UNITED STATES OF AMERICA BEFORE THE FEDERAL ENERGY REGULATORY COMMISSION

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New York Independent System) Docket No.	ER01-181-000
Operator, Inc.)	

MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF COMMENT PERIOD OF NEW YORK INDEPENDENT SYSTEM OPERATOR, INC.

Pursuant to Rule 212 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, 18 C.F.R. § 385.212 (2000), New York Independent System Operator, Inc. ("NYISO") hereby respectfully requests an extension of time, until January 31, 2001, for filing motions, protests, and other pleadings responsive to the NYISO's October 20, 2000 filing in the above-captioned proceeding.

I. <u>Copies of Correspondence</u>

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II. Support for Motion

The NYISO made a filing pursuant to Section 206 of the Federal Power Act, 16 U.S.C. 824e (1998), ("Section 206 Filing") on October 20, 2000, to amend its Market Administration and Control Area Services Tariff in order to extend the duration of bid caps in certain NYISO-administered markets until such time as the NYISO would implement a superior market protective mechanism. The NYISO requested an effective date of May 1, 2001 for the tariff changes. The Commission issued a Notice of Filing on October 25, 2000, setting November 9, 2000 as the final date for filing motions or protests in response to the Section 206 Filing.

Several of the participants in the NYISO-administered markets have expressed concern over the limited length of time to comment on the Section 206 Filing. In order to accommodate market participants and other parties interested in the Section 206 Filing, the NYISO's Management Committee expressed its unanimous support for the filing of this motion in its November 2, 2000 meeting. The extra time will allow interested parties to attempt to achieve a consensus on the issues raised in the Section 206 Filing, thereby possibly simplifying the Commission's consideration of the proposed tariff amendments.

The NYISO did not request expedited processing of its Section 206 Filing. Further, the May 1, 2001 effective date for the tariff revisions means that no parties, nor the Commission, will be prejudiced by the requested extension of time.

III. Conclusion

The NYISO respectfully asks that the Commission grant its motion for an extension of time, until January 31, 2001, for filing comments in this proceeding.

Respectfully submitted,

NEW YORK INDEPENDENT SYSTEM OPERATOR, INC.

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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 in accordance with the requirements of Rule 2010 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, 18 C.F.R. § 2010 (2000).

Dated at Washington, D.C. this 3rd day of November, 2000.

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