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NYISO COMPREHENSIVE RELIABILITY PLANNING PROCESS

Section 6.1.a: Regulated Backstop Solutions

The first time a Reliability Need is identified in an RNA issued under this tariff, the NYISO shall request and the Responsible TO shall provide to the NYISO, as soon as reasonably possible, a proposal for a regulated solution that shall serve as a potential backstop. Such proposals may include reasonable alternatives that would effectively address the Reliability Need. The Responsible TO shall also estimate the lead time necessary for the implementation of its proposal.

Proposed Requirements for a Regulated Backstop Solution

- NYISO to establish the benchmark (BM) based upon the time necessary to construct the regulated backstop solution proposed by the Responsible TO.
- The NYISO shall make this determination based upon its independent analysis of the project schedule provided by the Responsible TO
- The Responsible TO's proposal for a regulatory backstop solution shall provide all information requested by the NYISO to support its proposed implementation schedule, including:
 - Overall project timeline and milestones
 - o Detailed planning and engineering requirements
 - Schedule for obtaining required siting permits and other certifications
 - Evidence of site control or schedule to obtain necessary site control
 - o Permitting activity
 - o Schedule for ordering/delivery of major equipment
 - o Construction milestones & timeline

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