## Advisory Settlement Statement Posting Process

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## **Advisory Settlement Statement Posting Process**

- Since inception, the NYISO has posted Advisory Settlement Statements for Market Participants' review as soon as possible after settlement computation.
- This practice was adopted in response to Market Participants' desire for visibility of settlement impacts as soon as possible and their experiences during Market Trials.
- Currently, Advisory Settlement Statements are typically available for Market Participants' review approximately 31 hours after the transaction day.
- Settlements are subsequently reprocessed and reposted after meter and price corrections have been made, at most, some six days later.
- In the event that further corrections are warranted, settlements are reprocessed and reposted until achieving reasonable assurance that settlements are not materially misstated, prior to invoicing.

## **Issue Recognized With Current Posting Process**

- Although some materially misstated Advisory Settlement Statements have been posted, largely due to anomalous metering and performance tracking data, these occurrences have been relatively infrequent; moreover, Market Participants have historically indicated that the NYISO's timely market notifications and corrections sufficiently addressed these infrequent occurrences.
- In no event has the NYISO knowingly invoiced materially misstated settlements.
- With the NYISO's commitment to Excellence in Execution and two recent occurrences
  where Advisory Settlement Statements were posted with materially misstated settlements
  due to anomalous metering data, the NYISO seeks guidance from the BIC on whether to
  continue the practice of automatically posting Advisory Settlement Statements prior to
  addressing all data errors and settlement anomalies.
- NYISO presented this issue to the BAWG in December 2006 and its consensus was that
  the NYISO not change its practices of posting Advisory Settlement Statements, but
  commit to implementing an automated meter data anomaly filtering and replacement
  process as an enhancement in the redesign of the Web-based Reconciliation.

## Implications With Changing The Posting Process

- Neither the NYISO's Settlements nor the Metering Authorities staff a 7-day a
  week operation to address meter anomalies over weekends or holidays, which
  would delay visibility of settlement results for those days by at least five days.
- In some instances, such as the Wednesday before Thanksgiving, posting of an Advisory Settlement Statement may be delayed for as much as nine days.
- Delaying the posting does not leverage Market Participants' visibility and auditing to identify subtle data anomalies, providing for timely resolution.
- Introducing delays in processing jeopardizes the NYISO's practice of issuing invoices within five business days of month's end, resulting in a shorter period of time between the invoice and banking dates.
- Software modifications will be required to implement manual processing and posting of settlement results.