

## **Notice of Extension of Public Policy Transmission Planning Process for 2020-2021 Transmission Planning Cycle**

July 29, 2022

The NYISO commenced its Public Policy Transmission Planning Process (Public Policy Process) for the 2020-2021 transmission planning cycle on August 3, 2020. Pursuant to Section 31.4.1 of its Open Access Transmission Tariff (OATT), the NYISO must notify stakeholders if the Public Policy Process cannot be completed within two years, provide an estimated completion date, and explain the reason(s) why the additional time is required. The NYISO hereby notifies stakeholders of an extension of its current Public Policy Process because it cannot be completed within the two-year period ending in August 2022. The NYISO has acted diligently in administering the current process, but will require additional time to complete it.

The NYISO began the current Public Policy Process when it issued a letter on August 3, 2020, inviting stakeholders and interested parties to submit proposed transmission needs driven by Public Policy Requirements. The NYISO submitted the proposed transmission needs it received to the New York Public Service Commission (NYPSC) on October 9, 2020. The NYISO also submitted to the Long Island Power Authority proposals for transmission needs that would require a physical modification to transmission facilities in the Long Island Transmission District. On March 19, 2021, the NYPSC issued an order finding that New York's Climate Leadership and Community Protection Act constituted a Public Policy Requirement driving the need to increase transmission capability from Long Island into Southeastern New York to facilitate the delivery of offshore wind to the rest of the state. The NYPSC referred this Public Policy Transmission Need to the NYISO to solicit and evaluate solutions.

The NYISO made presentations at combined meetings of the Transmission Planning Advisory Subcommittee (TPAS) and the Electric System Planning Working Group (ESPWG) throughout April, May, June and July 2021 to review the NYPSC's determination of the Public Policy Requirement and the nature of the Long Island Offshore Wind Export Public Policy Transmission Need (LI PPTN). On July 8, 2021, the NYISO held a technical conference with Developers and interested parties concerning the LI PPTN. The NYISO then issued a solicitation for proposed solutions on August 12, 2021, which were due on October 11, 2021. The NYISO evaluated the viability and sufficiency of the proposed solutions to the LI PPTN. The NYISO issued a final Viability and Sufficiency Assessment on April 5, 2022, and filed the assessment at the NYPSC. On or before May 9, 2022, Developers of Public Policy Transmission Projects that the NYISO identified as viable and sufficient submitted their notification to the NYISO as to their intent to proceed to be evaluated by the NYISO for purposes of selection. The NYISO is currently evaluating the viable and sufficient transmission solutions that elected to proceed for purposes of selecting the more efficient or cost-effective transmission solution to address the LI PPTN. The NYISO anticipates completing the selection process in 2023.

In parallel with the completion of the current process, the NYISO will commence the Public Policy Process for the 2022-2023 transmission planning cycle. The NYISO anticipates issuing a solicitation for proposed transmission needs in August 2022. Questions about this



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