## UNITED STATES OF AMERICA BEFORE THE FEDERAL ENERGY REGULATORY COMMISSION

Transmission Planning Process)Docket No. AD09-8-000Under Order No. 890)

## COMMENTS OF THE NEW YORK INDEPENDENT SYSTEM OPERATOR IN SUPPORT OF THE EDISON ELECTRIC INSTITUTE'S MOTION FOR AN EXTENSION OF TIME

The New York Independent System Operator, Inc. ("NYISO") respectfully

submits these comments in support of the Edison Electric Institute's ("EEI") October 29,

2009 motion for an extension of time to file comments in the above captioned proceeding

("EEI Motion"). The NYISO supports the EEI Motion and urges the Commission to

extend the period for initial comments until November 23, 3009 and reply comments

until December 18, 2009. Granting the requested extension will ensure that all interested

parties have sufficient time to submit reasoned and thorough comments in response to the

October 8, 2009 Notice of Request for Comments ("Notice").

#### I. Communications

All communications, correspondence, and documents related to this proceeding

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#### II. Comments

The Notice requests that interested parties submit comments regarding the effectiveness of current transmission planning processes, the treatment of resources in those processes, the development of regional and inter-regional transmission plans and the effectiveness of, and alternatives to, existing cost allocation methods. As the EEI Motion explains, commenters must address policy issues requiring careful deliberation and consider a substantial record of oral and written comments provided at the technical conferences. The NYISO agrees with EEI that providing meaningful comments without additional time will be difficult and therefore supports the EEI Motion.

#### III. Conclusion

For the reasons stated above, the NYISO respectfully requests that the Commission grant EEI's motion for an extension of time to file comments and provide interested parties until November 23, 2009 and December 18, 2009 to file initial and reply comments, respectively.

Respectfully submitted,

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# **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that I have this day served the foregoing document upon each person designated on the official service list compiled by the Secretary in this proceeding.

Dated at Washington, D.C. this 30<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2009

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