

IMPORTANT NOTICE - TRANSITION CLUSTER STUDY PROCESS

October 9, 2024

Re: Notice of a Limited Extension to Allow Interconnection Customers to Address Deficiencies

Dear Stakeholders:

The Application Window for the Transition Cluster Study Process is scheduled to close on October 15, 2024 at 5 pm EDT. An Interconnection Customer must submit an Interconnection Request or CRIS-Only Request by this deadline for its project to be eligible to participate in the Transition Cluster Study Process. The NYISO hereby notifies stakeholders that it is providing a one-time extension of the Application Window until November 15, 2024, at 5 pm EST for the limited purpose of addressing deficiencies in Interconnection Requests that are submitted by October 15, 2024.

The NYISO has seen a significant volume of deficiencies in the project applications submitted for this initial Transition Cluster Study Process. Recognizing that this process is new for all parties, the NYISO has taken additional steps to answer questions and provide guidance so that Interconnection Customers can address any deficiencies and the NYISO can validate the Interconnection Requests. However, with an October 15, 2024 Application Window close, a substantial portion of the applications will not have deficiencies cured in time for the NYISO to validate them.

To assist Interconnection Customers in light of these unique circumstances for the first Transition Cluster Study Process, the NYISO is providing a one-time extension of the Application Window until November 15, 2024, at 5 pm EST for the limited purpose of addressing deficiencies in Interconnection Requests that are submitted by October 15, 2024. Consistent with Section 40.9.2.2 of Attachment HH to the ISO OATT, the NYISO is extending the deficiency identification and cure component of the Application Window by 31 Calendar Days to work with Interconnection Customers to address deficiencies in their Interconnection Requests. An Interconnection Customer must fully resolve any deficiencies for its project by November 15, 2024, or its project will be withdrawn. **This action does not extend the time permitted to submit a new Interconnection Request. An Interconnection Request must be submitted by October 15, 2024 at 5 pm EDT to be considered for the Transition Cluster.**

Finally, pursuant to the requirements in Section 40.9.2.2, the NYISO provides as Attachment A to this notice an update to the scheduled overall timeframe for the Transition Cluster Study Process that accounts for this extension.



Attachment A



¹ The Customer Engagement Window is 90 Calendar Days followed by a 5 Business Day Decision Period (Decision Period 1).

² The Phase 1 Study process commences on the first Business Day after the end date of the Phase 1 Entry Decision Period.

³ Decision Period 1 commences on the first Business Day after the ISO's Operating Committee's approval of the Phase 1 Cost Estimates Summary Report.

⁴The Phase 2 Study process commenced on the first Business Day after the end date of the Phase 2 Entry Decision Period. Within thirty (30) Calendar Days of the commencement of the Phase 2 Study of the Transition Cluster Study Process or a subsequent Cluster Study Process, the ISO will provide a preliminary schedule for the next Cluster Study Process, including a preliminary Cluster Study Process Start Date, based on the then-scheduled date for the ISO's presentation of the Cluster Study Report to the Operating Committee. Sixty (60) Calendar Days prior to the latest scheduled date of the ISO's presentation of the Cluster Study Report to the Operating Committee, the ISO shall provide the final Cluster Study Process Start Date using that scheduled Operating Committee date.

⁵The next Cluster Study Process Start Date will be 15 Calendar Days prior to the scheduled date for the ISO's presentation in the prior study process of the Cluster Study Report for the Operating Committee's approval. The date will be set as follows.

⁶The Transitional Cluster Study is completed after Decision Period 2 completes (approx. 72 Calendar Days depending on the number of decision rounds.