingly, this foreword outlines in brief the obligations of SONI and NIE Networks under their respective licenses as relevant for the purposes of this **Power Park Module Setting Schedule**.

This Foreword is provided to **Generators** and to prospective **Generators** for information only and does not constitute part of the **Grid Code**.

SONI Ltd

SONI is the **Transmission System Operator (TSO)** in NI. On 11 March 2009, SONI Ltd became a wholly owned subsidiary of EirGrid plc. SONI's responsibility as the **TSO** in NI is to ensure the safe, secure, reliable, economic, and efficient operation of the Transmission **System** in its area of operation. This includes:

- The scheduling and dispatch of generating plant,
- Management of transmission network outages,
- Levying **System** support services charges,
- Market Operation,
- Managing the power flow on the Transmission **System** and Moyle Interconnector,
- Managing the NI **Grid Code**
- Meeting demand for electricity in NI while maintaining the operating security standard.

As stipulated in Condition 20 of SONI's **TSO** licence, SONI are responsible for operating the Transmission **System** and under Condition 25, it is obliged on application by any person to offer to enter into a Connection Agreement, or modify an existing agreement, for connection to the Transmission **System**.

NIE Networks Ltd

Northern Ireland Electricity Networks (NIE Networks) is responsible for the planning, development, construction and maintenance of the transmission and distribution network in Northern Ireland, and for the operation of the distribution network.

The NI electricity network comprises a number of interconnected networks of overhead line and underground cables, which are used for the transfer of electricity to customers via a number of substations. There are approximately 2,100km of transmission network (275 kV & 110 kV), of which some 80km are underground, and approximately 42,900km of the **Distribution System** (33 kV, 11 kV & 6.6 kV), of which some 13,100km are underground. There are currently over 790,000 customers connected to the **Distribution System**.

One of NIE Networks' main responsibilities is to ensure that the communities served have a safe and reliable supply of electricity, and that everything is done to restore supplies as safely and quickly as possible following interruptions.

NIE Networks holds a license "to transmit electricity for the purpose of giving a supply" to demand customers or **Generators**.

1.0 GLOSSARY OF TERMS

Defined terms within this document are in bold.

The source of the definition is indicated. Where there is any conflict between the definition shown here and the definition in the source document (i.e. the **Grid Code**) the definition in the source document will prevail.

Term	Definition
Active Power (or MW)	As per Grid Code or Distribution Code as applicable. Also defined in EREC G99/NI
Active Power Control Set-Point Ramp Rate	As per Grid Code or Distribution Code as applicable
Commissioning / Acceptance Test Panel	The panel made up of representatives from SONI and NIE Networks that will agree the Compliance testing program, provide direction on technical requirements, assess the test results and decide if Compliance has been achieved by the PPM .
Compliance	Compliance with the Grid Code and/or the Distribution Code as applicable
Connection Agreement	As per Grid Code or Distribution Code as applicable. Also defined in EREC G99/NI
Connection Point	As per Grid Code or Distribution Code as applicable. Also defined in EREC G99/NI
Controllable Power Park Module	As per Grid Code or Distribution Code as applicable
Designed Minimum Operating Level (DMOL)	The Output below which a Power Park Module cannot operate without shutting down Generating Units .
Distribution Code	As per Grid Code or Distribution Code as applicable. Also defined in EREC G99/NI
Distribution Network Owner (DNO)	As per Grid Code or Distribution Code as applicable. Also defined in EREC G99/NI
Distribution System	As per Grid Code or Distribution Code as applicable. Also defined in EREC G99/NI
Energisation Operational Notification (EON)	A notification issued by the DNO to a Generator prior to energisation of its internal network. Also defined in EREC G99/NI
Final Operational Notification (FON)	The Final Operational Notification as may be issued by SONI in accordance with CC15.2.3 (for a Transmission System connected Power Park Module) or CC16.2.3 (for a distribution- System connected Power Park Module). Also defined in EREC G99/NI
Frequency	As per Grid Code or Distribution Code as applicable
Frequency Control	As per Grid Code or Distribution Code as applicable
Frequency Sensitive Mode (FSM)	As per Grid Code or Distribution Code as applicable. Also defined in EREC G99/NI
Generating Unit	As per Grid Code or Distribution Code as applicable. Also defined in EREC G99/NI
Generator	As per Grid Code or Distribution Code as applicable. Also defined in EREC G99/NI
Generator Performance Chart	As per Grid Code or Distribution Code as applicable. Also

	defined in EREC G99/NI
Grid Code	As per Grid Code or Distribution Code as applicable. Also defined in EREC G99/NI
Interim Operational Notification (ION)	Interim Operational Notification as may be issued by SONI in accordance with CC15.2.2 (for a Transmission System connected PPM) or CC16.2.2 (for a distribution- System connected PPM). Also defined in EREC G99/NI
Limited Frequency Sensitive Mode – Over frequency (LFSM-O)	As per Grid Code or Distribution Code as applicable
Limited Frequency Sensitive Mode – Under frequency (LFSM-U)	As per Grid Code or Distribution Code as applicable
Limited Operational Notification (LON)	If a non- Compliance arises at any point from synchronisation throughout the full operational life of the Power Park Module , SONI/NIE Networks may issue the Generator with a Limited Operational Notification , which will detail the level of non- Compliance of the Power Park Module , the time frame to rectify the non- Compliance and the MVA restriction to which the Power Park Module will be capped until the non- Compliance is resolved. Also defined in EREC G99/NI
Maximum Instantaneous Output (MIO)	The MW figure a Power Park Module is capable of generating at any instant if there is no SONI action present.
Minimum Stable Operating Level	The minimum Active Power output which a PPM can reasonably generate as registered with the DNO or the TSO . Also defined in EREC G99/NI
MW Availability	The amount of Active Power that the Controllable PPM could produce based on current generation resource conditions, network conditions and System conditions.
Operational Readiness Confirmation	Issued by SONI to the Generator when a Power Park Module passes the SONI MW Availability standard and successfully completes the operational readiness dispatch test.
Output	As per Grid Code or Distribution Code as applicable
Power Generating Facility (PGF)	A facility that converts primary energy into electrical energy and which consists of one or more PPMs connected to a System at one or more Connection Points . Also defined in EREC G99/NI. Also defined in the Grid Code (Power Station)
Power Park Module (PPM)	As per Grid Code or Distribution Code as applicable. Also defined in EREC G99/NI
Reactive Power (MVar)	As per Grid Code or Distribution Code as applicable
Registered Capacity	As per Grid Code or Distribution Code as applicable. Also defined in EREC G99/NI
Resource Following Ramp Rate	The maximum rate of increase of Active Power Output of a PPM upon removal of any TSO actions via SCADA which limits Active Power Output of the PPM , as specified by the TSO from time to time in the PPM Setting Schedule (or such other place or by such other means as may be notified to the Generator from time to time.
Setting Schedule	A document that sets out certain technical criteria and Compliance requirements that the Generator must comply with.
System	As per Grid Code or Distribution Code as applicable
Transmission System	As per Grid Code or Distribution Code as applicable. Also defined in EREC G99/NI
Transmission System Operator (TSO)	As per Grid Code or Distribution Code as applicable. Also defined in EREC G99/NI.

Type C	A PPM with a Connection Point below 110 kV and a Registered Capacity of 5 MW or greater but less than 10 MW . Also defined in EREC G99/N1.
Type D	A PPM with a Connection Point at, or greater than, 110 kV and/or with a Registered Capacity of 10 MW or greater. Also defined in EREC G99/N1.
User Data Library (UDL)	A common directory structure for information in support of Compliance statements and technical data. The structure of UDL is given in Appendix A of this document.
Voltage Control	As per Grid Code or Distribution Code as applicable

Acronyms

CC	Connection Conditions (Grid Code)
CHCC	Castlereagh House Control Centre
DCC	Distribution Control Centre
DLR	Dynamic Line Rating
DNO	Distribution Network Operator
DMOL	Designed Minimum Operating Level
DRC	Data Registration Code (Grid Code)
FRT	Fault Ride Through
FSM	Frequency Sensitive Mode
GCCA	Grid Code Compliance Agreement
HV	High Voltage
SEM	Single Electricity Market
SEMO	Integrated Single Electricity Market Operator
LV	Low Voltage
MIO	Maximum Instantaneous Output
NIE Networks	Northern Ireland Electricity Networks
NRMSD	Normalised Root Mean Square Deviation
OHL	Over Head Line
PF	Power Factor
PGF	Power Generating Facility

PPM	Power Park Module
pu	per unit
SONI	System Operator of Northern Ireland
T&D	Transmission and Distribution
TDLR	Temperature Dependent Dynamic Line Rating
TUOS	Transmission Use of System
TUOSA	Transmission Use of System Agreement
UDL	User Data Library
VPT	Variable Price Taker

2.0 INTRODUCTION

This **Power Park Module Setting Schedule** comes into effect on 27 April 2019 for **Type C** and **Type D Power Park Modules** first installed on or after that date. This **Power Park Module Setting Schedule** should be used in conjunction with the SONI **Grid Code** (CC7.2, CC7.3, CC.S2.1.1 and CC.S2.2.1) which is available from the SONI website¹, the **Distribution Code** (CC1.1, CC1.2, CC1.3, CC11.1, CC11.2) and EREC G99/N1 which are available on the NIE Networks website. This **Power Park Module Setting Schedule** is a subsidiary document to both the **Grid Code** and **Distribution Code** and will be under the governance of the respective Review Panels. It will provide **Power Generating Facilities** containing **Type C** and **Type D Power Park Modules** clarity with regard to the **Compliance** requirements of the Codes, where certain aspects of the Codes are not detailed.

This **Setting Schedule** contains specific **Compliance** requirements for **Type C** and **Type D Power Park Modules** and explains a process to manage crucial interactions and data exchange. The process involves plant testing and reporting to demonstrate **Compliance** with the SONI **Grid Code** and the NIE Networks **Distribution Code** and the Commission Regulation (EU) 2016/631, Network Code Requirements for all Generators. Where the **Connection Agreement** specifically requires additional conditions or tests, a schedule shall be agreed between the parties. The technical requirements, general compliance and commissioning requirements for **Type C** and **Type D Power Park Modules** connecting to the **Distribution System** are given in EREC G99/N1.

It is intended to inform the **Generator** of the necessary process and reference should be made to the **Grid Code**, **Distribution Code**, EREC G99/N1, the **Connection Agreement** and the **Connection Agreement** application process for a complete set of provisions relating to connection of generation.

Type C and **Type D Power Park Modules** connecting to the NIE Networks **Distribution System** are required to comply with the NIE Networks **Distribution Code**. **Power Park Modules** with a capacity greater than 5 MW will be required to comply with the SONI **Grid Code**, in particular the Connection Conditions. It is recommended that a **Generator** make contact with SONI and NIE Networks at an early stage of the project, prior to signing a contract with **Generating Unit** manufacturers. SONI and NIE Networks will provide guidance on technical issues and plant performance requirements.

SONI and NIE Networks' role will be to facilitate the compliance for the **Power Park Module**. SONI and NIE Networks' licence obligation is to ensure that the connection of **Power Park Module** does not conflict with its responsibilities mentioned in the foreword of this document.

2.1 SINGLE ELECTRICITY MARKET (SEM) ARRANGEMENTS

A **Power Park Module** with a capacity greater than 10 MW is required under the terms of their Generation license to participate in the SEM. With a **Registered Capacity** between 5 - 10 MW, a **Power Park Module** has the option to participate in the SEM.

¹ [System Operators Northern Ireland \(SONI\) Website](#)

Information relating to the differences in participating in the SEM is contained in the Trading and Settlement Code, available from the SEM website².

Upon synchronisation of a **Power Park Module**, a **Power Park Module** will remain as an Autonomous **Generator** operating in the SEM. Upon successful completion of:

- 1) the **Active Power** Control Test
- 2) **MW Availability** Test (this will be based on observation of the **MW Availability** signal throughout the **Active Power** Control test and continuous monitoring of **MW Availability** by SONI).

SONI will issue **Operational Readiness Confirmation** to the **Power Park Module**. Upon receipt of this, a **Power Park Module** with a **Registered Capacity** greater than 10 **MW** must contact SEMO and change its status in the SEM to a Variable Price Taker (VPT), a **Power Park Module** with a **Registered Capacity** of between 5-10 **MW** may elect to contact SEMO to change its status in the SEM to a VPT.

3.0 PRIOR TO ENTERING INTO A BI-LATERAL AGREEMENT

Studies shall be carried out to ensure that any new network additions or modifications do not result in unacceptable or unstable conditions on the T&D **System**. This will be done by undertaking a number of **System** studies replicating the **Power Park Module** proposed development and the effect it may have on the NI T&D **System**.

The cost (which is included in the Connection Offer) of such studies shall be charged to the prospective **Generator**, who shall be liable to meet the costs in full whether or not the **Generator** proceeds with any or all of the project(s) under investigation.

Initial studies may only be indicative until the **Generator** is in a position to confirm machine and transformer data accuracy. The costs of further studies and witness testing shall be agreed between the **TSO/DNO** and the **Generator** and shall be met in full by the **Generator**. The costs may reflect the **TSO/DNO** work or work carried out by external consultants.

Costs that are attributable to the **Power Park Module** shall be met by the **Generator** as per SONI's or NIE Networks' connection charging methodology statement as applicable.

4.0 BI-LATERAL AGREEMENTS

4.1 CONNECTION AGREEMENT

A **Connection Agreement** to the Transmission or **Distribution System** is an agreement specifying the capacity and characteristics of the **Power Park Module**, which may be connected to the T&D **System**. The **Connection Agreement** will show the configuration of the **Power Park Module** and NIE Networks equipment and will identify the point(s) of connection. SONI will offer **Connection Agreements** for all Transmission connected **Power Park Modules**. NIE will offer **Connection Agreements** for all Distribution connected **Power Park Module**. The entry into a **Connection Agreement** is part of the requirements on a **Power Park Module** of accepting a Connection Offer from SONI or NIE Networks.

² www.sem-o.com

4.2 TRANSMISSION USE OF SYSTEM AGREEMENT (TUoSA)

Under the terms of the Trading and Settlement Code, a TUoSA is required by all **Power Generating Facilities** in order to participate in the SEM. If the **Power Generating Facility** is greater than 5 MW it is required to pay TUoS. A **Power Generating Facility** with a capacity greater than 10 MW will be obliged to participate in the SEM. For further information consult the SEM-11-078 paper.

The TUoSA will be between the **Power Generating Facility** and SONI. Among other things it places obligations on the **Power Generating Facility** to comply with the entire **Grid Code**. The **Grid Code** Connection Conditions outline SONI's requirement for interfacing with the **Power Generating Facility** and this **Power Park Module Setting Schedule** outlines SONI's/NIE Networks' requirement for interfacing with the **Power Park Module**. This **Power Park Module Setting Schedule** details the full range of tests that are required to assess **Compliance** with the Connection Conditions; it also outlines SONI/NIE Networks' requirements on certain aspects of a **Power Park Modules** performance.

4.3 GRID CODE COMPLIANCE AGREEMENT (GCCA)

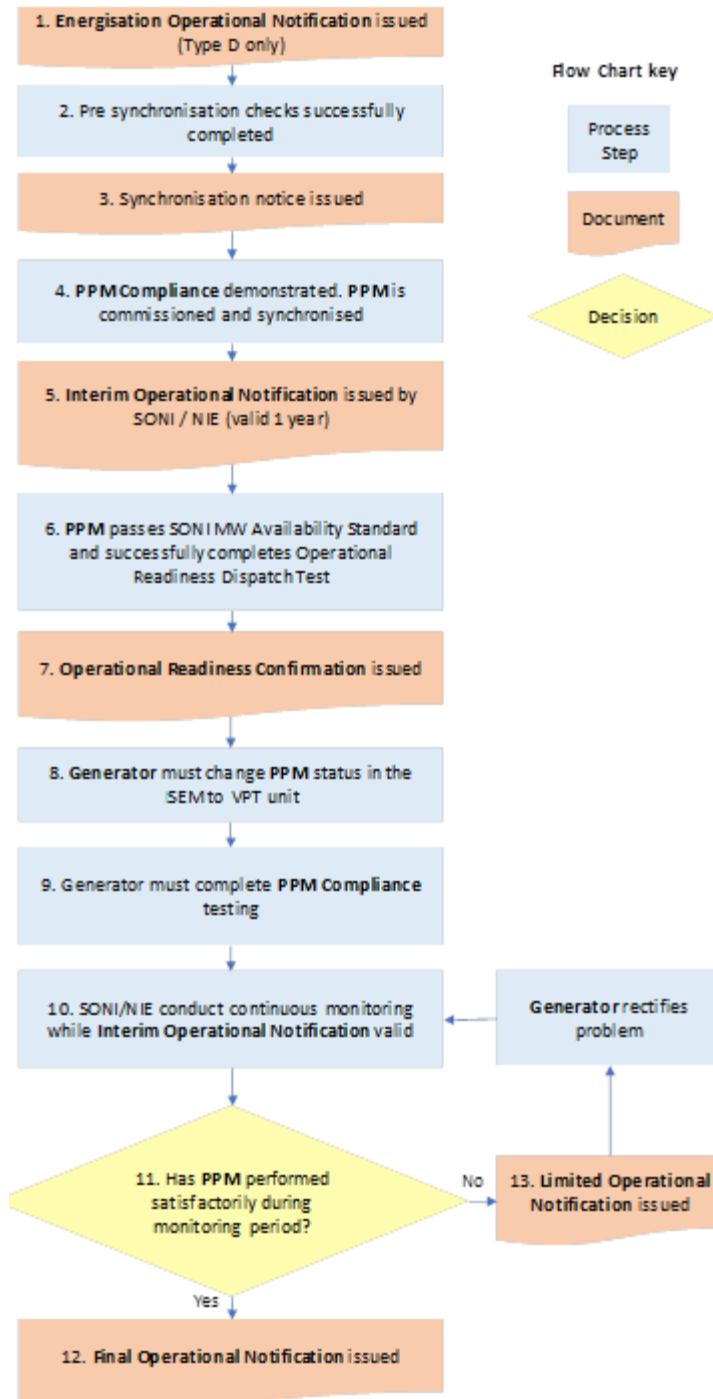
A **Power Generating Facility** with a **Registered Capacity** between 5-10 MW will be required pursuant to its **Connection Agreement** with the **DNO** to enter into a GCCA if the **Power Generating Facility** is not a SEM participant.

The GCCA places obligations on the **Power Park Module** to comply with the **Grid Code** Connection Conditions. The **Grid Code** Connection Conditions outlines SONI's requirement for interfacing with the **Power Park Module** and this **Power Park Module Setting Schedule** outlines SONI's/NIE Networks' requirement for interfacing with the **Power Park Module**. This **Power Park Module Setting Schedule** details the full range of tests that will be required to assess **Compliance** with the Connection Conditions; it also outlines SONI/NIE Networks' requirements on certain aspects of a **Power Park Module** performance.

5.0 COMPLIANCE PROCEDURES

The flow chart in Figure 1 below explains the connection/**Compliance** processes that will be involved from pre-synchronisation to the issuing of a Final Operational Notification in accordance with CC15.2.3 and CC16.2.3 of the **Grid Code**. Each step in the flow chart is described in the table below Figure 1.

*Figure 1: Connection/**Compliance** Processes for Transmission & Distribution Connected Power Park Module*



Step No.	Step	Description
1	Energisation Operational Notification issued (Type D only)	Notification is issued by NIE Networks / SONI to the Generator to allow energisation of the Generator's internal network.
2	Pre-synchronisation checks successfully completed	As per the pre-synchronisation checklist (included in Appendix B1 of this document), noting the requirement for a commissioning programme to be submitted to SONI / NIE Networks 6 weeks prior to synchronisation.
3	Synchronisation notice issued	NIE Networks will confirm to the Generator that the PPM is ready to be synchronised.
4	PPM Compliance is demonstrated, PPM is commissioned and synchronised	Compliance is demonstrated (via UDL). Commissioning tests for PPM are undertaken. PPM is synchronised (NIE Networks Circuit Breaker at the PPM Connection Point is closed).
5	Interim Operational Notification issued	An Interim Operational Notification ³ is issued when the PPM has completed step 4 to the satisfaction of SONI / NIE Networks. The Interim Operational Notification is valid for 1 year from when the PPM is due to begin exporting Active Power .
6	PPM passes SONI MW Availability standard and successfully completes Operational Readiness Dispatch Test	Once the PPM is capable of full Active Power export and the PPM is continuously passing the SONI MW Availability standard (Appendix C) for 2 weeks SONI will carry out an Operational Readiness Dispatch test (Section 6.2.1 of this PPM Setting Schedule). On the successful completion of this test, SONI will issue an Operational Readiness Confirmation to the Generator .
7	Operational Readiness Confirmation issued	The Operational Readiness Confirmation is issued by SONI to the Generator .
8	Generator must change the PPM status in the SEM to VPT unit	The Operational Readiness Confirmation issued by SONI to the Generator will allow the Generator to change the status of the PPM in the SEM from Autonomous Unit to Variable Price Taker (VPT) Unit.
9	PPM must complete Compliance testing	From the date the PPM is capable of full Active Power export, the Generator will have a period of 3 months to complete Compliance Testing (resource conditions permitting) and submit to SONI an updated UDL containing a satisfactory "Final Report".
10	SONI/NIE Networks conduct continuous monitoring	For the full duration of the validity of the Interim Operational Notification the PPM shall be subject to continuous monitoring by SONI/NIE Networks. SONI/NIE Networks may extend the validity of the Interim Operational Notification beyond 1 year if it is deemed necessary.
11	Assessment of satisfactory performance	SONI/NIE Networks shall confirm if the PPM has performed satisfactorily for the full duration of the monitoring period. If the PPM has performed satisfactorily, SONI shall issue the PPM with a Final Operational Notification ⁴ . If the PPM has not performed satisfactorily, SONI/NIE Networks will engage with the PPM to resolve the issue by use of the Limited Operational Notification process. This may require some retesting or an extension of the continuous monitoring period.

³ The **Interim Operational Notification** that will be issued to the **Generator** is a joint SONI/NIE certificate that will cover the SONI requirements that are stipulated in **Grid Code** CC15.2.2and CC16.2.2regarding Interim Operational Notification and also cover the Temporary **Distribution Code Compliance** Certification.

⁴ The **Final Operational Notification** that will be issued to the **Generator** is a joint SONI/NIE certificate that will cover the SONI requirements that are stipulated in **Grid**

12	SONI issue Final Operational Notification	The Final Operational Notification is issued by NIE Networks / SONI to the Generator .
13	SONI/NIE Networks issue Limited Operational Notification	If a non- Compliance arises at any point from synchronisation throughout the full operational life of the PPM , SONI/NIE Networks may issue the Generator with a Limited Operational Notification , which will detail the level of non- Compliance of the PPM , the time frame to rectify the non- Compliance and the MVA restriction to which the PPM will be capped until the non- Compliance is resolved.

5.1 PRE-SYNCHRONISATION

A **Commissioning/Acceptance Test Panel** will be set up in advance of synchronisation of the **PPM**. This panel will be made up of representatives from SONI and NIE Networks (the **Generator** may be asked to attend meetings to provide input to the connection process).

In advance of any **PPM** commissioning tests, the **Commissioning/Acceptance Test Panel** will act as the interface with the **PPM**. The **PPM** should be aware that this interface would normally be available in weekday working hours only.

Synchronisation cannot take place prior to all relevant agreements (as described in section 4 of this **PPM Setting Schedule**) being signed.

The **Generator** must submit a commissioning program to SONI/NIE Networks at least six weeks prior to synchronisation. If the commissioning program changes, the **Generator** must submit a revised commissioning program to SONI/NIE Networks immediately; this may impact on testing timelines.

Prior to synchronisation on to the NIE Networks T&D **System**, pre-synchronisation tests must be completed as per pre-synchronisation check list included in Appendix B1. If SONI/NIE Networks accept that all pre-synchronisation criteria have been met then a synchronisation notice will be issued.

At least 6 weeks in advance of the proposed synchronisation date (or such longer period as SONI may reasonably consider to be appropriate in the circumstances), the **Generator** must provide SONI with all the information requested under **Distribution Code CC10**, **Grid Code CC10** (for **Generators** connecting to the Transmission **System**) or CC11 (for **Generators** connecting to the **Distribution System**) including updated Planning Code Data, connection date, type test reports, details of Protection arrangements and the Statement of Compliance. This information shall be provided in the format described in Section 5.8– **User Data Library (UDL)**. SONI will make this **UDL** available to NIE Networks.

SONI/NIE Networks' objective in seeking this information is to establish from the **Generator** the schedule of commissioning tests which may have an impact on the NI T&D **System**. In some occasions it may be necessary to carry out specific network studies using the data provided by the **Generator**. The purpose of these operational studies is to determine if any of the proposed **PPMs** will have a detrimental effect on the NI T&D **System**. The costs incurred by this report will be met by the **Generator**.

5.1.1 METERING ARRANGEMENTS

(This section 5.1.1 (Metering Arrangements) has been included for information only)

All **Power Generating Facilities** main meters will be connected using IP (Internet Protocol) over NIE Network' OTN (Operational Telecoms Network), check meters will be connected via IP over VPN (Virtual Private Network) on a broadband connection. The broadband connection for the VPN will be supplied by the **Generator** and will be supplied on dedicated equipment with a public routable static IP address solely allocated for SONI/metering use. Please note site broadband / IP phones are not acceptable. The termination of the broadband connection should be at the metering / comms cabinets where the Cable and Wireless routers will be installed. To ensure security of the broadband connection, a Universal Power Supply (UPS) will be installed.

5.1.2 METERING RELIABILITY TESTS

(This section 5.1.2 (Metering Reliability Tests) has been included for information only)

Testing will only commence following successful connection of both primary and backup communications. Testing of the main communication link to the **Power Park Module** will last for a minimum of 10 days before communications reliability will be confirmed and the **Power Park Module** will be allowed to enter the SEM (Back-up comms links will also be spot-checked during this period). Registration to the **SEM** will only be approved by SONI once there has been 10 days of successful consecutive comms to meters.

The **Generator** must ensure the meter has a working power supply to ensure that the communication to the meter can be tested. Reliability testing can commence prior to synchronisation, i.e. an on-site diesel generator can be used to energise meters. If the **Generator** does not wish to power the meter for testing prior to synchronisation then the test phase will begin once the site/meter has been energised. Please note that the market does not settle in retrospect and payment for exported energy is only from approved registration date.

5.1.3 SCADA FUNCTIONALITY TEST

Prior to synchronisation, the **Generator** must prove the functionality of all SCADA signals from each **Generating Unit** right through to Castlereagh House Control Centre (some functionality will have to be proven to the Distribution Control Centre for Distribution connected **Power Park Module**).

This functionality test is required to ensure that when the **Power Park Module** is synchronised that SONI/NIE Networks will have full control from the instant that the site is capable of **Active Power** export.

When all the **Power Park Module** SCADA is in place, the **Generator** must contact SONI SCADA (and NIE Networks SCADA for Distribution connected **Power Generating Facilities**) to carry out this SCADA functionality test. To ensure security of the power supply to the RTU, a UPS will be installed (for Transmission connected **Power Park Modules** one UPS will be sufficient for both the RTU and the metering communications).

5.2 CONTROLLABILITY & COMPLIANCE CERTIFICATION

The **Commissioning/Acceptance Test Panel** will co-ordinate and agree the **Compliance** testing program, provide direction on technical requirements, assess the test results and decide if **Compliance** has been achieved by the **Power Park Module**.

Upon synchronisation of the **Power Park Module** (i.e. closing of the NIE Networks circuit breaker), as per **Grid Code** CC15.2.2 and CC16.2.2, SONI/NIE Networks will issue the **Power Park Module** with an **Interim Operational Notification** which will be valid for a period of one year from the date that the **Power Park Module** is due to begin **Active Power** export. The **Power Park Module** must be fully remotely controllable by SONI/NIE Networks from synchronisation. SONI will perform **Active Power** control tests when the **Power Park Module** begins **Active Power** export. Until controllability has been proven, the **Generator** must restrict the Apparent Power export of the **Power Park Module** to 5 MVA. The **Active Power Output** control may need to be demonstrated at other Apparent Power output levels (to be

agreed by the **Commissioning/Acceptance Test Panel**) as the **Power Park Module** ramps up **Active Power** export to its **Registered Capacity**. The **Power Park Module** will be capped at each pre-agreed level until controllability has been demonstrated.

From the date when the **Power Park Module** is capable of full **Active Power** export, the **Power Park Module** will have a period of three months to complete **Compliance** testing (resource conditions levels permitting) and submit an updated **User Data Library** containing a satisfactory Final Report to SONI. For the full duration of the validity of the **Interim Operational Notification**, the **Power Park Module** will be subject to continuous monitoring by SONI/NIE Networks (the validity of the **Interim Operational Notification** can be extended if it is deemed necessary to so). Upon confirmation from SONI and NIE Networks that the **Power Park Module** has performed satisfactorily for the full duration of the monitoring period, SONI/NIE Networks will issue the **Power Park Module** with a **Final Operational Notification**. Continuous monitoring of the **Power Park Module** will be conducted by SONI/NIE Networks throughout the operational lifetime of the **Power Park Module**. Should a non-**Compliance** arise, SONI/NIE Networks may issue a **Limited Operational Notification** until the issue is resolved (**Grid Code** CC15.4 for Transmission **System** connected **PPM** and **Grid Code** CC16.4 for **Distribution System** connected **PPM**).

The **Generator** must fully complete all the applicable **Compliance** tests included in Section 6.0 of this **PPM Setting Schedule** in the timelines stipulated. Failure to complete **Compliance** testing in the stipulated timelines while conditions were suitable for testing will result in the **Interim Operational Notification** for the **Power Park Module** being revoked and the **PPM** will be disconnected from the **NI System** until the **Generator** is in a position to resume **Compliance** testing. If an updated version of the **PPM Setting Schedule** is released during this period, the **Commissioning/Acceptance Test Panel** will insist that the **Generator** carry out testing as per the criteria specified in the most recent version.

For **Power Park Modules** greater than 30 **MW** it may be necessary to split the testing up into the manageable **Active Power** blocks; this will be agreed by the **Commissioning/Acceptance Test Panel** during the Connection Process. Whereby full **Compliance** must be demonstrated at each **Active Power** block before another 30 **MW** block is commissioned.

As mentioned previously, the purpose of this **PPM Setting Schedule** is for the **Power Park Module** to demonstrate **Compliance** with SONI **Grid Code**, the NIE Networks **Distribution Code** and the requirements of other Bilateral Agreements which may exist (see section 4).

All tests will need to be planned into the **Power Park Module** Commissioning Programme on dates agreed by the **Commissioning/Acceptance Test Panel**. This includes **Compliance** tests and any other tests that the **Generator** needs to carry out at the **Power Park Module**. All **Compliance** tests must be carried out to the procedures laid out in this document. The **Commissioning/Acceptance Test Panel** will verify that the proposed tests will comply with **Grid Code** and **Distribution Code** requirements.

It should be noted by the **Generator** that if SONI/NIE Networks deem the **Power Park Module** to be of a **Registered Capacity** which may have an impact on **NI System** during **Compliance** testing, SONI/NIE Networks has the right to insist the

Generator follow the procedures laid out in **Grid Code** OC10 **System** Tests in addition to what is laid out in this **PPM Setting Schedule**.

5.2.1 OPERATIONAL READINESS CONFIRMATION

As per Step No.6 of Section 5.0 of this **PPM Setting Schedule**, when the **PPM** is capable of full **Active Power** export and the **Generator** confirms to SONI that the **MW Availability** is of an accuracy level which, will pass the SONI **MW Availability** standard (detailed in Appendix C), SONI will begin continuous monitoring of the **MW Availability** signal that the **PPM** is submitting via SCADA. If the **PPM** passes the SONI **MW Availability** standard continuously for two weeks, then when resource conditions allow (**PPM Output** \geq 50% **Registered Capacity**) SONI will carry out a dispatch Test to verify that the **PPM** is remotely controllable via SCADA. The **Generator** will not be informed of when this test is taking place. The format of the dispatch Test conducted by SONI will be as follows:

Dispatch Test Sequence	
Step No.	Action
1	SONI will send the Generator a MW set point which equates to 10% Registered Capacity .
2	The Generator will send SONI/NIE Networks confirmation of the MW set point.
3	SONI will send the Generator a Curtailment Time Interval set point of 1 minute.
4	The Generator will send SONI/NIE Networks confirmation of the Curtailment Time Interval set point.
5	SONI will turn on 'Emergency Action' mode.
6	The PPM will ramp at the Active Power Control Set-Point Ramp Rate
7	When the PPM has achieved the specified MW set point in the specified Curtailment Time Interval, the PPM is required to remain at that set point for 5 minutes.
8	SONI will send the Generator a 0 MW set point
9	The Generator will send SONI/NIE Networks confirmation of the MW set point.
10	SONI will send the Generator a Curtailment Time Interval set point of 3 minutes.
11	The Generator will send SONI/NIE Networks confirmation of the Curtailment Time Interval set point.
12	The PPM will ramp at the Active Power Control Set-Point Ramp Rate
13	When the PPM has achieved the 0 MW set point in the specified Curtailment Time Interval, the PPM is required to remain at that set point for 5 minutes.
14	SONI will send the Generator a MW set point which equates to 50% Registered Capacity .
15	The Generator will send SONI/NIE Networks confirmation of the MW set point.
16	SONI will send the Generator a Curtailment Time Interval set point of 1 minute.
17	The Generator will send SONI/NIE Networks confirmation of the Curtailment Time Interval set point.
18	The PPM will ramp at the Active Power Control Set-Point Ramp Rate
19	When the PPM has achieved the specified MW set point in the specified Curtailment Time Interval, the PPM is required to remain at that set point for 5 minutes.
20	SONI will turn off 'Emergency Action' mode.
21	The PPM is allowed to ramp up to MIO at the Resource Following Ramp Rate

If SONI deems the **PPM** to have performed satisfactorily in the dispatch Test an **Operational Readiness Confirmation** will be issued to the **Generator**.

5.3 CONTROLLABILITY TESTING

Some of the tests mentioned will be carried out remotely from the SONI Control Centre or the NIE Networks Distribution Control Centre. An engineer will be allocated to coordinate these tests at the appropriate Control Centre and arrange a witnessing engineer. During these controllability tests it is the responsibility of the **Generator** to record the specified results and present them in the format described in section 5.5.

5.4 TEST WITNESSING

The **Commissioning/Acceptance Test Panel** will decide whether test witnessing as described in CC10.1.5 (and for **Power Park Modules** connected to the distribution-**System**, CC11) will be carried out, how witnessing shall be carried out (by remote monitoring, by presence at the **Power Park Module** or by recording agreed parameters) and arrange witnessing if required. The **Commissioning/Acceptance Test Panel** will inform the **Generator** of the schedule of tests to be witnessed and may vary this by reasonable notice. (CC10.1.5).

Where the **Commissioning/Acceptance Test Panel** decides to witness any test, this shall not relieve the **Generator** of any responsibility for **Compliance** with the **Grid Code**, the **Distribution Code** or other standard to be used as a fair measure, nor shall the act of witnessing be deemed to transfer any responsibility to the **Commissioning/Acceptance Test Panel** either for **Compliance** or for the consequences of failure to comply.

5.5 TEST RESULTS

It is the responsibility of the **Generator** to provide fast speed digital recording equipment for the purpose of analysing test results. Voltage Response Test results (6.7 Automatic **Voltage Control** Test) must have a minimum resolution of 500Hz. **Frequency** Response Tests (6.5 **Frequency Control** Test) must have a minimum resolution of 15Hz. A resolution of 10Hz is sufficient for the remaining tests.

Provided the **Generator** can guarantee in advance that no data will be lost for the duration of testing, SONI/NIE Networks may allow the **Generator** to record and conduct some tests remotely. This will be agreed with the **Commissioning/Acceptance Test Panel** in advance of testing.

It is the responsibility of the **Generator** to produce credible results for each test to the **Commissioning/Acceptance Test Panel**. Failure to do so may require the **Generator** to repeat certain tests. The format of the results, for example in graphical and tabular form, should be agreed with the **Commissioning/Acceptance Test Panel** 6 weeks in advance of the tests taking place. The **Commissioning/Acceptance Test Panel** may require the **Generator**

to calculate and present the **Frequency** droop characteristics.

It is important that results are legible, clearly labelled and graphs appropriately scaled in engineering units. The **Commissioning/Acceptance Test Panel** require that all tests are appropriately annotated. Annotated Microsoft Excel ® **Compliance** test examples are included in Appendix E. The **Generator** should ensure all graphs to be submitted are annotated with at least that shown in Appendix E.

Test results must be submitted to SONI/NIE Networks within 20 working days after the completion of the tests. The submission must be accompanied by a statement confirming compliance with EREC G99/N1 and this PPM Setting Schedule. The **Commissioning/Acceptance Test Panel** will require at least 6 weeks to fully analyse the content of the **UDL** and the test results contained within it to determine whether or not the **Power Park Module** is compliant.

5.6 POST SYNCHRONISATION MONITORING

Upon satisfactory completion of **Compliance** Testing, the **Power Park Module** will be subject to a monitoring period by SONI/NIE Networks. Data sent via the Energy Management System (EMS), and retrieved from event recorders, is interrogated to determine whether or not the **Power Park Module** is performing adequately.

The data collected is used to assess the **Power Park Module's** performance in a number of key areas which are outlined in the criteria below. For the items below, the relevant data is downloaded from the appropriate source and transferred into tabular and graphical form along with the limits. The data is then compared against any limits or set points to confirm continued **Compliance** with the **Grid Code** and **Power Park Module Setting Schedule**.

5.6.1 DISTURBANCE RESPONSE ANALYSIS

1. Low Voltage Ride Through Capability of the Power Park Module

The ability to retain voltage during a disturbance is checked by ensuring the voltage transient keeps within the limits set out in the following sections of the **Grid Code**:

For Transmission Connected **PPM**: CC.S2.1.4

For Distribution Connected **PPM**: CC.S2.2.3

2. High Voltage Ride Through Capability of the Power Park Module

The **Power Park Module** voltage during a disturbance will be monitored and investigated against the high voltage limits stated in the **Grid Code** section as follows:

For Transmission Connected **PPM**: CC.S2.1.4

For Distribution Connected **PPM**: CC.S2.2.3

3. Active and Reactive Power Recovery of the Power Park Module post fault

Active and **Reactive Power** capability post fault is measured against the limits set out in the following sections of the **Grid Code**:

For Transmission Connected **PPM**: CC.S2.1.4.6

For Distribution Connected **PPM**: CC.S2.2.3.9

4. Behaviour of the Power Park Module during low and high Frequency excursions

In the event of low/high **Frequency** excursions, the **PPM** shall comply with the criteria as per the **Grid Code** sections below:

For Transmission Connected **PPM**: CC8.8

For Distribution Connected **PPM**: CC8.8

5. Any significant change in rate of change of Frequency

During a disturbance, the **Power Park Module** should be able to withstand the levels of Rate of Change of **Frequency** (RoCoF) as set out in the following **Grid Code** sections:

For Transmission Connected **PPM**: CC5.3.3.

For Distribution Connected **PPM**: CC5.3.3.

6. Negative Phase Sequence Loadings

This parameter will not be actively monitored however if an applicable event occurs, where negative phase sequence loading could be a possible cause, the loadings will be investigated and compared to the limits stated in the **Connection Agreement**.

For Transmission Connected **PPM**: CC.S2.1.9.

7. Harmonic Distortion

Total Harmonic Distortion must be kept under a percentage of the fundamental voltage. The limits of harmonic distortion are specified in the below document:

For all **PPMs**: Engineering Recommendation G5.

8. Voltage Control and Reactive Power Capability of the Power Park Module

Whilst in pf mode: Historical data will be investigated to ensure that, for any given time, the power factor the **PPM** is operating at is staying consistent with the power factor set point sent to the **Generator** at that time.

Whilst in Voltage Control: Historical data will be investigated to ensure that, for any given time, the voltage setpoint at the **Connection Point** as instructed by SONI via SCADA is being achieved by the **PPM** (if it has the reactive capability to do so).

Whilst in Reactive Power Dispatch Control: Historical data will be investigated to ensure that, for any given time, the **MVAR** setpoint at the **Connection Point** as instructed by SONI via SCADA is being achieved by the **PPM** (if it has the reactive capability to do so).

These capabilities are quantified in **Grid Code** section: For

Transmission Connected **PPM**: CC.S2.1.3.2.

For Distribution Connected **PPM** in EREC G99/NI Section 13.4 and 13.5.

5.6.2 GENERAL PERFORMANCE ANALYSIS

1. Response of the Power Park Module during High Wind Speed Shutdown events

The **Power Park Module** high wind speed shut down alarm events are validated by comparing the following parameters: wind speed, shut down set point of **Generating Units**, **MW Availability** signal and percentage shut down signal at the time of the event.

The number of shut down **Generating Units** should correspond to the wind speed at the time of the event. The number of shut down **Generating Units**, **MW Availability** signal and percentage shut down signal should also correlate. For example if a 10 **MW Power Park Module** has 20, 0.5 **MW Generating Units**, and it loses 2 **Generating Units** in high speed, the **MW Availability** should show 9 **MW** and the percentage shut down should state 10%. This confirms whether or not a **PPM** is responding sufficiently to high wind speed shut down events. For reference in the **Grid Code** see below:

For Transmission Connected **PPM**: CC.S2.1.5 (d).

For Distribution Connected **PPM**: CC.S2.2.3.4 (d).

2. Accuracy of the MW Availability signal being provided to SONI by the Power Park Module

The **MW Availability** is continuously monitored using a normalised root mean square

deviation (NRMSD). The NRMSD for a **Power Park Module** for a given day will be calculated. This will use one minute **MW Availability** data averaged over the half hour period recorded and the 30 minute metered output for the **Power Park Module**.

The rolling 14-day NRMSD must be less than or equal to 8% and the number of days where the daily NRMSD exceeds the 5% standard must not exceed 2 days in any 14-day period. This criterion is not used for periods where the **Power Park Module** was dispatched away from its **MW Availability** by SONI. See below reference to **MW Availability** in the **Grid Code**:

For all **Power Park Modules**: SDC1.4.3.2

3. Meeting Dispatch Instructions and Ramp Rates

As part of a daily check, the **Power Park Modules** are monitored on their previous day's performance. Their performance is measured against the following:

- Compliance with a dispatch instruction as required in this **Power Park Module Setting Schedule**.
- Performing an instruction within the agreed ramp rates.

5.7 SOFTWARE/HARDWARE UPGRADES OR MODIFICATIONS AFFECTING COMPLIANCE

If the **Generator** plans to introduce software modifications, hardware modifications or upgrades to the **Power Park Module** that may affect **Compliance**, both SONI and NIE Networks must be informed at least six weeks in advance. The **Generator** must provide a detailed description of the proposed modification and inform SONI and NIE Networks if aspects of the control functionality with respect to **Grid Code** or **Distribution Code Compliance** have changed. All aspects of the control functionality of the **Power Park Module** must still be compliant with both the **Grid Code** and the **Distribution Code**. If SONI and NIE Networks feel that retesting will be required to check any software/hardware modification then the **Generator** will be required to retest any functionality that SONI and NIE Networks stipulate in order to demonstrate **Compliance**.

At all times SONI and NIE Networks must be in possession of an up-to-date full and accurate parameter listing of the **Power Park Module**. This parameter listing must cover all operational control functionality including **Frequency**, voltage and all the **Power Park Module** parameters relating the control and operation of the **Park Module**. This parameter listing should be forwarded to SONI six weeks before **Compliance** testing commences. There should be no prior modification of control parameters until they have been agreed with SONI/NIE Networks. Should this parameter listing change at any stage, the **Generator** must reissue the revised parameter listing to SONI and NIE Networks.

5.8 THE USER DATA LIBRARY

The **User Data Library (UDL)** provides a common directory structure where information in support of **Compliance** statements and technical data can be submitted. The empty directory structure of the **UDL** will be provided by SONI. The structure of **UDL** is given in Appendix A of this document.

The **UDL** structure provided by SONI (Appendix A) should be used as a guide for the **Generator** to provide **Grid Code** data; it should be noted that certain **Power Park Modules** may be required to provide further technical information as per PC.A3.4.1 and PC.B3.3.1.

Six weeks prior to synchronisation a **Generator** shall submit to SONI an interim version

of this report with all relevant/applicable sections at that date fully completed. The final version of the **UDL** is to be submitted to SONI in an agreed format within two months of completion of **Grid Code Compliance** testing. Please note it is recommended that the Modelling section of the **UDL** should be provided to SONI at least six months prior to synchronisation. Further detail on modelling is included in Appendix D of the Planning Code.

At the end of this **Compliance** process the **UDL** should contain data as per the installed and tested plant. Consequently the **UDL** can only be completed at the end of this process. In the beginning the **UDL** will have signed legal agreements and the Committed Project Planning Data required by the Planning Code of the **Grid Code**. As the process develops it will be updated. The nature of the data required at each stage of the process is described later in this document.

All data in relation to the **UDL** will be jointly accessible by SONI and NIE Networks.

Format of Data

Generators are requested to submit all data in standard formats for incorporation into SONI's Data Library.

Unless otherwise agreed submissions should be in the following file formats.

- Specifications, Statements, Agreements and Technical Reports in PDF format
- Signed Documents in scanned PDF format.
- Test result data points in XLS format (e.g. Excel ®)
- Performance Charts/Plots PDF and/or XLS format.
- Drawings in PDF or JPEG format.
- Simulation Models in the form of transfer function block diagrams (using PDF or DWG format)

Where documents and diagrams are provided as supporting information, they should be legible and should include all relevant data assumptions (for example **Generator** base, p.u., percentage values etc.).

Where testing and monitoring results are provided they should be legible, appropriately sized, scaled and labelled.

Media Formats

At the time of writing the preferred format for submitting this information to SONI is Compact Disk or an encrypted USB storage device. Submitted compact disks should have the version number printed or written on them and should contain a revision history indicating what has changed from version to version.

6.0 COMPLIANCE TESTS

The following section details the **Compliance** tests for Transmission and Distribution connected **Power Park Modules**. The **Generator** must fully complete all the applicable **Compliance** tests included in this section in the timelines stipulated. Failure to complete **Compliance** testing in the stipulated timelines even though conditions were suitable for testing will result in the **Interim Operational Notification** for the **Power Park Module** being revoked and the **Power Park Module** will be disconnected from the NI **System** until the **Generator** is in a position to resume **Compliance** testing. If an updated version of the **PPM Setting Schedule** is released during this period, the **Commissioning/Acceptance Test Panel** will insist that the **Generator** carry out testing as per the criteria specified in the most recent version.

A Distribution Connected **Generator** must complete the following **Compliance** tests with SONI:

- 6.1 **Active Power** Control Test
- 6.2 Ramp Blocking Test
- 6.3 **MW Availability** Test
- 6.5 **Frequency Control** Test
- 6.10 Shutdown Request Test
- 6.11 Start-up Sequence & Ramp Rate Test

A Distribution Connected **Generator** must complete the following **Compliance** tests with NIE Networks:

- 6.6 **Voltage Control** Mode and Reactive Capability Tests
- 6.7 Automatic **Voltage Control** Test
- 6.8 Power Factor Control Test
- 6.9 **Reactive Power** Dispatch Test
- 6.12 Project Specific Tests

A Distribution Connected **Generator** must complete the following **Compliance** tests with both SONI and NIE Networks (tests will be carried out once with SONI and/or NIE Networks present as witnesses):

- 6.4 **Power Park Module** Control System Tests

In addition, a Distribution Connected **Generator** must do the following:

- Confirm to NIE Networks that the plant and apparatus is able of continue to operate during the frequency ranges specified in EREC G99/NI 13.2.1; and
- Provide a demonstration of the frequency control or governor/load controller/plant model and voltage control system by carrying out simulation studies in accordance with EREC G99/NI Annex C.7.8.

A Transmission Connected **Generator** must complete the following **Compliance** tests with SONI:

- 6.1 **Active Power** Control Test
- 6.2 Ramp Blocking Test
- 6.3 **MW Availability** Test
- 6.4 **PPM** Control System Tests
- 6.5 **Frequency Control** Test
- 6.6 **Voltage Control** Mode and Reactive Capability Tests
- 6.7 Automatic **Voltage Control** Test
- 6.8 Power Factor Control Test
- 6.9 **Reactive Power** Dispatch Test
- 6.10 Shutdown Request Test
- 6.11 Start-up Sequence & Ramp Rate Test

A Transmission Connected **Generator** must complete the following **Compliance** tests with NIE Networks:

6.12 Project Specific Tests

6.1 ACTIVE POWER CONTROL TEST

Compliance Testing/monitoring	
Title of Test: Active Power Control	Test Number: 1
<p><i>Purpose of Tests:</i></p> <p>The Active Power Control Test will be carried out by the Generator to assess the ability of the PPM controller to achieve any Output at or below the Registered Capacity in a specified time, as instructed by SONI/NIE Networks.</p> <p>This test will be carried out at a time when the actual MW Output of the PPM is greater than 50% of Registered Capacity and 100% of the Generating Units are in service. SONI may require the Generator to repeat the tests on a day where the MW Output of the PPM is >80% Registered Capacity to fully test this functionality, this will be agreed with the Generator on the day of the test.</p>	
<p><i>Results Required:</i></p> <p>Time series record and Microsoft Excel Plot (Appendix E) showing:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MW Output • MW Availability • MW set point received via SONI/NIE Networks SCADA • PPM Active Set Point • Emergency Action On/Off • Wind Speed if applicable • Global Horizontal Irradiance (GHI) if applicable 	
<p><i>Test Assessment:</i></p> <p>This test is required to show Compliance with CC.S2.1.5 (d) for Transmission Connected PPM and CC.S2.2.3.4 (d) for Distribution Connected PPM.</p> <p><i>Criteria of Assessment:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> □ The MW Output of the PPM should be within 3% (based on Registered Capacity) of the MW set point calculated by the PPM Controller at all times. SONI will assess wind and solar conditions for the duration of testing as applicable and take any wind gusting, wind drops or abrupt changes to resource conditions into account. • The PPM should reach the 'MW set point' within ± 10 seconds of the specified 'Curtailment Time Interval'. • Whilst 'Emergency Action' mode is on, the PPM will ramp at the Active Power Control Set- Point Ramp Rate. The MW change should be at a continuous linear ramp down or up rate over the time frame given. □ The PPM response will be assessed from the time the Emergency Action Mode is engaged. • Upon removal of the 'Emergency Action' mode by SONI, the PPM should ramp up at the Resource Following Ramp Rate; this ramp shall be a percentage of Registered Capacity of the PPM per minute which equates to 5 MW/min (if a different ramp rate was agreed between SONI/NIE Networks and the Generator then SONI will require the agreed ramp rate being implemented). The ramp rate is the average rate of change in Output measured over any 10 minute period. 	

6.1.1 ACTIVE POWER CONTROL TEST PROCEDURE

The **Power Park Module** shall be able to reduce or increase **Output** to a **MW** set point between 0 **MW** and the **Maximum Instantaneous Output (MIO)** of the **Power Park Module**. The change in **Output** should take place in a specified 'Curtailment Time Interval' between 1 and 30 minutes.

Active Power Control Compliance Tests

Active Power Control testing should be carried out when 100% of the **Power Park Module Generating Units** are in service. The available power on the day of testing should be greater than 50% of **Registered Capacity** for the full duration of the tests. (SONI may require the **Generator** to repeat the tests on a day where the **MW Output** of the **Power Park Module** is >80% **Registered Capacity** to fully test this functionality over the full operating ranges of the **Power Park Module**. This will be agreed with the **Generator** on the day of the test. Failure to complete this test at the higher **MW Output** will not prevent the **Power Park Module** from becoming Compliant but the test must be completed within 6 months of obtaining an **Interim Operational Notification**).

Test	Time Interval to Reach Required Set point		
	Test No.1	Test No.2	Test No.3
SONI will reduce the PPM MW Output from MIO to DMOL (DMOL to be agreed with the Generator prior to testing). The PPM will ramp at the Active Power Control Set-Point Ramp Rate . The PPM will remain at this agreed figure for 10 min before commencing Test No.2.	1 Min		
SONI will increase the MW Output of the PPM from DMOL (DMOL to be agreed with the Generator prior to testing) to a MW set point that is half of MIO . The PPM will ramp at the Active Power Control Set-Point Ramp Rate . The PPM will remain at this agreed figure for 10 min before being allowed to ramp back up to MIO at the Resource Following Ramp Rate .		15 Mins	
SONI will reduce the PPM from MIO to DMOL (DMOL to be agreed with the Generator prior to testing). The PPM will ramp at the Active Power Control Set-Point Ramp Rate . The PPM will remain at this agreed figure for 10 min before being allowed to ramp back up to MIO at the Resource Following Ramp Rate .			30 Mins

Active Power Control Test Sequence for Test No.1-3	
Step No.	Action
1	SONI will send the PPM a Curtailment Time Interval set point.
2	The PPM will send SONI/NIE Networks confirmation of the Curtailment Time Interval set point.
3	SONI will send the PPM a MW set point.
4	The PPM will send SONI/NIE Networks confirmation of the MW set point.
5	SONI will turn on 'Emergency Action' mode.
6	The PPM will ramp at the Active Power Control Set-Point Ramp Rate
7	When the PPM has achieved the specified MW set point in the specified Curtailment Time Interval, the PPM is required to remain at that set point for 10 minutes.
8	SONI will turn off 'Emergency Action' mode.
9	The PPM is allowed to ramp up to MIO at the Resource Following Ramp Rate

6.2 RAMP BLOCKING TEST

Compliance Testing/monitoring	
Title of Test: Ramp Blocking Test	Test Number: 2
<p><i>Purpose of Tests:</i></p> <p>The Ramp Blocking Test will be carried out by the Generator to assess the ability of the PPM controller to restrain the PPM from ramping above the previous 10 minute average MW Output level at the time of receiving the signal.</p> <p>This test will be carried out at a time when the actual MW Output of the PPM is greater than 50% of Registered Capacity and 100% of the PPM Generating Units are in service (can be carried out in conjunction with the Active Power Control Test).</p>	
<p><i>Results Required:</i></p> <p>Time series record and Microsoft Excel Plot (Appendix E) showing:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MW Output • MW Availability • MW set point • Emergency Action On/Off • 'Ramp Block' Signal On/Off • PPM Active Set Point • Wind Speed if applicable • Global Horizontal Irradiance (GHI) if applicable 	
<p><i>Test Assessment:</i></p> <p>This test is required to show Compliance with CC.S2.1.5 (c) for Transmission Connected PPM and CC.S2.2.3.4 (c) for Distribution Connected PPMs</p> <p><i>Criteria of Assessment:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> The PPM controller does not allow the PPM MW Output to ramp above the previous 10 minute average MW Output level at the time of receiving the signal. • The PPM should be within 3% (based on Registered Capacity) of the '10 Min Average MW' set point for the full duration that the 'Ramp Block' signal is being sent. <input type="checkbox"/> The PPM response will be assessed from the time the Ramp Mode is engaged. • Upon removal of the 'Emergency Action' or 'Ramp Block' modes by SONI/NIE Networks, PPM should ramp up at the Resource Following Ramp Rate; this ramp shall be a percentage of Registered Capacity of the PPM per minute which equates to 5 MW/min (if a different ramp rate was agreed between SONI and the Generator then SONI requires the agreed ramp rate to be implemented). The ramp rate is the average rate of change in Output measured over any 10 minute period. 	

6.2.1 RAMP BLOCK TEST PROCEDURE

The 'Ramp Block' **MW** set point is defined as the previous 10 minute average **MW** of the **PPM** upon receipt of the 'Ramp Block' signal. The **PPM** shall be capable of a zero ramp rate setting when a 'SONI/NIE Networks ramp blocking signal' is present.

Ramp Block Compliance Tests

Ramp Block testing will be carried out when 100% of the **Generating Units** are in service. The available power on the day of testing should be greater than 50% of **Registered Capacity**.

Ramp Block Test Sequence - Test Stage 1 (SONI/NIE Networks will reduce the PPM from MIO (>50% Registered Capacity) to 10% Registered	
Step No.	Action
1	SONI will send the PPM a MW set point.
2	The PPM will send SONI confirmation of the MW set point.
3	SONI will send PPM a Curtailment Time Interval set point.
4	The PPM will send SONI confirmation of the Curtailment Time Interval set point.
5	SONI will turn on 'Emergency Action' mode.
6	When the PPM has achieved the specified MW set point in the specified Curtailment Time Interval, the PPM is required to remain at that set point for 10 minutes
Ramp Block Test Sequence - Test Stage 2	
Step No.	Action
7	SONI will turn off 'Emergency Action' mode.
8	The PPM will be allowed to ramp up to MIO at the Resource Following Ramp Rate
9	SONI will send the PPM a 'Ramp Block' signal (When the 'Ramp Block' signal will be sent will depend on the PPMs size and will be at the discretion of SONI)
10	The PPM will remain at the 'Ramp Block' MW set point for 10 mins.
11	SONI will remove the 'Ramp Block' signal and the PPM will be allowed to ramp up to MIO at the Resource Following Ramp Rate .

6.3 MW AVAILABILITY TEST

Compliance Testing/monitoring	
Title of Test: MW Availability Test	Test Number: 3
<p>MW Availability Definition - “The amount of Active Power that the Controllable PPM could produce based on current generation resource conditions, network conditions and System conditions. The MW Availability shall only differ from the MW Output if the Controllable PPM has been curtailed, constrained or is operating in a Curtailed Frequency Response mode, as instructed by SONI via the SCADA interface. By way of clarification, limitations placed on the PPM Output due to 33kV Dynamic Line Rating schemes are <u>NIE Networks actions only</u> and these should be reflected in the MW Availability.”</p> <p>The MW Availability signal provided by the Generator should be a continuously calculated value. The Generator should <u>NOT</u> let the MW Availability figure equal the MW Output figure when there is no SONI action and only start calculating the MW Availability figure when there is SONI action as SONI will have no way of assessing the accuracy of the calculated signal. SONI will require a detailed explanation of exactly how the MW Availability signal is being calculated by the Generator. SONI also require that the Generator submit a power curve diagram for the Generating Unit type at the PPM.</p> <p><i>Purpose of Test:</i> The MW Availability Test is carried out by the Generator to verify that the MW Availability signal is comparable at all times to the MW Output signal unless the PPM is curtailed by SONI. There will be both MW Availability Compliance tests and ongoing continuous monitoring of this signal to ensure that the MW Availability being provided by the Generator satisfies SONI’s accuracy requirements.</p> <p>MW Availability Tests (Test 1 – 7) These tests will be carried out at a time when the MW Output of the PPM is greater than 50% of Registered Capacity and 100% of the Generating Units are in service (with the exception of Test 7 which will require the MW Output of the PPM to be greater than 90% of Rated Capacity and 100% of the Generating Units are in service to fully test correct Temperature Dependent Dynamic Line Rating (TDLR) operation), unless otherwise agreed by the Generator with SONI in advance of the test.</p> <p><i>Continuous monitoring of MW Availability</i> The PPM will also be subject to continuous monitoring of the MW Availability signal by SONI, during testing and into the ongoing monitoring period.</p>	
<p><i>Results Required:</i> Time series record and Microsoft Excel Plot (Appendix E) showing:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MW Output • MW Availability • MW set point • PPM Active Set Point • % Generating Units Available • Simulated High Wind Speed ON/OFF if applicable • Injected High Wind Speed signal if applicable • Wind Speed if applicable • Global Horizontal Irradiance (GHI) if applicable • Indication of Generating Units placed in ‘Pause’ Mode • Line Current (for MW Availability Test 7) • Line Temperature (for MW Availability Test 7) 	
<p><i>Test Assessment:</i> This test will be subject passing both the In Day MW Availability Tests and Continuous monitoring of MW Availability test criteria specified. This test is required to show Compliance with SDC1.4.3.2</p>	

6.3.1 MW AVAILABILITY TEST PROCEDURE (FOR TESTS 1-7)

Pursuant to SDC1.4.3.2, each **Generator** in the case of its **Controllable Power Park Module** shall use reasonable endeavours to ensure that the **MW Availability** is declared at levels or values that the **Controllable Power Park Module**, can achieve at the relevant time. The **MW Availability** signal should reflect the amount of **Active Power** that the **Controllable PPM** could produce based on current energy resource conditions, network conditions and **System** conditions. The **MW Availability** shall only differ from the **MW Output** if the **Controllable PPM** has been curtailed, constrained or is operating in a Curtailed **Frequency** Response mode.

Some issues that may impact the “**MW Availability**” are:

- a) The **MW Availability** signal should accurately reflect the wind or solar resource level available.
- b) If **Generating Units** Shutdown due to high wind speeds, they are not available and the “**MW Availability**” should be reduced accordingly;
- c) If **Generating Units** are out of service for maintenance, repair, placed in a ‘Pause’ mode etc. they are not available and the “**MW Availability**” should be reduced accordingly;
- d) If **Generating Units** have entered into any form of error mode e.g. ‘Safety Chain Activation’ etc. they are not available and the “**MW Availability**” should be reduced accordingly;
- e) If the **Generating Units** are responding to a set point other than that received by SONI SCADA e.g. a temperature dependent dynamic line rating (TDLR) set point or SPS set point, the “**MW Availability**” should be reduced accordingly to reflect the **MW Output** level the **PPM** is controlling to;
- f) Only actions by SONI to reduce the **PPM MW Output** (as described in the **MW Availability** definition above) should result in a difference between actual **MW Output** and the **MW Availability** signals.

MW Availability Compliance Tests

MW Availability testing will be carried out when 100% of the **PPM Generating Units** are in service. The available power on the day of testing should be greater than 50% of **Registered Capacity**.

MW Availability Test Sequence - Test 1 Generator Shutting Down Generating Units	
Step No.	Action
1	At MIO , the Generator will shut down one Generating Unit
2	The MW Output and the MW Availability decreases and settles to reflect the loss of one Generating Unit .
3	The PPM will remain at this the new MW value for 1 min after settling.
4	The Generator repeats steps 1-3 until the PPM is completely shut-down

MW Availability Test Sequence - Test 2 Generator Starting Up Generating Units	
Step No.	Action
1	When the PPM is shutdown, the Generator will start-up one Generating Unit
2	The MW Output and the MW Availability increases and settles to reflect one Generating Unit being available.
3	The PPM will remain at this the new MW value for 1 min after settling.
4	The Generator repeats steps 1-3 until the PPM is at MIO .

MW Availability Test Sequence - Test 3 SONI Action	
(At MIO , SONI will curtail the PPM MW Output to 10% of Registered Capacity in a Curtailment Time Interval of one minute. The PPM will remain curtailed for 10 mins.)	
Step No.	Action
1	SONI will send the PPM a MW set point.
2	The PPM will send SONI confirmation of the MW set point.
3	SONI will send the PPM a Curtailment Time Interval set point.
4	The PPM will send SONI confirmation of the Curtailment Time Interval set point.
5	SONI will turn on 'Emergency Action' mode.
6	The PPM will ramp at the Active Power Control Set-Point Ramp Rate
7	When the PPM has achieved the specified MW set point (10% Registered Capacity) in the specified Curtailment Time Interval (1 min), the PPM will be required to remain at that set point for 10 mins.

8	SONI will turn off 'Emergency Action' mode.
9	The PPM will be allowed to ramp up to MIO at the Resource Following Ramp Rate

MW Availability Test Sequence - Test 4 Applicable to wind PPMs High Wind Speed shutdown	
Step No.	Action
1	The Generator will change the high wind speed setting either remotely or at each Generating Unit to a value lower than the wind speed on the day of the test so that the each Generating Unit shuts down at a lower wind speed than shown on the power curve for the Generating Unit type. SONI require that this is carried out for all Generating Unit 's in the PPM .
2	SONI must receive a 'High Wind Speed shutdown' Alarm
3	The PPM Output should shut-down upon receipt of the high wind speed signal.
4	SONI should receive a 'wind PPM % shutdown' indication (i.e. the % of Generating Units at the wind PPM shutdown due to high wind speed).

MW Availability Test Sequence - Test 5 Pause/Maintenance Mode	
Step No.	Action
1	The Generator will place one Generating Unit in a 'Pause' mode (or any form of maintenance mode that exists for the particular Generating Unit type, that allows power to go the Generating Unit auxiliaries but the Generating Unit is not exporting Active Power).
2	The MW Output and the MW Availability decreases and settles to reflect the fact that one Generating Unit is in a 'Pause or Maintenance' mode.
3	The PPM will remain at this the new MW value for 1 min after settling.
4	The Generator repeats steps 1-3 until the PPM is completely shut-down

MW Availability Test Sequence - Test 6 Error Condition	
Step No.	Action
1	The Generator will place one Generating Unit in an error condition (e.g. 'Safety Chain Activation')
2	The MW Output and the MW Availability decreases and settles to reflect the fact that one Generating Unit has entered an error condition.
3	The PPM will remain at this the new MW value for 1 min after settling.
4	The Generator repeats steps 1-3 until the PPM is completely shut-down
5	The Generator/Generating Unit manufacturer must make SONI aware of all error modes that exist at the PPM under test so that the accuracy of the MW Availability checked in all error conditions.

MW Availability Test Sequence - Test 7 Temperature Dependent Dynamic Line Rating (TDLR) (If applicable at the PPM)	
Step No.	Action
1	The Generator must supply SONI with the P27 Current/Temperature Profile for the PPM which will show Temperature versus Current for a given conductor type. The profile should show the PPM controller profile and the NIE Networks back up relay profile (there will be a temperature differential between the two profiles).
2	Based on the P27 Current/Temperature Profile supplied to SONI, the Generator will show by secondary injection, the capability of moving its set point to align with the P27 plus offset as agreed with NIE Networks, this injection should take in at least 12 points on the curve and cover the temperature range from 0-22°C. The results should show Temperature versus Current in both tabular and graphical form. The graphs should also show plots of the MW Output and the MW Availability .
3	The PPM will simulate a step change in temperature and measure the performance of the PPM to react to this step change in seconds. The following step changes should be tested but do not exclude the use of more test points -- one degree, two degrees, five degrees, ten degrees, eighteen degrees. The results should show step change versus seconds to reach steady state Output in both tabular and graphical form. The graphs should also show plots of the MW Output and the MW Availability .

The tests will be regarded as supporting **Compliance** on the day of testing if the following conditions are met:

- For Test 1:
 1. SONI requires both the **MW Output** figure and the **MW Availability** figure drop in steps to zero from **MIO**.
- For Test 2:

SONI requires both the **MW Output** figure and the **MW Availability** figure increase in steps from zero to **MIO**.
- For Test 3:
 1. SONI requires the calculated **MW Availability** signal accurately reflecting the **MIO** of the site had the **PPM** not been curtailed. The **MW Output** of the **PPM** should drop to 10% of **Registered Capacity** in one minute.
 2. **PPM** is within 3% of the 'MW set point'
 3. The **PPM** should reach the 'MW set point' within ± 10 seconds of the specified 'Curtailed Time Interval'.
 4. The **PPM** will calculate the **Active Power** Control Set-Point Ramp Rate. The **MW** reduction should be at a continuous linear ramp down rate over the time frame given.
 5. The **PPM** response will be assessed from the time the 'Emergency Action' Mode is engaged.

Upon removal of the 'Emergency Action' mode by SONI, the **PPM** should ramp up at the **Resource Following Ramp Rate**; this ramp shall be a percentage

of **Registered Capacity** of the **PPM** per minute which equates to 5 **MW/min** (if a different ramp rate is agreed between SONI and the **Generator** then SONI will require the agreed ramp rate being implemented). The ramp rate is the average rate of change in **Output** measured over any 10 minute period.

- For Test 4:
 1. SONI requires a 'High Wind Speed shutdown' alarm from the wind **PPM** and an indication of the % of **Generating Units** shutdown due to high wind speed (the '**PPM % shutdown**' signal)
 2. The **Generating Units** will be expected to shut down as per the high wind speed shutdown parameter setting installed for the purpose of this test.
 3. SONI requires both the **MW Output** indication and the **MW Availability** indication drop from **MIO** to reflect the number of **Generating Units** in service and the wind resource available.
- For Test 5:
 1. SONI requires both the **MW Output** figure and the **MW Availability** figure drop in steps to zero from **MIO** as each **Generating Unit** is placed into Pause/Maintenance mode.
 2. SONI will require screenshots of each **Generating Unit** being placed in Pause/Maintenance mode.
- For Test 6:
 1. SONI requires both the **MW Output** figure and the **MW Availability** figure drop in steps to zero from **MIO** as each **Generating Unit** is placed into any **Generating Unit** error condition which exists at the **PPM** (e.g. Safety Chain Activation)
 2. SONI will require screenshots of each **Generating Unit** being placed in this error condition.
- For Test 7:
 1. For test step 2: SONI requires both correct **MW Output** figure and the **MW Availability** figure at the **PPM** based on the P27 Current/Temperature Profile supplied to SONI. The results should show Temperature versus Current in both tabular and graphical form. The graphs should also show plots of the **MW Output** and the **MW Availability**.
 2. For test step 3: The results should show step change versus seconds to reach steady state **Output** in both tabular and graphical form. The graphs should also show plots of the **MW Output** and the **MW Availability**.

6.3.2 CONTINUOUS MONITORING OF MW AVAILABILITY (CARRIED OUT BY SONI)

Following the issue of the **Interim Operational Notification** and in accordance with CC.S2.1.12.1 and CC.S2.2.7.1, continuous monitoring of the **PPM** by SONI will take place after the signal has been tested, the **PPM** must adhere to the following:

Standard

The quality of the calculated **MW Availability** signal will be subject to the following test:

A normalised root mean square deviation (*NRMSD*) for a **PPM** for a given day will be calculated. This will use one minute **MW Availability** quantities averaged over the half hour period recorded in Castlereagh House Control Centre CHCC and the 30 minute metered **Output** for the **Generator** under analysis.

Assessment Criteria:

- The rolling 14-day NRMSD must be less than or equal to 8%, excluding periods where the **PPM** was dispatched away from its **MW Availability** by SONI.
- The daily NRMSD values are to be calculated. The number of days where the daily NRMSD exceeds the 5% standard must not exceed 2 days in any 14-day period, except for periods where the **PPM** was dispatched away from its **MW Availability** by SONI.

Further detail on the Proposed Continuous monitoring of **MW Availability** standard can be found in Appendix C.

6.4 PPM CONTROL SYSTEM TESTS

Compliance Testing/monitoring	
Title of Test: PPM Control System Tests	Test Number: 4
<p><i>Purpose of Test:</i> Great reliance is placed on the reliability of PPM control systems. Normal controller operation and operation in the event of a controller or plant malfunction/failure is of particular importance.</p> <p>The suite of tests to be carried out will examine the following scenarios:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PPM Controller Failure • PPM Controller Mode • PPM Transducer Failure • Power Supply Failure <p>After a PPM control system has failed, the PPM must contact the SONI control centre (CHCC) before recommencing Active Power export following the controller becoming operational again. This is to ensure that the NI network can facilitate the additional generation.</p> <p>PPM Controller Failure Compliance Test will be carried out by the Generator to verify that; in the event of PPM controller failure, SONI will receive a 'Grid Controller Fail' alarm and the PPM will operate as per i) below.</p> <p>PPM Controller Mode Compliance Tests will be carried out by the Generator to verify that; in the event of PPM controller being put into 'Local Control' that SONI receives an alarm. SONI will also be testing to make sure it has no control functionality when the PPM is operating in this mode.</p> <p>PPM Transducer Failure Compliance Tests will be carried out by the Generator to verify that; in the event of PPM controller loss of:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Voltage transformer input(s) 2. Current transformer input(s) 3. Transducer output <p>should all result in the PPM operating as per i) below. Loss of any primary inputs should result in the initiation of an alarm.</p> <p>Power Supply Failure Compliance Tests will be carried out by the Generator to verify that; in the event of power failure to any of the control functionality, SONI will receive a 'Grid Controller Fail' alarm and the PPM will operate as per i) below</p> <p>The Commissioning/Acceptance Test Panel require detailed explanation from the Generator as to how each control system failures are to be carried out at the PPM during Compliance testing.</p> <p>If any other modes of failure exist for a particular Generating Unit type that will result in a loss of remote control/comms via SCADA, then the Generator must make the Commissioning/Acceptance Test Panel aware of this. This is to ensure that a test can be created to check if the PPM operates as per the SONI/NIE Networks requirement below:</p> <p>i) For all failure scenarios, the PPM should hold its last known set point for 10mins, after which if the failure still exists the PPM should shut down to 0 MW in a controlled manner within 1 minute. However, if there are DLR schemes in place for the connection then for all failure scenarios, the PPM should shut down to 0 MW in a controlled manner within 1 minute.</p> <p>The available power on the day of testing should be greater than 50% of Registered Capacity and 100% of the Generating Units are in service.</p>	

<p><i>Results Required:</i></p> <p>Time series record and Microsoft Excel Plot (Appendix E) showing:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MW Output • MW Availability • PPM Controller Operational/ PPM Controller Fail • PPM Active Set Point • PPM Controller mode (Local Control/Grid Control) • Wind Speed if applicable • Global Horizontal Irradiance (GHI)
<p><i>Test Assessment:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The test results should show the PPM will operate as per the test scenarios above

6.4.1 PPM CONTROL SYSTEM TEST PROCEDURE

PPM Control System Tests will be carried out when 100% of the **Generating Units** are in service.

The available power on the day of testing should be greater than 50% of **Registered Capacity**.

6.4.1.1 PPM Controller Failure Compliance Tests

PPM Controller Failure Compliance Test Sequence - Test 1	
Step No.	Action
1	The Generator will disable the outputs of the PPM controller.
2	SONI will receive a 'Grid Controller Fail' alarm.
2	The PPM will hold its last known set point for 10mins, after which if the failure still exists the PPM must shutdown to 0 MW in a controlled manner within 1 minute. However, if there are DLR schemes in place for the connection then for all failure scenarios, the PPM must shutdown to 0 MW in a controlled manner within 1 minute.

PPM Controller Failure Compliance Test Sequence - Test 2 (SONI will shut down the PPM . The Generator will then disable the outputs of the PPM controller.)	
Step No.	Action
1	SONI will send the PPM a MW set point of 0 MW
2	The PPM will send SONI confirmation of the MW set point.
3	SONI will send the PPM a Curtailment Time Interval set point of 1 min.
4	The PPM will send SONI confirmation of the Curtailment Time Interval set point.
5	SONI will turn on 'Emergency Action' mode.
6	When the PPM has achieved the specified MW set point in the specified Curtailment Time Interval, the PPM will be required to remain at that set point for 1 minute.
7	The Generator will disable the outputs of the PPM controller.
8	SONI will receive a 'Grid Controller Fail' alarm.
9	The PPM should remain shutdown

PPM Controller Failure Compliance Test Sequence - Test 3 (SONI will instruct the PPM to go to a MW set point. The Generator will then disable the outputs of the PPM)	
Step No.	Action
1	SONI will send PPM a MW set point (to be agreed with the Commissioning/Acceptance Test Panel)
2	The PPM will send SONI confirmation of the MW set point.
3	SONI will send the PPM a Curtailment Time Interval set point of 1 min.
4	The PPM will send SONI confirmation of the Curtailment Time Interval set point.
5	SONI will turn on 'Emergency Action' mode.
6	When the PPM has achieved the specified MW set point in the specified Curtailment Time Interval, the PPM will be required to remain at that set point for 1 minute.
7	The Generator will disable the outputs of the PPM controller.
8	SONI will receive a 'Grid Controller Fail' alarm.
9	The PPM will hold its last known set point for 10mins, after which if the failure still exists the PPM must shutdown to 0 MW in a controlled manner within 1 minute. However, if there are DLR schemes in place for the connection then for all failure scenarios, the PPM must shutdown to 0 MW in a controlled manner within 1 minute.

The tests will be regarded as supporting **Compliance** if the following conditions are met:

- ☐ For Test 1, upon loss of outputs from the controller:
 - a. The **PPM** should hold its last known set point for 10 mins, after which if the failure still exists the **PPM** should shut down to 0 **MW** in a controlled manner within 1 minute. However, if there are DLR schemes in place for the connection then for all failure scenarios, the **PPM** should shut down to 0 **MW** in a controlled manner within 1 minute.
 - b. SONI will receive a 'Grid Controller Fail' alarm.
- ☐ For Test 2:
 - a. The **MW Output** of the **PPM** shall drop to 0 **MW** when dispatched to that **MW** value by SONI. The **PPM** should remain at 0 **MW Output** upon loss of outputs from the controller.
 - b. SONI will receive a 'Grid Controller Fail' alarm.
- ☐ For Test 3:
 - a. The **MW Output** of the **PPM** shall drop to the **MW** set point that was agreed in advance with the **Commissioning/Acceptance Test Panel** when dispatched to that **MW** value by SONI.
 - b. Upon loss of outputs from the controller, the **PPM** should hold its last known set point for 10 mins, after which if the failure still exists the **PPM** should shut down to 0 **MW** in a controlled manner within 1 minute. However, if there are DLR schemes in place for the connection then for all failure scenarios, the **PPM** should shut down to 0 **MW** in a controlled manner within 1 minute.

- c. SONI will receive a 'Grid Controller Fail' alarm.

6.4.1.2 PPM Controller Mode Compliance Tests

SONI/NIE Networks must have full control of all the functionality of a **PPM** when the **PPM** controller is operating in 'Grid Control' mode i.e. the normal running mode of the **PPM** controller. However, there may be times when the **Generator** wishes to operate the **PPM** in 'Local Control' under test, diagnostic or temporary running conditions. The **Generator** must coordinate this with SONI/NIE Networks in advance of changing the **PPM** controller into 'Local Mode'. When the **PPM** controller enters 'Local Control', SONI must receive an alarm to alert that the site is no longer remotely controllable via SCADA. When the **PPM** controller is returned to 'Grid Control' SONI must receive an alarm to alert that normal running mode has resumed.

PPM Controller Mode Compliance Test Sequence - Test 1		
Step No.	Action	Comment
1	At MIO , the Generator will change the controller on to 'Local Control'.	SONI will receive an alarm to confirm the PPM controller has changed to 'Local Control'.
2	SONI will attempt to send the PPM a ' MW ' set point of 0 MW and a 'Curtailment Time Interval' set point of 1 min. SONI should not receive back confirmation of these set points from the Generator .	SONI will confirm that they have no controllability at the site
3	SONI will attempt to engage 'Emergency Action' mode.	
PPM Controller Mode Compliance Test Sequence - Test 2		
Step No.	Action	Comment
1	At MIO , the Generator will change the controller on to 'Grid Control'.	SONI will receive an alarm to confirm the PPM controller has changed to 'Grid Control'.
2	SONI will send the PPM a ' MW ' set point of 80% MIO and a 'Curtailment Time Interval' set point of 1 min. SONI should receive back confirmation of these set points from the Generator .	SONI will confirm that they have regained controllability at the site.
3	SONI will engage 'Emergency Action' mode. SONI will confirm to the Generator that the PPM has entered 'Emergency Action' mode.	
4	The PPM will be allowed to settle at 80% MIO for 1 min.	
5	SONI will turn off 'Emergency Action' mode.	

The tests will be regarded as supporting **Compliance** if:

- ☐ For Test 1:
 - a. SONI receive an alarm to indicate that the **PPM** controller is in 'Local Control'.
 - b. SONI have no controllability at the site when the **PPM** is in 'Local Control' mode.
- ☐ For Test 2:
 - a. SONI receive an alarm to indicate that the **PPM** controller is in 'Grid Control'.
 - b. SONI have full controllability at the site when the **PPM** is in 'Grid Control' mode.

6.4.1.3 PPM Transducer Failure Compliance Tests

The **PPM** transducer acts as the main **Output** measurement for the **PPM**. Loss of inputs or output from this transducer will result in the **PPM** being incapable of carrying out any control functionality. SONI and NIE Networks deem transducer failure to be:

- ☐ Loss of voltage transformer input(s) Loss of current transformer input(s)
- ☐ Loss of output from the transducer
- ☐ Loss of any primary inputs must result in the initiation of an alarm.

PPM Transducer Failure Compliance Test Sequence - Test 1-3		
Test No.	Test	Comment
1	At MIO, Generator disables the signal from the current transformer to the PPM controller.	SONI must receive a 'Transducer Fail' alarm. The PPM should hold its last known set point for 10mins, after which if the failure still exists the PPM must shutdown to 0 MW in a controlled manner within 1 minute. However, if there are DLR schemes in place for the connection then for all failure scenarios, the PPM must shutdown to 0 MW in a controlled manner within 1 minute.
2	At MIO, Generator disables the signal from the voltage transformer to the PPM controller.	
3	At MIO, Generator disables the signal from the transducer to the PPM controller.	

The tests will be regarded as supporting **Compliance** if:

- ☐ The test results must show that upon failure of any of the primary inputs or output from the transducer that the **PPM** should hold its last known set point for 10 mins, after which if the failure still exists the **PPM** should shut down to 0 **MW** in a controlled manner within 1 minute. However, if there are DLR schemes in place for the connection then for all failure scenarios, the **PPM** should shut down to 0 **MW** in a controlled manner within 1 minute.
- The loss of any of the primary inputs must result in a 'Transducer Fail' alarm being received by SONI.

6.4.1.4 Power Supply Failure Compliance Tests

Power Supply Failure Compliance Test Sequence - Test 1		
Test No.	Test	Comment
1	At MIO , the Generator disconnects the power supply to the control functions at the PPM .	SONI must receive a 'Grid Controller Fail' alarm. The PPM should hold its last known set point for 10mins, after which if the failure still exists the PPM should shut down to 0 MW in a controlled manner within 1 minute. However, if there are DLR schemes in place for the connection then for all failure scenarios, the PPM should shut down to 0 MW in a controlled manner within 1 minute.

The tests will be regarded as supporting **Compliance** if, upon loss of power to any of the control functionality:

- SONI receive a 'Grid Controller Fail' alarm
 - The **PPM** will hold its last known set point for 10 mins, after which if the failure still exists the **PPM** should shut down to 0 **MW** in a controlled manner within 1 minute. However, if there are DLR schemes in place for the connection then for all failure scenarios, the **PPM** should shut down to 0 **MW** in a controlled manner within 1 minute.

6.5 FREQUENCY CONTROL TEST

Compliance Testing/monitoring	
Title of Test: Frequency Control Test	Test Number:5
<p><i>Purpose of Test:</i> The Power Park Module must be capable of operating in three frequency control modes: Frequency Sensitive Mode (FSM); Limited Frequency Sensitive Mode – Over frequency (LFSM-O); and Limited Frequency Sensitive Mode – Under frequency (LFSM-U)</p> <p>Under normal operating conditions the PPM shall operate in LFSM-O. With % curtailment active, the PPM shall operate in FSM. With an Emergency Action setpoint active, the PPM shall operate in LFSM-O, LFSM-U, or both, as selected by SONI via SCADA.</p> <p>Whilst responding to Frequency deviations on the NI System the PPM shall ramp at the Frequency Response Ramp Rate, this ramp rate shall be the maximum ramp of the Generating Units and as a minimum shall be:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Primary Response capability of the Power Park Module (Available by 5s and sustained to 15s): 60% of expected MW Output change value based on droop characteristic. (This is an absolute minimum and if Generating Units can offer a larger response within 5 seconds they should do so) • Secondary Response capability of the Power Park Module (Available by 15s and sustained to 90s): 100% of expected MW Output change value based on droop characteristic. (This is an absolute minimum and if Generating Units can offer a larger response within 15 seconds they should do so) <p>It should be noted that with an Emergency Action setpoint issued and Operating in LFSM-O, the Power Park Module should <u>not</u> increase its Active Power Output beyond the figure that has been instructed in response to low Frequency deviations, however the Power Park Module must respond to high Frequency deviations and reduce Active Power Output according to the droop and deadband specified. This mode of operation is different from % MW Curtailment in which the Power Park Module must <u>always</u> respond to high and low Frequency deviations and be operating on the required droop setting. With an Emergency Action setpoint issued and Operating in LFSM-U, the Power Park Module should <u>not</u> decrease its Active Power Output beyond the figure that has been instructed in response to high Frequency deviations, however the Power Park Module must respond to low Frequency deviations and increase Active Power Output according to the droop and deadband specified.</p> <p>When unrestricted, the PPM shall operate in LFSM-O with a deadband from 50Hz to 50.2Hz. Above 50.2Hz the PPM shall operate on a droop characteristic of 3.6% so that the reduction in active power is equal to 100% of Registered Capacity by 52Hz.</p> <p>With % curtailment active, the PPM shall operate in FSM with a deadband from 49.985Hz to 50.015Hz. Below 49.985Hz and above 50.015Hz the PPM shall operate on a droop characteristic of 4% so that the increase in active power is equal to 100% of Registered Capacity by 48Hz and the reduction in active power is equal to 100% of Registered Capacity by 52Hz.</p> <p>With an Emergency Action setpoint issued and the PPM operating in LFSM-O, the PPM shall operate with a deadband from 50Hz to 50.2Hz. Above 50.2Hz the PPM shall operate on a droop characteristic of 3.6% so that the reduction in active power is equal to 100% of Registered Capacity by 52Hz.</p> <p>With an Emergency Action setpoint issued and the PPM operating in LFSM-U, the PPM shall operate with a deadband from 49.5Hz to 50Hz. Below 49.5Hz the PPM shall operate on a droop characteristic of 3% so that the increase in active power is equal to 100% of Registered Capacity by 48Hz.</p> <p>The Frequency Control Test, for Grid Code Compliance purposes, should:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Demonstrate the capability of the Power Park Module to continuously modulate Active Power to contribute to Frequency Control; • Assess dead-band, overall and incremental droop, steady-state/dynamic stability of the governor <p>The Frequency response of the Power Park Module will be demonstrated for:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Normal Operating Conditions (% MW Curtailment Controller is OFF) 2. When the Power Park Module is curtailed by SONI and is providing System reserve (% MW Curtailment Set Point figure between 50-100% of MIO is sent via SONI SCADA). 3. Emergency Action setpoint active and the PPM operating in LFSM-U 	

A Ramp **Frequency Control** Test (Test 5) will be carried out by the **Generator** to verify that; when the **System Frequency** increases above the 'ramp **Frequency** blocking setting' of 50.1Hz, the **Power Park Module** will prevent positive ramping of **MW Output**. The **MW Output** of the **Power Park Module** will be capped to the **MW Output** value at the instant the **Frequency** excursion occurs. A pre-test **MW Output** curtailment is required to clearly demonstrate the 'Ramp **Frequency** Blocking set point' is operating correctly.

All **Frequency Control** Tests will be carried out at a time when the **MW Output** of the **Power Park Module** is greater than 65% of **Registered Capacity**, unless otherwise agreed by the **Generator** with SONI in advance of the test.

Results Required:

The following data must be submitted to SONI in the format of a time series record and Microsoft Excel Plot (Appendix E):

- **MW Output**
- **MW Availability**
- **Power Park Module** Active Set Point
- Ramp **Frequency** Set Point
- Simulated **System Frequency**
- Actual **System Frequency**
- Wind Speed if applicable
- Global Horizontal Irradiance (GHI) if applicable
- Curtailment Control(on/off)
- % **MW** Curtailment Set Point

Test Assessment:

The test results will be assessed against:

- Performance specifications agreed as part of the **Connection Agreement** conditions.
- The **Power Park Module Setting Schedule** further describes and clarifies the application of CC8.8.7 for Transmission and Distribution Connected **Power Park Modules**

Criteria of Assessment:

- **Frequency Control** dead band between 50.1Hz – 50.2Hz during normal operating conditions (% **MW** Curtailment Control is OFF)
- **Frequency Control** dead band between 49.985Hz – 50.015Hz when % **MW** Curtailment Control is ON
- **Frequency Control** dead band between 49.5Hz – 50Hz when an emergency action setpoint is active and the PPM is operating in LFSM-U.
- **Frequency Control** device capable of operating with a nominal droop characteristic of 3.6% under normal operating conditions and a nominal droop characteristic of 4% when a % **MW** Curtailment Set Point figure is being applied to the **Power Park Module MW Output**
- Final steady state droop figure should be based on **Registered Capacity** of the **Power Park Module**
- The **TSO** deems Fast acting with regards to **Frequency Control** response as being:
 - No time delays, such as moving average frequency filters, other than those necessarily inherent in the design of the **Controllable PPM** shall be introduced.
 - **Power Park Module** shall respond to **Frequency** deviations as per **Frequency Response Ramp Rate**:
 - Primary Response capability of the **Power Park Module** (Available by 5s and sustained to 15s): 60% of expected **MW Output** change value based on droop characteristic. (This is an absolute minimum and if **Generating Units** can offer a larger response within 5 s they should do so)
 - Secondary Response capability of the **Power Park Module** (Available by 15s and sustained to 90s): 100% of expected **MW Output** change value based on droop characteristic. (This is an absolute minimum and if **Generating Units** can offer a larger response within 15 s they should do so)
- The **MW Output** of the **Power Park Module** should be within 3% (based on **Registered Capacity**) of the **MW** set point calculated by the **PPM** Controller at all times. The **Commissioning/Acceptance Test Panel** will assess wind conditions for the duration of the test and take any wind gusting or abrupt changes to resource conditions into account as applicable
- High **Frequency** trip facility enabled at a **System Frequency** of 52Hz
- Stable operation from **DMOL** to **MIO**
- Continuous **Frequency** modulation capability across full **Power Park Module** operating range
- When operating in LFSM-O or FSM, and when responding to high frequency, the PPM must not lower its MW output below DMOL.

6.5.1 FREQUENCY CONTROL TEST PROCEDURE

Simulated **Frequency** deviation signals should be injected into the **Frequency** controller reference/feedback summing junction. If the injected **Frequency** signal replaces rather than sums with the real **System Frequency** signal then SONI will require confirmation that the response of the **Power Park Module** to **Frequency** injections under test conditions is an accurate reflection of how the **Power Park Module** will respond to **System Frequency** variations.

Frequency Response under Normal Operating Conditions

Under normal operating conditions the **Power Park Module** % **MW** Curtailment Controller is OFF (signal sent via SONI SCADA). Under normal operating conditions the **Power Park Module** will cap its **Output** at 50.1Hz and will start operating on droop at 50.2 Hz. The **Frequency** Response of the **Power Park Module** will be based on **Registered Capacity** of the **Power Park Module**. Therefore whilst the **Power Park Module** is operating on a nominal droop characteristic of 3.6%, a 28% change of **MW Output** will occur for a 0.5Hz **Frequency** deviation.

$$Droop = \frac{(\Delta Freq / Freq_{Ref})}{(\Delta MW Output) / RC}$$

Droop	Droop setting the PPM is operating on
$\Delta Freq$	Change in Frequency i.e. difference between deadband setting and measured Frequency
$Freq_{Ref}$	Nominal System Frequency i.e. 50Hz
$\Delta MW Output$	Change in MW Output due to the change in Frequency
RC	Registered Capacity of the Power Park Module

Frequency Response under Curtailed Operating Conditions

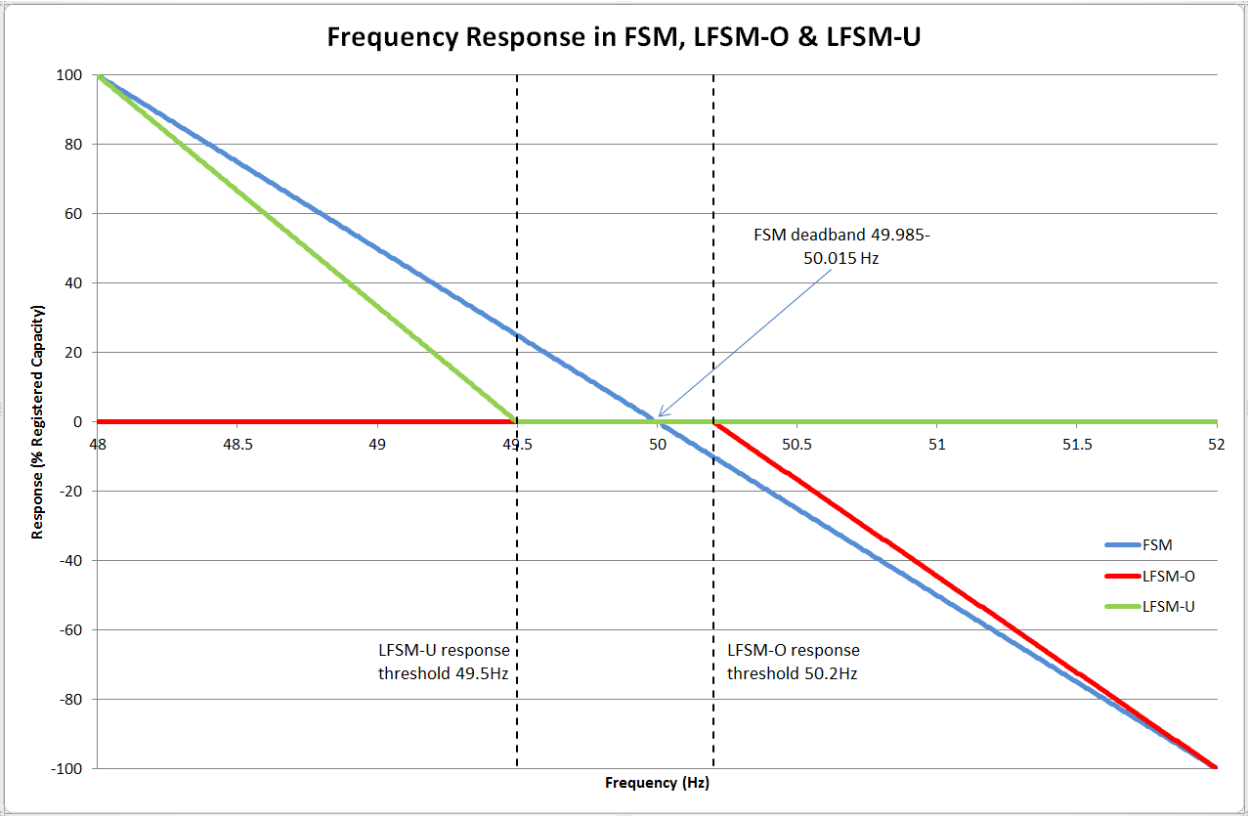
Under % curtailed conditions (i.e. in **FSM**), the **PPM** will operate on a 4% droop characteristic, e.g. a 0.5Hz **Frequency** deviation will result in a 25% change of **MW Output**. The **Frequency** response of the **Power Park Module** will be based on the **Registered Capacity** of the **Power Park Module**. A **Frequency Control** deadband exists between 49.985Hz - 50.015Hz in which the **Power Park Module** is not required to provide **Frequency Control** to the **System**. In accordance with CC.S2.1.5.2 (b) for Transmission Connected **PPM** and CC.S2.2.5.2 (b) for Distribution Connected **PPM**, the controller must be capable of being set to operate in a constrained manner within the range of at least 50% to 100% of **MIO**.

Frequency Response When an Emergency Action Setpoint is Active

When an emergency action setpoint is active the **PPM** will operate in **LFSM-O** or **LFSM-U** depending which is selected via SCADA. In **LFSM-O** the **PPM** will cap its **Output** at 50.1Hz and will start operating on droop at 50.2 Hz. The **Frequency** Response of the **Power Park Module** will be based on **Registered Capacity** of the **Power Park Module**. Therefore whilst the **Power Park Module** is operating on a nominal droop characteristic of 3.6%, a 28% change of **MW Output** will occur for a 0.5Hz **Frequency**. In **LFSM-U** the **PPM** will start operating on droop at 49.5 Hz and with a droop of 3%.

Figure 1 shows a graphical representation of the required **Frequency** response characteristic of a **PPM** in **FSM**, **LFSM-O** & **LFSM-U**.

Figure 1 – Required Frequency Response of **PPM** in FSM, LFSM-O & LFSM-U



Frequency Control Compliance Tests

Frequency injections will be applied at four loading levels; **MIO**, 50% of **MIO**, an **Emergency Action MW setpoint equal to 50% of MIO**, **DMOL** (to be agreed between the **Generator** and the **Commissioning/Acceptance Test Panel**).

An additional test will be carried out to ensure the “Ramp **Frequency** Blocking Setting” of 50.1Hz, which prevents positive ramping of **MW Output**, is operating correctly.

Test 1 - Injection Tests at MIO

Step No.	Action
1	Power Park Module will be operating at MIO
2	Generator will simulate 50Hz
3	Generator will apply a 50.1Hz ramp Frequency injection over 10 seconds
4	Frequency injection will remain at 50.1Hz for 1 minute
5	Generator will apply a 50.3Hz ramp Frequency injection over 10 seconds
6	Frequency injection will remain at 50.3Hz for 1 minute
7	Generator will apply a 50.5Hz ramp Frequency injection over 10 seconds
8	Frequency injection will remain at 50.5Hz for 1 minute
9	Generator will apply a 51.0Hz ramp Frequency injection over 10 seconds
10	Frequency injection will remain at 51Hz for 1 minute
11	Generator will apply a 50.5Hz ramp Frequency injection over 10 seconds
12	Frequency injection will remain at 50.5Hz for 1 minute
13	Generator will apply a 50.3Hz ramp Frequency injection over 10 seconds
14	Frequency injection will remain at 50.3Hz for 1 minute
15	Generator will apply a 50.1Hz ramp Frequency injection over 10 seconds
16	Frequency injection will remain at 50.1Hz for 1 minute
17	Generator will simulate 50Hz and Power Park Module will re-stabilise at MIO for 1 minute.
18	Generator will apply a 50.1Hz Frequency injection as a step change
19	Frequency injection will remain at 50.1Hz for 1 minute
20	Generator will apply a 50.3Hz Frequency injection as a step change
21	Frequency injection will remain at 50.3Hz for 1 minute
22	Generator will apply a 50.5Hz Frequency injection as a step change
23	Frequency injection will remain at 50.5Hz for 1 minute
24	Generator will apply a 51.0Hz Frequency injection as a step change
25	Frequency injection will remain at 51.0Hz for 1 minute

26	Generator will apply a 50.5Hz Frequency injection as a step change
27	Frequency injection will remain at 50.5Hz for 1 minute
28	Generator will apply a 50.3Hz Frequency injection as a step change
29	Frequency injection will remain at 50.3Hz for 1 minute
30	Generator will apply a 50.1Hz Frequency injection as a step change
31	Frequency injection will remain at 50.1Hz for 1 minute
32	Generator will simulate 50Hz and Power Park Module will re-stabilise at MIO for 1 minute
33	Generator will apply a 50.5Hz ramp Frequency injection over 10 seconds
34	Frequency injection will remain at 50.5 Hz for 1 minute
35	Generator will apply a 50Hz ramp Frequency injection over 5 seconds and Power Park Module will re-stabilise at MIO for 1 minute
36	Generator will apply a 51.0Hz ramp Frequency injection over 10 seconds
37	Frequency injection will remain at 51.0 Hz for 1 minute
38	Generator will apply a 50Hz ramp Frequency injection over 5 seconds and Power Park Module will re-stabilise at MIO for 1 minute
39	Generator will apply a 50.5Hz Frequency injection as a step change
40	Frequency injection will remain at 50.5 Hz for 1 minute
41	Generator will apply a 50Hz ramp Frequency injection over 5 seconds and Power Park Module will re-stabilise at MIO for 1 minute
42	Generator will apply a 51.0Hz Frequency injection as a step change
43	Frequency injection will remain at 51.0 Hz for 1 minute
44	Generator will apply a 50Hz ramp Frequency injection over 5 seconds and Power Park Module will re-stabilise at MIO for 1 minute
45	Generator will apply a 51.5Hz Frequency injection as a step change
46	Frequency injection will remain at 51.5 Hz for 1 minute
47	Generator will apply a 50Hz ramp Frequency injection over 5 seconds and Power Park Module will re-stabilise at MIO for 1 minute

Test 2 – Injection Tests at 50% of MIO

Step No.	Action
1	Power Park Module will be operating at 50% MIO
2	Generator will simulate 50Hz
3	Generator will apply a 50.1Hz ramp Frequency injection over 10 seconds
4	Frequency injection will remain at 50.1Hz for 1 minute
5	Generator will apply a 50.2Hz ramp Frequency injection over 10 seconds
6	Frequency injection will remain at 50.2Hz for 1 minute
7	Generator will apply a 50.5Hz ramp Frequency injection over 10 seconds
8	Frequency injection will remain at 50.5Hz for 1 minute
9	Generator will apply a 51.0Hz ramp Frequency injection over 10 seconds
10	Frequency injection will remain at 51.0Hz for 1 minute
11	Generator will apply a 50.5Hz ramp Frequency injection over 10 seconds
12	Frequency injection will remain at 50.5Hz for 1 minute
13	Generator will apply a 50.2Hz ramp Frequency injection over 10 seconds
14	Frequency injection will remain at 50.2Hz for 1 minute
15	Generator will apply a 50.1Hz ramp Frequency injection over 10 seconds
16	Frequency injection will remain at 50.1Hz for 1 minute
17	Generator will simulate 50Hz and Power Park Module will re-stabilise at 50% of MIO for 1 minute
18	Generator will apply a 49.5Hz ramp Frequency injection over 10 seconds
19	Frequency injection will remain at 49.5Hz for 1 minute
20	Generator will apply a 49.0Hz ramp Frequency injection over 10 seconds
21	Frequency injection will remain at 49.0Hz for 1 minute
22	Generator will apply a 49.5Hz ramp Frequency injection over 10 seconds
23	Frequency injection will remain at 49.5Hz for 1 minute
24	Generator will apply a 50Hz ramp Frequency injection over 5 seconds and Power Park Module will re-stabilise at 50% of MIO for 1 minute
25	Generator will apply a 50.1Hz Frequency injection as a step change
26	Frequency injection will remain at 50.1Hz for 1 minute
27	Generator will apply a 50.2Hz Frequency injection as a step change
28	Frequency injection will remain at 50.2Hz for 1 minute
29	Generator will apply a 50.5Hz Frequency injection as a step change

30	Frequency injection will remain at 50.5Hz for 1 minute
31	Generator will apply a 51.0Hz Frequency injection as a step change
32	Frequency injection will remain at 51.0Hz for 1 minute
33	Generator will apply a 50.5Hz Frequency injection as a step change
34	Frequency injection will remain at 50.5Hz for 1 minute
35	Generator will apply a 50.2Hz Frequency injection as a step change
36	Frequency injection will remain at 50.2Hz for 1 minute
37	Generator will apply a 50.1Hz Frequency injection as a step change
38	Frequency injection will remain at 50.1Hz for 1 minute
39	Generator will simulate 50Hz and Power Park Module will re-stabilise at 50% of MIO for 1 minute
40	Generator will apply a 49.5Hz Frequency injection as a step change
41	Frequency injection will remain at 49.5Hz for 1 minute
42	Generator will apply a 49.0Hz Frequency injection as a step change
43	Frequency injection will remain at 49.0Hz for 1 minute
44	Generator will apply a 49.5Hz Frequency injection as a step change
45	Frequency injection will remain at 49.5Hz for 1 minute
46	Generator will apply a 50Hz ramp Frequency injection over 5 seconds and the Power Park Module will re-stabilise at 50% of MIO for 1 minute
47	Generator will apply a 50.5Hz ramp Frequency injection over 10 seconds
48	Frequency injection will remain at 50.5 Hz for 1 minute
49	Generator will apply a 50Hz ramp Frequency injection over 5 seconds and the Power Park Module will re-stabilise at 50% of MIO for 1 minute
50	Generator will apply a 51.0Hz ramp Frequency injection over 10 seconds
51	Frequency injection will remain at 51.0 Hz for 1 minute
52	Generator will apply a 50Hz ramp Frequency injection over 5 seconds and the Power Park Module will re-stabilise at 50% of MIO for 1 minute
53	Generator will apply a 49.5Hz ramp Frequency injection over 10 seconds
54	Frequency injection will remain at 49.5 Hz for 1 minute
55	Generator will apply a 50Hz ramp Frequency injection over 5 seconds and the Power Park Module will re-stabilise at 50% of MIO for 1 minute
56	Generator will apply a 49.0Hz ramp Frequency injection over 10 seconds
57	Frequency injection will remain at 49.0 Hz for 1 minute

58	Generator will apply a 50Hz ramp Frequency injection over 5 seconds and the Power Park Module will re-stabilise at 50% of MIO for 1 minute
59	Generator will apply a 50.5Hz Frequency injection as a step change
60	Frequency injection will remain at 50.5 Hz for 1 minute
61	Generator will apply a 50Hz ramp Frequency injection over 5 seconds and the Power Park Module will re-stabilise at 50% of MIO for 1 minute
62	Generator will apply a 51.0Hz Frequency injection as a step change
63	Frequency injection will remain at 51.0 Hz for 1 minute
64	Generator will apply a 50Hz ramp Frequency injection over 5 seconds and the Power Park Module will re-stabilise at 50% of MIO for 1 minute
65	Generator will apply a 49.5Hz Frequency injection as a step change
66	Frequency injection will remain at 49.5 Hz for 1 minute
67	Generator will apply a 50Hz ramp Frequency injection over 5 seconds and the Power Park Module will re-stabilise at 50% of MIO for 1 minute
68	Generator will apply a 49.0Hz Frequency injection as a step change
69	Frequency injection will remain at 49.0 Hz for 1 minute
70	Generator will apply a 50Hz ramp Frequency injection over 5 seconds and the Power Park Module will re-stabilise at 50% of MIO for 1 minute

Test 3 – Injection Tests at **DMOL**

Step No.	Action
1	The Power Park Module will be operating at Minimum Operating Figure
2	Generator will simulate 50Hz
3	Generator will apply a 49.9Hz ramp Frequency injection over 10 seconds
4	Frequency injection will remain at 49.9Hz for 1 minute
5	Generator will apply a 49.8Hz ramp Frequency injection over 10 seconds
6	Frequency injection will remain at 49.8Hz for 1 minute
7	Generator will apply a 49.5Hz ramp Frequency injection over 10 seconds
8	Frequency injection will remain at 49.5Hz for 1 minute
9	Generator will apply a 49.0Hz ramp Frequency injection over 10 seconds
10	Frequency injection will remain at 49.0Hz for 1 minute
11	Generator will apply a 49.5Hz ramp Frequency injection over 10 seconds
12	Frequency injection will remain at 49.5Hz for 1 minute
13	Generator will simulate 50Hz and the Power Park Module will re-stabilise at DMOL
14	Generator will apply a 49.9Hz Frequency injection as a step change
15	Frequency injection will remain at 49.9Hz for 1 minute
16	Generator will apply a 49.8Hz Frequency injection as a step change
17	Frequency injection will remain at 49.8Hz for 1 minute
18	Generator will apply a 49.5Hz Frequency injection as a step change
19	Frequency injection will remain at 49.5Hz for 1 minute
20	Generator will apply a 49.0Hz Frequency injection as a step change
21	Frequency injection will remain at 49.0Hz for 1 minute
22	Generator will apply a 49.5Hz Frequency injection as a step change
23	Frequency injection will remain at 49.5Hz for 1 minute
24	Generator will simulate 50Hz and the Power Park Module will re-stabilise at DMOL
25	Generator will apply a 49.5Hz ramp Frequency injection over 10 seconds
26	Frequency injection will remain until MW Output becomes stable
27	Generator will simulate 50Hz and the Power Park Module will re-stabilise at DMOL
28	Generator will apply a 49.0Hz ramp Frequency injection over 10 seconds
29	Frequency injection will remain until MW Output becomes stable
30	Generator will simulate 50Hz and the Power Park Module will re-stabilise at DMOL

31	Generator will apply a 49.5Hz Frequency injection as a step change
32	Frequency injection will remain until MW Output becomes stable
33	Generator will simulate 50Hz and the Power Park Module will re-stabilise at DMOL
34	Generator will apply a 49.0Hz Frequency injection as a step change
35	Frequency injection will remain until MW Output becomes stable
36	Generator will simulate 50Hz and the Power Park Module will re-stabilise at DMOL
37	Generator will apply a 48.5Hz Frequency injection as a step change
38	Frequency injection will remain until MW Output becomes stable
39	Generator will simulate 50Hz and the Power Park Module will re-stabilise at DMOL

Test 4 – Injection Tests at Emergency Action setpoint of 50% MIO & in LFSM-U

Step No.	Action
1	Power Park Module will be operating at an Emergency Action setpoint of 50% MIO
2	Generator will simulate 50Hz
3	Generator will apply a 49.6Hz ramp Frequency injection over 10 seconds
4	Frequency injection will remain at 49.6Hz for 1 minute
5	Generator will apply a 49.4Hz ramp Frequency injection over 10 seconds
6	Frequency injection will remain at 49.4Hz for 1 minute
7	Generator will apply a 49Hz ramp Frequency injection over 10 seconds
8	Frequency injection will remain at 49Hz for 1 minute
9	Generator will apply a 48.5Hz ramp Frequency injection over 10 seconds
10	Frequency injection will remain at 48.5Hz for 1 minute
11	Generator will apply a 49Hz ramp Frequency injection over 10 seconds
12	Frequency injection will remain at 49Hz for 1 minute
13	Generator will apply a 49.4Hz ramp Frequency injection over 10 seconds
14	Frequency injection will remain at 49.4Hz for 1 minute
15	Generator will apply a 49.6Hz ramp Frequency injection over 10 seconds
16	Frequency injection will remain at 49.6Hz for 1 minute
17	Generator will simulate 50Hz and Power Park Module will re-stabilise at setpoint for 1 minute.
18	Generator will apply a 49.6Hz Frequency injection as a step change
19	Frequency injection will remain at 49.6Hz for 1 minute
20	Generator will apply a 49.4Hz Frequency injection as a step change
21	Frequency injection will remain at 49.4Hz for 1 minute
22	Generator will apply a 49Hz Frequency injection as a step change
23	Frequency injection will remain at 49Hz for 1 minute
24	Generator will apply a 48.5Hz Frequency injection as a step change
25	Frequency injection will remain at 48.5Hz for 1 minute

26	Generator will apply a 49Hz Frequency injection as a step change
27	Frequency injection will remain at 49Hz for 1 minute
28	Generator will apply a 49.4Hz Frequency injection as a step change
29	Frequency injection will remain at 49.4Hz for 1 minute
30	Generator will apply a 49.6Hz Frequency injection as a step change
31	Frequency injection will remain at 49.6Hz for 1 minute
32	Generator will simulate 50Hz and Power Park Module will re-stabilise at setpoint for 1 minute
33	Generator will apply a 49Hz ramp Frequency injection over 10 seconds
34	Frequency injection will remain at 49Hz for 1 minute
35	Generator will apply a 50Hz ramp Frequency injection over 5 seconds and Power Park Module will re-stabilise at setpoint for 1 minute
36	Generator will apply a 48.5Hz ramp Frequency injection over 10 seconds
37	Frequency injection will remain at 48.5Hz for 1 minute
38	Generator will apply a 50Hz ramp Frequency injection over 5 seconds and Power Park Module will re-stabilise at setpoint for 1 minute
39	Generator will apply a 49Hz Frequency injection as a step change
40	Frequency injection will remain at 49Hz for 1 minute
41	Generator will apply a 50Hz ramp Frequency injection over 5 seconds and Power Park Module will re-stabilise at setpoint for 1 minute
42	Generator will apply a 48.5Hz Frequency injection as a step change
43	Frequency injection will remain at 48.5Hz for 1 minute
44	Generator will apply a 50Hz ramp Frequency injection over 5 seconds and Power Park Module will re-stabilise at setpoint for 1 minute
45	Generator will apply a 48Hz Frequency injection as a step change
46	Frequency injection will remain at 48 Hz for 1 minute
47	Generator will apply a 50Hz ramp Frequency injection over 5 seconds and Power Park Module will re-stabilise at setpoint for 1 minute

Test 4 – Ramp **Frequency Control** Test

Frequency Control testing will be carried out when 100% of **Generating Units** are in service. The available power on the day of testing should be greater than 65% of **Registered Capacity**.

A pre-test **MW Output** curtailment is required to clearly demonstrate that the ‘Ramp **Frequency** Blocking set point’ is operating correctly.

Step No.	Action
1	SONI will send the Power Park Module a MW set point to reduce the MW Output to DMOL
2	The Power Park Module will send SONI confirmation of the MW set point
3	SONI will send Power Park Module a Curtailment Time Interval set point
4	The Power Park Module will send confirmation of the Curtailment Time Interval set point
5	SONI will turn on ‘Emergency Action’ mode
6	The Power Park Module shall ramp at the Active Power Control Set-Point Ramp Rate
7	When the Power Park Module has achieved the specified MW set point in the specified Curtailment Time Interval, the Power Park Module will be required to remain at that set point for 10 minutes
8	SONI will turn off ‘Emergency Action’ mode
9	The Power Park Module shall ramp at the Resource Following Ramp Rate ; this ramp shall be a percentage of Registered Capacity of the Power Park Module per minute which equates to 5 MW/min , the ramp rate shall not exceed three times the Resource Following Ramp Rate in any one minute
10	Before the MW Output of the Power Park Module reaches MIO the Generator will simulate a Frequency of 50.1Hz (exact point at which this occurs to be determined by SONI for each Power Park Module). The MW Output of the Power Park Module will be capped to the MW Output value at the instant the Frequency excursion occurred, the Power Park Module will be required to remain at this MW Output for 2 minutes
11	The Generator will simulate a System Frequency of 50Hz, the Power Park Module MW Output shall increase to MIO at the Resource Following Ramp Rate

6.6 VOLTAGE CONTROL MODE and REACTIVE CAPABILITY TESTS

Compliance Testing/monitoring	
Title of Test: Voltage Control Mode and Reactive Capability Test	Test Number: 6
<p><i>Purpose of Test:</i></p> <p>The PPM shall have a fast acting, continuously variable, continuously acting, closed loop voltage regulation system with similar response characteristics to a conventional automatic voltage regulator.</p> <p>SONI/NIE Networks will require the PPM to operate in one of the following modes of Voltage Control (SONI/NIE Networks will inform the Generator which form of Voltage Control is required prior to synchronisation):</p> <p>1) <u>Direct Voltage Control with Feedback</u> Voltage Control of PPM in response to a Voltage set point received from SONI/NIE Networks: The Generator should ensure the PPM is capable of performing Closed-loop Voltage Control (without a slope) with proportional-integral action with responses in a stable manner. i.e. if a Voltage set point instruction from SONI/NIE Networks is received by the PPM via SCADA, the PPM will achieve the set point if it has the reactive capability to do so. Voltage Control of PPM in response to a System Voltage perturbation after a Voltage set point received via SCADA has been achieved: The Generator should ensure the PPM is capable of performing Closed-loop Voltage Control (without a slope) with proportional-integral action with responses in a stable manner The PPM will always maintain that set point using direct Voltage Control with feedback if there are System Voltage perturbations.</p> <p>2) <u>Direct Voltage Control With Slope:</u> Whilst the PPM is operating in this Voltage Control mode, SONI/NIE Networks require the PPM to respond as follows: Voltage Control of PPM in response to a Voltage set point received from SONI/NIE Networks: The Generator will ensure the PPM is capable of performing Closed-loop Voltage Control (without a slope) with proportional-integral action with responses in a stable manner. i.e. if a Voltage set point instruction from SONI/NIE Networks is received by the PPM via SCADA, the PPM will achieve the set point if it has the reactive capability to do so. Voltage Control of PPM in response to a System Voltage perturbation after a Voltage set point received via SCADA has been achieved: When the required voltage set point has been achieved (if the reactive capability of the PPM is there to do so) the PPM will operate on a reactive slope characteristic to System Voltage perturbations.</p> <p>For <u>Direct Voltage Control with Slope</u> the Voltage Control system of the PPM should have a reactive slope characteristic which must be adjustable over a range of between 2 - 7% with a resolution of 0.5% (normally 3%-SONI/NIE Networks will advise the Generator as to what the slope setting should be set at). The PPM must demonstrate the ability to operate on a 3% reactive slope characteristic. Therefore if the System voltage drops by 3% below the voltage set point received from SONI/NIE Networks via SCADA, the PPM will go to its maximum lagging Reactive Power capability and export the maximum Reactive Power of the PPM on to the System. Conversely, if the System voltage increases by 3% above the voltage set point received from SONI/NIE Networks via SCADA, the PPM will go to its maximum leading Power Factor and absorb the maximum amount of Reactive Power possible from the System. The magnitude of the Reactive Power output response shall vary linearly in proportion to the magnitude of the step change in voltage.</p> <p>The Voltage Control Mode Test will be carried out by the PPM to demonstrate that; upon receipt of a 'Voltage Control' signal from SONI/NIE Networks, the PPM enters 'Voltage Control' mode. Depending on the form Voltage Control stipulated by SONI/NIE Networks, the PPM should operate as per 1) <u>Direct Voltage Control with Feedback</u> or 2) Direct <u>Voltage Control With Slope</u>.</p>	

As per **Grid Code CC.S2.1.3.2** and Figure 2 of this **PPM Setting Schedule**, as an absolute minimum, the **PPM** reactive capability must at least be as per the reactive capability characteristic shown when the **PPM** is attempting to control the voltage at the **Connection Point** when the **PPM** is operating in **Voltage Control** mode. Six weeks prior to synchronisation the **Generator** must submit a **Generator Performance Chart** showing the full reactive capability of the **PPM** at the **Connection Point** (this capability must be at least of the range shown in Figure 2).

The functionality of the **Voltage Control** system will be demonstrated at different voltage set points. (The **Commissioning/Acceptance Test Panel** will confirm the voltage range to avoid unnecessary risk to the **System**.)

This test will be carried out at a time when the **MW Output** of the **PPM** is greater than 65% of **Registered Capacity** and 100% of the **Generating Units** are in service, unless otherwise agreed by the **Commissioning/Acceptance Test Panel** in advance of the test.

The **Reactive Power** response provided by the **Generator** must be continuously variable and be provided continuously in time (i.e. should not involve capacitor bank switching).

Results Required:

Time series record and Microsoft Excel Plot (Appendix E) showing:

- Wind Speed if applicable
- Global Horizontal Irradiance (GHI) if applicable
- **MW Output**
- **MVA_r** output
- Voltage set point
- Voltage at the **Connection Point**

Test Assessment:

The test results will be assessed against:

- CC.S2.1.7.3

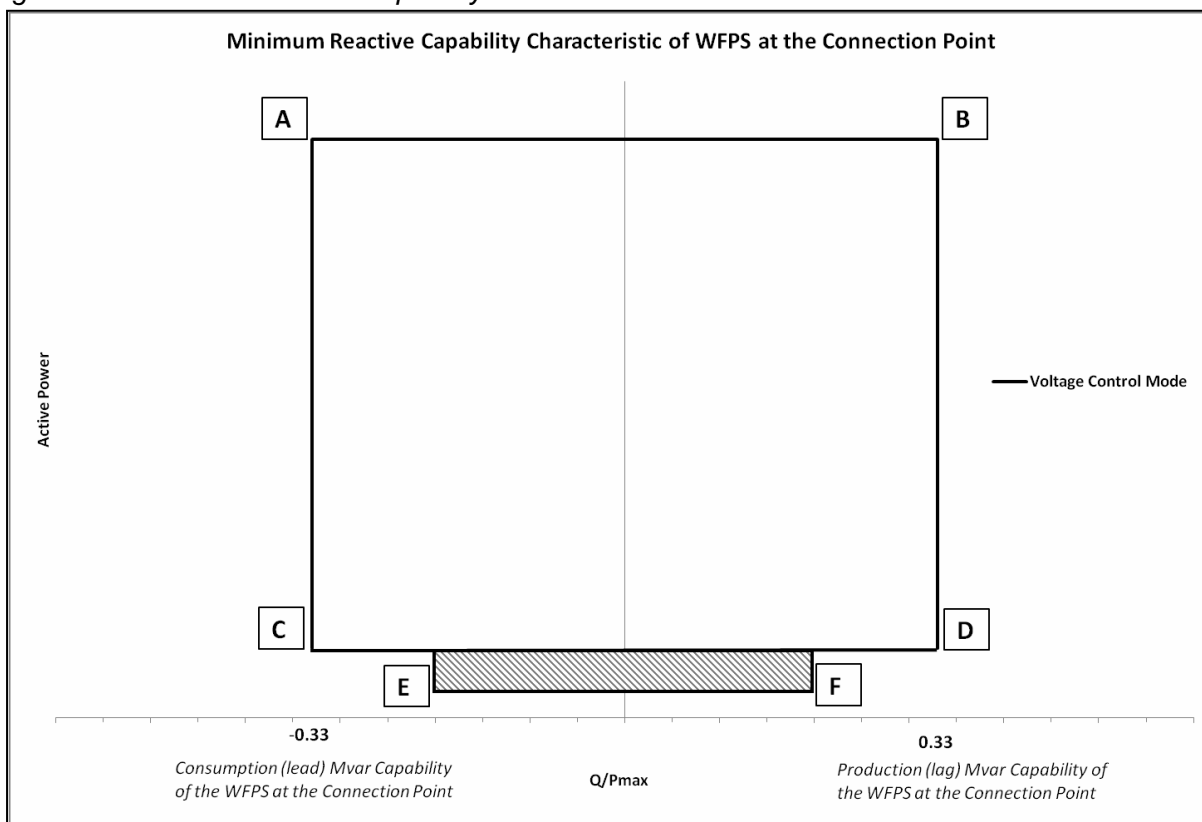
Criteria of Assessment:

- The **TSO** deems fast acting with regards to **Voltage Control** response as being:
 - The speed of response of the voltage regulation system, following a change in voltage setpoint at the **Connection Point** by SONI/NIE Networks via SCADA, shall be such that the **PPM** shall achieve 90% of its steady-state **Reactive Power** response within 1 second.
 - The change in **Reactive Power** commences within 0.2 seconds of the application of the step injection
 - Any oscillations settle to within 5% of the change in steady state **Reactive Power**⁵ within 2 seconds of the application of the step injection.
 - The final steady state reactive value is achieved within 5 seconds of the step application.
- For *Direct Voltage Control with Slope*, if the PPM has the reactive capability to meet the voltage set point then it should switch to Slope Control after 5 seconds of the step application. The switch between Direct Voltage Control and Slope Control should be bumpless⁶
- For *Direct Voltage Control with Slope*, if the PPM does not have the reactive capability to meet the voltage set point it should remain in Direct Voltage Control until it does achieve the voltage set point at which point it should switch to Slope Control.
- The voltage set point will be adjustable over the following ranges:
10% of nominal with a resolution of better than $\pm 0.25\%$ for a Transmission connected **PPM**
- The voltage set point will be adjustable over the following ranges:
6% of nominal with a resolution of better than $\pm 0.25\%$ for Distribution connected **PPM**
- The **PPM** will hold the required **Connection Point** voltage to within 0.25% of the Set point based on nominal voltage (as instructed via SCADA) when operating in Direct Voltage Control, otherwise the **PPM** shall respond to voltage deviations at the **Connection Point** in line with its reactive power droop setting.
- As an absolute minimum, the reactive capability of the **PPM** shown in Figure 2 (up to the **Connection Point** will be available to attempt control the voltage at the **Connection Point**.

⁵ Change in steady state **Reactive Power** = steady state **Reactive Power** post set point change – steady state **Reactive Power** pre-set point change

⁶ On switching between Direct Voltage Control and Slope Control the **TSO** / **DNO** expect **Reactive Power** oscillations to be no greater than 3% of the change in steady state **Reactive Power**.

Figure 2 – Minimum Reactive Capability Characteristic of the **PPM** at the **Connection Point**



- Point A **MVAR consumption (lead) capability of the PPM at Registered Capacity at the Connection Point**
- Point B **MVAR production (lag) capability of the PPM at Registered Capacity at the Connection Point**
- Point C **MVAR consumption (lead) capability of the PPM when Output is 12%⁷ of Registered Capacity at the Connection Point**
- Point D **MVAR production (lag) capability of the PPM when Output is 12%⁷ of Registered Capacity at the Connection Point**
- Point E **MVAR consumption (lead) capability at the Minimum Stable Operating Level of the Generating Units at the Connection Point**
- Point F **MVAR production (lag) capability at the Minimum Stable Operating Level of the Generating Units at the Connection Point**

For the avoidance of doubt, whilst the **PPM** is operating in **Voltage Control** mode the minimum reactive capability shall be as per the envelope ABCDEF in the **Voltage Control** characteristic shown in Figure 2.

⁷ 12% for connection to the **Transmission System**, 15% for connection to the **Distribution System**

6.6.1 VOLTAGE CONTROL MODE TEST PROCEDURE

Voltage Control mode testing should be carried out when 100% of **PPM Generating Units** are in service. The available power on the day of testing should be greater than 65% of **Registered Capacity**.

The **Voltage Control** mode tests described below are given indicative of what SONI/NIE Networks requires. However, the **Generator** will have to agree a site specific testing programme with the **Commissioning/Acceptance Test Panel** who will advise as to the voltage limits that can be tested. This programme is required to be submitted to the **Commissioning/Acceptance Test Panel** for approval at the early stage of the **Compliance** process.

The tables below show the possible range of set points that may be sent via SCADA to Transmission or Distribution connected **PPM**.

Voltage Control test sequences 1 and 2 will have to be carried out by the **Generator**.

Voltage Control Test Sequence 1 (For Transmission Connected PPM)		
Voltage set points sent by SONI to Transmission Connected PPM		
Test No.	Action	Voltage set point (kV)
1	SONI will send the PPM a 99kV set point. Upon confirmation from the PPM that the set point was received, SONI will engage ' Voltage Control ' mode. Hold until conditions stabilise. The PPM will remain at this set point for 1 min.	99
2	SONI will send the PPM a 101kV set point. Hold until conditions stabilise. The PPM will remain at this set point for 1 min.	101
3	SONI will send the PPM a 103kV set point. e. Hold until conditions stabilise. The PPM will remain at this set point for 1 min.	103
4	SONI will send the PPM a 105kV set point. Hold until conditions stabilise. The PPM will remain at this set point for 1 min.	105
5	SONI will send the PPM a 107kV set point. Hold until conditions stabilise. The PPM will remain at this set point for 1 min.	107
6	SONI will send the PPM a 109kV set point. Hold until conditions stabilise. The PPM will remain at this set point for 1 min.	109
7	SONI will send the PPM a 111kV set point. Hold until conditions stabilise. The PPM will remain at this set point for 1 min.	111
8	SONI will send the PPM a 113kV set point. Hold until conditions stabilise. The PPM will remain at this set point for 1 min.	113
9	SONI will send the PPM a 115kV set point. Hold until conditions stabilise. The PPM will remain at this set point for 1 min.	115
10	SONI will send the PPM a 117kV set point. Hold until conditions stabilise. The PPM will remain at this set point for 1 min.	117
11	SONI will send the PPM a 119kV set point. Hold until conditions stabilise. The PPM will remain at this set point for 1 min.	119

12	SONI will send the PPM a 121kV set point. Hold until conditions stabilise. The PPM will remain at this set point for 1 min.	121
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Voltage Control Test Sequence 1 (for Distribution Connected PPMs)		
Voltage set points sent by NIE Networks to Distribution Connected PPM		
Test No.	Action	Voltage set point (kV)
1	NIE Networks will send the PPM a 33kV set point. Upon confirmation from the PPM that the set point was received, NIE Networks will engage ' Voltage Control ' mode. Hold until conditions stabilise. The PPM will remain at this set point for 1 min.	33
2	NIE Networks will send the PPM a 33.5kV set point. Hold until conditions stabilise. The PPM will remain at this set point for 1 min.	33.5
3	NIE Networks will send the PPM a 34kV set point. Hold until conditions stabilise. The PPM will remain at this set point for 1 min.	34
4	NIE Networks will send the PPM a 34.5kV set point. Hold until conditions stabilise. The PPM will remain at this set point for 1 min.	34.5
5	NIE Networks will send the PPM a 35kV set point. Hold until conditions stabilise. The PPM will remain at this set point for 1 min.	35
6	NIE Networks will send the PPM a 33kV set point. Hold until conditions stabilise. The PPM will remain at this set point for 1 min.	33
7	NIE Networks will send the PPM a 32.5kV set point. Hold until conditions stabilise. The PPM will remain at this set point for 1 min.	32.5
8	NIE Networks will send the PPM a 32kV set point. Hold until conditions stabilise. The PPM will remain at this set point for 1 min.	32
9	NIE Networks will send the PPM a 31.5kV set point. Hold until conditions stabilise. The PPM will remain at this set point for 1 min.	31.5
10	NIE Networks will send the PPM a 31kV set point. Hold until conditions stabilise. The PPM will remain at this set point for 1 min.	31

Voltage Control Mode Test Sequence 2 for both Transmission and Distribution Connected PPMs	
Test No.	Action
1	The PPM will be sent a power factor set point of 0.95 lead and upon confirmation of the signal being received, the PPM will be switched to Power Factor control.
2	Upon confirmation that the PPM is at 0.95 lead, the voltage at the Connection Point will be measured and called V1
3	The PPM will be sent a voltage set point equivalent to V1. On conformation of the signal being received the PPM will be switched to Voltage Control . The PPM will remain at this set point for 5 minutes
4	Similar tests will be carried out as in Test Step 3 above for (V1+ 0.5)kV, (V1 + 1.0) (V1 – 0.5) and (V1 – 1.0)kV. The PPM will be required to remain at each voltage set point for 5 mins
5	The PPM will be sent a power factor set point of 0.98 lag (for Distribution Connected PPM)/ 0.95 lag (for Transmission Connected PPM) and upon confirmation of the signal being received the PPM will be switched to Power Factor control.
6	Upon confirmation that the PPM is at 0.98 lag the voltage at the Connection Point will be measured and called V2
7	The PPM will be sent a voltage set point equivalent to V2 On conformation of the signal being received the PPM will be switched to Voltage Control . The PPM will remain at this set point for 5 minutes
8	Similar tests will be carried out as in Test Step 7 above for (V2 - 0.5)kV, (V2 – 1.0)kV, (V2 + 0.5)kV and (V2 + 1.0)kV. The PPM will be required to remain at each voltage set point for 5 minutes

6.6.2 REACTIVE CAPABILITY TEST PROCEDURE

Reactive Capability testing should be carried out when 100% of **PPM Generating Units** are in service. The available power on the day of testing should be greater than 80% of **Registered Capacity**. This test will be carried out when the **PPM** is in **Voltage Control** mode.

The Reactive Capability tests described below are given indicative of what SONI/NIE Networks requires. However, the **Generator** will have to agree a site specific testing programme with the **Commissioning/Acceptance Test Panel** who will advise as to the voltage limits that can be tested. This programme is required to be submitted to the **Commissioning/Acceptance Test Panel** for approval at the early stage of the **Compliance** process.

For Transmission connected **PPM**, the **PPM** reactive capability must at least be as per the reactive capability characteristic shown in **Grid Code CC.S2.1.3.2** and Figure 2 of this **PPM Setting Schedule**,

For Distribution connected **PPMs**, as an absolute minimum, the **PPM** reactive capability must at least be as per the reactive capability characteristic shown in Figure 2.

Six weeks prior to synchronisation the **Generator** must submit a **Generator Performance Chart** showing the full reactive capability of the **PPM** at the **Connection Point** (this capability must be at least of the range shown in Figure 2). SONI/NIE Networks will, through testing, verify if the **PPM** has the reactive capability that was submitted.

To do this the **PPM** will be issued with a voltage set point from SONI/NIE Networks at the extremities of the voltage set points that can be issued (up to $\pm 6\%$ of $V_{NOMINAL}$ for Distribution Connected **PPM** and up to $\pm 10\%$ of $V_{NOMINAL}$ for Transmission Connected **PPM**). When the **PPM** is issued a voltage set point at the lower voltage extremity the **Active Power** will then be reduced in steps by SONI/NIE Networks from 80% **Registered Capacity** to **DMOL**. This will then be repeated at the higher voltage extremity. This will allow a **Generator Performance Chart** to be drawn to compare with the chart submitted by the **Generator**.

Test Step.	Action
1	PPM at MIO (>80% Registered Capacity)
2	SONI/NIE Networks will send the PPM Voltage Set point which is at the lower voltage extremity
3	The PPM will send SONI/NIE Networks confirmation of the Voltage set point.
4	SONI/NIE Networks will turn on ' Voltage Control ' mode.
5	Hold until conditions stabilise.
6	In pre-agreed MW steps, SONI/NIE Networks will issue the PPM MW set points from MIO to 0 MW
7	The PPM will then be allowed to Ramp back up to MIO (>80% of Registered Capacity)
8	SONI/NIE Networks will send the PPM Voltage Set point which is at the higher voltage extremity
9	The PPM will send SONI/NIE Networks confirmation of the Voltage set point.
10	SONI/NIE Networks will turn on ' Voltage Control ' mode.
11	Hold until conditions stabilise.
12	In pre-agreed MW steps, SONI/NIE Networks will issue the PPM MW set points from MIO to the minimum Active Power Level that the PPM can import/export Reactive Power (to be confirmed by Generator in advance of testing).

Voltage Set point (issued by SONI/NIE Networks via	Active Power Output (% Registered Capacity)	Reactive Power (pu)
Lower Voltage set point extremity (to be agreed with the Commissioning/Acceptance Test Panel in advance of testing)	100	
	80	
	60	
	40	
	20	
	DMOL	
	Minimum Active Power Level that the PPM can import/ Reactive Power	
Higher Voltage set point extremity (to be agreed with the Commissioning/Acceptance Test Panel in advance of testing)	100	
	80	
	60	
	40	
	20	
	DMOL	
	Minimum Active Power Level that the PPM can export Reactive Power	

The **Generator** should submit a **Generator Performance Chart** to SONI/NIE Networks based on the results recorded in the above test.

6.7 AUTOMATIC VOLTAGE CONTROL TEST

Compliance Testing/monitoring	
Title of Test: Voltage Control Test	Test Number: 7
<p><i>Purpose of Test:</i></p> <p>The PPM shall have a fast acting, continuously variable, closed loop voltage regulation system with similar response characteristics to a conventional automatic voltage regulator.</p> <p>The Automatic Voltage Control Test will be carried out by the Generator to verify that the PPM is equipped with a fast-acting automatic Voltage Control that meets the requirements of CC.S2.1.3.2 or EREC G99/N1 13.8.1 as applicable</p> <p>SONI/NIE Networks will require the PPM to operate in one of the following modes of Voltage Control (SONI/NIE Networks will inform the Generator which form of Voltage Control is required prior to synchronisation):</p> <p>1) <u>Direct Voltage Control with Feedback</u> Voltage Control of PPM in response to a Voltage set point received from SONI/NIE Networks: The Generator should ensure the PPM is capable of performing Closed-loop Voltage Control (without a slope) with proportional-integral action with responses in a stable manner. i.e. if a Voltage set point instruction from SONI/NIE Networks is received by the PPM via SCADA, the PPM will achieve the set point if it has the reactive capability to do so. Voltage Control of PPM in response to a System Voltage perturbation after a Voltage set point received via SCADA has been achieved: The Generator should ensure the PPM is capable of performing Closed-loop Voltage Control (without a slope) with proportional-integral action with responses in a stable manner The PPM will always maintain that set point using direct Voltage Control with feedback if there are System Voltage perturbations.</p> <p>2) <u>Direct Voltage Control With Slope:</u> Whilst the PPM is operating in this Voltage Control mode, SONI/NIE Networks require the PPM to respond as follows: Voltage Control of PPM in response to a Voltage set point received from SONI/NIE Networks: The Generator will ensure the PPM is capable of performing Closed-loop Voltage Control (without a slope) with proportional-integral action with responses in a stable manner. i.e. if a Voltage set point instruction from SONI/NIE Networks is received by the PPM via SCADA, the PPM will achieve the set point if it has the reactive capability to do so. Voltage Control of PPM in response to a System Voltage perturbation after a Voltage set point received via SCADA has been achieved: When the required voltage set point has been achieved (if the reactive capability of the PPM is there to do so) the PPM will operate on a reactive slope characteristic to System Voltage perturbations.</p> <p>For <u>Direct Voltage Control with Slope</u> the Voltage Control system of the PPM should have a reactive slope characteristic which must be adjustable over a range of between 2 - 7% with a resolution of 0.5% (normally 3%-SONI/NIE Networks will advise the Generator as to what the slope setting should be set at). The PPM must demonstrate the ability to operate on a 3% reactive slope characteristic. Therefore if the System voltage drops by 3% below the voltage set point received from SONI/NIE Networks via SCADA, the PPM will go to its maximum lagging Reactive Power capability and export the maximum Reactive Power of the PPM on to the System. Conversely, if the System voltage increases by 3% above the voltage set point received from SONI/NIE Networks via SCADA, the PPM will go to its maximum leading Power Factor and absorb the maximum amount of Reactive Power possible from the System. The magnitude of the Reactive Power output response shall vary linearly in proportion to the magnitude of the step change in voltage.</p> <p>For Transmission connected PPMs, the PPM reactive capability for Voltage Control must at least be as per the reactive capability characteristic shown in Grid Code CC.S2.1.3.2 and Figure 2 of this PPM Setting Schedule,</p> <p>For Distribution connected PPM, as an absolute minimum, the PPM reactive capability for Voltage Control must at least be as per the reactive capability characteristic shown in Figure 2.</p>	

<p>i) These tests will be carried out by the Generator injecting step changes to the Connection Point voltage reference (tests 1-6). Further automatic voltage regulation tests will be carried out by changing the tap position of the upstream transformers, these tests will be carried out at the discretion of the Commissioning/Acceptance Test Panel (tests 7-14).</p> <p>ii) Further to this, whilst the PPM is operating in power factor mode, SONI will require the Generator to inject a step change to the Connection Point voltage reference which:</p> <p>a) When a Transmission Connected PPM is outside the statutory limits as specified in CC5.4.1 to prove that if the voltage exceeds the specified band ($\pm 10\%$) the PPM will automatically change to Voltage Control mode (tests 15-16).</p> <p>b) When a Distribution Connected PPM is outside the statutory limits as specified in the Distribution Code to prove that if the voltage exceeds the specified band ($\pm 6\%$) the PPM will automatically change to Voltage Control mode (tests 15-16).</p> <p>These tests will be carried out at a time when the MW Output of the PPM is greater than 65% of Registered Capacity and 100% of the Generating Units are in service, unless otherwise agreed by the Generator with the Commissioning/Acceptance Test Panel in advance of the test.</p> <p>For Transmission connected PPMs, the Commissioning/Acceptance Test Panel will agree the test procedure in advance of Compliance testing</p> <p>The Reactive Power response provided by the Generator must be continuously variable and be provided continuously in time (i.e. should not involve capacitor bank switching).</p> <p>SONI/NIE Networks can provide examples of what is required in terms of PPM performance in Voltage Control if the Generator requires more detail on this area.</p>	<p><i>Results Required:</i></p> <p>Time series record and Microsoft Excel Plot (Appendix E) showing:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MW Output • MVAr output • MW Availability • Power Factor Set-Point • Voltage at the Connection Point • Voltage Step Injection
<p><i>Test Assessment:</i></p> <p>The test results will be assessed against:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Grid Code (CC.S2.1.3.2 and CC.5.4.1) and EREC G99/NI 10.2.1 and Distribution Code Connection Condition 5.3.1) <p><i>Criteria of Assessment:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The TSO deems fast acting with regards to Voltage Control response as being: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ The speed of response of the voltage regulation system, following a step change in voltage at the Connection Point, shall be such that the PPM shall achieve 90% of its steady-state Reactive Power response within 1 second. ○ The change in Reactive Power commences within 0.2 seconds of the application of the step injection ○ Any oscillations settle to within 5% of the change in steady state Reactive Power within 2 seconds of the application of the step injection⁵. ○ The final steady state reactive value is achieved within 5 seconds of the step application. ○ If the voltage exceeds the specified band that the power factor control reverts to Voltage Control to the Connection Point voltage reference whilst the PPM is operating in power factor mode (EREC G99/NI 10.2.1 and Grid Code CC.S2.1.3.2. 	

6.7.1 AUTOMATIC VOLTAGE CONTROL TEST PROCEDURE

The **PPM** shall be capable of operating as per CC.S2.1.3.2 for Transmission Connected **PPMs** and EREC G99/NI 10.2.1 for Distribution Connected **PPMs**.

Automatic Voltage Control Compliance Tests

Automatic **Voltage Control** testing will be carried out when 100% of **Generating Units** at the **PPM** are in service. The available power on the day of testing should be greater than 65% of **Registered Capacity**.

A comprehensive suite of tests will be carried out to fully explore the behaviour of a **PPM** following a voltage excursion on the **System**.

The automatic **Voltage Control** tests described below are to be arranged and conducted by the **Generator**; it is their responsibility to propose a test programme to suit their site specific requirements. A typical example of the test programme is given below. This programme is required to be submitted to the **Commissioning/Acceptance Test Panel** for approval at the early stage of the **Compliance** process.

Tests 1-12 will require the **Generator** to inject step changes to the **Connection Point** voltage reference.

Voltage Injections to the PPM Controller			
Test No.	Action	Voltage Injection	Notes
1	Inject +1% step to the PPM Voltage Reference Set point. Hold for 10 sec, remove injection as a step and hold for 10 sec.	+1%	
2	Inject -1% step to the PPM Voltage Reference Set point. Hold for 10 sec, remove injection as a step and hold for 10 sec.	-1%	
3	Inject +2% steps to the PPM Voltage Reference Set point. Hold for 10 sec, remove injection as a step and hold for 10 sec.	+2%	
4	Inject -2% step to the PPM Voltage Reference Set point. Hold for 10 sec, remove injection as a step and hold for 10 sec.	-2%	
5	Inject +3% steps to the PPM Voltage Reference Set point. Hold for 10 sec, remove injection as a step and hold for 10 sec.	+3%	
6	Inject -3% step to the PPM Voltage Reference Set point. Hold for 10 sec, remove injection as a step and hold for 10 sec.	-3%	
7	Inject +4% step to the PPM Voltage Reference Set point. Hold for 10 sec, remove injection as a step and hold for 10 sec.	+4%	
8	Inject -4% step to the PPM Voltage Reference Set point . Hold for 10 sec, remove injection as a step and hold for 10 sec.	-4%	
9	Inject +5% step to the PPM Voltage Reference Set point . Hold for 10 sec, remove injection as a step and hold for 10 sec.	+5%	
10	Inject -5% step to the PPM Voltage Reference Set point . Hold for 10 sec, remove injection as a step and hold for 10 sec.	-5%	
11	Inject +6% step to the PPM Voltage Reference Set point . Hold for 10 sec, remove injection as a step and hold for 10 sec.	+6%	
12	Inject -6% step to the PPM Voltage Reference Set point . Hold for 10 sec, remove injection as a step and hold for 10 sec.	-6%	

Tests 13-20 will be carried out by changing the tap position of the upstream transformers.

Altering the tap position of the upstream transformers			
Test No.	Action	Tap Change	Notes
13	Tap up 1 position, hold for 10 sec	+1 Tap	
14	Tap up 1 position (i.e. up 2 positions from starting position) , hold for 10 sec	+1 Tap	
15	Tap down 1 position (i.e. up 1 position from starting position) , hold for 10 sec	-1 Tap	
16	Tap down 1 position (i.e. back to starting position) , hold for 10 sec	-1 Tap	
17	Tap down 1 position (i.e. down 1 position from starting position) , hold for 10 sec	-1 Tap	
18	Tap down 1 position (i.e. down 2 positions from starting position) , hold for 10 sec	-1 Tap	
19	Tap up 1 position (i.e. up 1 position from starting position) , hold for 10 sec	+1 Tap	
20	Tap up 1 position (i.e. back to starting position) , hold for 10 sec	+1 Tap	

Tests 21-22 will require the **Generator** to inject step changes which are outside the statutory limits (6% for Distribution Connected **PPM** and 10% for Transmission Connected **PPM**) to prove that if the voltage exceeds the specified band that the power factor control reverts to **Voltage Control** to the **Connection Point** voltage reference whilst the **PPM** is operating in power factor mode.

Voltage Injections to the PPM Controller			
Test No.	Action	Voltage Injection	Notes
21	Inject step to the PPM Voltage Reference Set point. Hold for 1 min, remove injection as a step and hold for 1 min.	+5% (Distribution Connected PPM) Or +11% (Transmission Connected PPM)	
22	Inject step to the PPM Voltage Reference Set point. Hold for 1 min, remove injection as a step and hold for 1 min.	-5% (Distribution Connected PPM) Or -11% (Transmission Connected PPM)	

6.8 POWER FACTOR CONTROL TEST

Compliance Testing/monitoring	
Title of Test: Power Factor Control	Test Number: 8
<p><i>Purpose of Test:</i></p> <p>The Commissioning/Acceptance Test Panel will require a demonstration of the leading and lagging Reactive Power capability of the PPM to demonstrate Compliance with Grid Code CC.S2.1.3.2 or EREC G99/NI 13.5.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> For Transmission Connected PPM: The PPM must demonstrate the ability to operate at 0.95 Leading Power Factor to 0.95 Lagging Power Factor between 0% - 100% Rated MW. The requirement only defines the minimum capability. For Distribution Connected PPM: The PPM must demonstrate the ability to operate at 0.95 Leading Power Factor to 0.95 Lagging Power Factor between 1% - 100% Rated MW. The requirement only defines the minimum capability. <p>The PPM must be fitted with a fast acting control system capable of providing the Leading and Lagging Power Factors stipulated above.</p> <p>The Commissioning/Acceptance Test Panel will communicate with each Generator prior to testing to discuss each individual PPM technical connection characteristics. Power Factor Control testing will be achieved by operation of the PPM at the required power factor for different MW Output levels for an agreed duration. The test duration will be for a minimum period of 1 hour at MIO or a duration stipulated by the Commissioning/Acceptance Test Panel.</p> <p>This test will be coordinated by the Commissioning/Acceptance Test Panel at an agreed time during the reliability/acceptance period of the commissioning process. The test will be to the instruction of the Commissioning/Acceptance Test Panel and should be monitored and recorded both at SONI or NIE Networks Control Centre and by the Generator.</p> <p>These tests will be carried out at a time when the MW Output of the PPM is greater than 80% of Registered Capacity and 100% of the PPM Generating Units are in service, unless otherwise agreed by the Generator with the Commissioning/Acceptance Test Panel in advance of the test.</p> <p>The Reactive Power response provided by the Generator <u>must</u> be continuously variable and be provided continuously in time (i.e. should not involve capacitor bank switching).</p>	
<p><i>Results Required:</i></p> <p>Time series record and Microsoft Excel Plot (Appendix E) showing:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> MW Output MVAr output Voltage set point Voltage at the Connection Point Power Factor set point 	

Test Assessment:

The test results will be assessed against the criteria below unless varied by the **Connection Agreement**.

Criteria of Assessment:

- The **TSO** deems fast acting with regards to Power Factor Control response as being:
 - The speed of response of the power factor control system, following a change in the power factor setpoint at the **Connection Point** by SONI/NIE Networks via SCADA, shall be such that the **PPM** shall achieve 90% of its steady-state **Reactive Power** response within 1 second.
 - The change in **Reactive Power** commences within 0.2 seconds of the application of the step injection
 - Any oscillations settle to within 5% of the change in steady state **Reactive Power** within 2 seconds of the application of the step injection.
 - The final steady state reactive value according to the slope characteristic is achieved within 5 seconds of the step application, steady state is deemed to have occurred when oscillations settle to within 3% of the change in steady state **Reactive Power** value.⁵
- The **Reactive Power** transfer at the **PPM** Terminals equals or exceeds the minimum requirements defined in CC.S2.1.3.2 when generating more than 0% **Active Power**.
- SONI/NIE Networks will be calculating the reactive capability of the **PPM** by working out the power factor in each test using the following calculation:

$$Power_Factor = \cos(\tan^{-1}(\frac{Q}{P}))$$

Where:

Q = **Reactive Power**

(MVA) P = **Active Power**

(MW)

6.8.1 POWER FACTOR CONTROL TEST PROCEDURE

Summary of **Grid Code** Reactive Capability Requirements for Distribution and Transmission Connected **PPM**

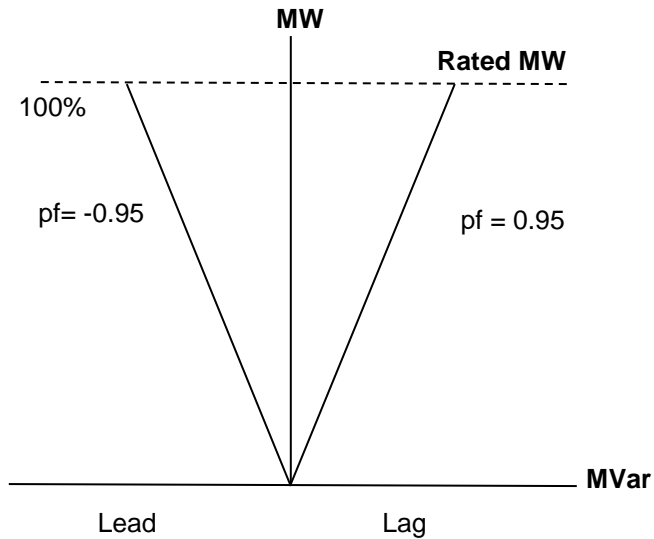


Figure 3: Minimum Power Factor Performance Chart for Transmission and Distribution Connected **PPM**

For clarification:

The **PPM** must demonstrate the ability to operate at 0.95 Leading Power Factor to 0.95 Lagging Power between 1% - 100% Rated **MW**. The requirement only defines the minimum capability.

Power Factor Control **Compliance** Tests

Power Factor testing should be carried out when 100% of **Generating Units** at the **PPM** are in service. The available power on the day of testing should be greater than 80% of **Registered Capacity**.

The required tests should demonstrate the Power Factor capability of the **PPM** as per Figure 3 (). Given that the steady state nature of the Reactive Capability requirements under Power Factor control implies that **Reactive Power** can be maintained indefinitely, the tests are therefore carried out over a longer period than other **Compliance** tests. The suite of tests shown in the table below explores the extremes of the Reactive Capability envelope in Power Factor control.

For each test, SONI/NIE Networks will give the **PPM** a Power Factor set point and turn on Power Factor mode in each case.

Test No.	Test	PPM Reactive Capability	
		0.95 Leading pf	0.95 Lagging pf
1 & 2	Active Power 1% Registered Capacity	5 Mins	5 Mins
3 & 4	50% Registered Capacity	5 Mins	5 Mins
5 & 6	MIO (>80% of Registered Capacity)	1 Hour	1 Hour

Reactive Capability Test Sequence for Test No.1-6 (For Transmission and Distribution Connected PPM)	
Step No.	Action
1	SONI/NIE Networks will send the PPM a maximum leading/lagging Power Factor set point.
2	The PPM will send SONI/NIE Networks confirmation of the Power Factor set point.
3	SONI/NIE Networks will turn on 'PF Control' mode.
4	When the PPM Reactive Power import/export has settled, indicating the PPM is at its required leading/lagging capability, the PPM will be required to remain at that set point for the specified time.

6.9 REACTIVE POWER DISPATCH TEST

Compliance Testing/monitoring	
Title of Test: Reactive Power Dispatch	Test Number: 9
<p><i>Purpose of Test:</i></p> <p>The PPM must be fitted with a fast acting control system with the ability to dispatch Reactive Power (both consumption (lead) and production (lag)) to the limits that are stipulated in the Generator Performance Chart that the Generator will submit to SONI.</p> <p>The Commissioning/Acceptance Test Panel will communicate with each Generator prior to testing to discuss each individual PPM technical connection characteristics.</p> <p>This test will be coordinated by the Commissioning/Acceptance Test Panel at an agreed time during the reliability/acceptance period of the commissioning process. The test will be to the instruction of the Commissioning/Acceptance Test Panel and should be monitored and recorded both at SONI or NIE Networks Control Centre and by the Generator.</p> <p>These tests will be carried out at a time when the MW Output of the PPM is greater than 80% of Registered Capacity and 100% of the Generating Units are in service, unless otherwise agreed by the Generator with the Commissioning/Acceptance Test Panel in advance of the test.</p> <p>The Reactive Power response provided by the Generator <u>must</u> be continuously variable and be provided continuously in time (i.e. should not involve capacitor bank switching).</p>	
<p><i>Results Required:</i></p> <p>Time series record and Microsoft Excel Plot (Appendix E) showing:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MW Output • MVAr output • MVAr set point • Voltage set point • Voltage at the Connection Point 	
<p><i>Test Assessment:</i></p> <p>The test results will be assessed against the criteria below unless varied by the Connection Agreement.</p> <p><i>Criteria of Assessment:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The MVAr output of the PPM will be within 3% ($\pm 1.5\%$) of the MVAr set point that is received via SCADA based on the Registered Capacity of the PPM • The TSO/DNO deems fast acting with regards to Reactive Power dispatch response as being: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ The speed of response of the control system, following a change in Reactive Power setpoint at the Connection Point by SONI/NIE Networks via SCADA, shall be such that the PPM shall achieve 90% of its steady-state Reactive Power response within 1 second. ○ The change in Reactive Power commences within 0.2 seconds of the application of the step injection ○ Any oscillations settle to within 5% of the change in steady state Reactive Power within 2 seconds of the application of the step injection⁵. ○ The final steady state reactive value is achieved within 5 seconds of the step application. • The Reactive Power set point shall be adjustable over the full reactive range of the PPM with a resolution at least 500 kVAr 	

6.9.1 REACTIVE POWER DISPATCH TEST PROCEDURE

Reactive Power dispatch testing should be carried out when 100% of **PPM Generating Units** are in service. The available power on the day of testing should be greater than 80% of **Registered Capacity**.

The Reactive Capability tests described below are given indicative of what SONI/NIE Networks requires. However, the **Generator** will have to agree a site specific testing programme with the **Commissioning/Acceptance Test Panel** who will advise as to the voltage limits that can be tested to at the **PPM Connection Point**. This programme is required to be submitted to the **Commissioning/Acceptance Test Panel** for approval at the early stage of the **Compliance** process.

As per **Grid Code**, the **Generator** must submit a **Generator Performance Chart** showing the full reactive capability of the **PPM** at the **Connection Point** (this capability must be at least of the range shown in Figure 2) prior to the commencement of the **Reactive Power** dispatch test.

Test Step.	Action
1	PPM at MIO (≥80% Registered Capacity)
2	SONI/NIE Networks will send the PPM MVar set point
3	The PPM will send SONI/NIE Networks confirmation of the MVar set point.
4	SONI/NIE Networks will turn on ' MVar dispatch' mode
5	Hold until conditions stabilise and the PPM has achieved the required MVar set point.

Steps 1-5 above will be repeated until the table below can be populated.

Active Power (MW) based on Registered Capacity		Reactive Power (MVar)			
		Consumption (lead)		Production (Lag)	
		Max	50% Max	Max	50% Max
>80%	MVar Set point (received via SCADA)				
	MVar output				
50%	MVar Set point (received via SCADA)				
	MVar output				
DMOL	MVar Set point (received via SCADA)				
	MVar output				
minimum Active Power Level that the PPM can import/export Reactive Power	MVar Set point (received via SCADA)				
	MVar output				

The max consumption (lead) and max production (lead) **MVar** values that will be sent from SONI/NIE Networks via SCADA will be taken from the **Generator Performance Chart** that is submitted to SONI/NIE Networks by the **Generator**.

6.10 SHUTDOWN REQUEST TEST

Compliance Testing/monitoring	
Title of Test: Shutdown Request	Test Number: 10
<p><i>Purpose of Test:</i></p> <p>The shutdown Request Test will be carried out by the Generator to demonstrate;</p> <p>i) The reduction of power Output to zero in a specified time as per CC.S2.1.5 for Transmission Connected PPM and CC.S2.2.3.4 (a) for Distribution Connected PPM.</p> <p>ii) The MW reduction will be at a continuous linear ramp down rate over the time frame given.</p> <p>This test will be carried out at a time when the MW Output of the PPM is greater than 80% of Registered Capacity and 100% of the PPM Generating Units are in service, unless otherwise agreed by the Commissioning/Acceptance Test Panel in advance of the test.</p>	
<p><i>Results Required:</i></p> <p>Time series record and Microsoft Excel Plot (Appendix E) showing:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MW Output • MW Availability • MW set point • PPM Active Set Point • Emergency Action ON/OFF • Wind Speed if applicable • Global Horizontal Irradiance (GHI) if applicable 	
<p><i>Test Assessment:</i></p> <p>The test results will be assessed against:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CC.S2.1.5 for Transmission Connected PPM and CC.S2.2.3.4 (d) for Distribution Connected PPM. • PPM Setting Schedule <p><i>Criteria of Assessment:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The results of the test will demonstrate that the MW Output of the PPM reduces dynamically over the requested time interval. • The MW Availability of the PPM will reflect the fact that SONI curtails the Output of the PPM (i.e. it should give an indication of the MIO of the PPM had the site not been curtailed by SONI). • PPM is at 0 MW Output within ± 10 seconds of the specified 'Curtailment Time Interval'. • The MW reduction will be at a continuous linear ramp down rate over the time frame given. • The PPM response will be assessed from the time the Emergency Action Mode is engaged. 	

6.10.1 SHUT-DOWN REQUEST TEST PROCEDURE

The **PPM** shall be able to reduce the **MW Output** of the site to zero. The reduction in **Output** will take place in a specified 'Curtailment Time Period' between 1 and 30 minutes, as per CC.S2.1.5 (d) for Transmission Connected **PPM** and CC.S2.2.3.4 (a) for Distribution Connected **PPM**. The **PPM** shall calculate the **Active Power** Control Set-Point Ramp Rate accordingly.

Shut-Down Request **Compliance** Tests

Shutdown Request testing will be carried out when 100% of the **PPM Generating Units** are in service. The available power on the day of testing should be greater than 80% of **Registered Capacity**.

Shut-Down Request Test Sequence (At MIO , SONI will reduce the PPM MW Output to zero in a 'Curtailment Time Interval' of 5 mins)	
Step No.	Action
1	SONI will send the PPM a 0 MW set point.
2	The PPM will send SONI confirmation of the 0 MW set point.
3	SONI will send the PPM a Curtailment Time Interval set point.
4	The PPM will send SONI confirmation of the Curtailment Time Interval set point.
5	SONI will turn on 'Emergency Action' mode.
6	The PPM will ramp down at the Active Power Control Set-Point Ramp Rate
7	When the PPM has achieved the 0 MW set point in the specified Curtailment Time Interval, the PPM will be required to remain at that set point for 5 mins.

6.11 START-UP SEQUENCE & RESOURCE FOLLOWING RAMP RATE TEST

Compliance Testing/monitoring	
Title of Test: Start-up Sequence & Resource Following Ramp Rate Test	Test
Number: 11	
<p><i>Ramp Rates</i></p> <p>The PPM control system shall be capable of controlling the ramp rate of its Active Power Output. There shall be three ramp rate capabilities designated, Resource Following Ramp Rate, Active Power Control Set-Point Ramp Rate and Frequency Response Ramp Rate. The PPM control system shall operate the ramp rates with the following order of priority (high to low): Frequency Response Ramp Rate; Active Power Control Set-Point Ramp Rate; Resource Following Ramp Rate. It shall be possible to vary the Resource Following Ramp Rate and the Active Power Control Set-Point Ramp Rate each independently over a range between 1% and 100% of Registered Capacity per minute.</p> <p><i>Purpose of Test:</i></p> <p>The Start-up Sequence & Resource Following Ramp Rate Test will be carried out by the Generator to demonstrate the Start-up or PPM Following Ramp Rate limits are not exceeded.</p> <p>This test can be carried out in conjunction with the Shut-Down Request Compliance Test</p> <p>This test will be carried out at a time when the MW Output of the PPM is greater than 80% of Registered Capacity and 100% of the PPM Generating Units are in service, unless otherwise agreed by the Commissioning/Acceptance Test Panel in advance of the test.</p>	
<p><i>Results Required:</i></p> <p>Time series record and Microsoft Excel Plot (Appendix E) showing:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MW Output • MW Availability • MW set point • PPM Active Set Point • Ramp Rate Setting • Emergency Action ON/OFF • Wind Speed if applicable • Global Horizontal Irradiance (GHI) if applicable 	

Test Assessment:

The test results will be assessed against:

- CC.S2.1.5 for Transmission Connected **PPMs** and CC.S2.2.3.4 for Distribution Connected **PPM**.
- **PPM Setting Schedule**

Criteria of Assessment:

- Following Shutdown, upon removal of 'Emergency Action' mode by SONI, the **PPM** should begin to export **Active Power** within 90 seconds
- The **PPM** is able to ramp up at the required **Resource Following Ramp Rate**. For reference:
 - a) When the **PPM** is operating on the **Resource Following Ramp Rate** of 10% of **Registered Capacity**/min the **PPM Output** will not exceed three times this ramp rate in any one minute. The ramp rate is the average rate of change in **Output** measured over any 10 minute period.
 - b) When the **PPM** is operating on the **Resource Following Ramp Rate** of 100% of **Registered Capacity**/min the **PPM Output** will not exceed three times this ramp rate in any one minute. The ramp rate is the average rate of change in **Output** measured over any 10 minute period.

6.11.1 START-UP SEQUENCE & PPM FOLLOWING RAMP RATE TEST PROCEDURE

Start-up Sequence & Resource Following Ramp Rate Compliance Tests

Start-up Sequence testing should be carried out when 100% of the **PPM Generating Units** are in service. The available power on the day of testing should be greater than 80% of **Registered Capacity**.

Start-up & Ramp Rate Test Sequence for Tests1-2 (Test 1:The Generator will set the Resource Following Ramp Rate at 10% of Registered Capacity/min) (Test 2: The Generator will set the Resource Following Ramp Rate at 100% of	
Step No.	Action
1	SONI perform the Shut-Down Request Test Sequence (detailed in section 6.10.1)
2	SONI will turn off 'Emergency Action' mode.
3	The PPM will be allowed to ramp up to MIO at the specified Resource Following Ramp Rate .

Appendix A User Data Library

The outline structure of the **User Data Library (UDL)** is given below. This document should be used as a guide for the **Generator** to provide **Grid Code** Data; it should be noted that certain **PPMs** may be required to provide further technical information. Six weeks prior to synchronisation a **Generator** shall submit to SONI an interim version of this report with all relevant/applicable sections at that date fully completed. The final version of the **UDL** is to be submitted to SONI in an agreed format within two months of completion of **Grid Code Compliance** testing.

PART 1: Commercial and Legal

- 1.1 Introduction
Background information, history of development and any details which the **Generator** may deem as important.
- 1.2 Copy of Signed legal agreements
A copy of all signed legal agreements that may exist between the **Generator** and SONI and the **Generator** and NIE Networks e.g. **Connection Agreement**, TUoS Agreement, Construction Works Agreement, **Grid Code Compliance Agreements**, the **Generator's** Generation licence etc.
- 1.3 Commissioning and test programs
CC10.1.4/CC11.1.5. The **Generator** shall provide a proposed commissioning programme, giving at least six weeks' notice of the proposed connection date, and detailing all proposed site testing of main and ancillary equipment, together with the names of the organisations which are to carry out such testing and the proposed timetable for such testing.
OC10.4.4 details the Test Program.
- 1.4 SEM registration details
A copy of the final version of the Generation Unit Data provided to SEMO for registration with the wholesale all-island Single Electricity Market. For details please visit www.sem-o.com/SEM
- 1.5 **Compliance** Statement
Signed copy of the **Compliance** Statement (template included in **UDL** directory)
- 1.6 Pre-Synchronisation Checklist
For details please see Appendix B1

PART 2: Safety and Operation

- 2.1 Site Safety Rules
A copy of the **Generator's** Local Safety Instructions in **Compliance** with OC6.4.1
- 2.2 Site responsibility Schedules
CC9.1.3. For connections to the transmission **System** a Site Responsibility Schedule shall be prepared by the **TSO** detailing the division of responsibilities at interface sites in respect of ownership, control, operation, maintenance and safety. A **Generator** shall supply to the **TSO** information to enable the **TSO** to prepare a Site Responsibility Schedule.
Please see Appendix B2 for required information. (For distribution connected **PPM**, **Generator** to provide NIE Networks' Site Responsibility Schedule)
- 2.3 Ownership Diagram
CC9.1.4. An Ownership Diagram shall be included in the Site Responsibility Schedule. The diagram shall show all HV Apparatus and the connections to all external circuits and shall incorporate numbering, nomenclature and labelling as set out in OC9. (For distribution connected **PPM**, **Generator** to provide NIE Networks' Site Responsibility Schedule)
- 2.4 Site Common Drawings
CC10.1.3. A **Generator** connected or seeking a connection to the Transmission **System** shall supply to the **TSO**, site common drawings as specified in the **Connection Agreement** including single drawings, communications and earthing arrangements. (For distribution connected **PPM**, **Generator** to provide Site Common Drawings provided to NIE Networks)
- 2.5 Contact detail /control facility
- 2.5.1 Owner's contact details
To be provided in accordance with PC6.4.1 – Planning Code Initial Data
- 2.5.2 Operator's contact details (including 24 hour emergency contact)
CC8.5. A **Generator** is required to provide a continually manned control facility in accordance with CC10.1.3/CC11.1.4. A **Generator** shall provide to the **TSO** a list of persons appointed by the **Generator** to undertake operational duties on the **Generator's System** and to issue and receive operational messages and instructions in relation to the **Generator's System**.
OC7.6.2. A **Generator** shall provide a telephone number at which senior management representatives can be contacted day or night for the purposes of this OC7.(Contingency Planning)
- 2.6 Earthing Arrangements
Earthing arrangements, sizing reports and document supporting the earthing arrangements required in PC.A3.1.10
- 2.7 Communications Arrangements

- 2.8 Communication Arrangements, Cable Termination Cubicle drawings, SCADA signals and controls.
Maximum Short Circuit Current Certificate
- A certificate declaring the maximum short circuit current in amperes which the **Generator's System** would contribute to a three-phase short circuit at the connection to the **Distribution System**. (Applicable only to **Generator's** seeking a new or modified connection to the **Distribution System**) CC11.1.3.

PART 3: Connection Technical Data

- 3.1 DRC Schedule 5 – '**Generator System** Data'
- i) **Generator s System** Layout
 - ii) Reactive Compensation Equipment
 - iii) Short Circuit Infeed to the NI **System**
 - iv) Lumped **System** Susceptance
 - v) **System** Data
 - vi) Protection Data
 - vii) Earthing Arrangements
 - viii) Transient Overvoltage Assessment Data
- DRC Schedule 5 lists the detailed planning data required from a **Generator** for new or modified arrangements for connection to or use of the NI **System** in relation to the **Generator s System**. (All Standard and Detailed Planning Data requirements for **Generators** connected to the Transmission **System** are detailed in Appendix A of the Planning Code.
All Standard and Detailed Planning Data requirements for **Generator s** connected to the **Distribution System** are detailed in Appendix B of the Planning Code.)
- 3.2 NIE Networks event recorder Details
- CC8.8.2. NIE Networks to provide the following data for the event recorder: Commissioning date, Commissioning Settings, GPS Time Stamp Capability, Site Telephone Number, Firmware version, Open Access IP Address, Username, Password and any other relevant information. Please note that the IEEE standard Comtrade file format must be used for data storage.
- 3.3 **Generator's** event recorder Details
- It is a **Grid Code** requirement for information of a technical nature to be supplied by **Generators** under OC8.4.2 to enable the **TSO** to undertake analysis and validation of policies in the **Grid Code**. For **Generator s** to comply with this regulation they may provide **TSO** access to the **Generator's** event recorder including Open Access IP Address, Username, Password, Commissioning date, Commissioning Settings, GPS Time Stamp Capability, Firmware version, and any other relevant information.
- 3.4 Modelling
- The **TSO** requires suitable and accurate dynamic models for all **PPMs** connected to, or applying to connect to, the NI **System** in order to assess reliably the impact of the **PPMs** proposed installation on the dynamic performance and the security and stability of the Power **System**. The **Generator** is to supply **PPM** models as specified in Appendix D of the Planning Code.
- 3.5 Type Tests Reports and Test Certificates
- In accordance with CC10.1.2 and CC11.1.3, SONI require a **Generator** to provide:-
Type test reports and test certificates produced by Nationally Accredited Laboratories (or other equivalent testing organisations) showing that the Plant and Apparatus specified in the Connection Conditions meets the criteria specified;
Copies of the manufacturer's test certificates relating to Plant and Apparatus referred to in the Connection Conditions, including measurements of positive and zero sequence impedance of Apparatus which will contribute to the fault current at the **Connection Point**;
- 3.6 Site Specific Technical Data
- 3.6.1 Special Automatic Features (e.g. intertrip, SPS, DLR) PC.A3.1.9.
Details of protection schemes associated with this connection
- 3.6.2 **MW Availability** Signal
- Detailed description of **MW Availability** Calculation taking into account all scenarios listed in the **PPM Setting Schedule**.
- 3.6.3 SCADA Signals and Controls between **PPM** and SONI/NIE Networks
- The analogue and digital input/output signals list between the **PPM** and SONI/NIE Networks including signal description, range, units, scale used and display units. This is to ensure CC8.5.3 (a) and (b) can be carried out accurately by the **PPM**.
- 3.7 Network Data
- SONI require network parameters for connection assets between the point of connection and the existing backbone network (template included in **UDL** directory).

PART 4: Generator Technical Data

Note:

- 4.1 DRC Schedule 1 – '**Generating Unit** and Power Station Technical Data'
- i) General Power Station Data
 - ii) General **Generating Unit** Data

- iii) Auxiliary Demand
- iv) **Generating Unit** parameters
- v) Parameters for **Generating Unit** Step-Up Transformers
- vi) Power Station Transformer Parameters
- vii) Governor parameters (for **PPMs**)
- viii) Plant Flexibility Performance
- 4.1.1 Additional **Generating Unit** and Power Station Technical Data
 - ix) AVR Parameters
 - x) Any parameter which will affect **Compliance** of the **PPM**

DRC Schedule 1 lists the Standard and Detailed Planning Data required from a **Generator** for new or modified arrangements for connection to or use of the NI **System** in relation to the **Generating Unit** and Power Station. (All Standard and Detailed Planning Data requirements for **Generators** connected to the Transmission **System** are detailed in Appendix A of the Planning Code.
All Standard and Detailed Planning Data requirements for **Generators** connected to the **Distribution System** are detailed in Appendix B of the Planning Code.)
- 4.2 **DRC** Schedule 2 – ‘Generation Planning Parameters, Response Capability Data and SDC1 Data’
Part 1 of **DRC** Schedule 2 contains the **PPM** Generation Planning Parameters required by the **TSO** to facilitate studies in Operational Planning timescales.
Part 2 of **DRC** Schedule 2 contains the data required with respect to **Controllable PPMs** to be supplied by **Generators** by Gate Closure pursuant to SDC1.
- 4.3 **Generator** Protection
CC6.4. Details of internal or integral **Generator** protection including G59/G99 test witnessed reports (Loss of Mains protection type and setting).
- 4.4 Final Report
OC10.A.4. **Compliance** test results as detailed in the **PPM Setting Schedule**.
- 4.5 **Generator Performance Chart**
OC2.9 Each **Generator** shall submit to the **Generator Performance Chart** (which shall be within the parameters set out in CC.S2.1.3.2 as detailed in OC2.A.2.2 and in addition shows wind speed against electrical **Output** in **MW**, or Global Horizontal Irradiance (GHI) as applicable).
- 4.6 Forecasting Data (template included in **UDL** directory)

PART 5: General DRC Schedules

- 5.1 **DRC** Schedule 3 - ‘**Generating Unit**/Power Station Equipment/Interconnector outages’
DRC Schedule 3 details the Outage Programme Requirements as set out in the Operational Planning Section of the Operating Code (OC2)
- 5.2 **DRC** Schedule 7 - ‘Demand Control and General Data’
DRC Schedule 7 Part 1 is applicable to **Generators** with Demand and lists Customer Demand Management Details **DRC** Schedule 7 Part 2 specifies that the **TSO** may require **Generators** to supply to it information of a technical (but not commercial) nature to enable the **TSO** to fulfil its obligations relating to the operation of the NI **System**

PART 6: PPM Continuous Grid Code Compliance monitoring

SONI to produce a report for each **PPM** to cover the **Grid Code Compliance** monitoring period.
In order for the **PPM** to obtain a **Grid Code Compliance** Certificate the following areas must be satisfied throughout the monitoring period (see CC.S2.1.10.2 and CC.S2.2.7.2);

- 6.1 Fault Ride Through Capability of the **PPM**
- 6.2 Active and **Reactive Power** Recovery of the **PPM** post fault
- 6.3 Behaviour of the **PPM** during low and high **Frequency** excursions
- 6.4 Any significant rates of change of **Frequency**
- 6.5 **High Voltage** Ride Through Capability of the **PPM**
- 6.6 Harmonics Studies
- 6.7 Response of the **PPM** during High Wind Speed shutdown events if applicable
- 6.8 Accuracy of the **MW Availability** Signal being provided to SONI by the **PPM**.

The requirement to produce the data for this report is covered in OC8.4.2

Appendix B1 Pre-Synchronisation Checklist and Supporting Documentation

Pre-synchronisation Checklist

PPM	
Planner	
Construction Project Manager	
DCC Representative	
SONI Representative	

Task	Responsibility	Expected Time of completion	Confirmation	Date	Signature
Connection agreement signed (copy to Planner)	Planner				
All supporting information* as per schedule 9 in connection agreement provided	Construction Project Manager				
TUoS agreement	SONI				
Market Message received	Planner				
Construction complete	Construction Project Manager				
Construction clearance received	OHL - Project Manager				
	Cable - Cable engineer				
	Plant - Project Manager				
BT undergrounding complete	Construction Project Manager				
HV Metering complete	Construction Project Manager				
LV connection card and market message received	Generator				
LV metering completed	Construction Project Manager				
All SCADA to Generating Units and SONI/NIE and end to end testing of these SCADA signals complete	CHCC/DCC Representative				
Substation lease signed (based on document being available 6 weeks prior to energisation)	Construction Project Manager				
Cable easements signed (wayleave in lieu)	Construction Project Manager				
DCC informed and approval in writing provided	Construction Project Manager				
SONI informed and approval in writing provided	Construction Project Manager				

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION

Ref	Information	Details	Y/N	Expected Time of completion	Date confirmed	Comments
a)	Statement that all relevant sections of the Grid Code have been complied with to the best of the information, knowledge and belief of the Generator .	Confirmation by SONI		Min 6 weeks prior to synchronisation		
b)	Statement to demonstrate that all relevant sections of the Distribution Code and G99/NI have been complied with to the best of the information, knowledge and belief of the Generator .	Confirmation by DCC		Min 6 weeks prior to synchronisation		
c)	Site responsibility schedule.	Schedule 5 of Connection Agreement		In Connection Agreement		
d)	Ownership diagram.	Schedule 5 of Connection Agreement		In Connection Agreement		
e)	Compliance with Regulation 28 of the Electricity Supply Regulations.	Declaration of readiness to connect		Prior to confirming synchronisation		
f)	Safety co-ordinators list.			Prior to confirming synchronisation		
g)	Telephone and Facsimile Numbers.			Prior to confirming synchronisation		
h)	Nomenclature.	Switchgear numbering		Prior to confirming synchronisation		
i)	PPA/SEM Market Registration Confirmation.	Requires TUOS agreement				
j)	Energy Supplier.			In Connection Agreement		

k)	Commissioning programme (indicating which, if any, tests are expected to have an impact on the NIE Networks System).			6 weeks prior to synchronisation		
l)	Protection settings.	Schedule 1A of Connection Agreement		In Connection Agreement		
m)	Protection witness test (copy required).	G99/NI Tests		Prior to confirming synchronisation		
n)	Voltage Control statement of capability and supporting documentation.	Confirmation by DCC		Prior to confirming synchronisation date		
p)	The NIE Networks form SRG 4 Appendix C “Authorisation of Customers to operate Northern Ireland Electricity controlled HV Switchgear – Standard Form of	Required as Emergency stop located in PPM switchroom operates NIE Networks		Prior to confirming synchronisation date		
q)	The NIE Networks form SRG 4 Appendix G “Request for Commissioning of High Voltage Supplies”, is to be completed by customer and submitted to NIE	Completed immediately prior to synchronisation		Day of synchronisation		
r)	The NIE Networks form SRG 4 Appendix H “Customers Guarantee and Declaration Form”, is to be completed and signed by customer and submitted to NIE Networks.			Prior to confirming synchronisation date		

Appendix B2 Site Responsibility Schedule

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Appendix C Continuous Monitoring of MW Availability

Continuous monitoring of the **PPM** by SONI will take place; the **PPM** must adhere to the following:

Background

SONI defines **MW Availability** as follows:

“The amount of **Active Power** that the **Controllable PPM** could produce based on current wind and solar conditions as applicable, and network conditions. The **MW Availability** shall only differ from the **MW Output** if the **Controllable PPM** has been curtailed, constrained or is operating in a Curtailed **Frequency Response** mode, as instructed by SONI via the SCADA interface. By way of clarification, limitations placed on **PPM Output** due to 33kV Dynamic Line Rating schemes are NIE Networks actions only and these should be reflected in the **MW Availability**.”

The **MW Availability** signal provided by the **Generator** will be a continuously calculated value. The **Generator** should NOT let the **MW Availability** figure equal the **MW Output** figure when there is no SONI action. For clarity, the **Generator** must not start calculating the **MW Availability** only when there is SONI action as SONI will have no way of assessing the accuracy of the calculated signal. SONI will require a detailed explanation of exactly how the **MW Availability** signal is being calculated by the **Generator**.

Section SDC 1.4.3.2 of the SONI **Grid Code** makes provisions for the availability or Technical Parameters. The **Grid Code** describes these levels or values as follows:

“Each **Generator**, and where relevant each **Generator Aggregator**, shall, subject to the exceptions in SDC 1.4.3.3, use reasonable endeavours to ensure that it does not at any time declare in the case of its CDGU, **Controllable PPM**, or Aggregated **Generating Unit**, the availability or Technical Parameters at levels or values different from those that the CDGU, **Controllable PPM**, and/or an Aggregated **Generating Unit** could achieve at the relevant time. The **TSO** can reject declarations to the extent that they do not meet these requirements.”

Some issues that will impact the “MW Availability” are:

- a) The **MW Availability** signal will accurately reflect the wind or solar resource level available as applicable.
- b) If **Generating Units** shutdown due to high wind speeds, they are not available and the “**MW Availability**” will be reduced accordingly;
- c) If **Generating Units** are out of service for maintenance, repair, placed in a ‘Pause’ mode etc. they are not available and the “**MW Availability**” will be reduced accordingly;
- d) If **Generating Units** have entered into any form of error mode e.g. ‘Safety Chain Activation’ etc. they are not available and the “**MW Availability**” will be reduced accordingly;
- e) If the **Generating Units** are responding to a set point other than that received by SONI SCADA e.g. a dynamic line rating (DLR) set point or a SPS set point, the **MW Availability** will be reduced accordingly to reflect the **MW Output** level the **PPM** is controlling to;
- f) Only actions by SONI to reduce the **PPM MW Output** (as described in the **MW Availability** definition above) should result in a difference between actual **MW Output** and the **MW Availability** signals.

The **Grid Code** does not specify a standard to which these levels or values should conform. Experience to date has shown that there is considerable variance in the accuracy of the **MW Availability** for different **PPM**. A standard of accuracy is required for this level/value which will be included in **Grid Code Compliance** testing and monitored on a continuous basis.

Standard

The quality of the calculated **MW Availability** signal will be subject to the following test:

The normalised root mean square deviation (*NRMSD*) for a **PPM** for a given day will be calculated. This will use one minute **MW Availability** quantities averaged over the half hour period recorded in Castlereagh House Control Centre CHCC and the 30 minute metered **Output** for the **Generator** under analysis.

Assessment Criteria:

- The rolling 14-day *NRMSD* must be less than or equal to 8%, excluding periods where the **PPM** was dispatched away from its **MW Availability** by SONI.
- The daily *NRMSD* values are to be calculated. The number of days where the daily *NRMSD* exceeds the 5% standard must not exceed 2 days in any 14-day period, except for periods where the **PPM** was dispatched away its **MW Availability** by SONI.

Where a unit had not been dispatched down at any period under review and the *NRMSD* exceeds 5% for a day then the **MW Availability** signal is deemed to be in error for that day.

Where in a rolling continuous period of 14 days there are three or more days that have **MW Availability** signals in error then the **MW Availability** signal is deemed to have failed the standard.

Issues Arising Upon Failure to Meet Assessment Criteria

When a **PPM** fails the **MW Availability** standard, SONI will as soon as practicably possible issue a formal non-**Compliance** notice to the **PPM**. This notice will detail the degree of non-**Compliance** and request information as to how and when it will be corrected.

For the period that a **PPM** is failing the **MW Availability** standard, SONI may substitute the **PPM MW Availability** signal with the actual metered **Output** of the **PPM** for any curtailments in **MW Output** that have come about through SONI action.

Definitions

The following quantities will be determined:

Calculate the daily Root Mean Square Error as follows:

$$RMSD = \sqrt{\frac{\sum_{h=1}^n (AV - GEN)^2}{n}}$$

The Normalised Root Mean Square Error:

$$NRMSD = \frac{RMSD}{RC_{PPM}}$$

Where:

RC is the **Registered Capacity** of the **PPM** in **MW**

AV is the one minute **MW Availability** quantities averaged over the half hour period recorded in Castlereagh House Control Centre CHCC

GEN is the 30 minute metered **Output** for the **PPM** under analysis.

n is the number of time periods in the day

Appendix D SCADA Signals and Controls between Power Park Module and SONI/NIE Networks

The signals list shown below may be subject to change should SONI/NIE Networks feel that additional controls/indications are required from a **PPM**.

Analogue Input Signals (to SONI/NIE Networks) from Power Generating Facility					
<i>Signal Description</i>	<i>Description</i>	<i>Range</i>	<i>Units</i>	<i>Scale</i>	<i>Display Units</i>
MW*	Indication of the Active Power Output at PPM Connection Point	4 - 20	mA	TBA	MW
MVar*	Indication of the Reactive Power Flow at the PPM Connection Point	4 - 20	mA	TBA	MVar
Voltage*	Indication of the Voltage at the PPM Connection Point	4 - 20	mA	TBA	kV
Wind Speed	For wind PPMs only: Indication of the highest wind speed at any instant measured by a Generating Unit comprised within a wind PPM . All measurements shall be at Generating Unit hub height.	4 - 20	mA	TBA	m/sec
Wind Direction	For wind PPMs only: Indication of wind direction at wind PPM at hub height	4 - 20	mA	0-359 ¹	deg
Global Horizontal Irradiance (GHI)	For Solar PV PPMs only: Indication of the highest Global Horizontal Irradiance (GHI) at any instant measured by a Generating Unit comprised within a PPM . All measurements shall be at Generating Unit panel height.	4 - 20	mA	TBA	m/sec
Ambient Temperature	Indication of ambient temperature on PPM met mast	4 - 20	mA	TBA	°C
Atmospheric Pressure	Atmospheric Pressure on PPM met mast	4 - 20	mA	735-1060	mBar
PPM MW Availability	The amount of Active Power that the Controllable PPM could produce based on current generation resource conditions and network conditions. The MW Availability shall only differ from the MW Output if the Controllable PPM has been curtailed, constrained or is operating in a Curtailed Frequency Response mode, as instructed by SONI via the SCADA interface. By way of clarification, limitations placed on PPM Output due to 33kV Dynamic Line Rating schemes are NIE Networks actions only and these should be reflected in the MW Availability .	4 - 20	mA	TBA	MW
PPM % shutdown	For wind PPM : Indication of the % of Generating Units shutdown due to high wind speed	4 - 20	mA	TBA	%
MW Set Point	Confirmation of MW set point signal	4 - 20	mA	TBA	MW
MVar Set Point	Confirmation of MVar set point signal	4 - 20	mA	TBA	MVar
Voltage Set Point	Confirmation of voltage set point signal	4 - 20	mA	TBA	kV
Power Factor Set Point	Confirmation of power factor set point signal	4 - 20	mA	TBA	Decimal

% MW Curtailment Set Point ²	Confirmation of % curtailment MW set point when providing reserve	4 - 20	mA	TBA	%
Curtailment Time Interval	Confirmation of time to reach set point	4 - 20	mA	TBA	Min
PPM Active Set Point ³	Indication of the MW set point to which the PPM Output is limited	4- 20	mA	TBA	MW
% Generating Units Available ⁴	Indication of the % Available Generating Units at the PPM	4 - 20	mA	TBA	%
Droop	The frequency response droop characteristic to which the PPM is currently operating, depending on frequency response mode	4 - 20	mA	2-12	%
Deadband	The frequency response deadband currently in operation, depending on frequency response mode	4 - 20	mA	0 – 0.5	Hz

TBA – Scale to be agreed with SONI/NIE Networks SCADA

*Provided by NIE Networks as part of the connection arrangements, included for completeness. These indications must come directly from the transducers.

¹ 0° is true North and 0-359° in a clockwise direction

² Set Point is based on instantaneous **Output**, neglecting constraints imposed by SONI. 100% means **PPM Active Power Output** has not been reduced by SONI, therefore reserve provision will be 0%.

³ This set point should reflect the **MW Output** to which the **PPM Output** is limited i.e. the **PPM** controller set point. It should take into account the **MW** set point, the Ramp Block setting, DLR schemes (if applicable), SPS operation (if applicable) and the set point if the **PPM** is operating in a **Frequency** response mode. The **Generator** will provide SONI/NIE Networks with the lowest of these variables as the **PPM** active set point.

⁴ This set point should reflect the % of Available **Generating Units** at the **PPM**. It should take into account **Generating Units** that are unavailable due to outages, **Generating Units** that are in an error mode etc. (i.e. any condition that means the **Generating Unit** is unable to generate **Active Power**). 0% means zero **Generating Units** are in service 100% means all **Generating Units** are in service.

<i>Analogue Output Signals (from SONI/NIE Networks) to Power Park Module</i>					
<i>Signal Description</i>	<i>Description</i>	<i>Range</i>	<i>Units</i>	<i>Scale</i>	<i>Display Units</i>
MW Set Point	Curtailment MW set point under emergency conditions	4 - 20	mA	TBA	MW
MVAr Set Point	MVAr set point instruction	4 - 20	mA	TBA	MVAr
Voltage Set Point	Voltage set point instruction	4 - 20	mA	TBA	kV
Power Factor Set Point	Power Factor set point instruction	4 - 20	mA	TBA	Decimal
% MW Curtailment Set Point	% curtailment MW set point when providing reserve	4 - 20	mA	TBA	%
Curtailment Time Interval	Time to reach set point under emergency conditions	4 - 20	mA	TBA	Min

<i>Digital Input Signals (to SONI/NIE Networks) from Power Park Module (required dc voltage to be confirmed by SONI/NIE Networks SCADA)</i>		
<i>Signal Description</i>	<i>Description</i>	<i>Signal</i>
Common	??V dc signal provided by SONI to Generator	
Allow Ramp	Acknowledgement signal to allow positive ramping of PPM	??V dc
Stop Ramp	Acknowledgement signal to stop positive ramping of PPM	??V dc
Emergency Action OFF	Emergency Action OFF	??V dc
Emergency Action ON	Emergency Action ON	??V dc
LFSM – O ON	Indication that LFSM-O on when Emergency Action applied	??V dc
LFSM – O OFF	Indication that LFSM-O off when Emergency Action applied	??V dc
LFSM – U ON	Indication that LFSM-U on when Emergency Action applied	??V dc
LFSM – U OFF	Indication that LFSM-U off when Emergency Action applied	??V dc
Reactive Power Dispatch ON	Reactive Power Dispatch ON	??V dc
Reactive Power Dispatch OFF	Reactive Power Dispatch OFF	??V dc
PF Control ON	PF Control ON	??V dc
PF Control OFF	PF Control OFF	??V dc
Voltage Control ON	Voltage Control ON	??V dc
Voltage Control OFF	Voltage Control OFF	??V dc
Voltage Control Auto Change Over ¹	Indication that the control mode has auto changed to Voltage Control	??V dc
CB1 Open ²	Circuit breaker open (controlling the TO or DNO circuit at the Connection Point)	??V dc
CB1 Closed ²	Circuit breaker closed (controlling the TO or DNO circuit at the Connection Point)	??V dc
Generating Unit shutdown Alarm	For wind PPM : Alarm that Generating Units have begun to shutdown due to high wind speed	??V dc
Island Detected Trip	Alarm that the G59/G99 protection has operated	??V dc
% MW Curtailment Controller OFF	Acknowledgement signal that % MW controller for reserve is OFF	??V dc
% MW Curtailment Controller ON	Acknowledgement signal that % MW controller for reserve is ON	??V dc
Grid Control Selected	Indication that the PPM is under the control of SONI	??V dc
Local Control Selected	Indication that the PPM is under the control of Generator	??V dc
Grid Controller Operational	Indication that the Grid Controller is operational	??V dc

Grid Controller Fail	Indication that power has been lost to the Grid Controller	??V dc
Transducer Operational	Indication that the primary inputs to the Grid Controller are operational	??V dc
Transducer Fail	Indication that the Grid Controller has lost primary Inputs	??V dc
Temperature Curtailment ON ³	Temperature Curtailment scheme ON	??V dc
Temperature Curtailment OFF ³	Temperature Curtailment scheme OFF	??V dc
Special Protection Scheme OFF ⁴	Special Protection Scheme OFF	??V dc
Special Protection Scheme ON ⁴	Special Protection Scheme ON	??V dc

¹Automatic changeover to **Voltage Control** mode will occur if voltage at the **Connection Point** moves beyond the limits of a deadband agreed between SONI and the **Generator**.

²Provided by NIE Networks as part of the connection arrangements, included for completeness.

³Only applicable if connected via 200 mm² line and **PPM Registered Capacity** is greater than 22 MW

⁴Only applicable if there is a Special Protection Scheme or Remedial Action Scheme in place that involves the **PPM**

Digital Output signals (from SONI/NIE Networks) to Power Park Module (required dc voltage to be confirmed by SONI/NIE Networks SCADA)				
Signal Description	Description	Permanent	5sec pulse	5sec pulse
		Common	Open	Close
		Signal	Signal	Signal
Stop Ramp Common Allow Ramp	Prevent PPM Active Power Output increase, assisting SONI to manage System Frequency rise Blocking signal OFF allowing PPM to increase Active Power Output	0V	??V dc	??V dc
Emergency Action ON Common Emergency Action OFF	Initiate change of PPM Output Remove Output change command	0V	??V dc	??V dc
LFSM-O ON Common LFSM-O OFF	Select LFSM-O when Emergency Action applied Deselect LFSM-O when Emergency Action applied	0V	??V dc	??V dc
LFSM – U ON Common LFSM – U OFF	Select LFSM-U when Emergency Action applied Deselect LFSM-U when Emergency Action applied	0V	??V dc	??V dc
Voltage Control SELECT ¹ Common	Voltage Control mode selected	0V		??V dc
Power Factor Control SELECT ¹ Common	Power Factor Control mode selected	0V		??V dc
Reactive Power Dispatch SELECT ¹ Common	Reactive Power Dispatch mode select	0V		??V dc
% MW Curtailment Controller ON Common % MW Curtailment Controller OFF	Initiate % MW curtailment for reserve Cease % MW curtailment for reserve	0V	??V dc	??V dc
CB1 Close ² Common CB1 Open ²	Close the DNO Circuit Breaker at the Connection Point Open the DNO Circuit Breaker at the Connection Point	0V	??V dc	??V dc

The TO or DSO Trip Relay Reset ON ¹ Common ¹	Signal to reset the trip relay associated with the TO or DNO circuit breaker at the Connection Point	0V		??V dc
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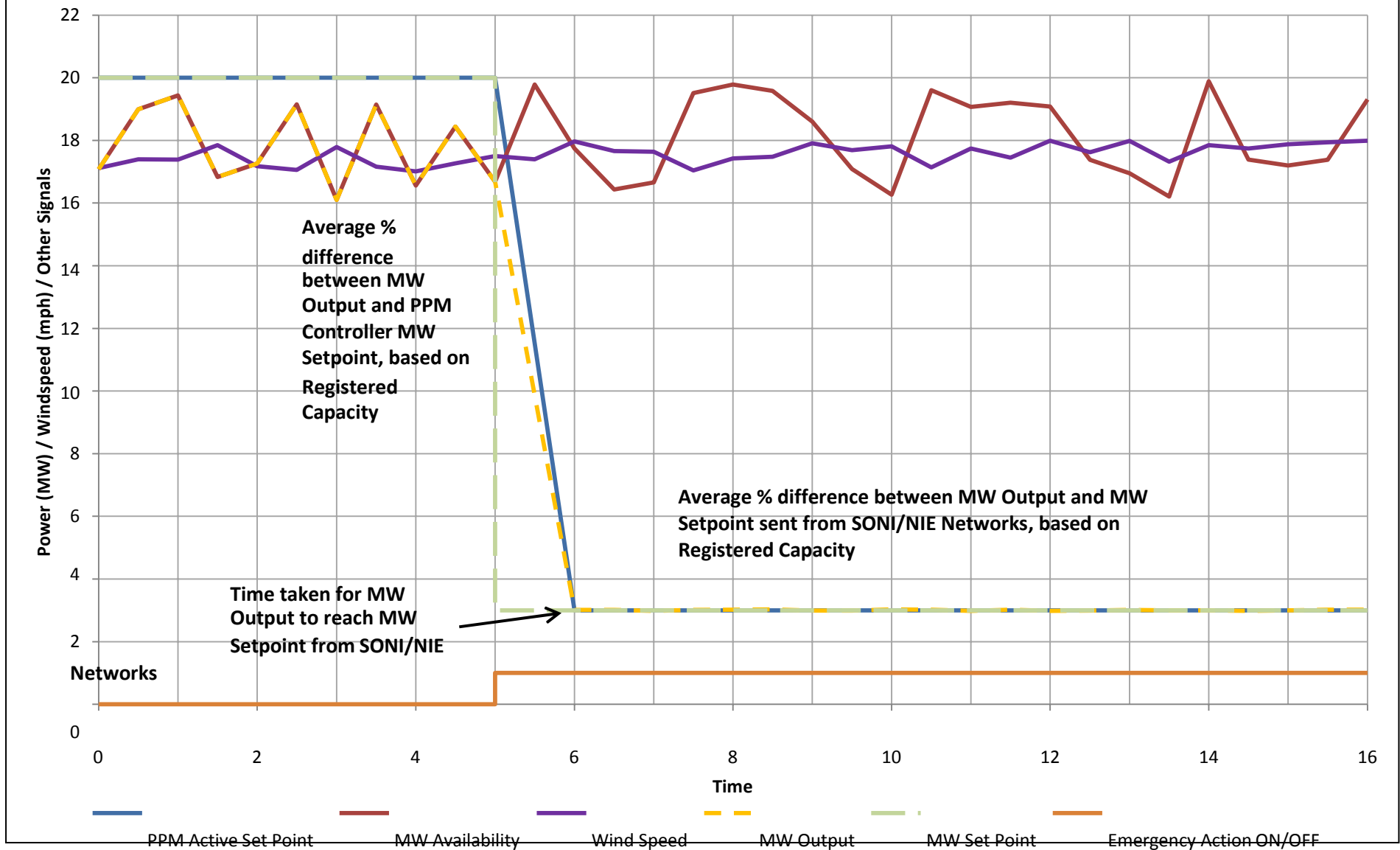
¹ It is the responsibility of the **Generator** to configure **Voltage Control**, Power Factor Control and **Reactive Power** dispatch such that one of these 3 modes is always ON and not more than one mode is ON at any one time. Thus, if the **PPM** is operating in Power Factor Control and SONI/NIE Networks wish to change the **PPM** to operate in **Voltage Control**, SONI/NIE Networks will send a **Voltage Control** SELECT digital output signal to the **PPM**. The **Generator** must ensure Power Factor Control turns OFF as **Voltage Control** turns ON.

² Provided by NIE Networks as part of the connection arrangements included for completeness.

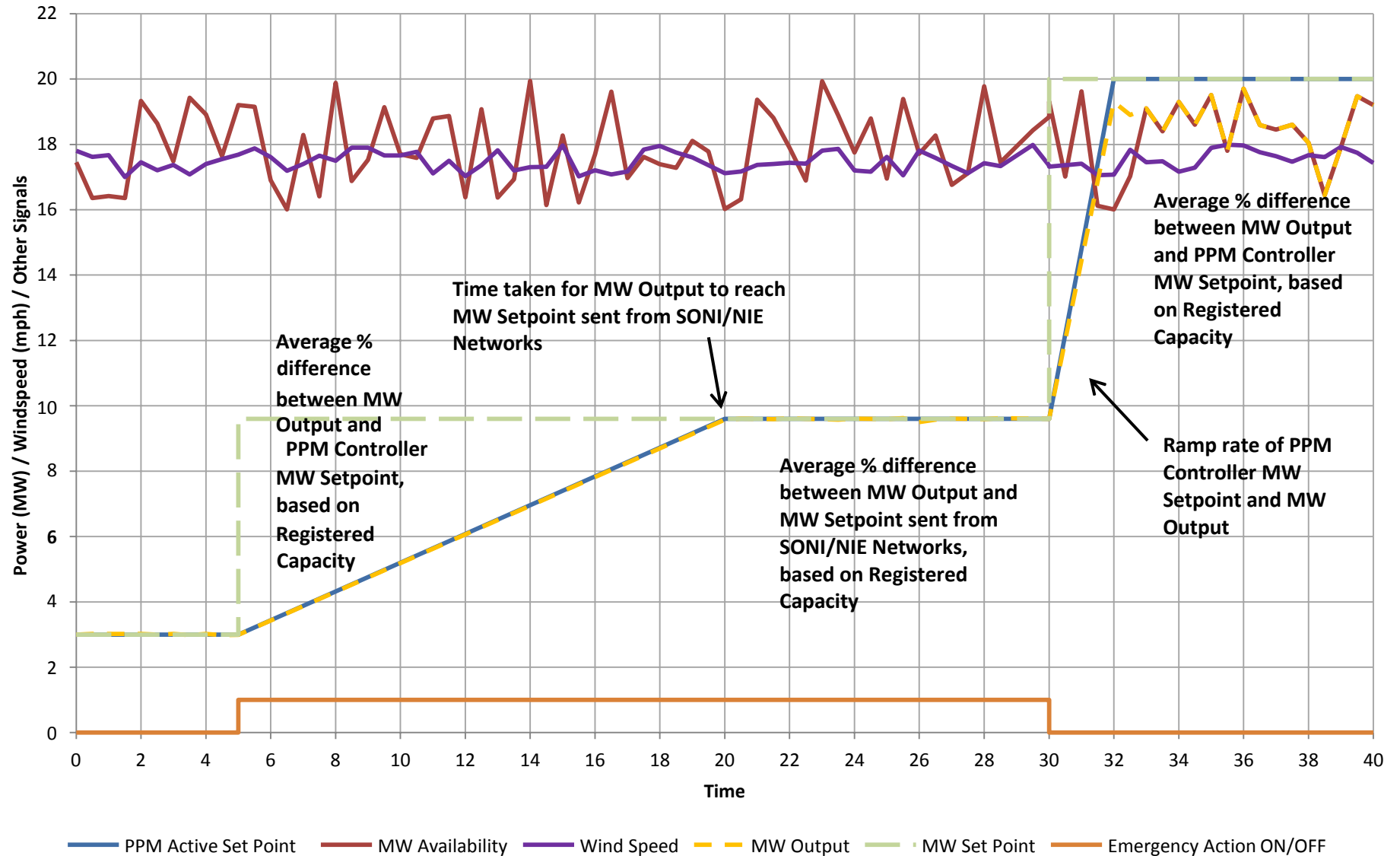
Appendix E Example MS Excel Plots To Be Submitted by the Generator

The following graphs are for illustration only, highlighting the traces to be plotted and the annotations to be included by the **Generator**. If the **Generator** feels additional information is required in order to demonstrate **Compliance** then this documentation should also be included.

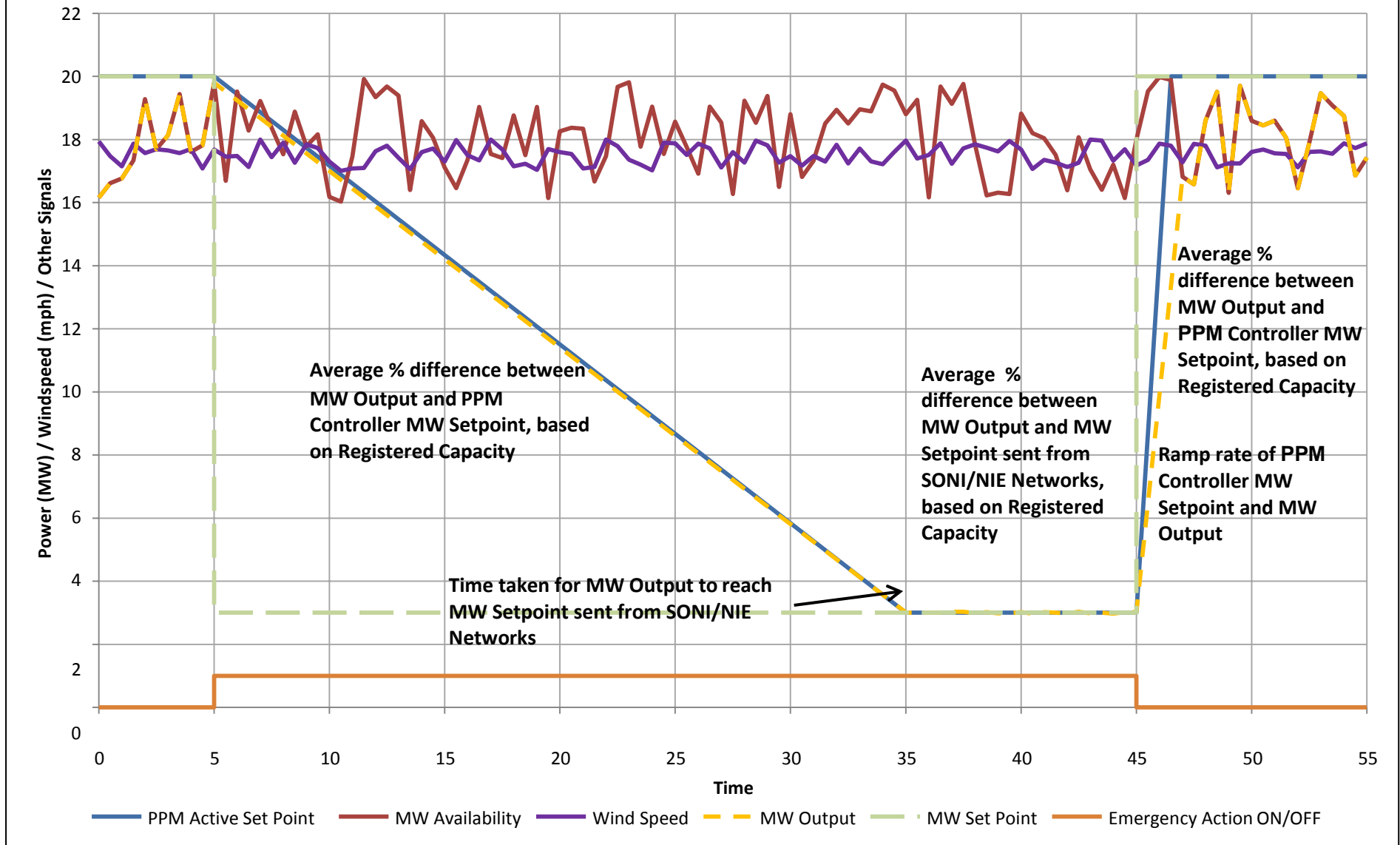
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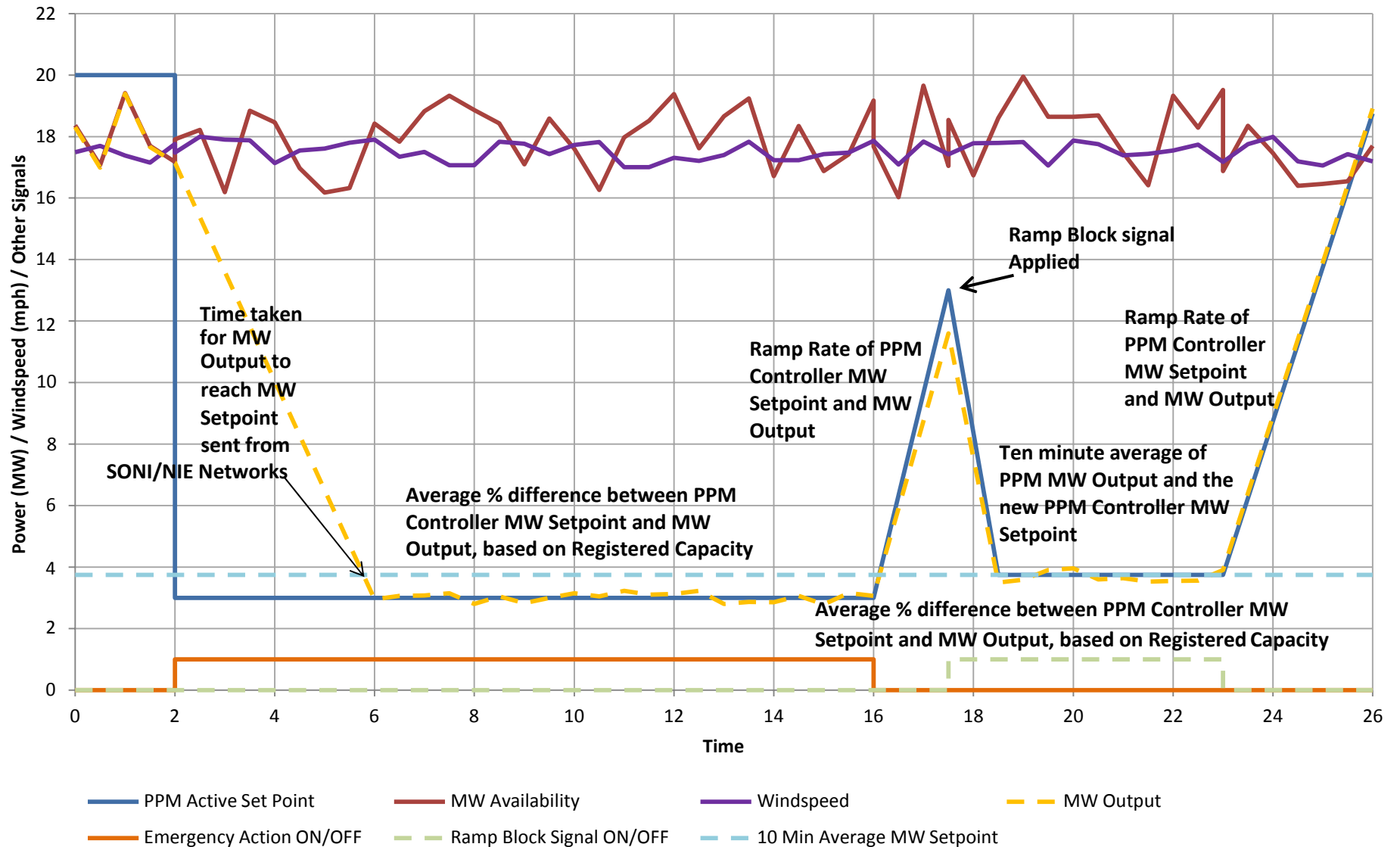
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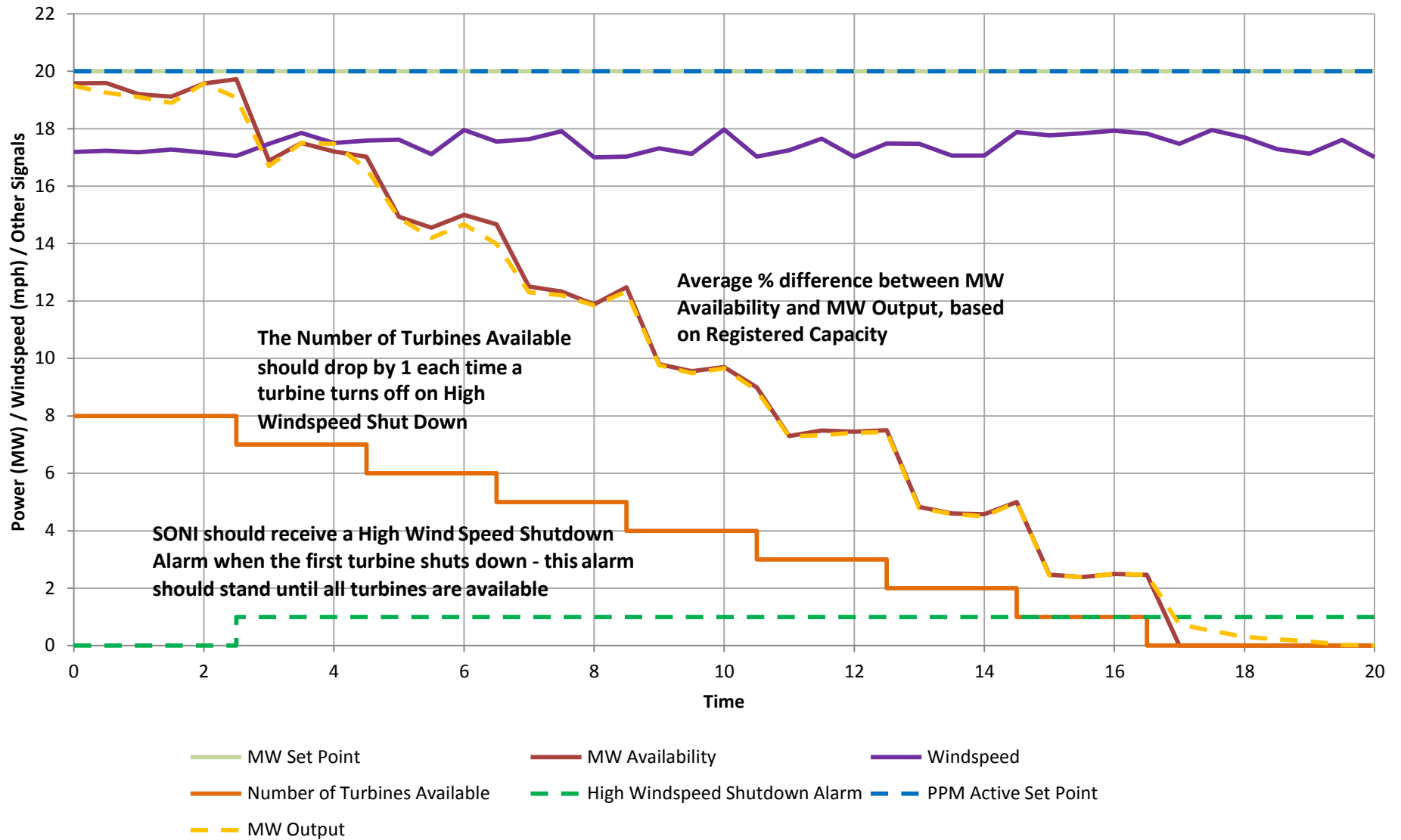
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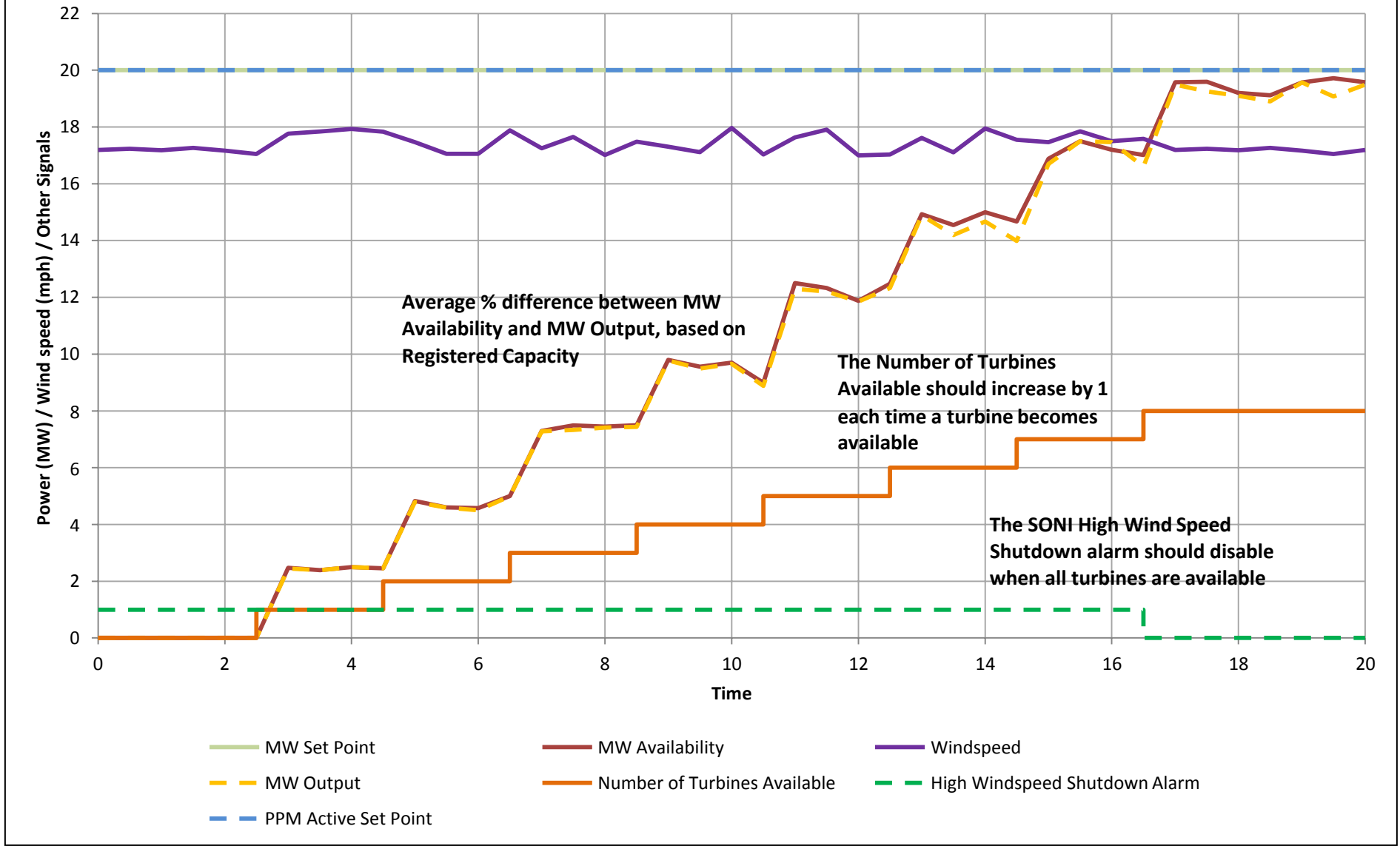
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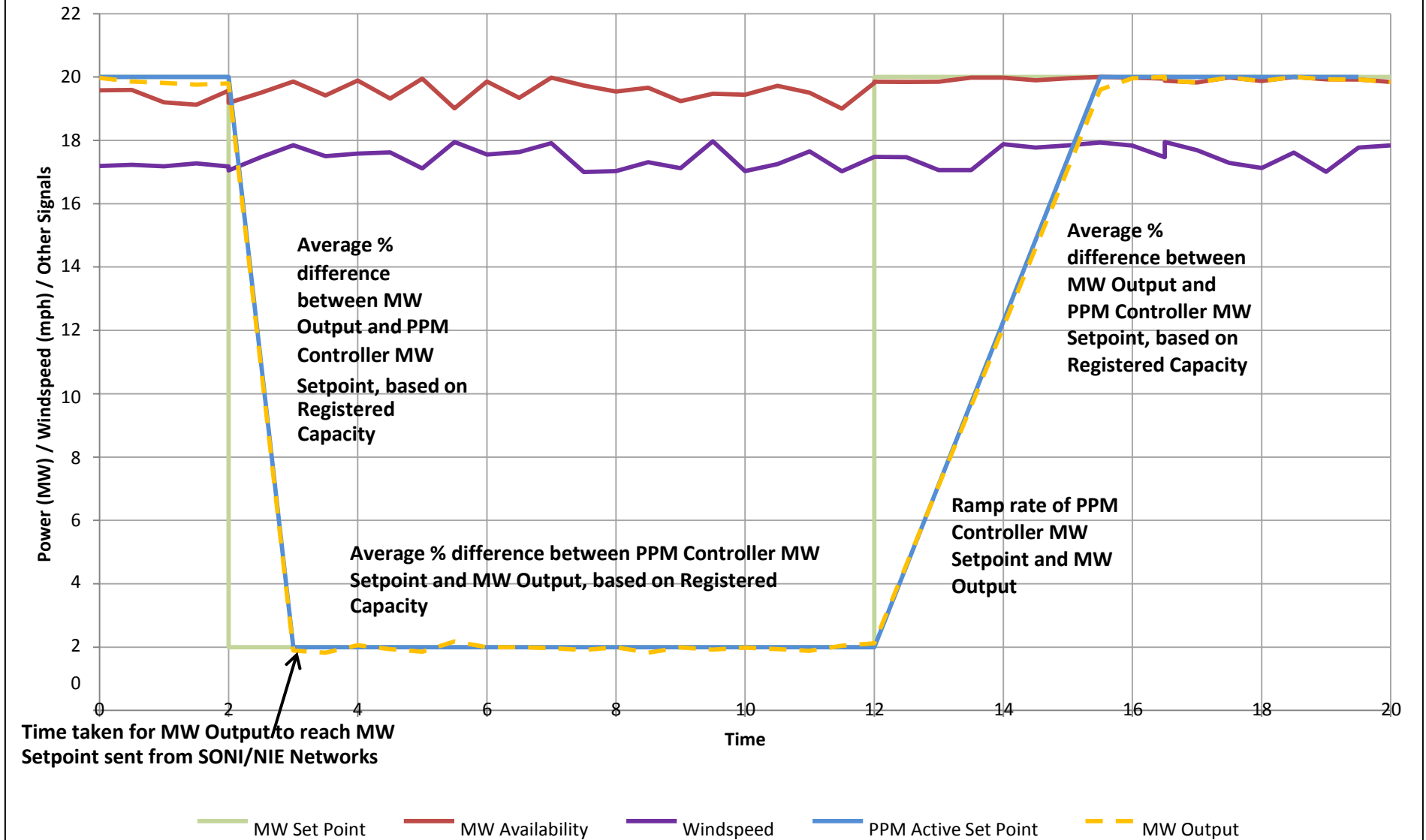
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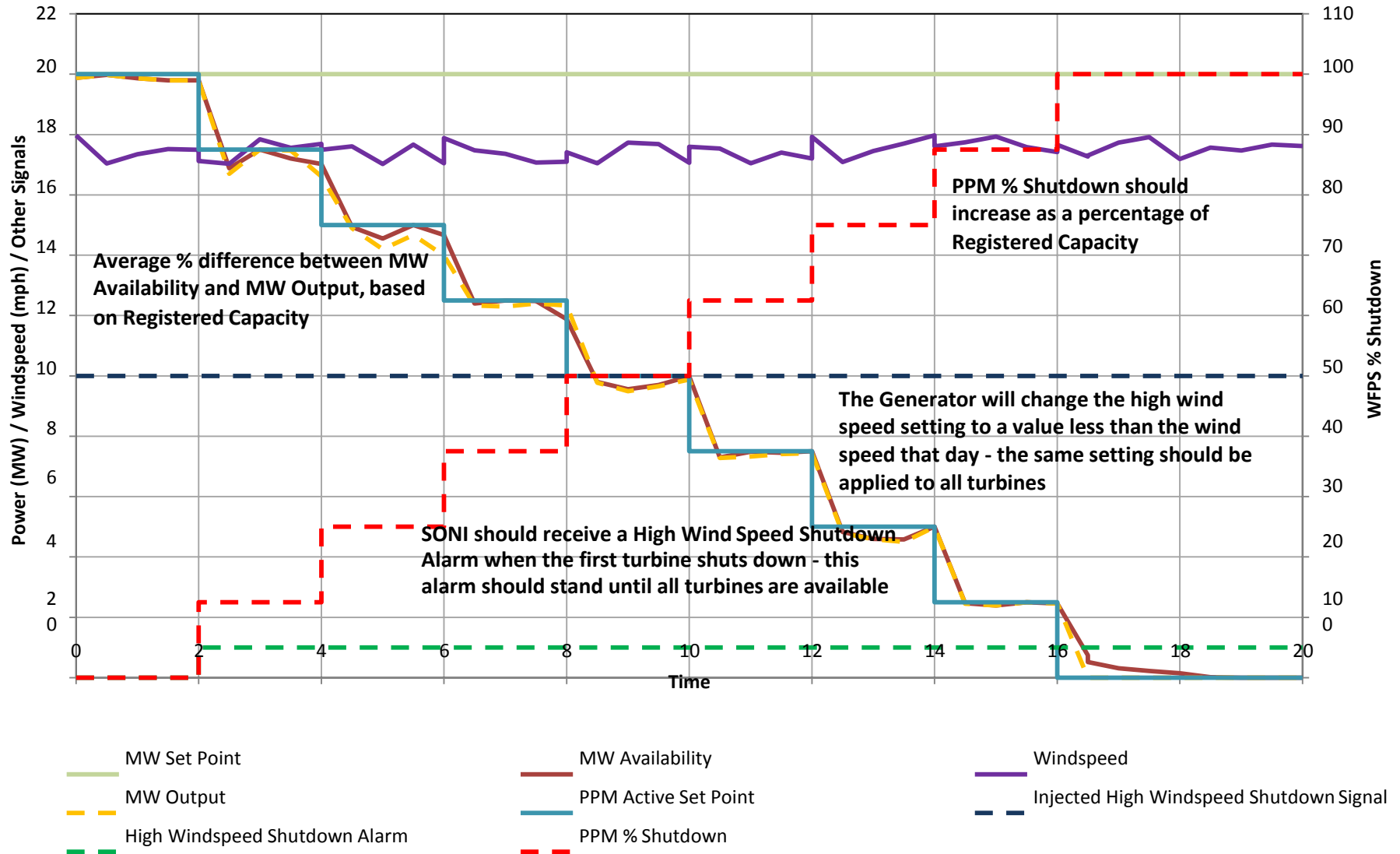
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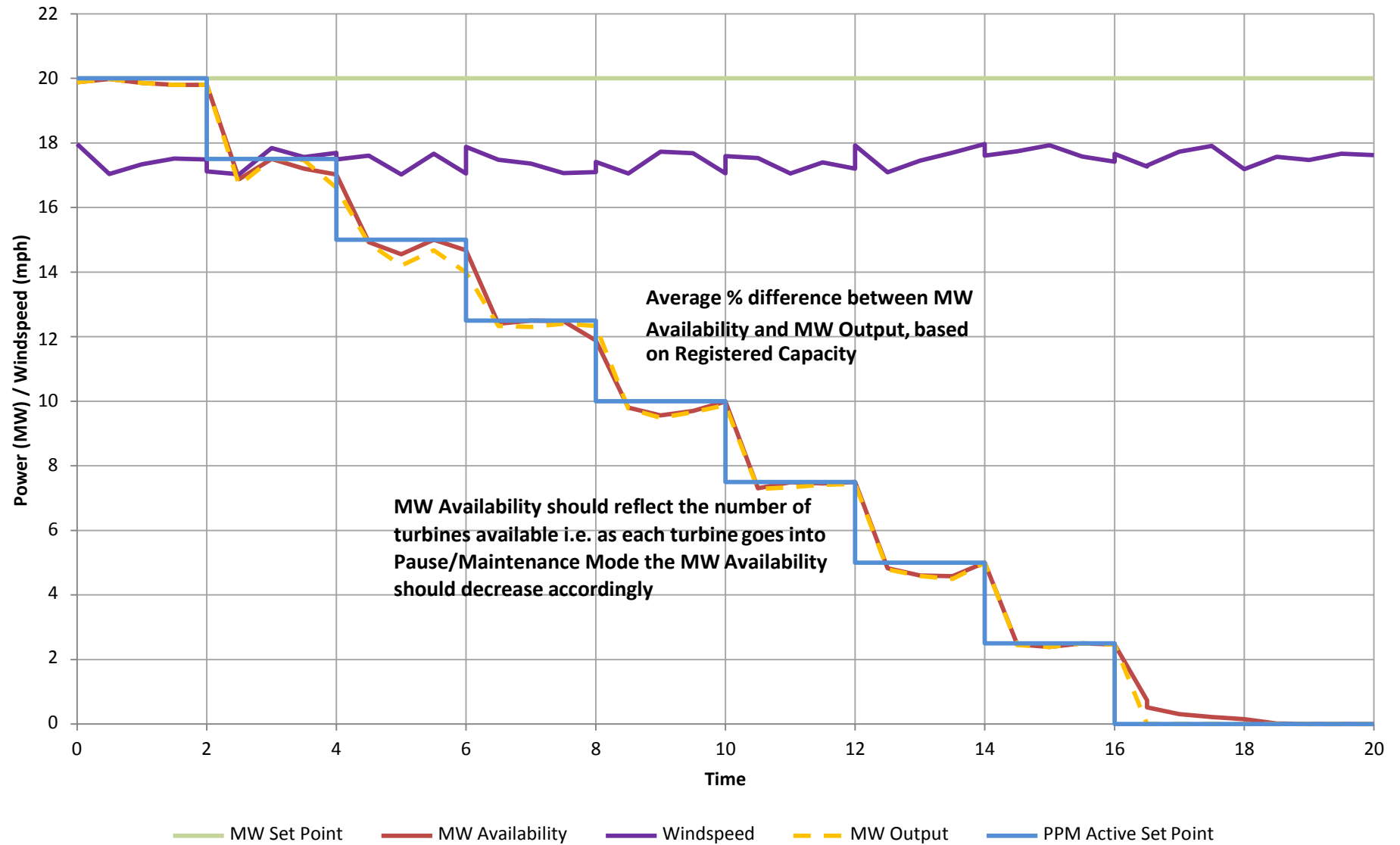
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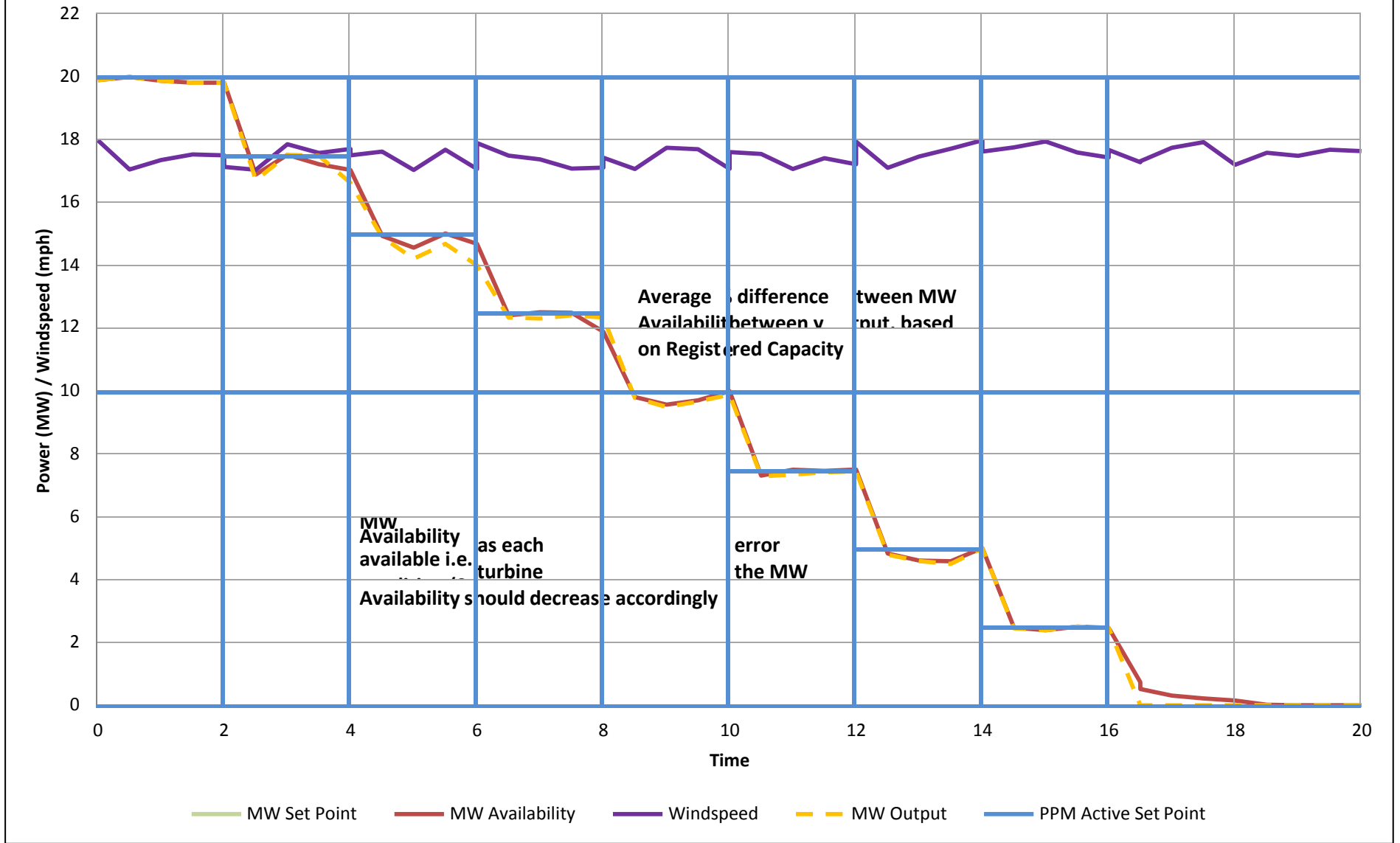
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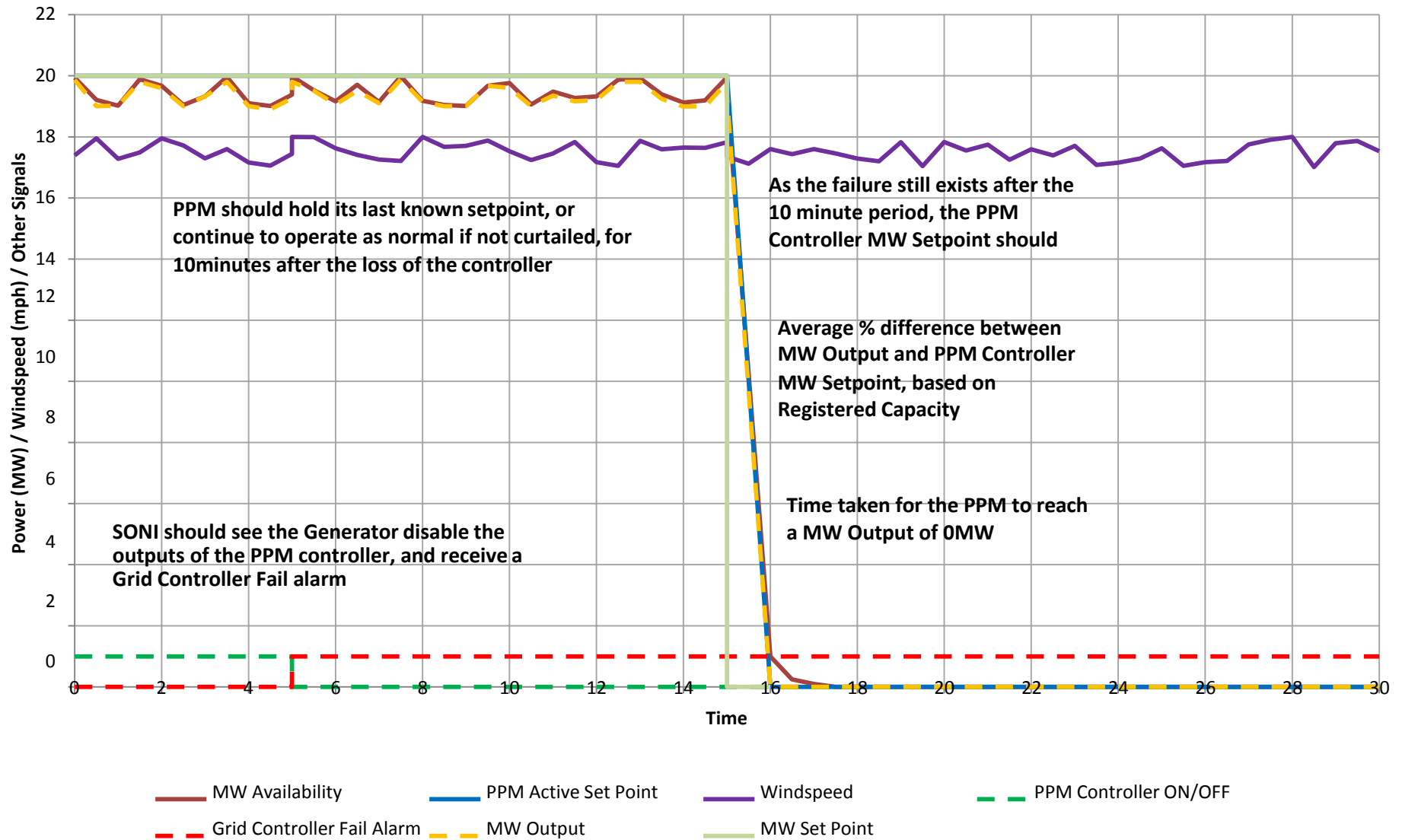
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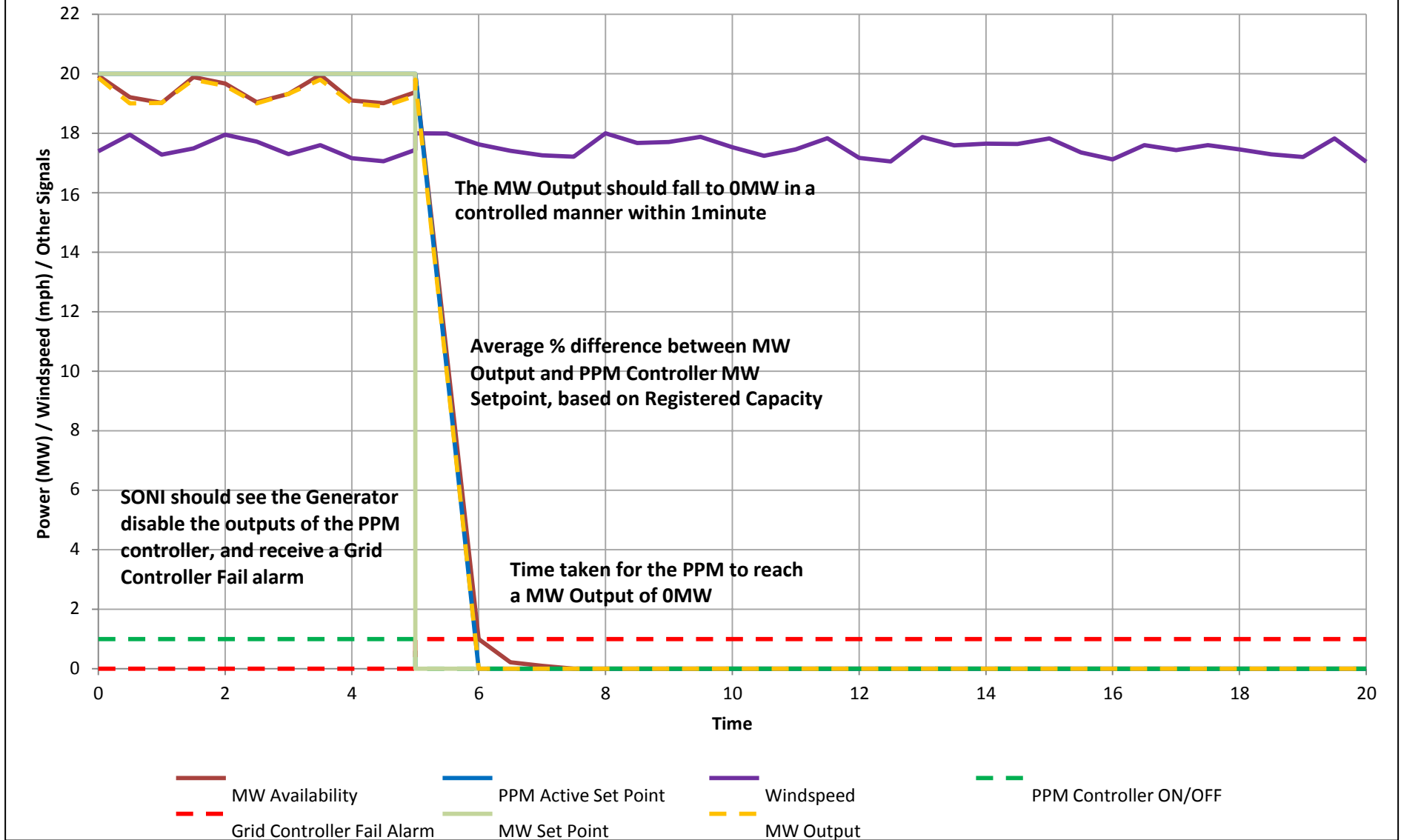
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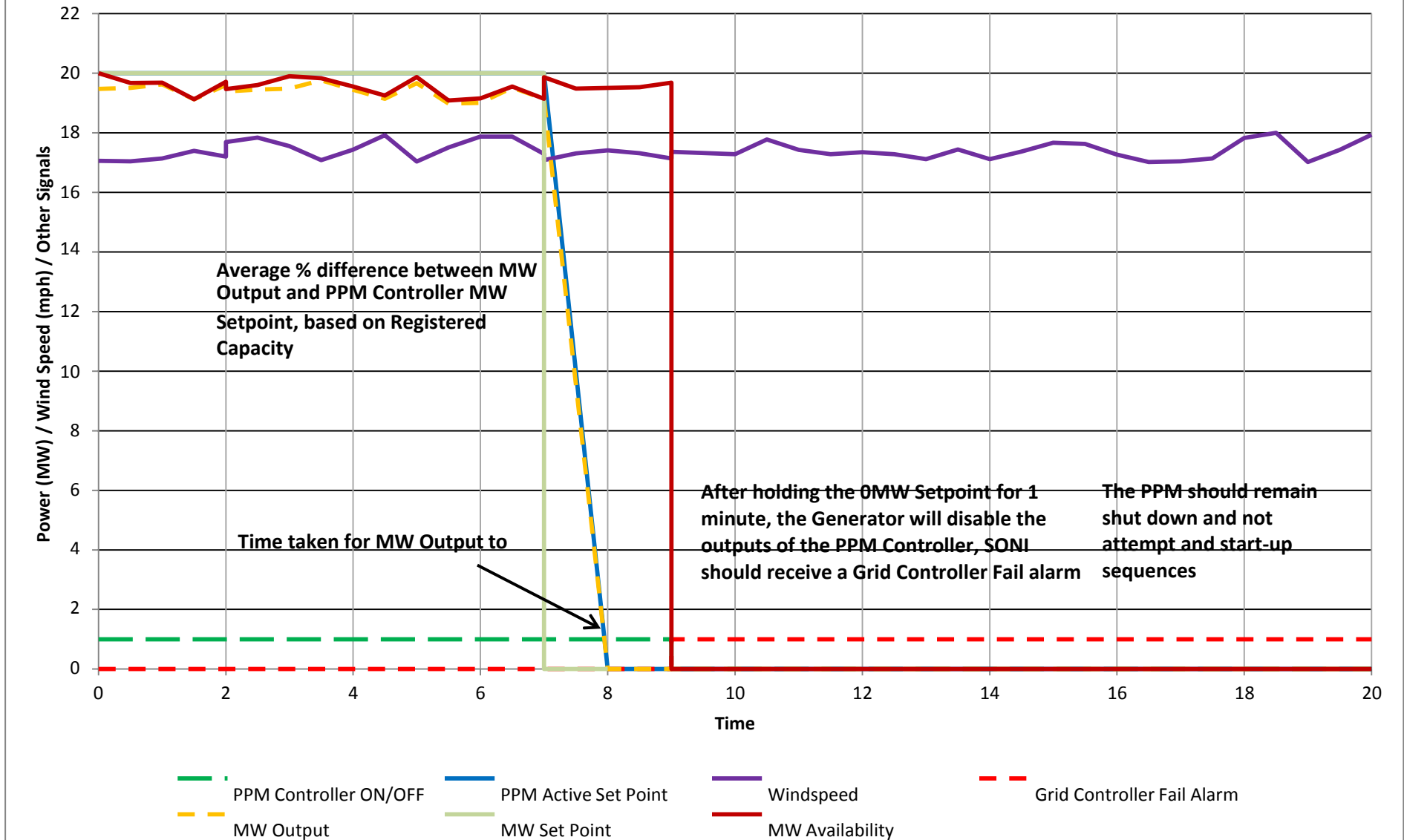
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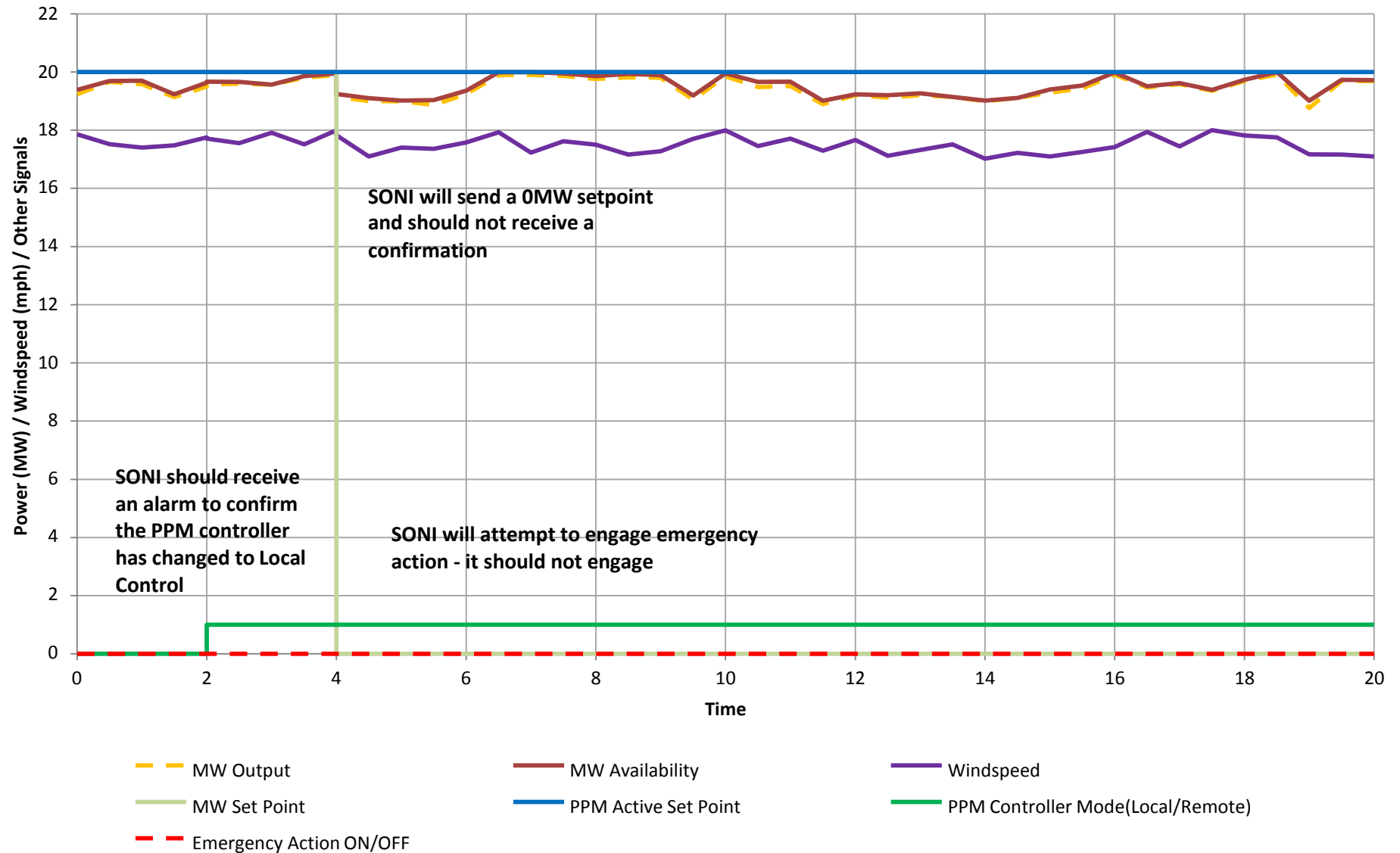
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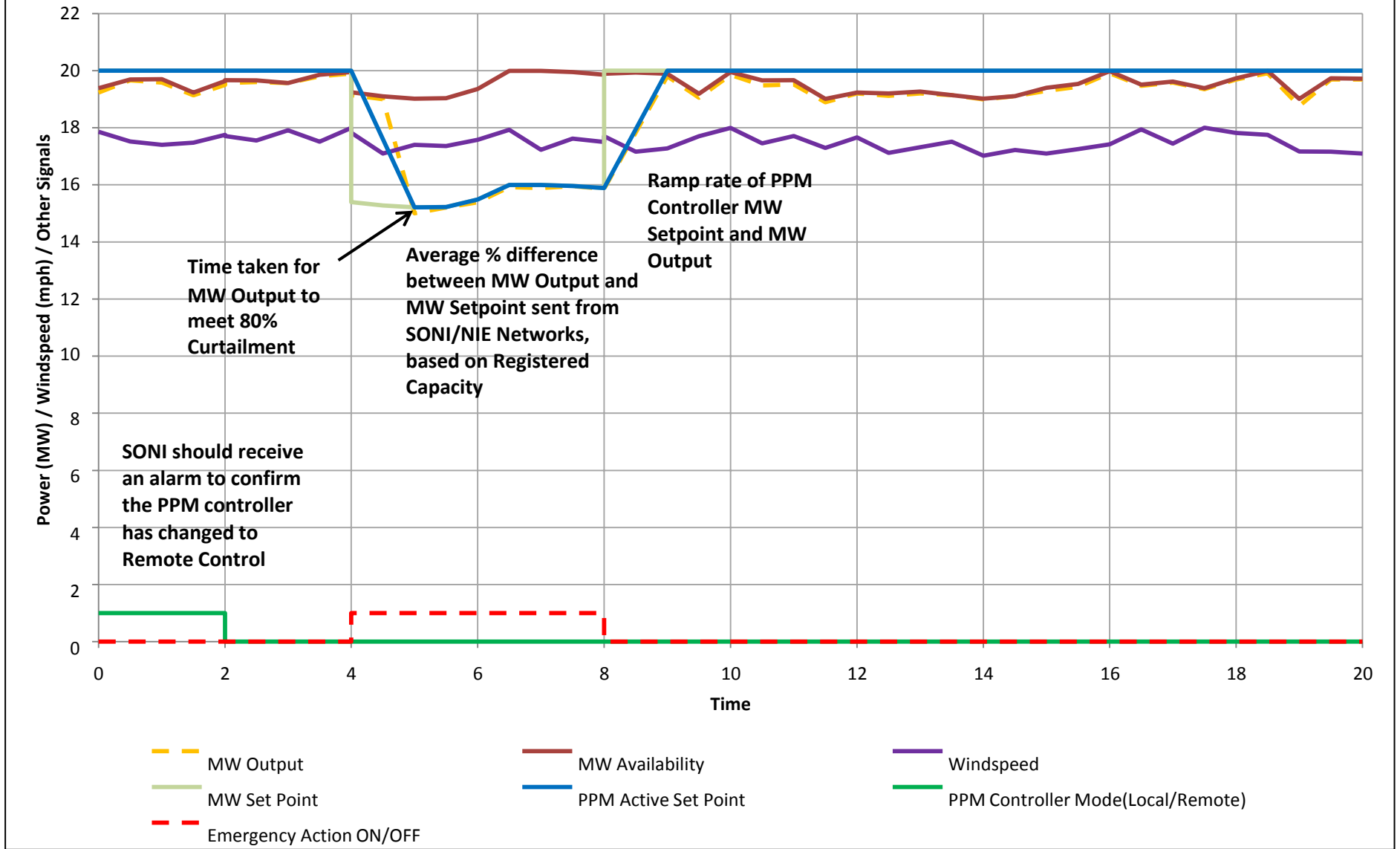
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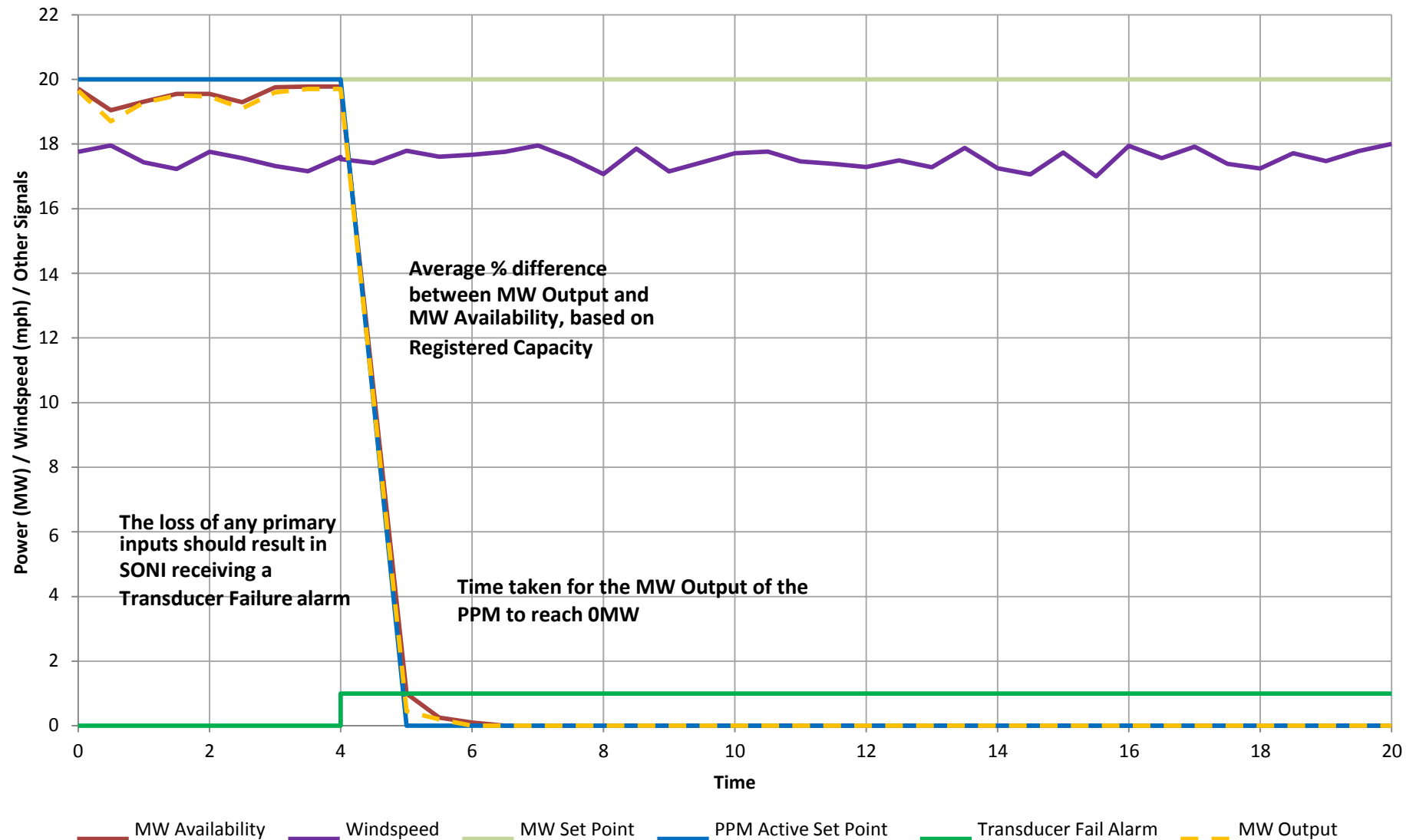
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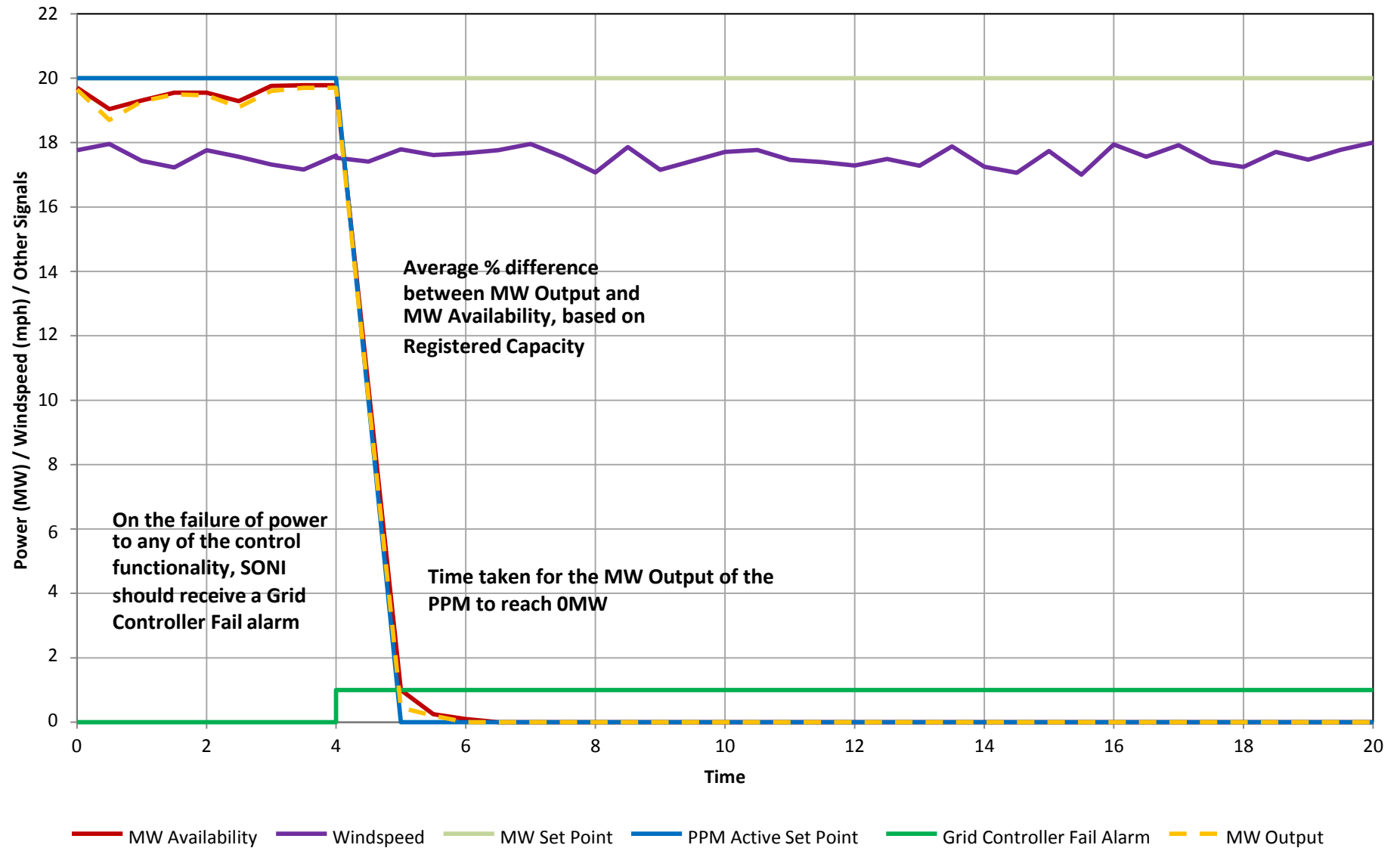
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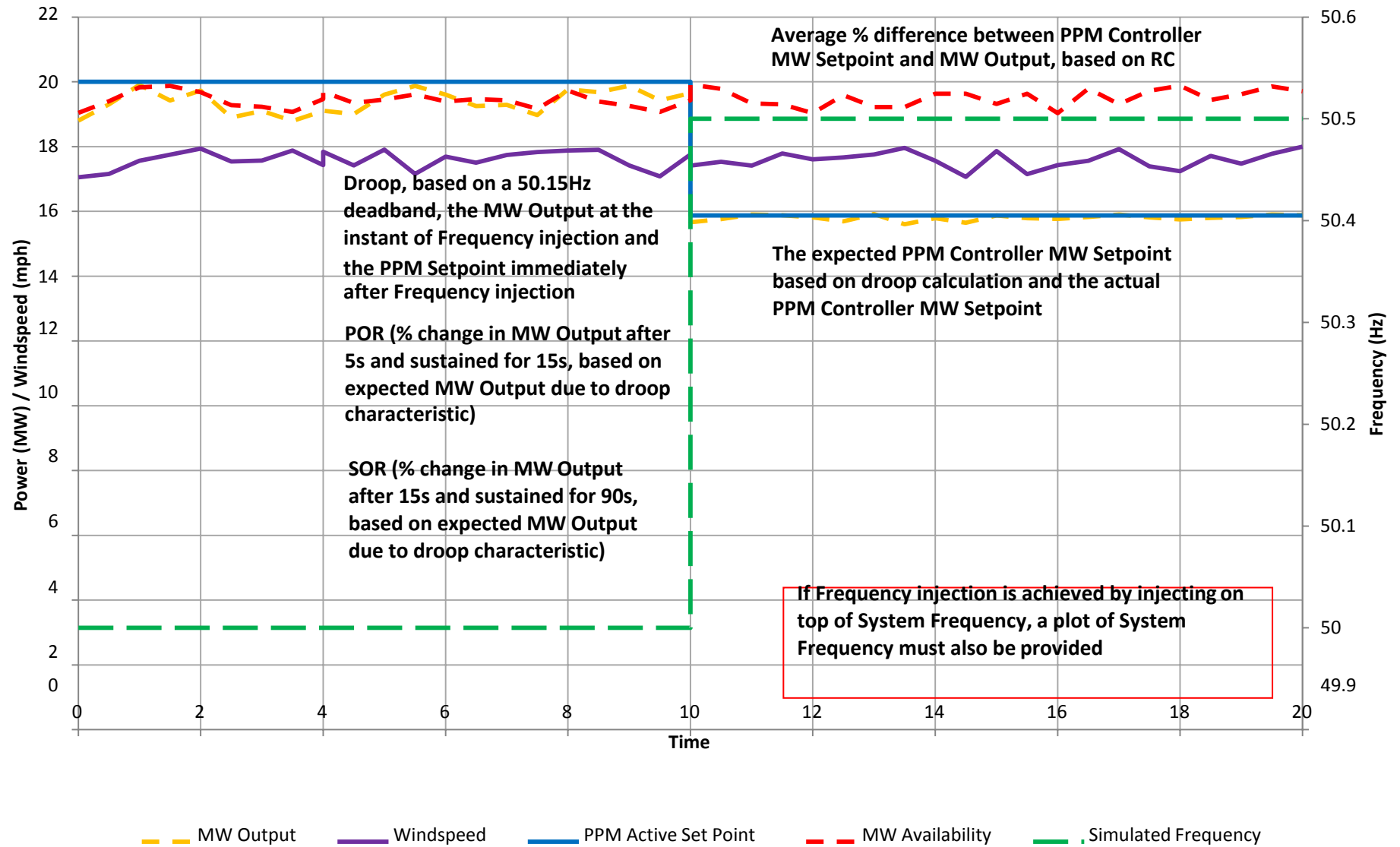
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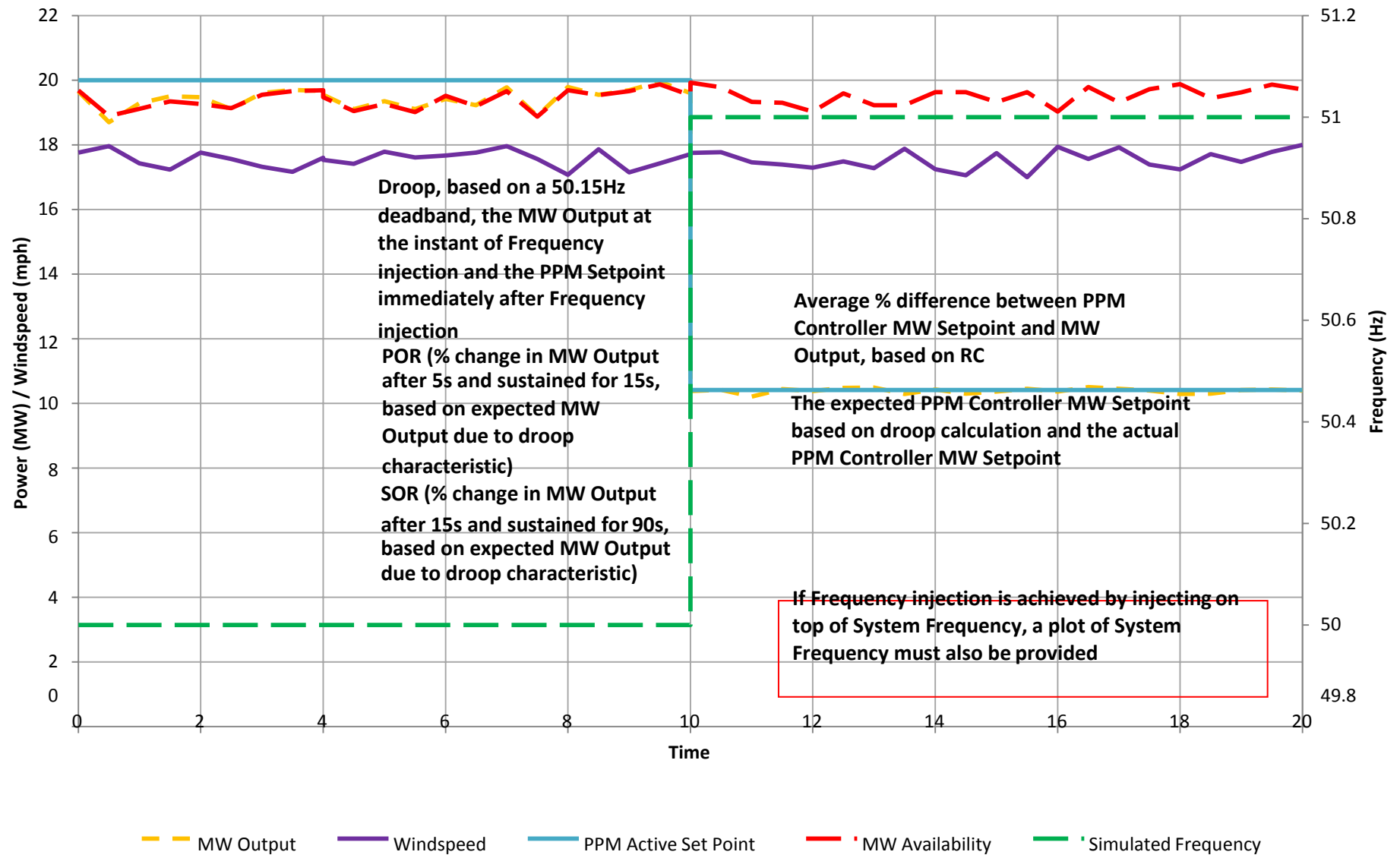
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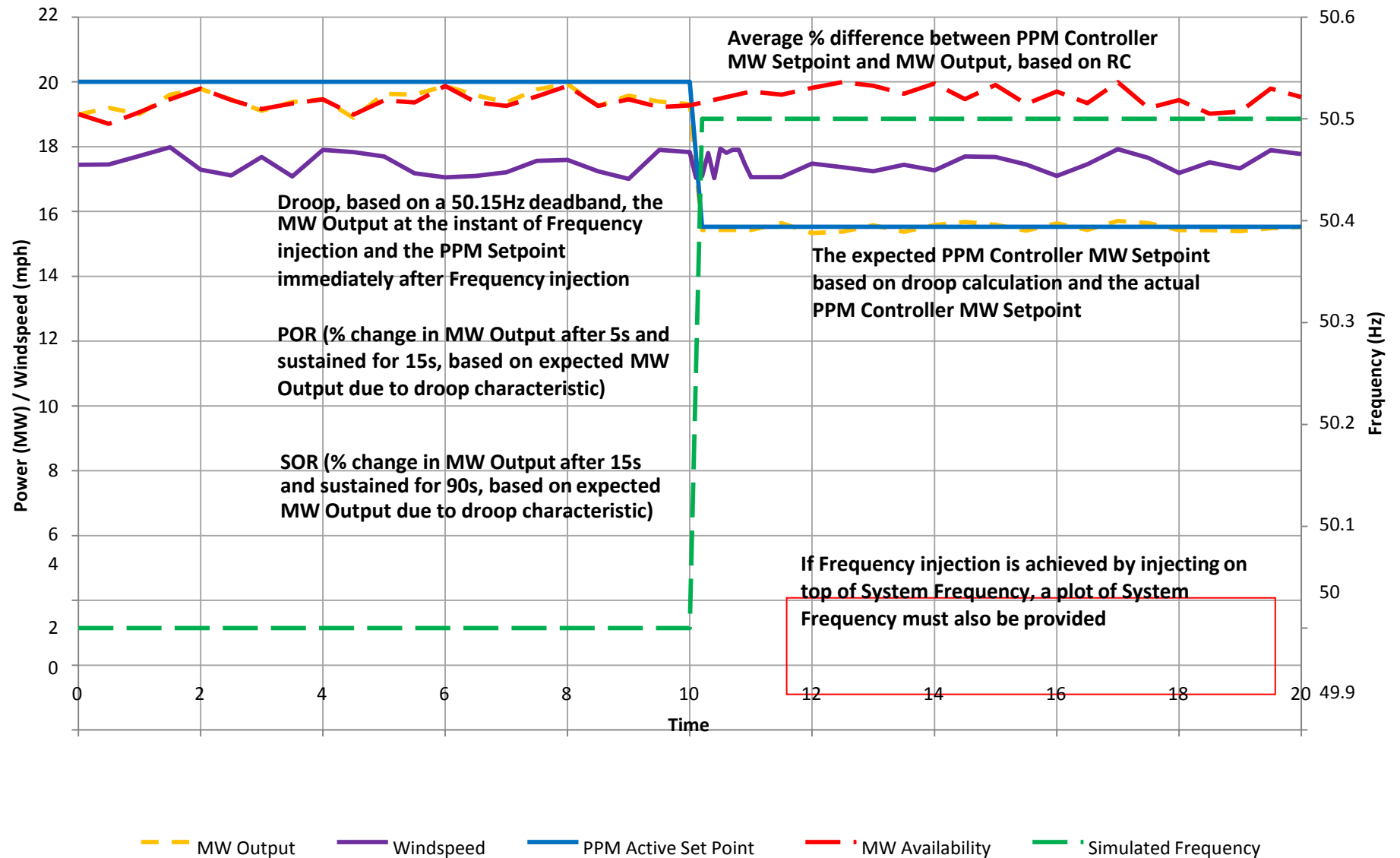
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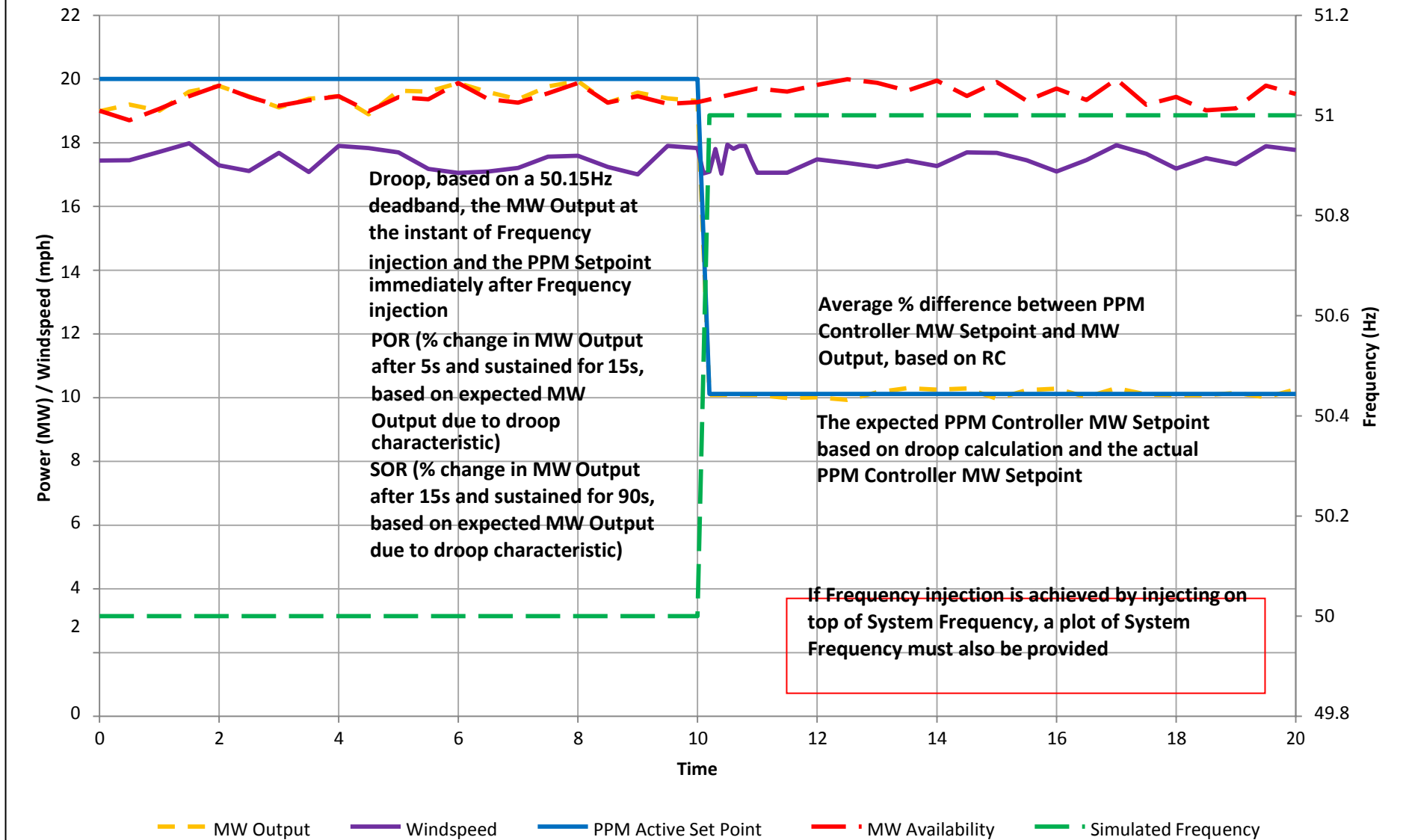
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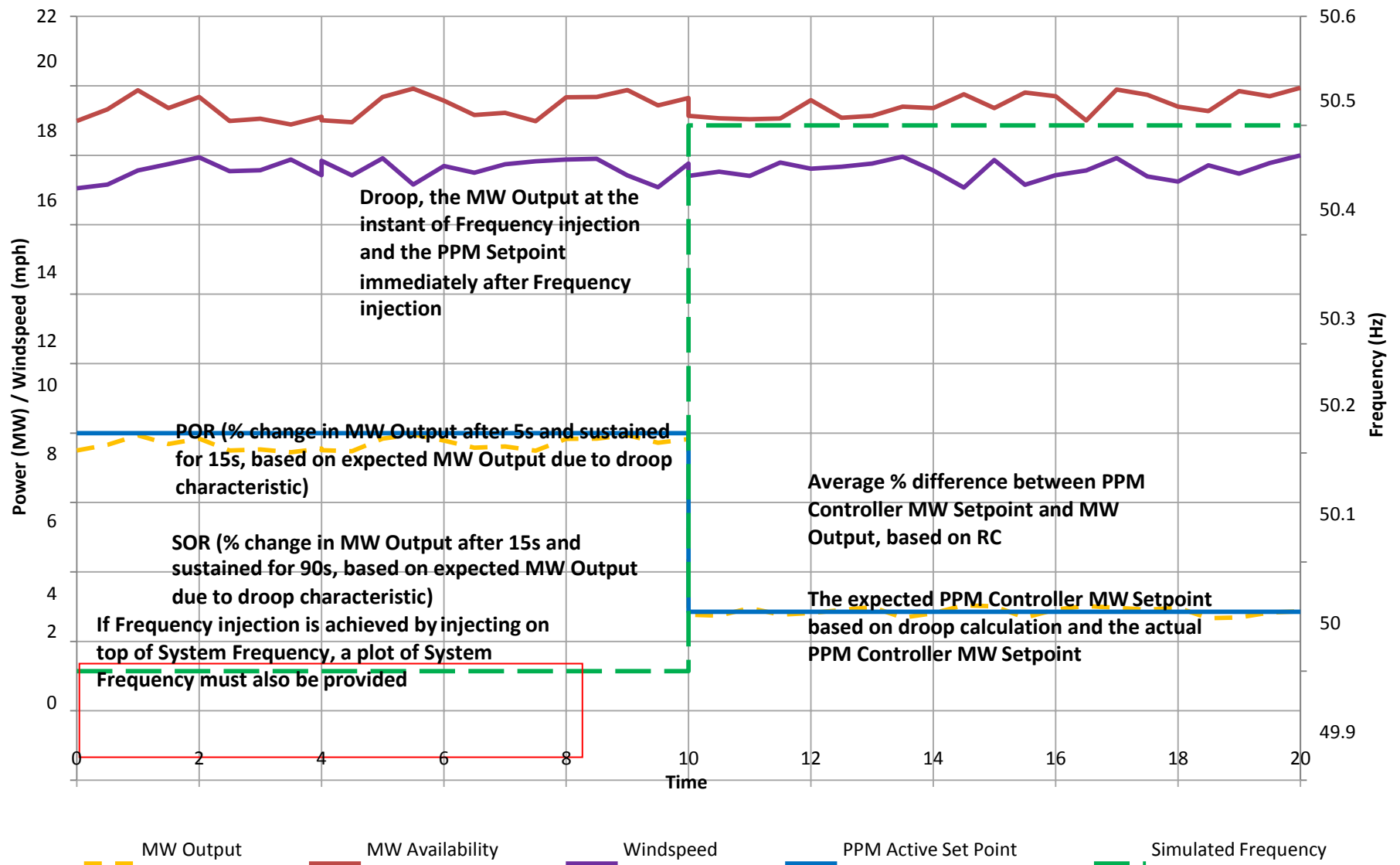
6.5 - Frequency Control +0.5Hz Ramp over 10s



6.5 - Frequency Control +1.0Hz Ramp over 10s



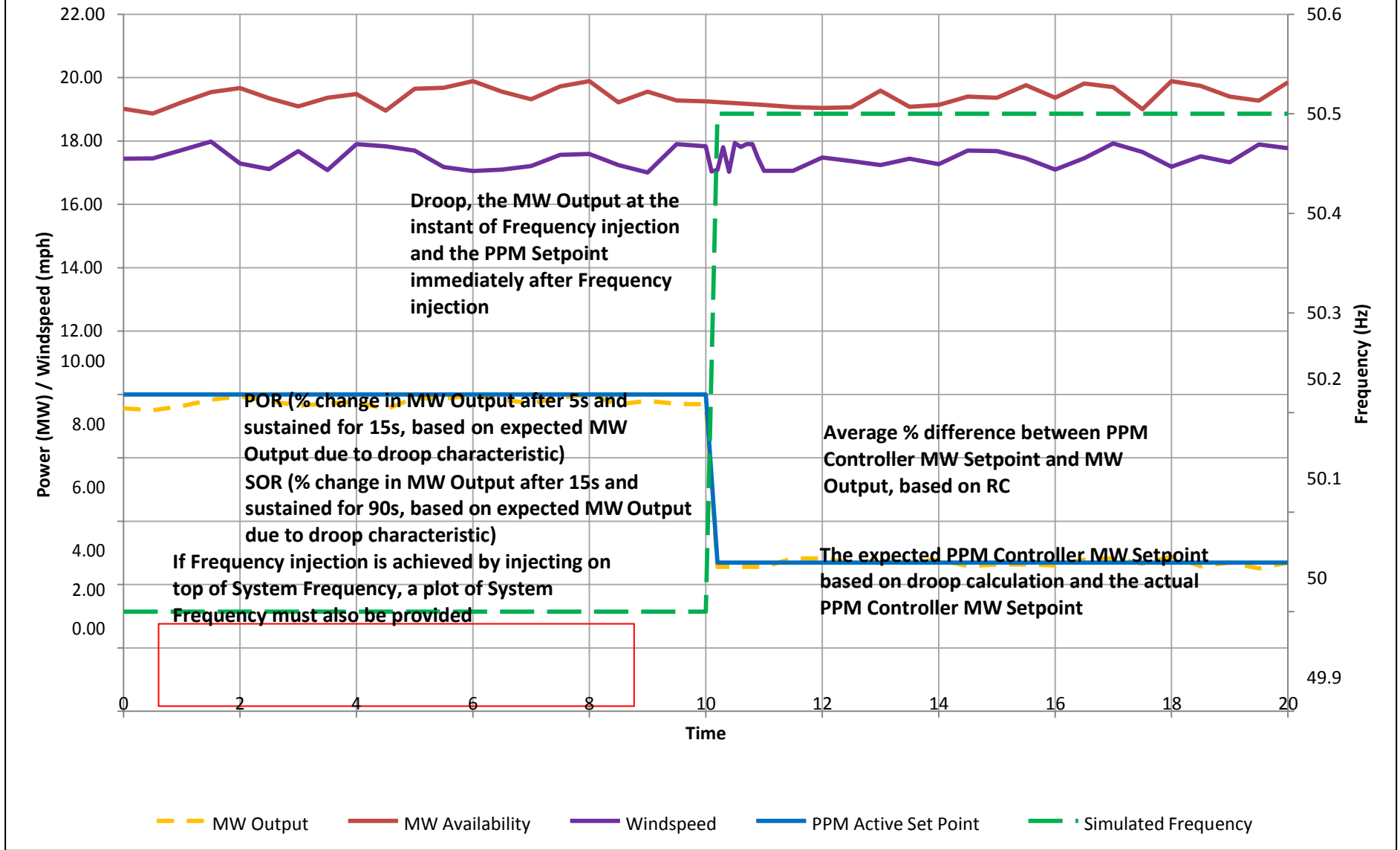
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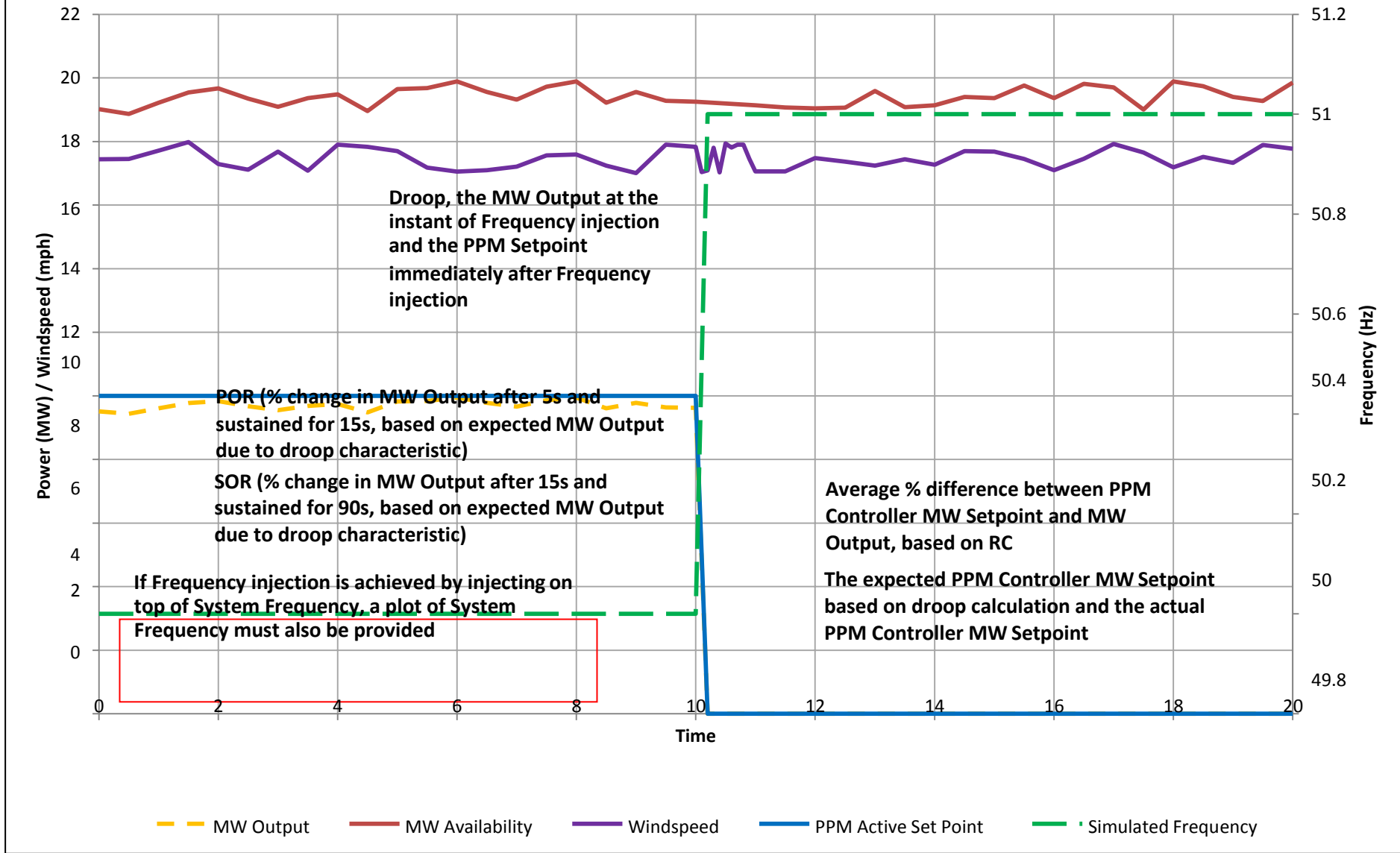
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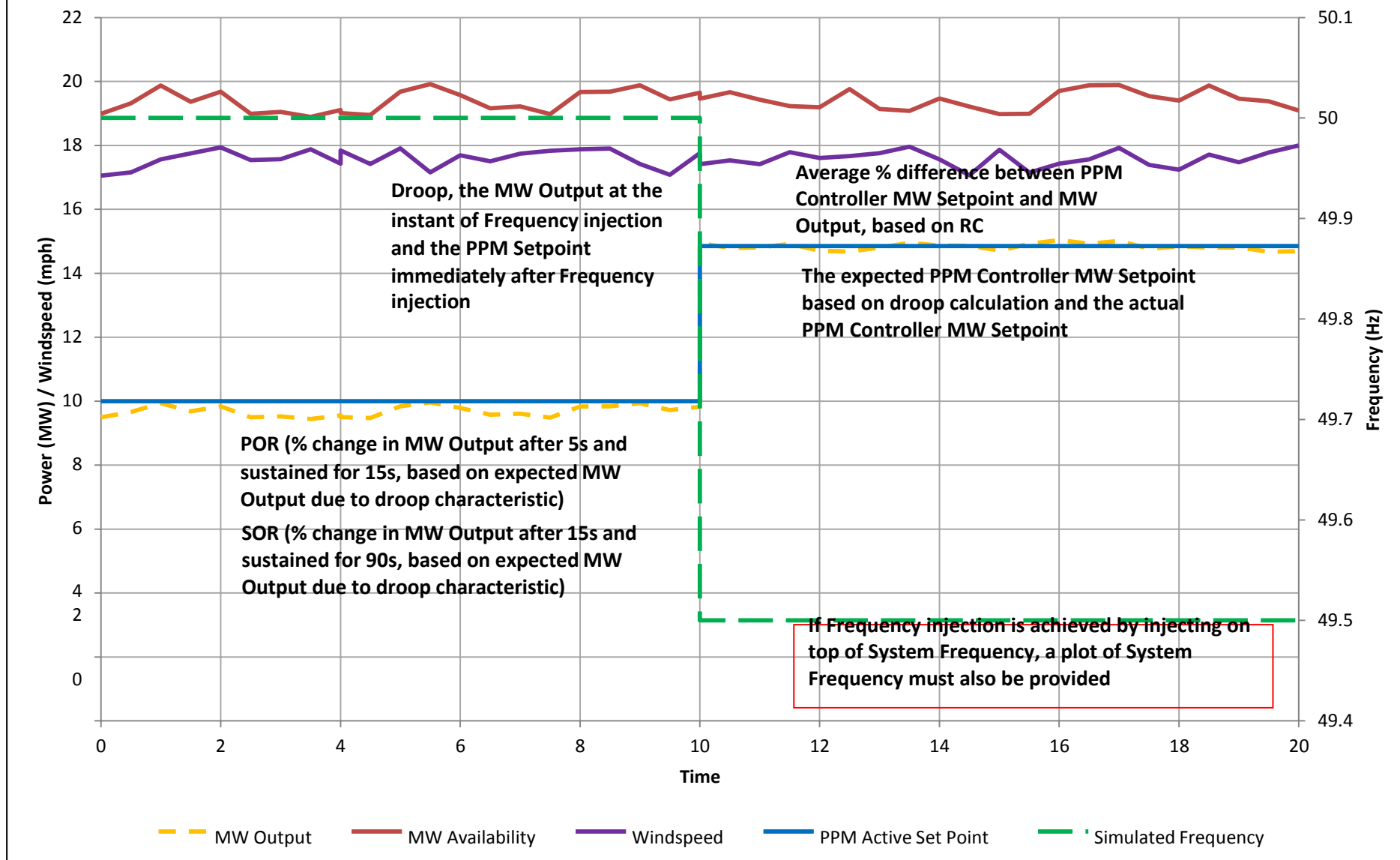
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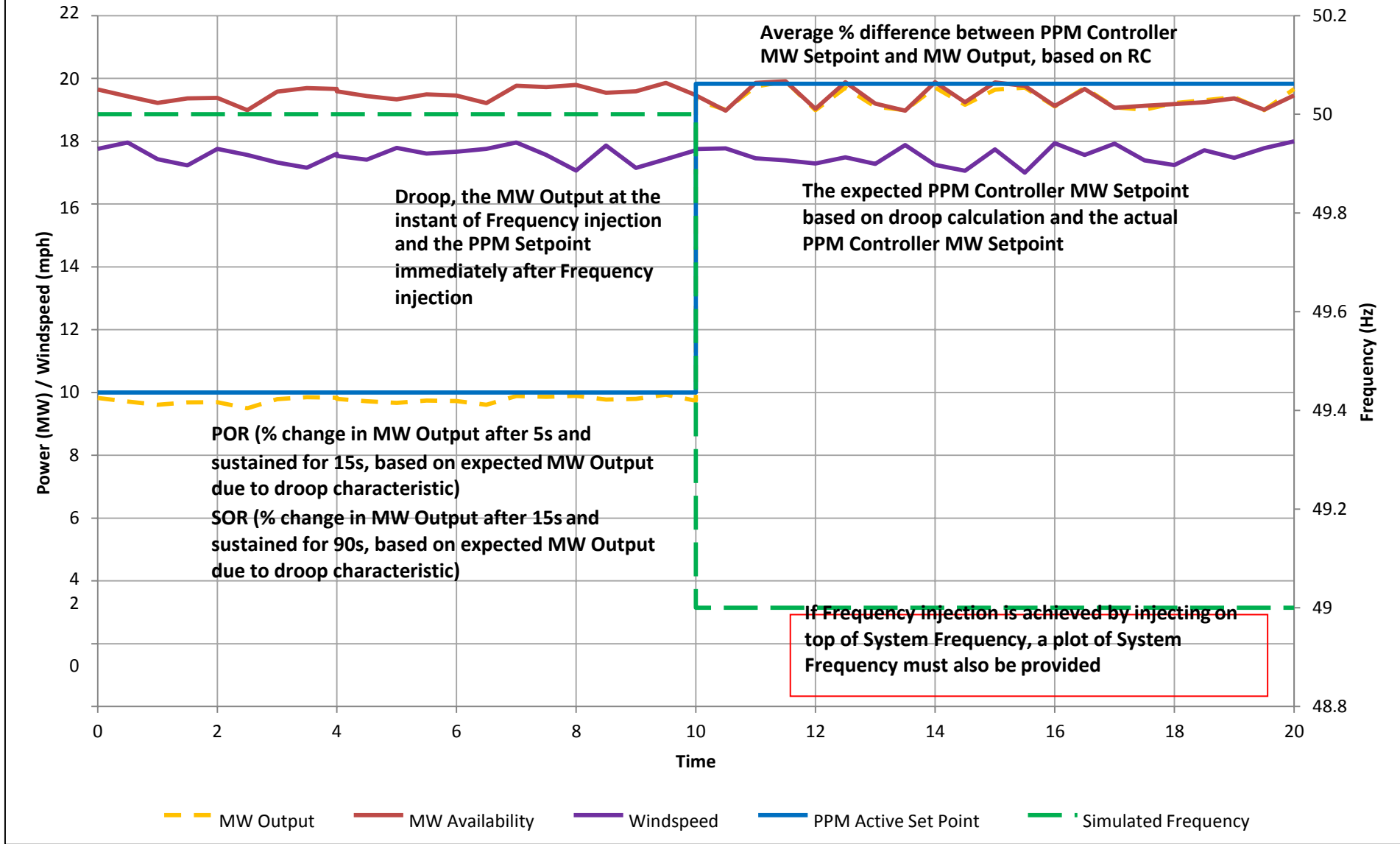
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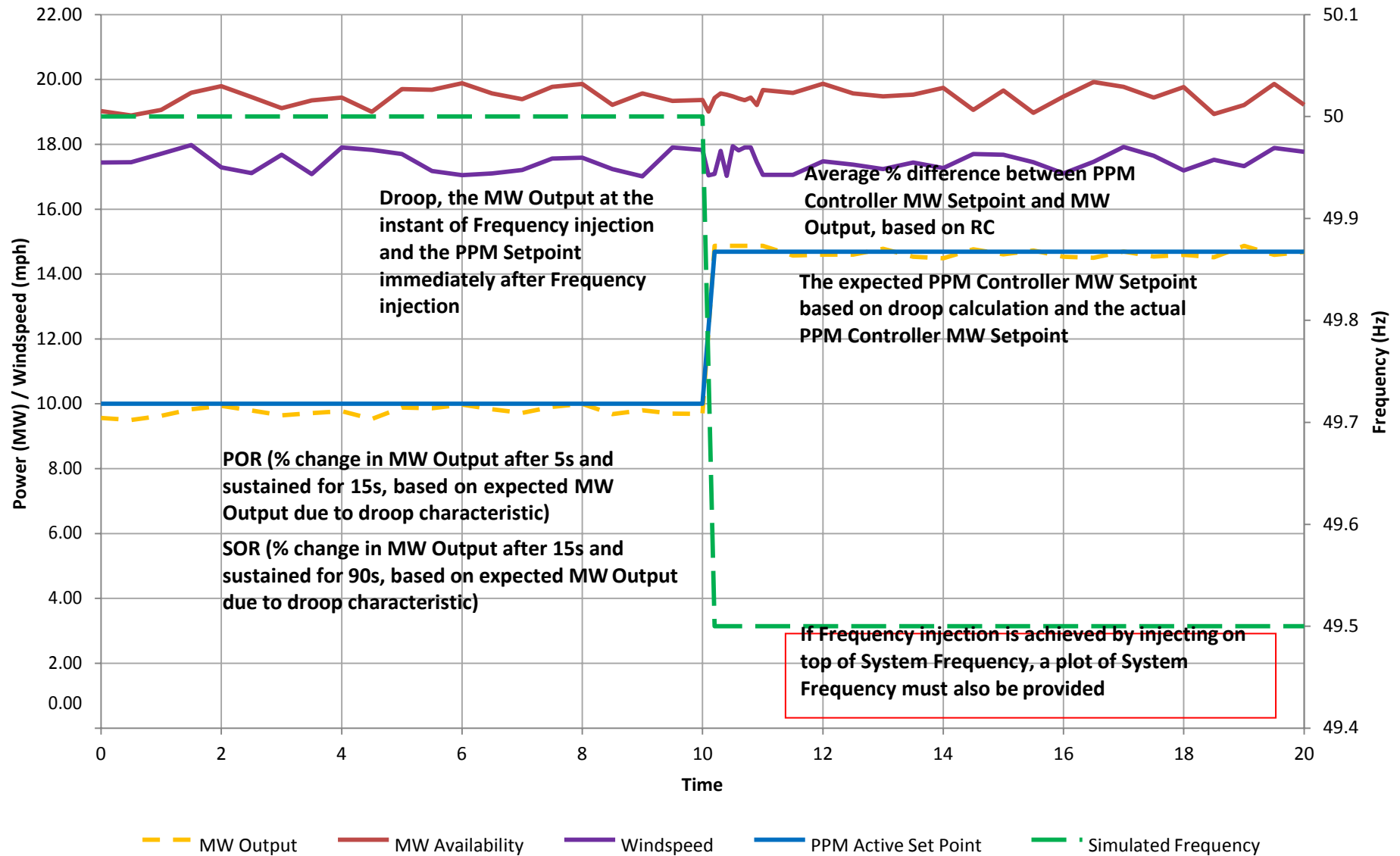
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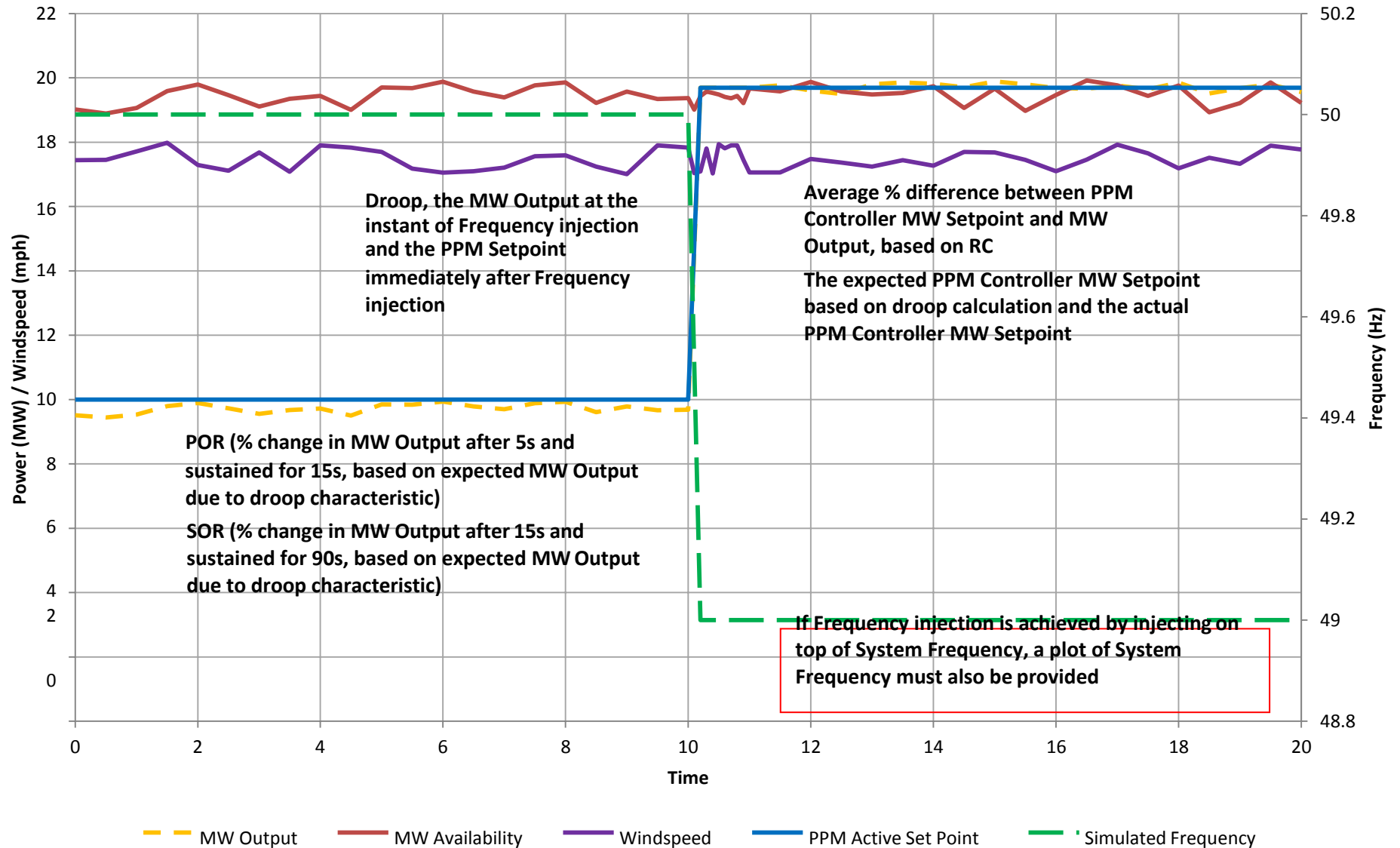
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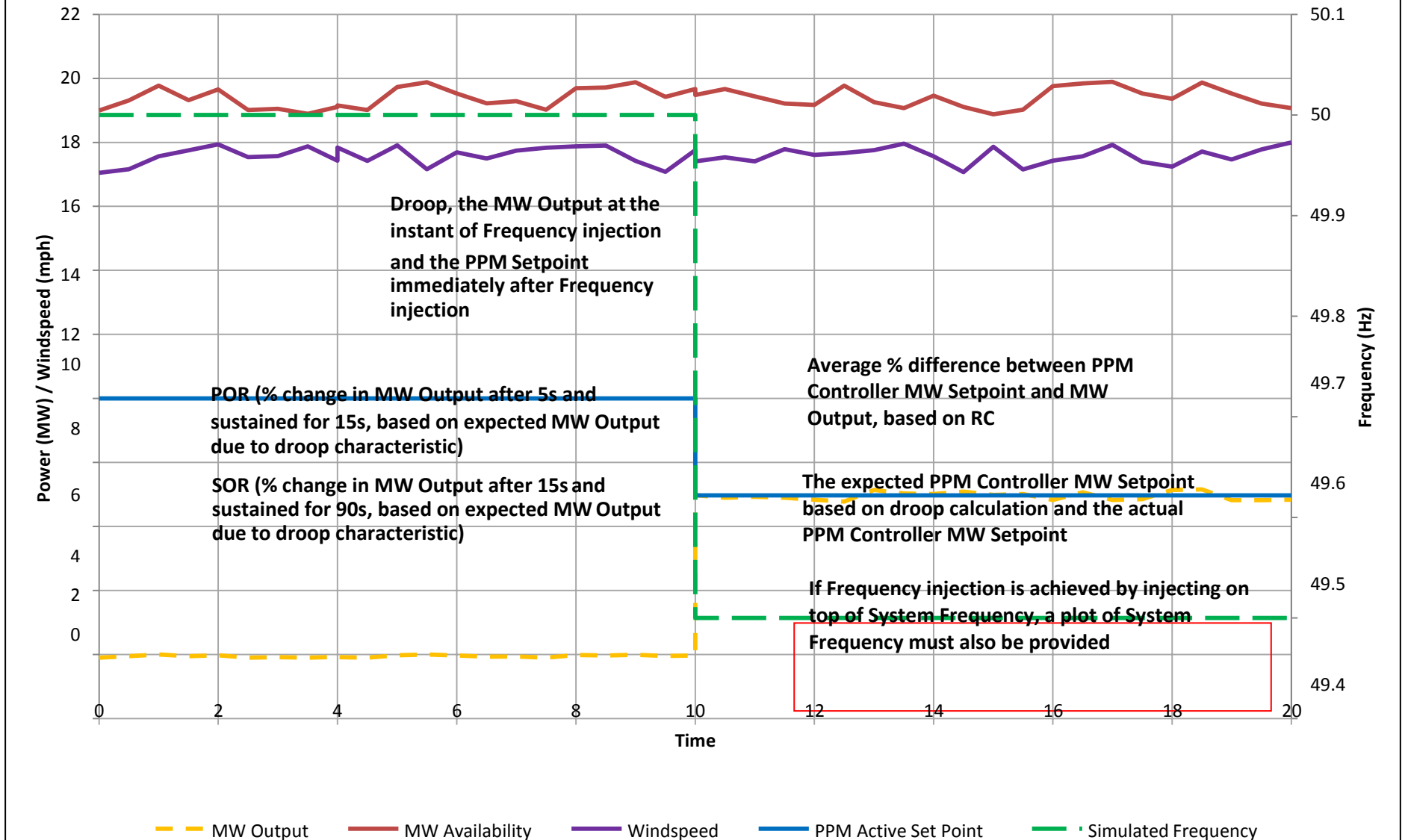
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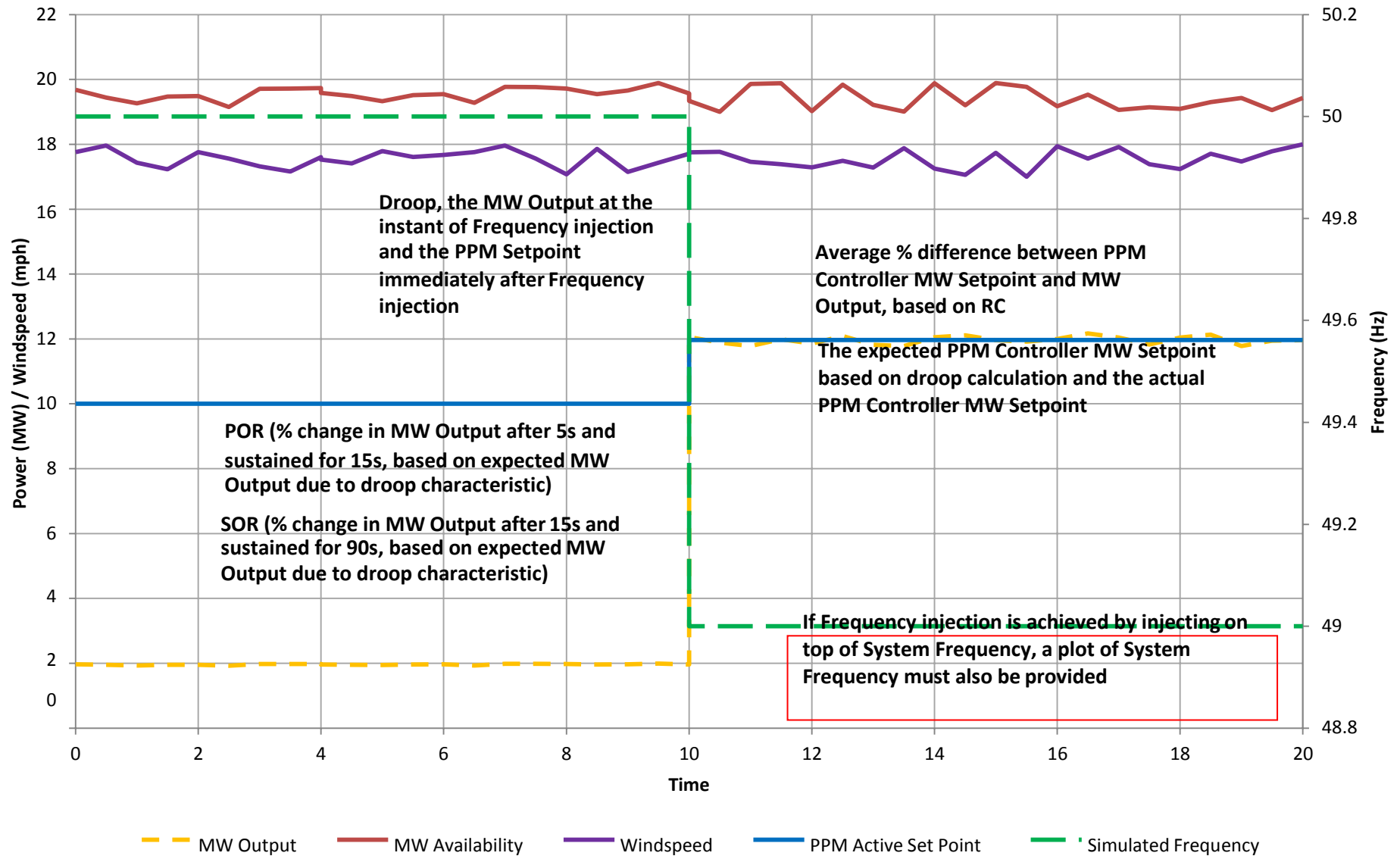
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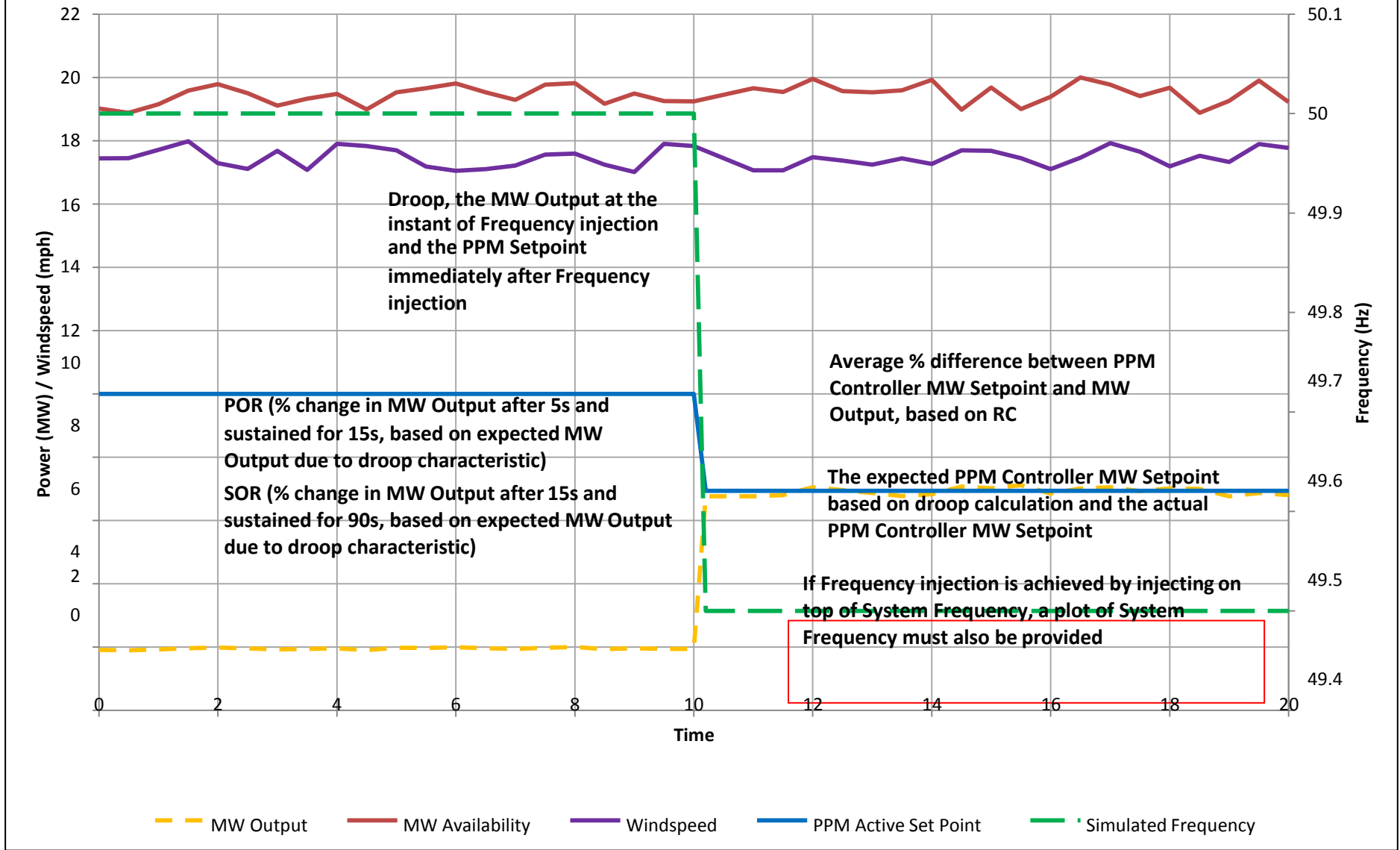
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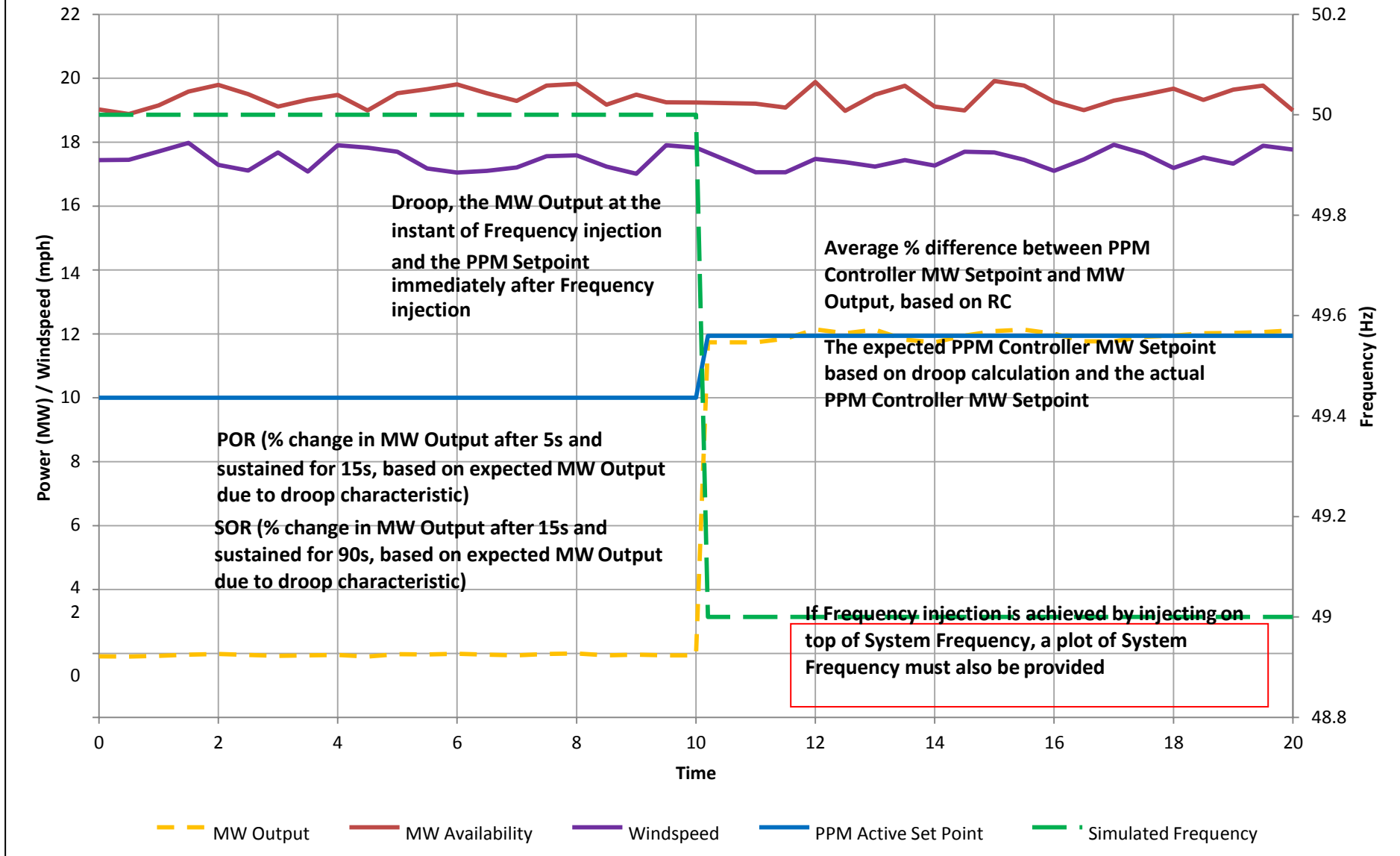
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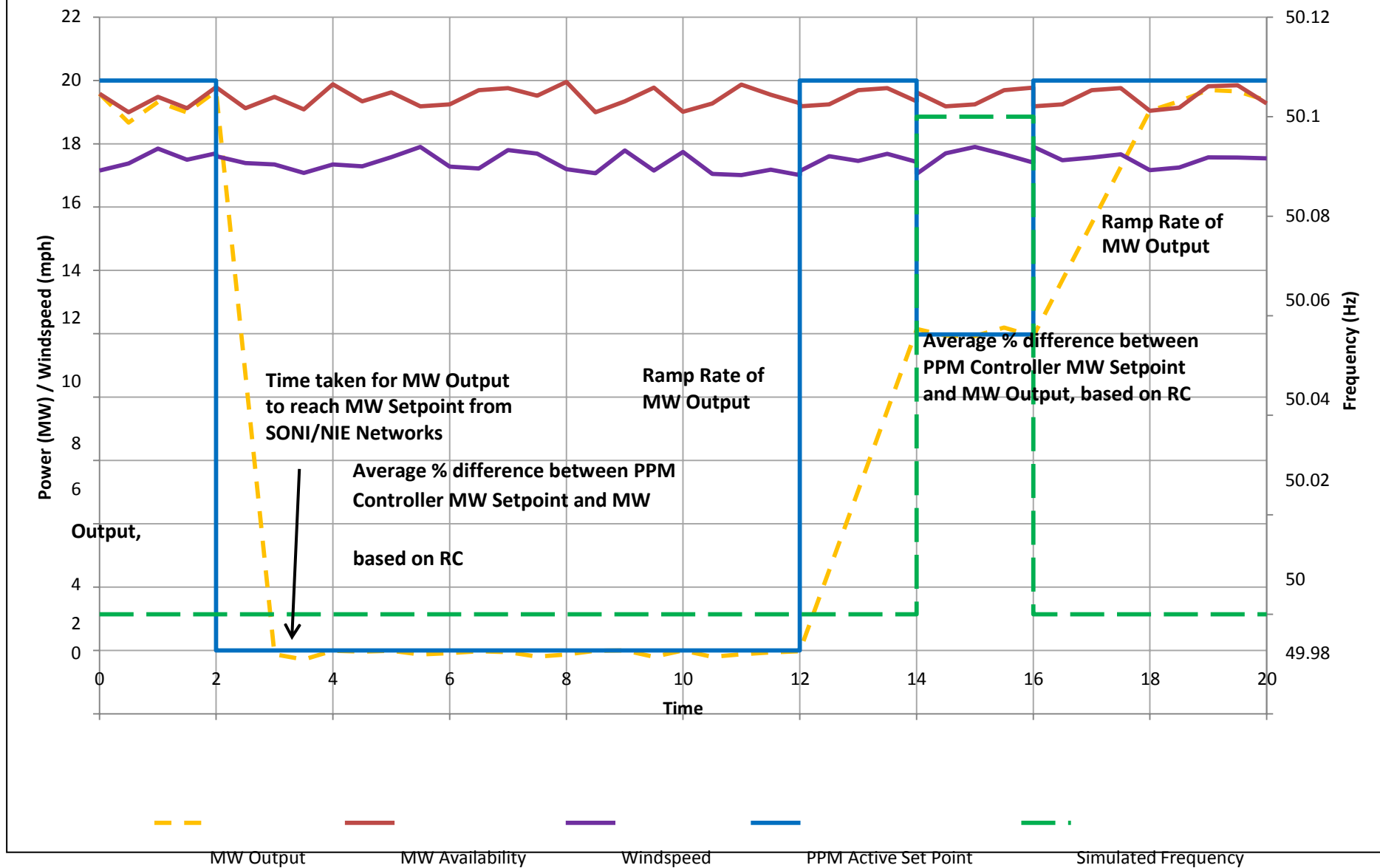
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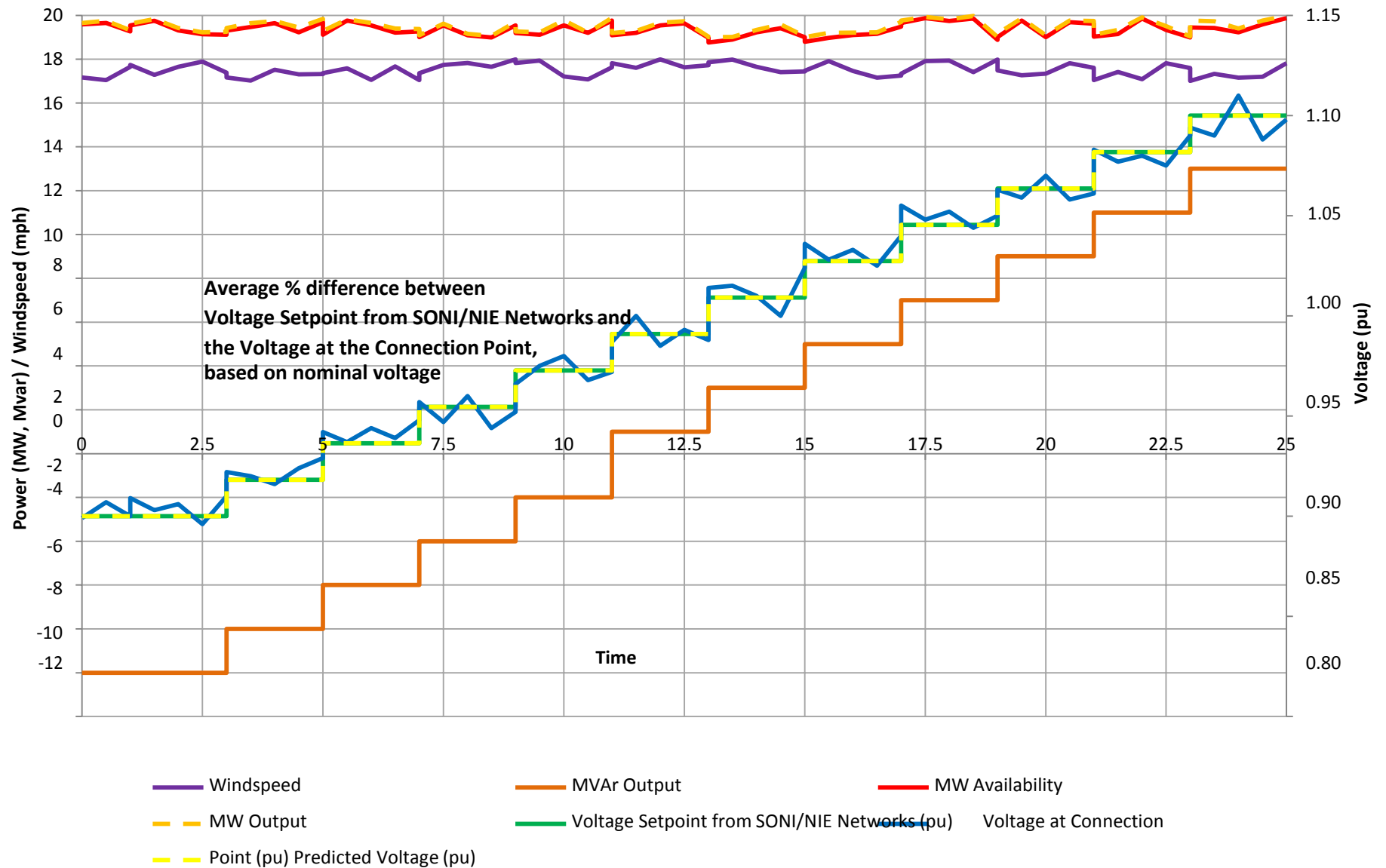
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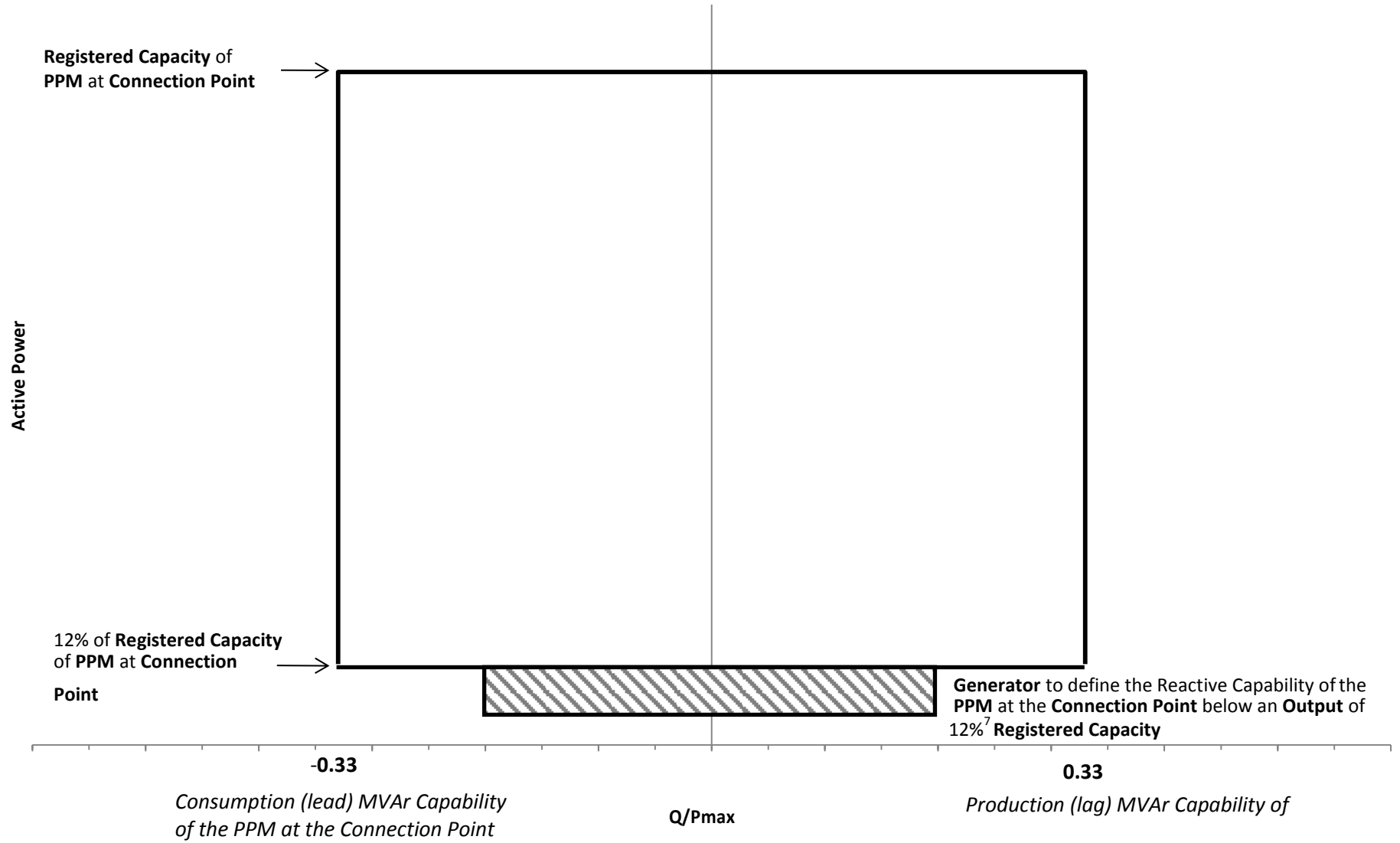
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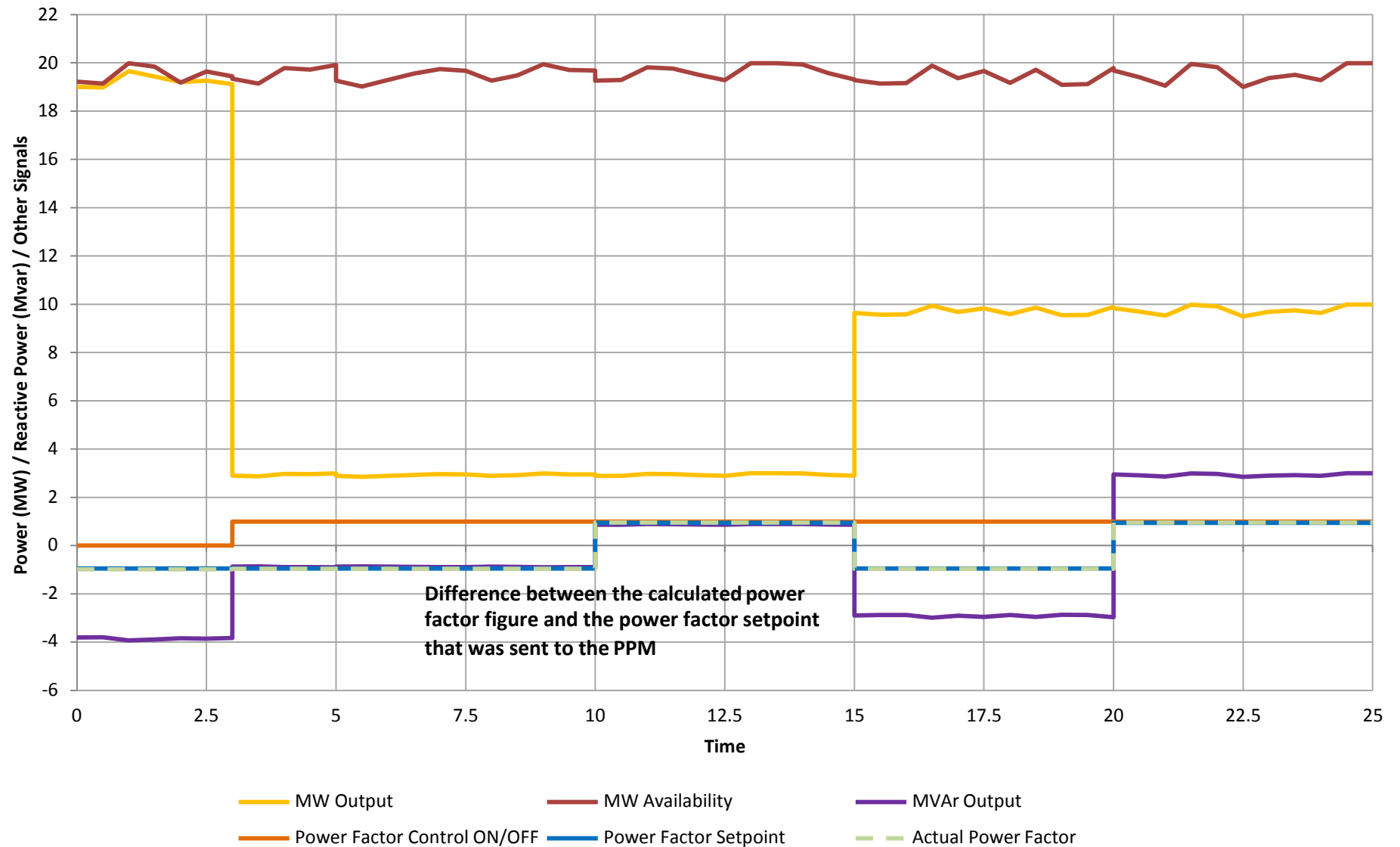
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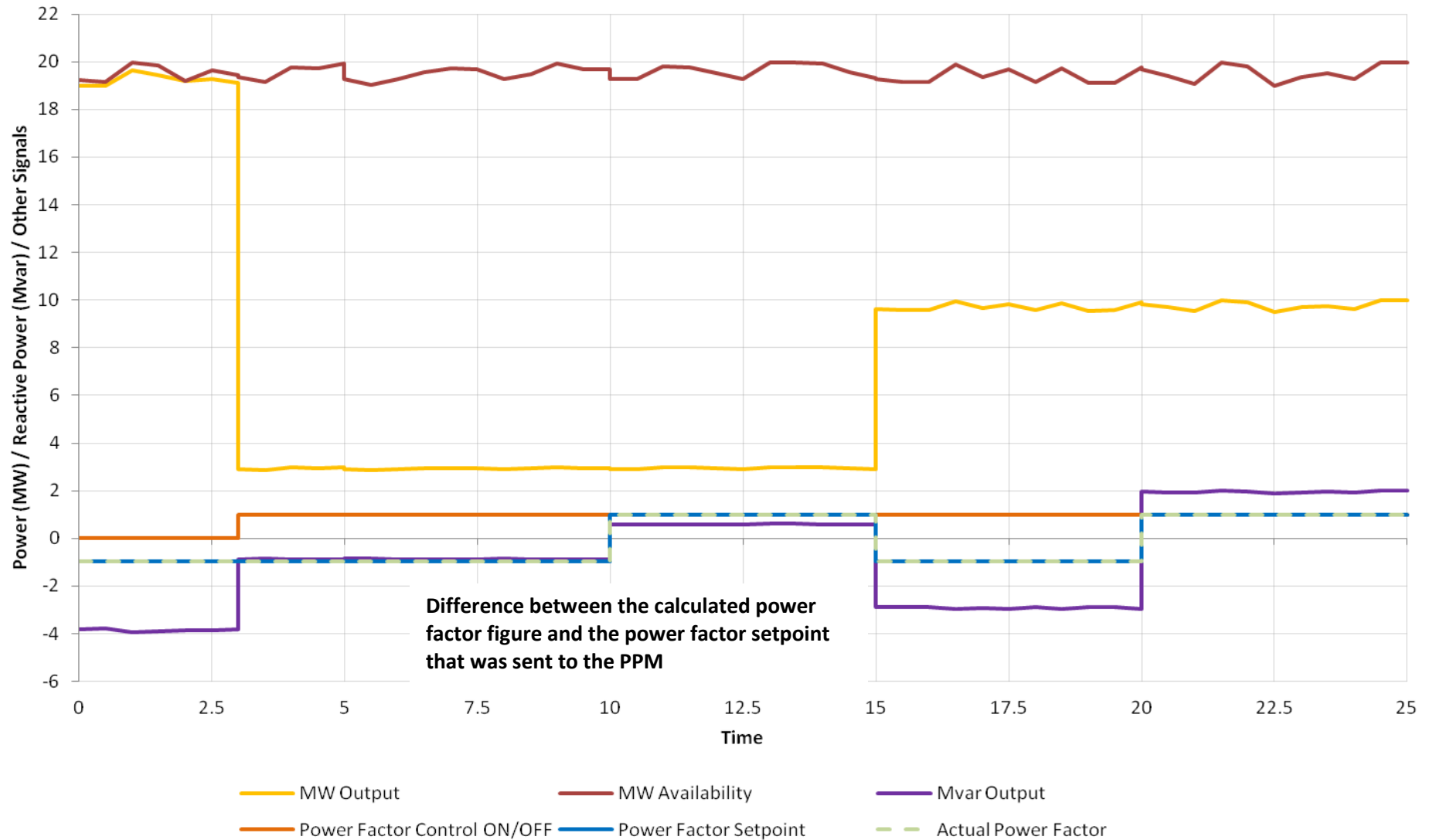
6.6 Reactive Capability



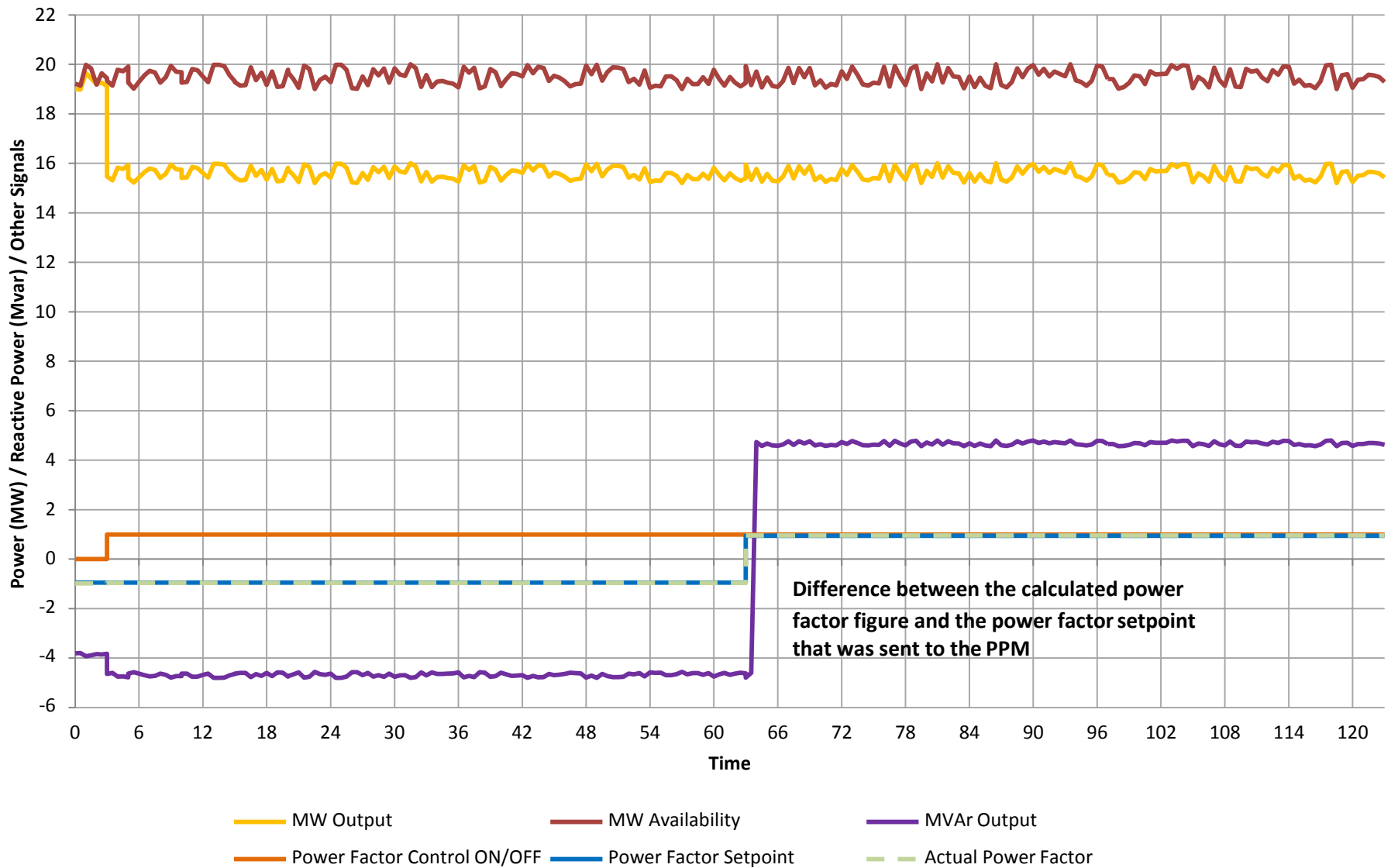
6.8 Power Factor Control Test 1-4 (Transmission)



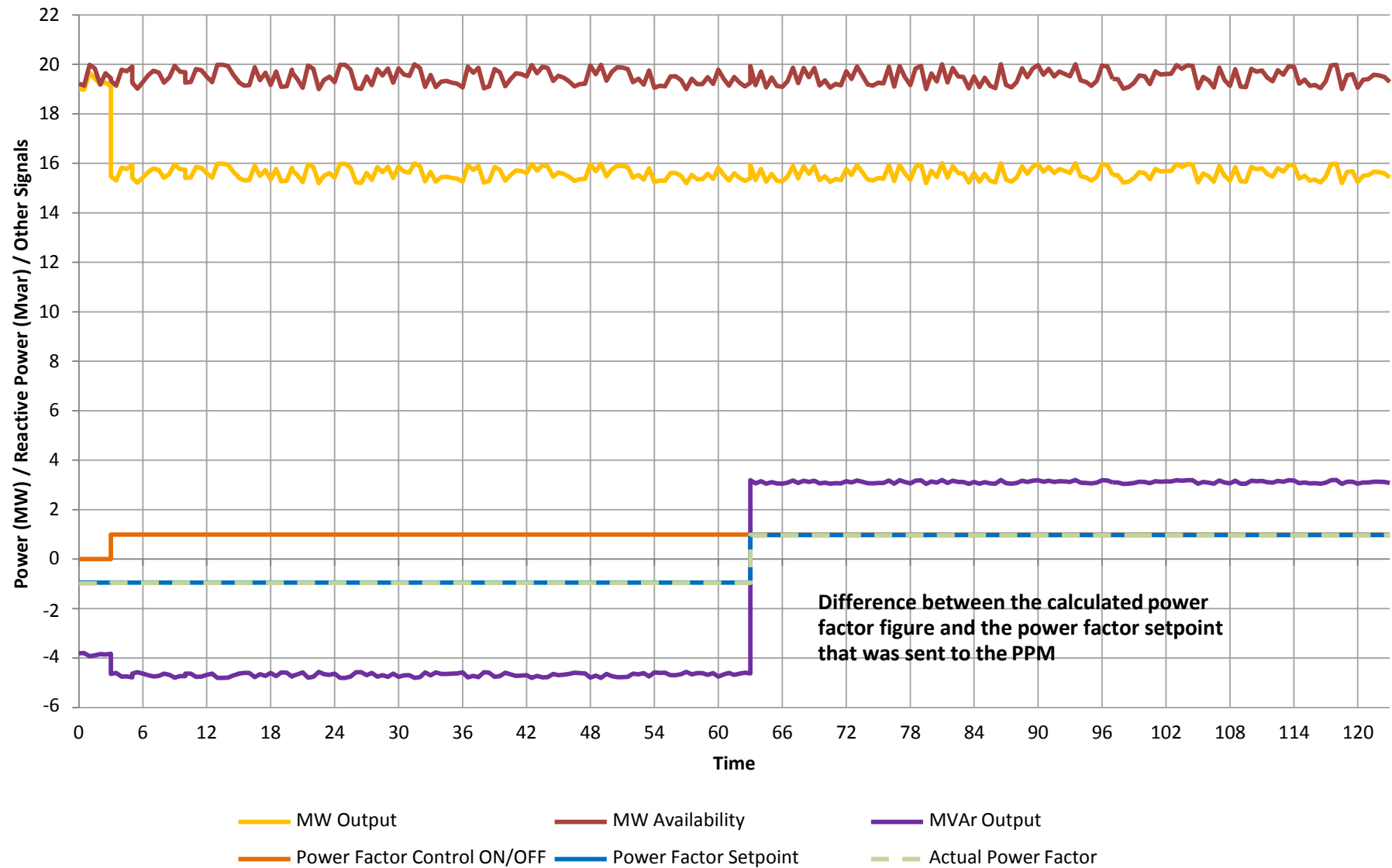
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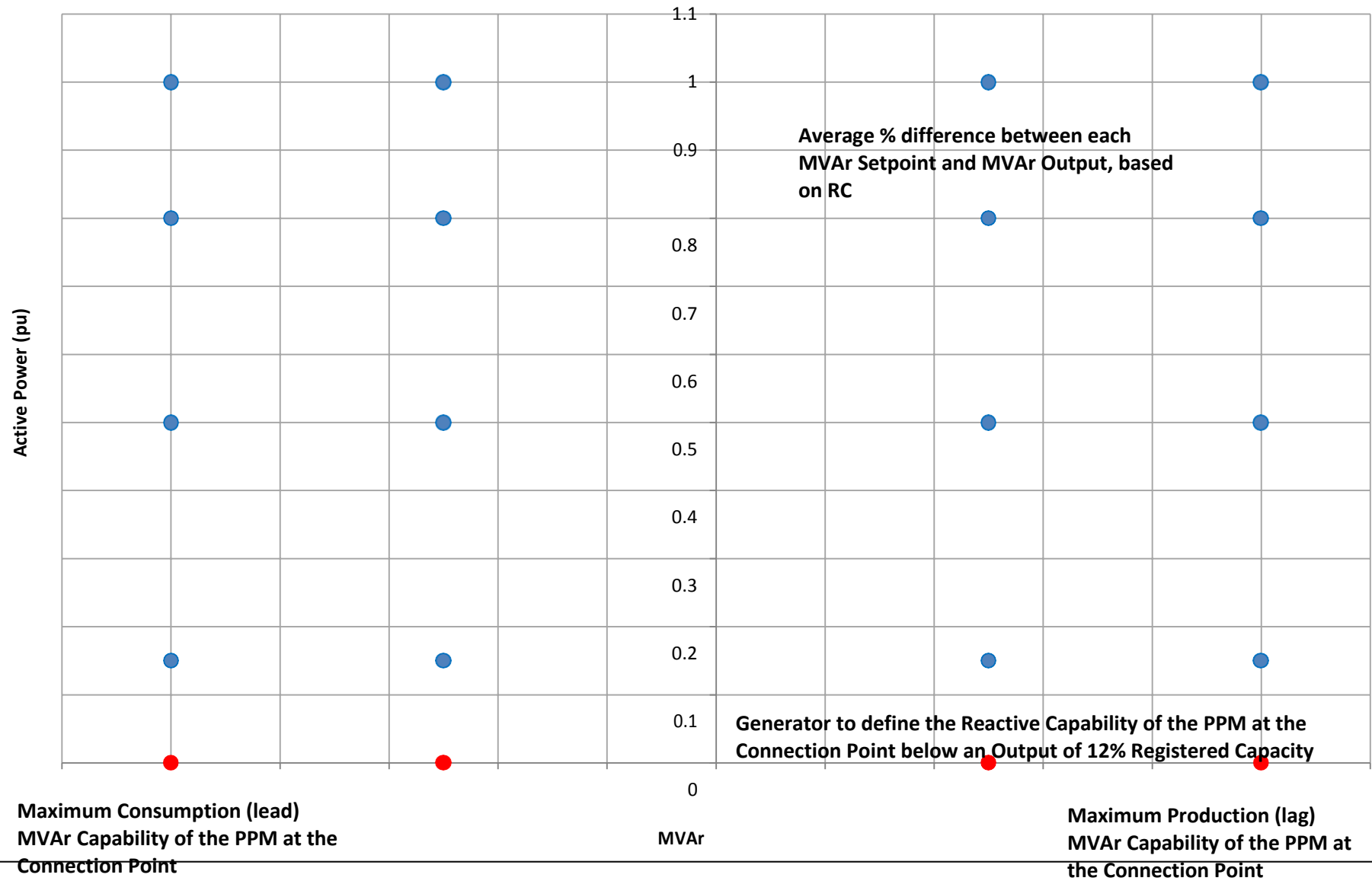
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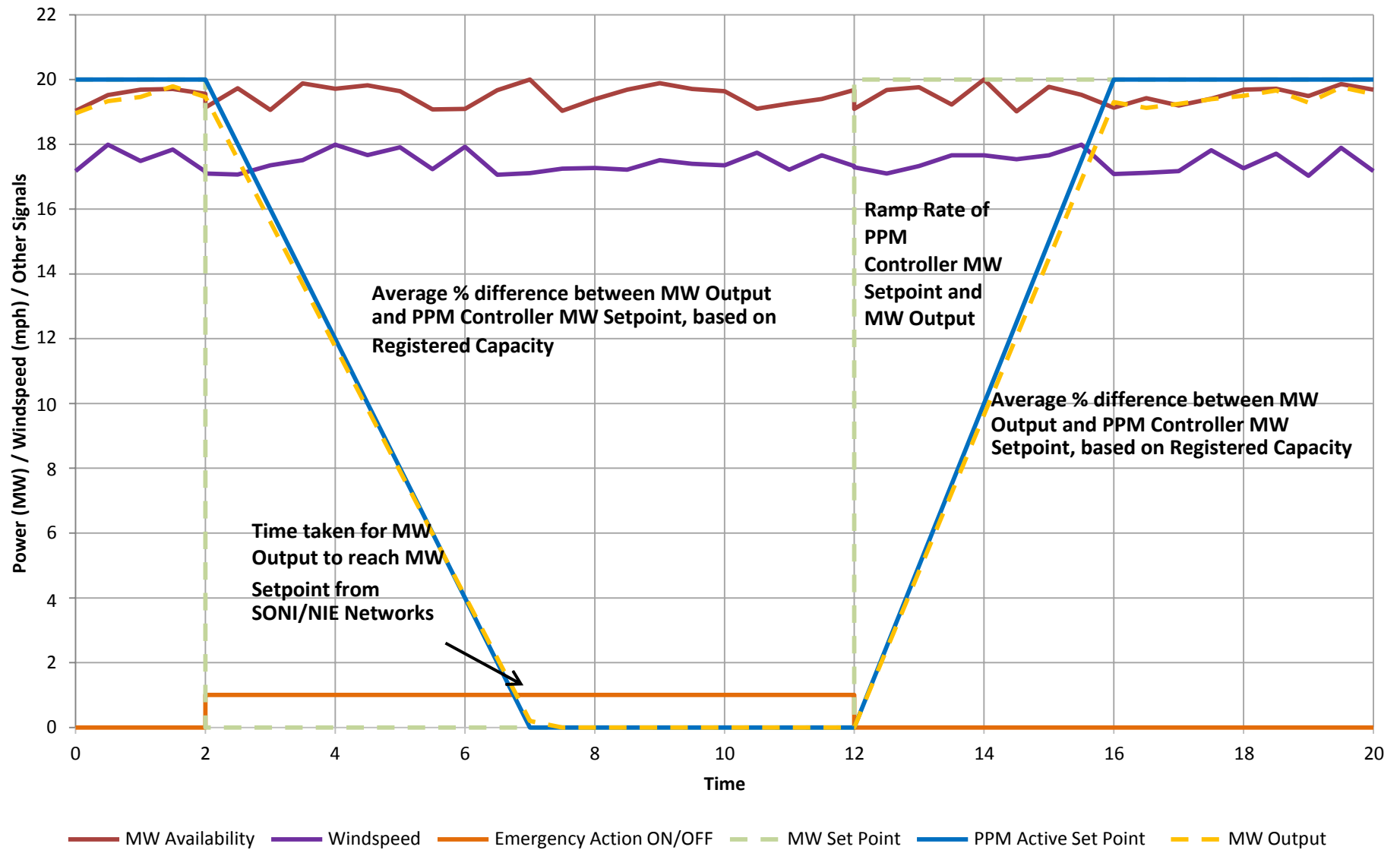
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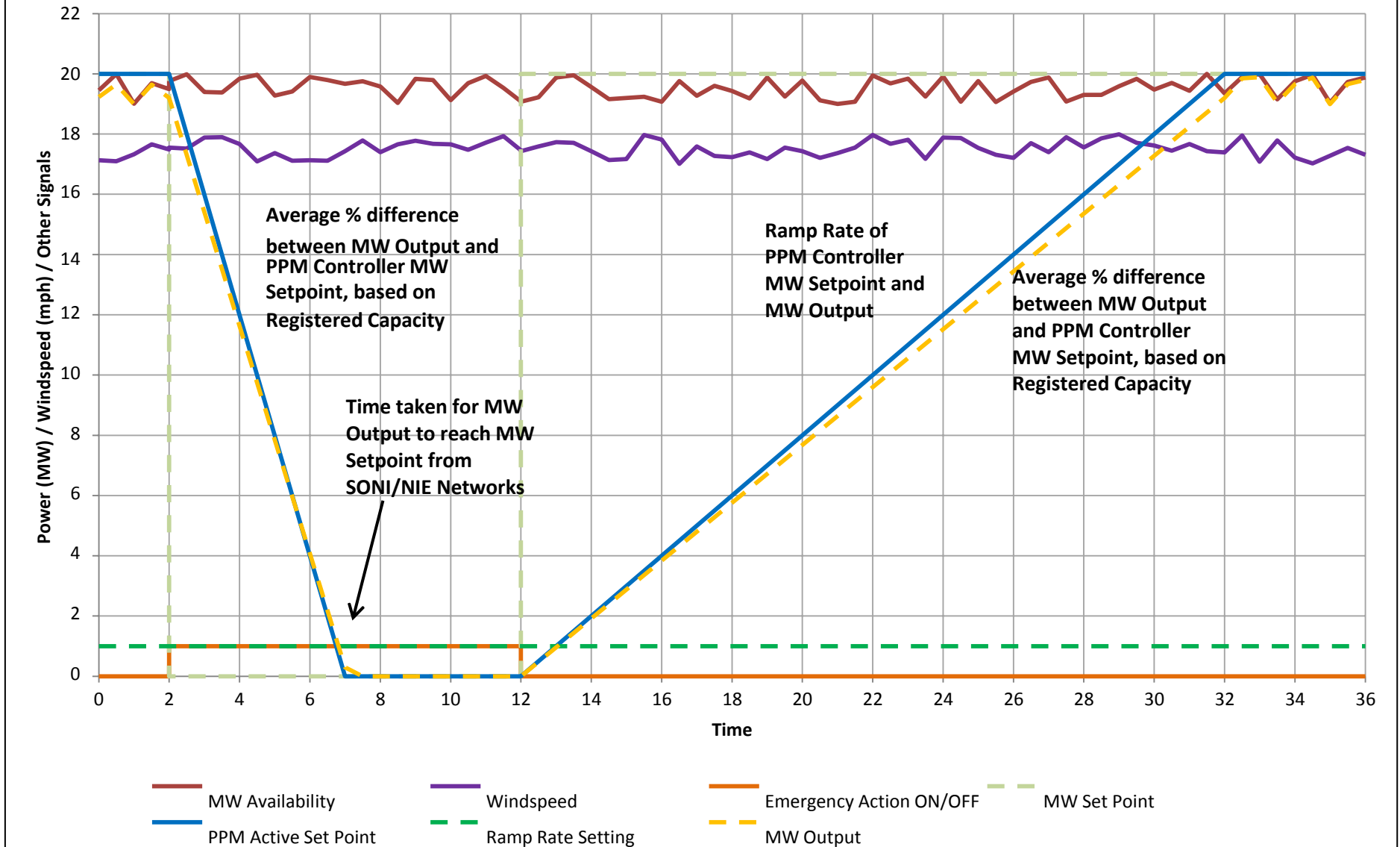
6.9 - Reactive Power Dispatch Test



6.10 Shut-Down Request



6.11 Start-Up Sequence & Ramp Rate Test 1



6.11 Start-Up Sequence & Ramp Rate Test 2

