

Timing Changes for Base PCM

Customer Call

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Reason For and the Impacts of the Changes

1. BPA Testing of Base PCM showed that the software works differently than expected. Our assumption from the vendor was that the software, when setting lead times for challengers and defenders, would count backward by calendar days. Our testing shows that it counts backward by business days.
2. Further testing showed that BPA could shorten the challenger lead time for PTP requests without impacting a defender's "safe" timeframe.
3. A PTP challenger can now challenge up to two business days prior to 1:00 AM of the Preschedule Day for that request.
4. Since the defender's "safe" timeframe is not changing, the data analysis showing the number of possible competitions should not change.
5. There will be no changes for NT challengers.

Table B: Preemption Timeframes for Firm Service Involving Confirmed PTP Reservations as Defenders				
Challenger Timeframes		Defender Timeframes (Timeframes Below Represent The Latest Time A Defender Is At Risk Of Preemption)		
Challenger	Must Be Queued By	Monthly	Weekly	Daily
Monthly PTP	2 Business Days prior to 1:00 AM of the Challenger's Preschedule Day	35 Calendar Days Prior to the Defender's Start of Service	9 Calendar Days Prior to the Defender's Start of Service	2 Business Days prior to 1:00 AM of the Defender's Preschedule Day
Weekly PTP		NA		
Daily PTP		NA	NA	
Monthly NT	1:00 AM of the Challenger's Preschedule Day	30 Calendar Days Prior to the Defender's Start of Service	7 Calendar Days Prior to the Defender's Start of Service	1:00 AM of the Defender's Preschedule Day
Weekly NT				
Daily NT				

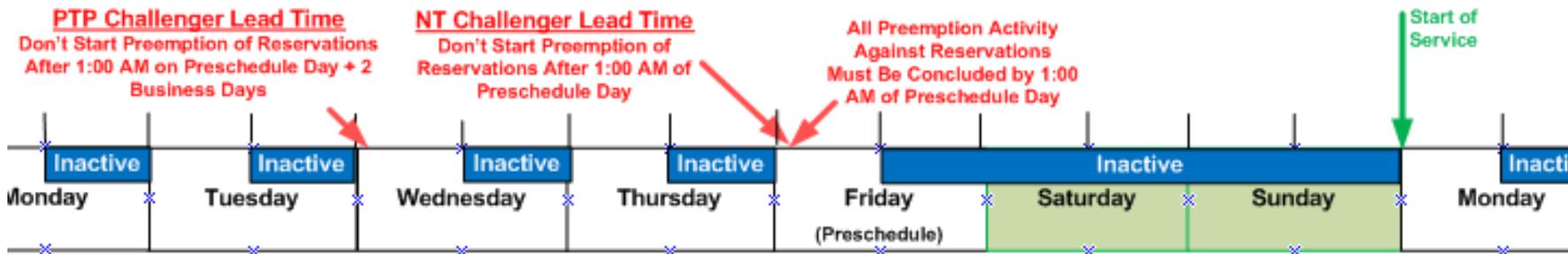
¹ "Preschedule Day" means WECC Preschedule Day, which starts at midnight Pacific Prevailing Time.

**Table C: Preemption Timeframes for Non-Firm Service
Involving Confirmed PTP Reservations as Defenders**

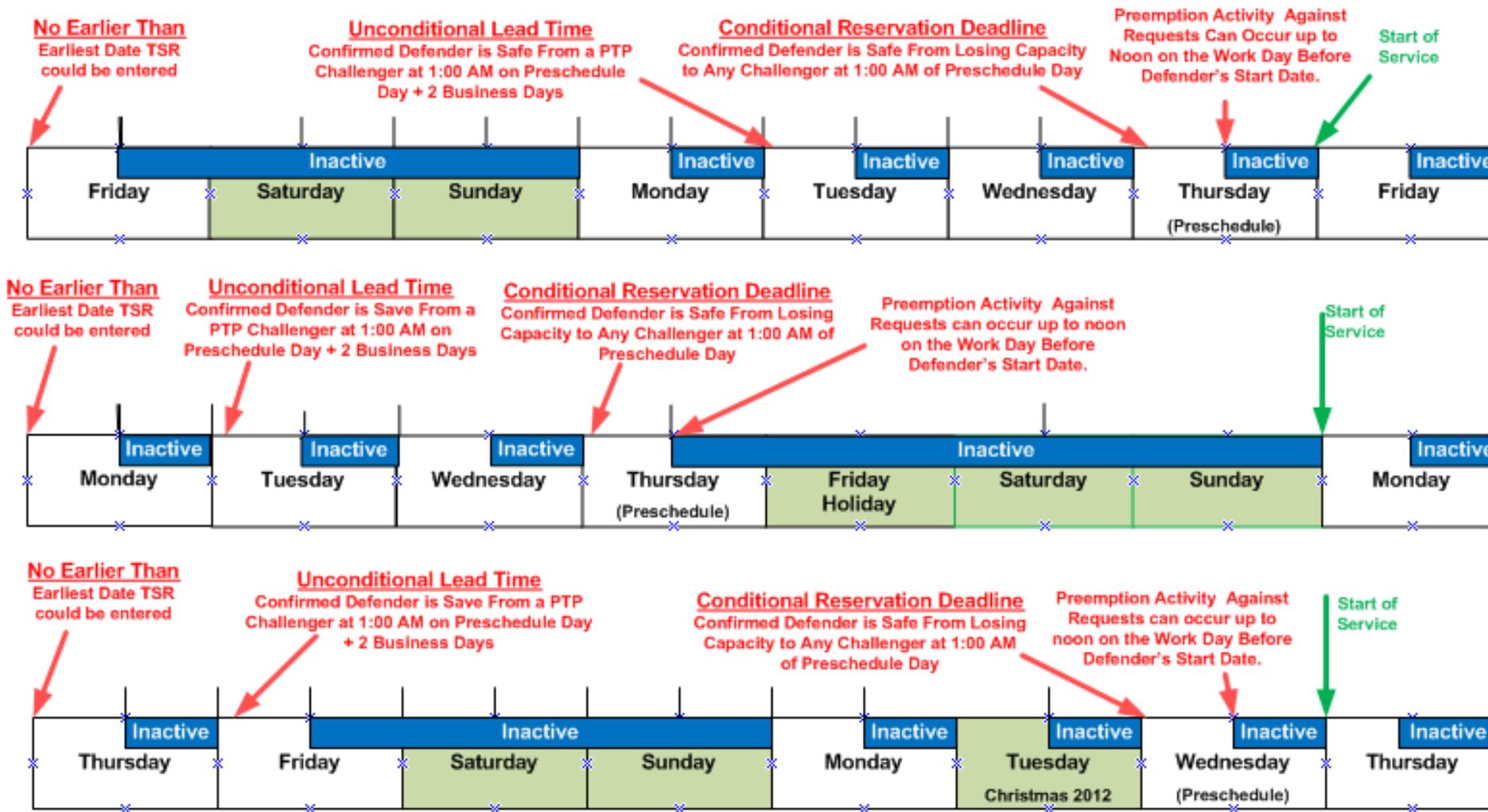
Challenger Timeframes		Defender Timeframes (Timeframes Below Represent The Latest Time A Defender Is At Risk Of Preemption)		
Challenger	Must Be Queued By	Monthly	Weekly	Daily
Monthly	2 Business Days prior to 1:00 AM of the Challenger's Preschedule Day	2 Business Days prior to 1:00 AM of the Defender's Preschedule Day	NA	NA
Weekly		NA	2 Business Days prior to 1:00 AM of the Defender's Preschedule Day	NA
Daily	1 Business Days prior to 1:00 AM of the Challenger's Preschedule Day	NA	NA	1 Business Days prior to 1:00 AM of the Defender's Preschedule Day

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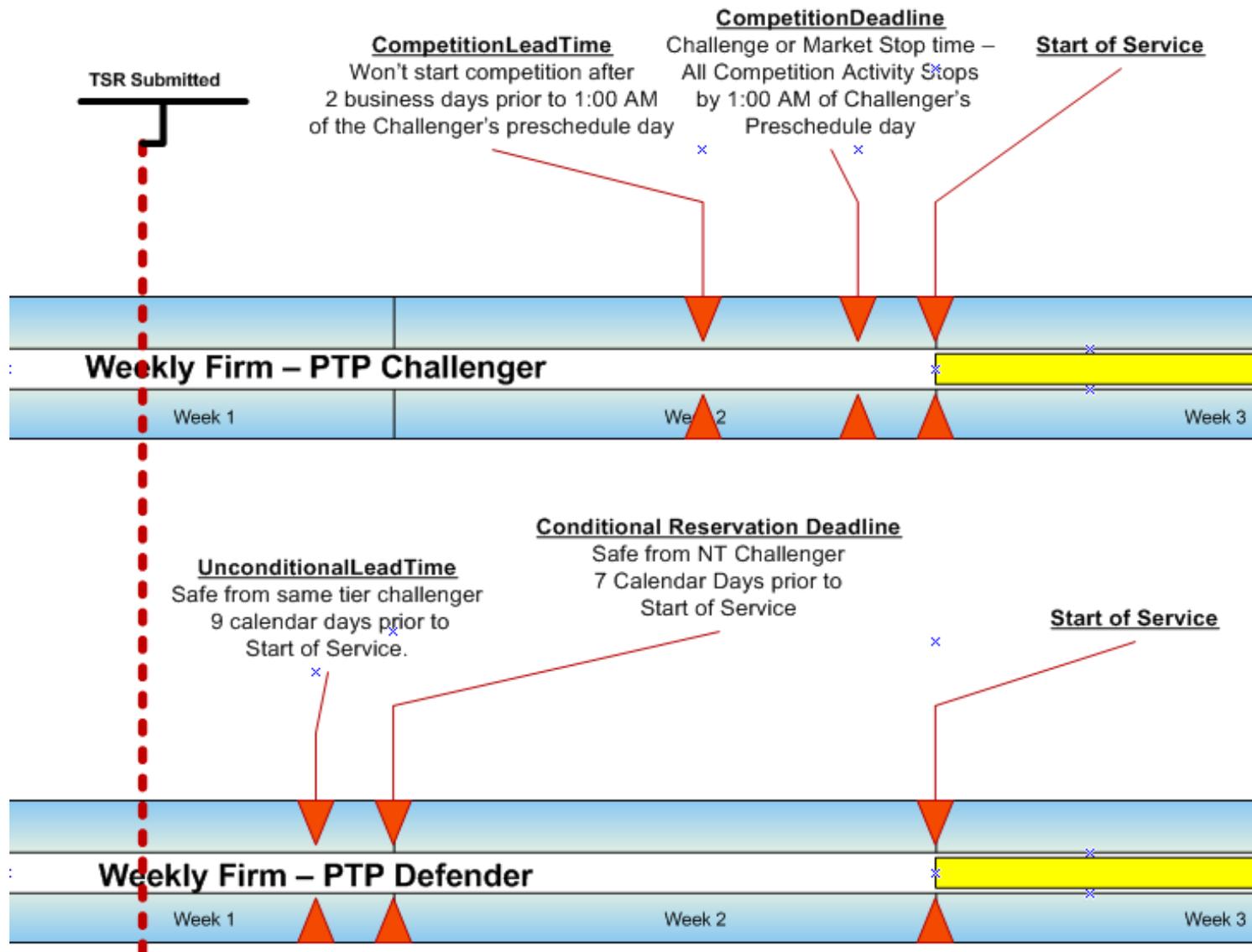
Preemption Automation Window Daily Challengers



Preemption Automation Window Daily Defenders



PCM Window Control Parameters for Firm Weekly Service



PCM Window Control Parameters for Firm Monthly Service

