

Security Changes for the NYISO Decision Support System (DSS)

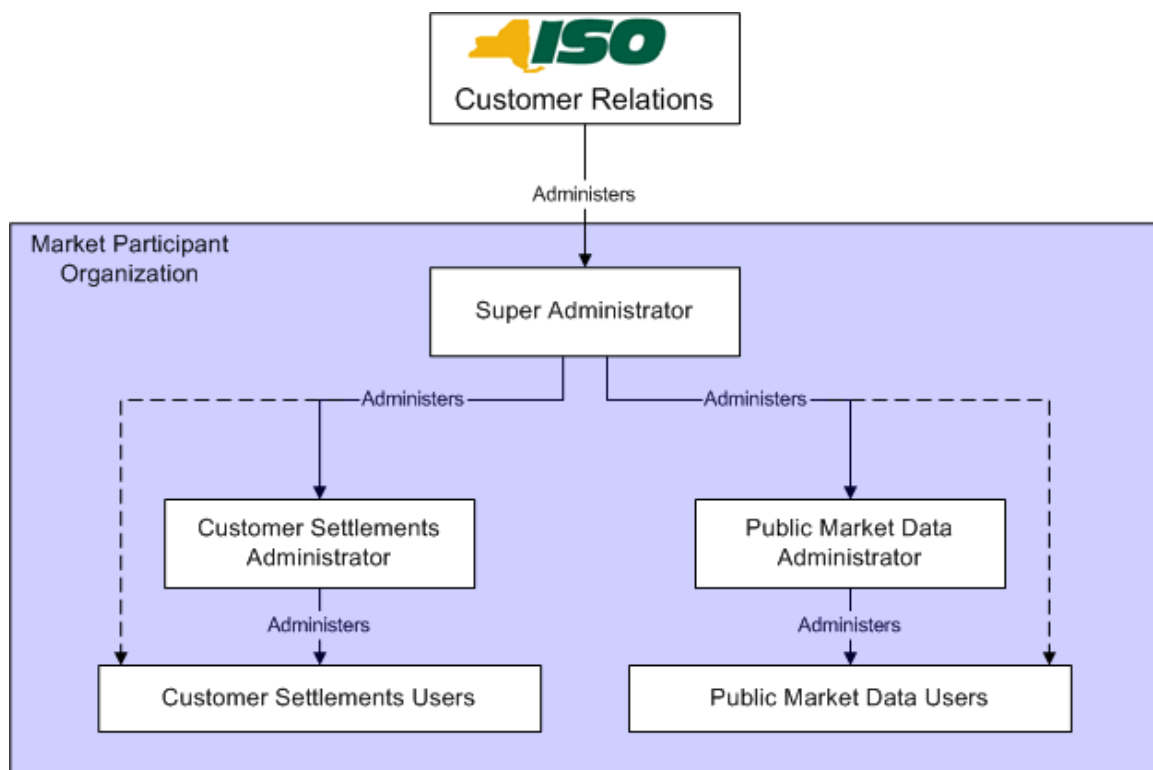
In March of 2007, the NYISO will introduce a new subject area referred as Public Market Data to the Decision Support System (DSS). This new Data Mart will reside in the DSS along with the existing Customer Settlements Data Mart. With this addition, security changes have been made affecting the administration of end-users. This document identifies the changes and includes recommended actions for Market Participants.

Former Security Model

Prior to the addition of the Public Market Data, there were 2 types of users in the Customer Settlements Data Mart: *Administrators* and *Users*. Each Market Participant could have one or more Administrators responsible for approving and denying DSS access requests for Users from within the administrator's organization.

New Security Model

The addition of the new Public Market Data introduces an additional level of security to the DSS. There are now 3 levels of users: *Super Administrators*, *Subject Area Administrators*, and *Users*. Each Market Participant can have one or more Super Administrator. The Super Admin is created by the NYISO Customer Relations department. The primary role of the Super Admin is to administer the Subject Area Administrators. The two Subject Areas currently available in the DSS are Customer Settlements and Public Market Data. Only a Super Administrator can create a Subject Area Administrator. A Subject Area Administrator will not be able to create another Admin in their subject area. The Subject Area Admins are responsible for approving/denying User access to their subject area. A Super Admin can also approve/deny User access to any subject area. It is possible for an individual to be the Subject Area Admin for both the Customer Settlements Data Mart and Public Market Data Mart.



Changes to Existing Administrators and Users

When the Public Market Data Mart is added to the DSS, the following changes will be made to existing Customer Settlements Administrators and Users:

- All current Administrators and Users will automatically become Public Market Data users;
- All current Administrators will become Customer Settlements Subject Area Administrators.

There will not be any Super Administrators or Public Market Data Administrators for your organization when the Public Market Data Mart is first added to the DSS (see the next section).

Next Steps for Market Participants

When the Public Market Data is added to the DSS, no Super Administrators or Subject Area Administrators for the Public Market Data will exist for Market Participants. Thus, no Market Participant who is not already a Customer Settlements user in the DSS will be able to request an account to the Public Market Data until their organization has an assigned Super Administrator. In order for a Market Participant organization to have a Super Administrator, they must contact NYISO Customer Relations at (518) 356-6060. Once a Super Administrator is assigned for your organization, a Pricing Market Data Administrator can be created by the Super Admin and Users can be granted access by their administrators.

Note on Public Market Data

The release of the Public Market Data also includes a public interface through NYISO's website – www.nyiso.com. Various OASIS reports in the "Market Data" section contain a "Custom Report" area that allows users to query and filter data. While the Custom Report area does not provide all of the reports or robust tools available in the DSS, this is an alternative for individuals who do not have a DSS User account.