

IMPORTANT NOTICE – RESPONSE REQUIRED ON OR BEFORE FEBRUARY 17, 2021

February 9, 2021

Re: Notice of the Class Year 2021 Study Start Date

Dear Stakeholders:

The start date for the Class Year 2021 Study (CY21) will be **March 11, 2021** (CY21 Start Date).

Pursuant to Section 25.5.9.1 of the Attachment S to the NYISO OATT, in order to become an Eligible Class Year Project, a Developer must provide the notice detailed below by **February 17, 2021**, subject to satisfaction of the Class Year inclusion criteria specified below. Even a Developer that has not yet, but anticipates, satisfying the Class Year inclusion criteria prior to the CY21 Start Date (e.g., Developer with an SRIS report pending approval by the Operating Committee) must provide the following to the NYISO via email to InterconnectionSupport@nyiso.com no later than five (5) Business Days following the posting of this notice of the Class Year Start Date (e.g., **February 17, 2021**):

1. [Notice that it elects to enter CY21:](#)
2. One of the following:
 - a. Documentation demonstrating that the project satisfies the applicable regulatory milestones described in Section 25.6.2.3.1.1 of Attachment S, or
 - b. Notice that Developer will submit a qualifying contract pursuant to Section 25.6.2.3.1 of Attachment S or a two-part deposit consisting of \$100,000 plus \$3,000/MW deposit pursuant to Section 25.6.2.3.1 of Attachment S.

To be deemed eligible to enter CY21, a Developer must provide the notice set forth above and:

1. satisfy the criteria for inclusion in the CY21 on or before the Class Year Start Date (e.g., March 11, 2021), as those criteria are specified in Section 25.6.2.3.1 of this Attachment S, Section 32.1.1.7 of Attachment Z to the OATT or Section 32.3.5.3.2 of Attachment Z to the OATT, as applicable; and
2. if requesting only CRIS, have completed one of the following on or before the CY21 Start Date, as applicable: a Class Year Study for ERIS, a System Impact Study under the Small Generator Interconnection Procedures, or a utility interconnection study if the facility is not subject to the ISO interconnection procedures under Attachments X and Z.

As soon as practicable after the NYISO confirms that the Developer has satisfied the above eligibility requirements, the NYISO will tender the initial unexecuted Class Year Study Agreement (CYSA). The Developer has ten (10) Business Days from the date of the receipt of the initial unexecuted CYSA to return (1) the completed, but unexecuted, CYSA, (2) the required technical data; (3) applicable study deposit(s) to the NYISO; and (4) a qualifying contract pursuant to Section 25.6.2.3.1 of Attachment S or a two-part deposit pursuant to Section 25.6.2.3.1 of Attachment S in lieu of satisfying an applicable regulatory milestone (if applicable). The Class Year study deposit could be as follows:

1. CRIS-only projects – \$50,000;
2. ERIS or ERIS/CRIS projects that (1) have demonstrated satisfaction of an applicable regulatory milestone or (2) have submitted a qualifying contract – \$100,000; or
3. ERIS or ERIS/CRIS projects that entered the Class Year via two-part deposit in-lieu of satisfying the applicable regulatory milestone – (i) \$100,000 for Class Year entry study deposit, (ii) \$100,000 at risk portion of the two-part deposit, and (iii) \$3,000/MW portion of the two-part deposit.

Upon confirming the receipt of all applicable requirements, the NYISO will provide notice and an execution version of the CYSA to the Developer, Connecting Transmission Owner(s), and NYISO. The Developer, Connecting Transmission Owner(s), and NYISO must execute the CYSA within ten (10) Calendar Days of the NYISO's confirmation communication.

If you have any questions, please call me at (518) 356-6025 or send me an e-mail at InterconnectionSupport@nyiso.com.