

SMD2 Readiness: Status Report

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SMD2 Readiness Status

- Current state of readiness supported a December 1 deployment
- However, Market Participants recently raised concerns
 over:
 - NYISO's ability to attain an unqualified SAS70 opinion based on SMD2 controls after only one month of operation
 - Market Participants' ability to test internal controls pursuant to SAS70 and Sarbanes-Oxley
 - Market Participants' ability to meet Public Company Auditing Oversight Board (PCAOB) standards for testing



Revised Deployment Date

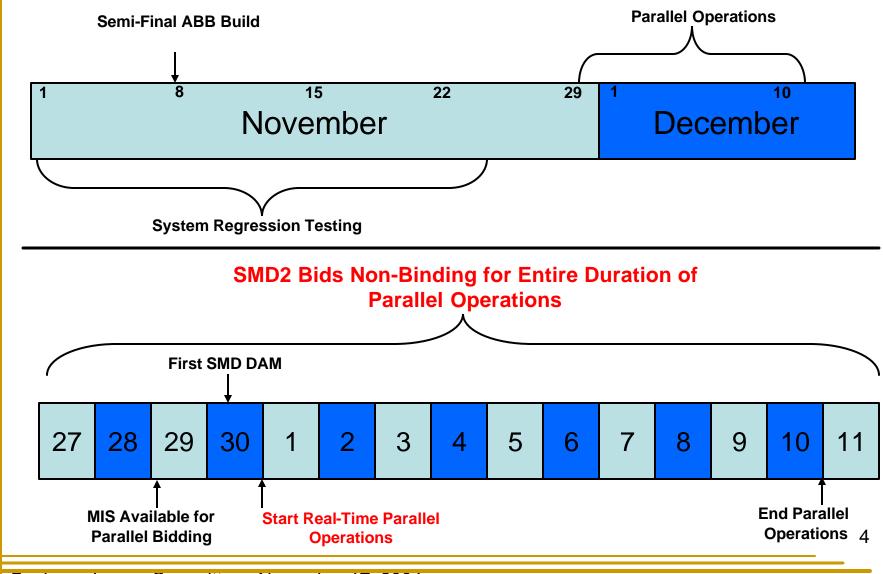
- MPs' concerns were discussed during the November 10 Management Committee meeting and MPs were asked to provide further comments on the proposed delay by November 11
 - Numerous comments were received but no MP opposed the delay
 - Advice was also sought from outside counsel and auditors
- NYISO determined that MPs had raised valid and compelling concerns and a decision was made to defer SMD2 deployment until February 1, 2005
- The delay was announced to MPs on November 12
- NYISO staff will continue to work against the December 1 readiness schedule

- All readiness activities to be completed by November 30

- The interim period will be used to further validate SMD2 processes
 - A parallel operational test will be performed for the period between November 29 and December 10
 - No additional functionality will be included
- Impacts on the 2005 Project Plan are being evaluated



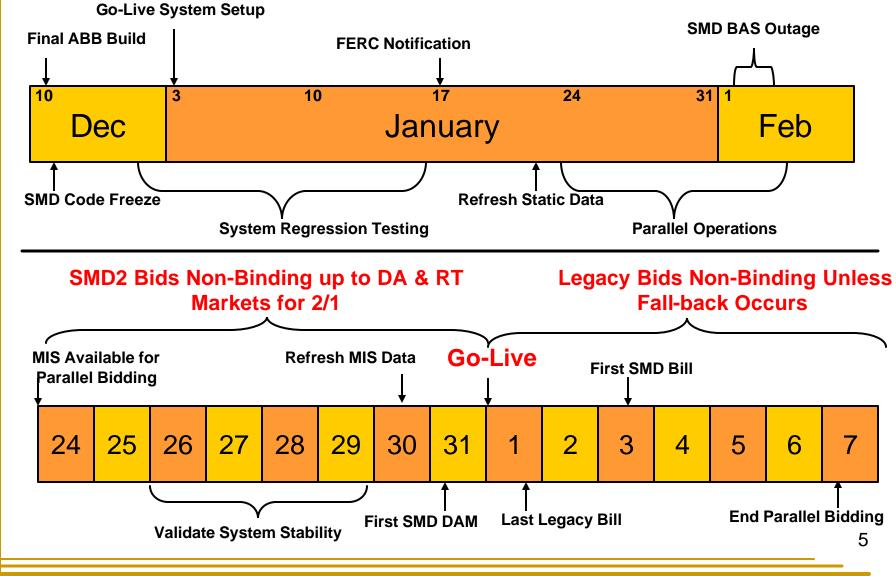
Parallel Operations Timeline



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Cut-over Timeline



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Meeting Timeline to February 1 "Go-Live"

Nov 19 th	MSWG Meeting	SMD2 Deployment Schedule Discussion and other MSWG SMD2 Topics
Nov 29 th – Dec 10 th	Parallel Operations Trial	MIS Available Nov 29 th . DAM bids due 05:00 on Nov 30 th for Dec 1 st Day-Ahead Market
Jan 5 th	MC Meeting	SMD2 Readiness Review
Week of Jan 10 th	SMD2 Tech Conference	MP Technical Staff Conference on go-live logistics
Jan 13 th	SMD2 Teleconference	MP Consultation on FERC go-live notice
Jan 14 th		FERC Notification of intent to go-live
Jan 19 th /20 th	BIC/OC Meeting	SMD2 Readiness Review
Jan 24 th – Feb 4 th	Parallel Operations Pre/Post Go-Live	MIS Available Jan. 24 th . DAM bids due 05:00 on Jan 25 th for Jan 26 th Day-Ahead Market
Jan 27 th	SMD2 Teleconference	MP Final Consultation on go-live
Jan 28 th		NYISO Forty-eight hour posting of effective date (go-live date)
Jan 31 st	Multiple TO/SOAS Teleconferences	Review final readiness status; identify potential operational impacts
Feb 1 st		SMD2 Go-Live (Day-Ahead bids submitted for Feb 1 st on Jan 31 st)
Feb 2 nd	MC Meeting	SMD2 Day After Go-Live Update
Feb 7 th	Parallel Operations	Last day of parallel operations

Additional meetings will be scheduled as necessary

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