

Glenn Haake raised an issue that had been discussed at the ICAP Working Group regarding the load forecast method used in the study. The load forecast for the study was based on the summer load of the previous year. Mr. Haake was concerned that the load forecast in this year's study was understated due to the unusual weather experienced last year. Mr. Haake suggested setting requirements that are more appropriate for estimating the peak load and he asked if the tariff should be revised so that it is more accurate in the future. Mr. Adams suggested that a better approach may be to use a weather adjusted number for each month. Mr. Younger asked if using this approach would be more difficult. Mr. Adams explained that it would extend the study process a little. Mr. Younger asked how this process would be corrected for other studies. Mr. Adams stated that for the longer term forecasts of 5-10 years, the NYISO would be using a different baseline for the process. Mr. Adams noted that the Load Forecast Working Group should discuss this issue and evaluate alternative solutions. Mr. Younger asked if there was a timeframe that needed to be followed in order for the corrections to be made for use in the next locational ICAP study. Mr. Adams indicated that if it was completed by the end of the summer it could be used for next year's study. It was noted that the Load Forecast WG had just revised the tariff, which had been a lengthy process, and that the group had discussed this type of change for the study process and had decided against it. Mr. Younger suggested that if the group considered this change prior to seeing the results of this year's study. **Mr. McCartney asked that this be added to the Load Forecast WG agenda for the next meeting.**