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Paul M. Sotkiewicz, Ph.D. senior economist in the Market Services Division at the PJM Interconnection, provides analysis and advice with respect to PJM's market design and market performance including demand response mechanisms, scarcity pricing, intermittent and renewable resource integration, market power mitigation strategies, capacity markets and the potential effects of climate change and other environmental policies on PJM's markets.

Currently Dr. Sotkiewicz is leading initiatives to reform scarcity pricing and compensation for demand resources in PJM's energy market. Dr. Sotkiewicz also led the team that developed the recent whitepaper examining the potential effects of climate change policy on PJM's energy market.

Prior to joining PJM, Dr. Sotkiewicz served as the director of Energy Studies at the Public Utility Research Center (PURC), University of Florida. At PURC Dr. Sotkiewicz designed and delivered executive education and outreach programs in electric utility regulatory policy and strategy for professionals in government, regulatory agencies, and industry.

From 1998-2000 Dr. Sotkiewicz served as an economist in the Office of Economic Policy and later on the Chief Economic Advisor's staff at the United States Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) where he conducted research, analysis, and advice on market design issues related to the ISO/RTO markets.

As an Instructor in the department of Economics at the University of Minnesota from 1992-1998 Dr. Sotkiewicz earned the Walter Heller Award for Outstanding Teaching of Economic Principles four times.

Dr. Sotkiewicz received a master of arts (1995) and doctoral degree (2003) in economics from the University of Minnesota, and a bachelor of arts in history and economics (1991) from the University of Florida.

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