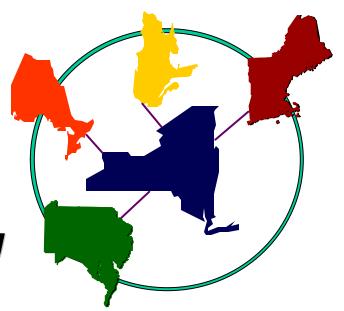
Northeast Seams Report

Update on Northeast Seams Issues

Management Committee Meeting July 24, 2003





Status of Seams Projects

Current Quarter Deliverables

Project	Due Date	Status
 Evaluation of 7040 transfer limits 	August (orig. June)	 Draft study is under review – will be presented to SOAS and OC in July/August timeframe
2. Maritimes participation in ACE Diversity Interchange	Projected Summer 2003	Awaiting project scheduling
3. OSS – PJM ramp data display	 August 	 Feature expected to be deployed in August



Other Seams Related Activity

Recent Initiatives

Issue	Activity Description
1. Elimination of Rate Pancaking	 PJM, NYISO and ISO-NE – In June, the NYISO and New York TOs presented a proposal for the elimination of export fees to stakeholders in NY. Larger stakeholder involvement is planned as part of the overall process.
	The goal is to take action by the end of 2003 to begin the elimination of pancaking in 2004.
2. Virtual Regional Dispatch	 NYISO and ISO-NE – A draft working paper has been distributed for market participant review. Two NY/NE stakeholder meetings held to date; third meeting set for July 31. IMO and PJM being kept informed of progress.
3. Scarcity Pricing	 NYISO and ISO-NE – NY implementation complete for reserve shortage cost pricing and to permit EDRP and SCR resources to set energy prices in real-time. ISO-NE has filed a scarcity pricing proposal with FERC for implementation in July which is similar to the NYISO proposal for reserve shortage situations.



Other Seams Related Activity

Recent Initiatives (continued)

Issue	Activity Description
4. Regional Resource Adequacy Model (RAM)	 ISONE, PJM and NYISO – Vendor selected for development of the central resource market design. RAM group will continue to work on other issues outside the scope of the RFP, in parallel with the RFP market study.
5. Open Scheduling System (OSS)	 NYISO and PJM - Provided status report and discussion with stakeholders at March 10th MSWG. NYISO - Working with Sapient to determine level of effort for potential OSS capabilities for in-day pre-scheduling, operator checkout tools and additional one-stop-shop functionality.
6. Multiple Proxy Buses	 NYISO and ISO-NE – A draft white paper has been distributed for market participant review. This issue was discussed at a joint meeting between the NY MSWG and the ISO-NE Markets Committee on May 29th in Albany.
7. Northeast Coordinating Committee	 NYISO, IMO and ISO-NE - Northeast Independent Market Operator's Coordinating Committee - first status report issued in May 2003



Open Issues

Issue	Activity Description
1. Controllable Line Scheduling	 Concept of operations for general methodology to schedule controllable lines has been drafted by NY and distributed to MSWG back in January. Stakeholder input will be gathered through the existing NY working group process which is open to all regional participants.
2. Multiple Proxy Buses For Free-Flowing Interfaces	There is a desire to provide east and west scheduling points for transactions on the NY-PJM interface. A draft white paper has been distributed for market participant review, and was discussed at the joint NY/NE meeting on 5/29/2003. This issue is being referred to the individual ISO Market Committees to discuss and refine the business issue definition.
3. Different Ramping Rules	 Stakeholder desire for Operations to look at the short-term ability to make 30-minute schedule changes between NY and PJM.