

Stakeholder Comments on the NYISO 2018 Budget Proposal

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NYSERDA appreciates the recent work done by the NYISO to improve the Interconnection process, and we believe that some of the changes will have a meaningful and positive impact. For New York State to meet its renewable energy targets, it is critically important that the Interconnection process be as efficient as possible. NYSEDA would urge the NYISO to continue pursuing any and all improvements that would allow the Class Year process to be completed in a 1 year timeframe (or as close to 1 year as possible).

As seen on page 33 of the slide deck presented at the September 11 BPWG, the NYISO's draft budget calls for the addition of 2 Planning Engineers that would be additions to the Interconnection Team. Presumably these staff could assist in managing critical consultant studies and activities, and more generally help the NYISO make the Interconnection process more timely and efficient. NYSEDA supports the addition of these critically important staff.

Thank you.

Regards,

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