

## **GE Energy**

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## NYPAPol-001

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Dear Mr. Wilhelm:

GE has calculated that the time to restart the 500MW NYPA Poletti plant to a base loaded condition following a full load trip is between 180-320 minutes, based on the table and the assumptions below.

Milestone	<u>Description</u>	Time (min)
T0	Plant Trip	0
T1	Restart 1st 7FA	90
T2	7FA's Ready for loading and ST temp match	130-240
Т3	Steam Turbine Roll	150-280
T4	Plant at Base Load	180-320

## Assumptions:

- 1. The T1 time of 90 minutes to restart the 1<sup>st</sup> 7FA is based on historical data of time to reach turning gear following a trip. It is also assuming that the plant operations staff and the Black Start Generating Source are capable of bringing the plant to a Ready to Start condition within that 90 minute timeframe.
- 2. The lower bound on T2 of 130 minutes is based on condenser vacuum being maintained during the shutdown period. The upper bound of 240 minutes is assuming that it takes 2 hours following the 1st 7FA reaching FSNL to re-establish condenser vacuum. If vacuum takes longer than 2 hours to establish, the overall start time will increase accordingly.
- 3. The grid is assumed to be ready for loading as soon as the 500 MW plant 7FA Gas Turbines are ready for loading. T2 could be potentially further out if the grid is not ready for loading at the

- same time as the 500 MW plant. Note that in the case of the 130 minute T2, the grid power would be used to start the  $2^{nd}$  7FA unit rather than directly powering it from the  $1^{st}$  7FA.
- 4. Steam Turbine Roll is assumed to be 20-40 minutes following loading of the 7FA Gas Turbines. The actual time for this will be based on the drain sizing and arrangement of the Poletti site. GE does not have access to historical data for this portion of the startup.
- 5. Given the uncertainty in time to reach T2 as described in items 2 through 4 above, there is further uncertainty as to the temperature of the Steam Turbine when it is ready to be started, thus the time from T3 to T4 has a wider range of potential time.
- 6. All times assume a liquid fuel startup. Transfer to gas fuel at any point could potentially cause holds (and longer start times) for performance fuel heating.
- 7. All times are estimates and are not guaranteed.

Please review and if any questions, let me know.

Sincerely,

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