

# By-Laws Subcommittee Recommendation

By-Laws Subcommittee Meeting  
February 27, 2013

# Recommendation

- The By-Laws Subcommittee met on January 30 to review participation rules at meetings
- Members recommended that the Bylaws' rules for committee participation be extended to working group, task force, and subcommittee meetings as well.
  - Members, Representatives, Guests, PSC and FERC staff may attend in person or by phone; the public may attend only in person.
- Participation rules will be enforced in the same manner they are enforced for Committee meetings. Call-in participation will be enforced through use of a call-in code specified and delivered for each meeting.
  - NYISO-customer attendance will continue to be accommodated.
- The public may continue to attend any meeting in person, as the Bylaws currently allow, upon registration with the committee secretary [NYISO staff].

# Recommendation Process

- The Bylaws Subcommittee recommends:
  - The BIC and the OC vote on amending their Bylaws to include a new section extending each Committee’s participation rules to the Working Groups, Sub-Committees, and Task Forces that report to that Committee.
    - See proposed language on next page
  - Following BIC and OC Bylaws approval, the MC would vote to approve the BIC and OC Bylaws amendments, and corresponding amendments to the MC Bylaws.

## **Section 4.16:**

4.16 Guests of Members and the public may attend meetings of the [named Committee], subject to the following conditions:

4.16.1 Representatives who are attending the meeting by a method other than in person shall announce their guests at the beginning of the meeting. The Secretary shall keep a list of all guests so announced with the minutes of the meeting.

4.16.2 The public may only attend in person and shall register with the Secretary before entering the meeting. Guests of Members who attend with the representative in person shall also register with the Secretary before entering the meeting. The Secretary shall keep a list of those who register with the minutes of the meeting.

4.16.3 The public shall not be allowed to participate in meetings of the [named Committee]. A guest of a Member may be allowed to participate in a meeting at the request of the Member, with the consent of the Chairperson.

4.16.4 Guests and the public in attendance at any meeting must leave the meeting if the [named Committee] goes into executive session under Section 6.01, but may be invited to return to the executive session pursuant to Section 6.03. Following the end of the executive session, registered guests and the public may return to the meeting.

**4.17 Participation in Working Group, Sub-Committees, and Task Forces that were formed by, or report to, the [named committee] shall be governed by participation rules for the [named Committee].**

# Participation Recommendation – Next Steps

- Present proposed By-Law revisions to March Business Issues Committee, Operating Committee, Management Committee for approval

# Additional Discussion Topic

- **Monthly Committee Meeting Requirements**

At the January 30 meeting, members also discussed possible By-Laws revisions for cancelling monthly committee meetings when there are no topics for discussion

- *Suggested amendment to Section 4.01*

4.01 Regular meetings of the Management Committee shall be held monthly unless the Management Committee determines that it should meet more frequently or less frequently. **To cancel a regularly scheduled meeting, the Chair shall request, at least seven business days in advance of the meeting, that the NYISO poll Management Committee Members on what business they would like to conduct at the meeting and, if none, the Chair may cancel the meeting. ; provided, however, that** The Management Committee may hold separate NYISO Management Committee meetings outside the State of New York when such a meeting is in conjunction with meetings scheduled for a legitimate purpose with one or more ISOs in contiguous Control Areas. Any such NYISO Management Committee meeting must be approved by a 58% vote in advance and only at a prior meeting of the Management Committee. A motion proposing a separate NYISO Management Committee meeting outside the State shall include the items to be considered at the meeting and whether votes will be taken at the meeting. Any vote taken at an approved meeting outside the State shall have the same effect as a vote taken at a regular meeting of the Management Committee.