

## MARCH 12, 2002 FINAL BILL TASK FORCE MEETING UPDATE

### 4-month Final Bill Implementation Plan

- *NYISO proposed implementing the 4-month final bill cycle with the issuance of the January 2002 4-month settlement adjustment on June 7, 2002. With that invoice, the May 2001 12-month and May 2000 24-month would also have been issued as final invoices for those months. All subsequent settlement adjustments issued after June 7, 2002 would be issued as final invoices. A number of FBTF participants were uncomfortable with the proposed schedule and asked the NYISO to revise the schedule to provide a couple of months of experience with the expedited efforts to deliver revenue quality metered megawatt-hour data. NYISO will offer a revised schedule at the next FBTF meeting, planned for the second week of April 2002.*

*The potential unavailability of revenue quality retail meter readings until the 12-month settlement adjustment cycle is the most significant barrier to issuing a final invoice with the 4-month settlement adjustment. The NYISO has suggested that the 4-month settlement adjustment be issued as a final invoice with respect to billing code accuracy and sub-zonal load calculation. A 12-month settlement adjustment could be issued to adjust settlements for any withdrawals not billed to revenue quality readings at the 4-month invoice.*

### Final Bill Challenge Policy

- *The NYISO has presented the FBTF, BAWG, & BIC with its final bill challenge policy. Market Participants have offered suggestions on policy revisions. Staff will revisit the terms with Counsel and possibly the B.O.D.*

### RE: Revenue Quality Retail Metered Data Availability

- *The transmission owners must provide finalized meter readings for all tie-lines and generation to the NYISO in time for inclusion in the 4-month settlement adjustment. This ensures that sub-zonal load will be locked down at the 4-month settlement adjustment.*

*The Transmission Owners have agreed that they could provide finalized tie-line & generator MWh within 5 weeks of month end. That being said, there should be no reason why subzonal load can not be finalized by the 4-month settlement adjustment.*

- *The transmission owners and NYISO will perform an analysis to determine the volume and magnitude of withdrawal adjustments that have occurred after the 4-month adjustment cycle. This will yield the level of accuracy currently achieved in the 4-month settlement adjustment.*

*These analyses are now standard procedure for NYISO to monitor the accuracy of true-ups at the 4-, 12-, & 24-month settlement adjustments. Accuracies will be reported at the next FBTF meeting, anticipated for the second week of April 2002.*

- *The NYISO will ensure that all billing code errors affecting a particular settlement month will be corrected by its 4-month settlement adjustment.*

*The Billing & Accounting Working Group maintains a matrix of known billing and design issues, which is available on the NYISO web site. The matrix is divided into 4 sections: (1) billing issues affecting the accuracy of invoices; (2) billing issues that have affected NYISO billing which have been corrected by NYISO, but are being reviewed by customers for validation; (3) issues taken with the design of specific market settlement business rule logic; and (4) issues taken with settlement processes. The matrix is updated at the monthly BAWG meeting and revisions are posted immediately thereafter.*

*NYISO is required, through a November 2001 BIC resolution, to address new billing issues within 60 days of their receipt.*

*The matrix may be found at: [http://www.nyiso.com/services/documents/groups/billing\\_accounting\\_w\\_group/bawg\\_issues\\_list.xls](http://www.nyiso.com/services/documents/groups/billing_accounting_w_group/bawg_issues_list.xls).*

### RE: Metering Adjustments After 12-month Settlement Adjustment Invoiced

- *Transmission Owner representatives and PSC staff have taken the action item to identify the feasibility and requirements to implement such a process.*

*Effort still needs to be expended to pursue solutions within the Transmission Owner retail tariffs.*

### RE: Billing Data Visibility

- *The NYISO will modify the existing hourly file currently posted to customer web sites, to include a date of last revision to each megawatt-hour value submitted by the meter authorities. This will aid MPs in determining what data has been updated, enabling more timely reconciliation of data.*

*The NYISO has added the necessary data field within the billing system to accommodate the date field. Coding is still required to populate*

*the field with the date. April 8, 2002 is deployment date. A revised data dictionary was posted to the NYISO web site on March 21, 2002 and notice of its posting was made to the market via the Customer Settlements list server.*

- As an interim solution to the unavailability of some Security Constrained Dispatch level billing determinant data, Customer Settlements will provide this information upon request.

*Customer Settlements is compiling SCD interval data for a number of MPs. The process used to generate the data has been redesigned so that data may be generated faster. With the redesign, a month of SCD interval settlement data takes approximately 2 - 3 days to compile.*

- In order to facilitate the timely reconciliation of metered megawatthour data, the transmission owners will provide and the NYISO will prudently post a list of contacts for customers to direct any questions or concerns over the accuracy of metered megawatthour data.

*NYISO will post the contact list by March 29, 2002.*

- The NYISO will proceed with the specifications and development of a web-based metered megawatthour reconciliation and confirmation process. The NYISO has identified this as a component of an existing prioritized project and hopes to be able to deliver it by year's end.

*NYISO will be developing the web-based metered megawatthour reconciliation/confirmation process under the BAS Enhancements Phase II project. Staff are currently developing the functional requirement specifications for this project. The project has been included in the 2002 project plan by the Project Prioritization Team. No delivery date has been estimated as of yet.*

#### RE: Analysis of ConEd State Estimated Load

- The NYISO will continue perform analyses on historically billed data to identify any variances between ConEd's state estimated values and values derived using the super-zone methodology. This will continue until the NYISO is satisfied that no material variances between ConEd's state estimated values and the super-zone methodology exist.

*ConEd has verified that the NYISO's definition of the superzone and the associated calculations are correct. NYISO & ConEd have used January 2002 as a comparison case to test the superzone accuracy. Observed variances were minimal [ $< 1\%$ ] & insignificant when comparing the two methodologies. NYISO & ConEd will look at another month to reconcile. The superzone methodology is anticipated to be deployed on April 8, 2002, a week later than planned due to issues uncovered during testing.*

- ConEd will address any variances identified by the NYISO in their analyses by providing information and reconciliation of such variances.

*ConEd has fully cooperated with NYISO's requests to reconcile variances upon their discovery. NYISO intends to continue these analyses until satisfied that no material variances exist between ConEd's state estimator program and the new superzone methodology.*

- The NYISO will work with the BAWG to develop an agreeable method by which the results of the analyses will be reviewed and determinations made regarding the materiality of any variances observed.
- The NYISO will work with ConEd and the BAWG to develop an agreeable method through which any material variances will be mitigated.