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## **New York Independent System Operator Approves System Reliability Impact Study Procedures for Proposed New Electric Generators in New York State**

Guilderland, NY, July 25, 2000...The New York Independent System Operator (NYISO) approved the System Reliability Impact Study (SRIS) Criteria and Procedures for proposed new generator interconnections into New York State's electric system. The SRIS process is intended to evaluate the impact of new generation facilities on the reliability of New York's Power Grid.

According to John Adams, Director of NYISO Analysis & Planning, "At present there are 59 proposed generation projects at various stages of the SRIS, representing almost 23,000 megawatts of potential new generation within New York State."

The objectives of the SRIS are to:

1. Confirm that the proposed generation complies with current reliability standards.
2. Assess the impact of the proposed generation on the reliability of the grid.
3. Evaluate alternatives to eliminate adverse reliability impacts (if any).
4. Assess the impact of the proposed generation on transmission transfer limits.

After execution of a Study Agreement, SRIS work will be done either directly by the NYISO or by the connecting transmission owner, the developer, or contract consultants, with review by the NYISO. Adams went on to say, "The NYISO recognizes New York's need for new generation and is doing everything possible to insure that the SRIS's are performed accurately in the least amount of time possible."

Formed as part of the restructuring of New York State's electric industry, the NYISO assumed operation of the state's bulk power system in December of 1999. In addition to maintaining the reliable, safe and efficient operation of the power grid, the NYISO is responsible for administering a competitive wholesale market for electricity.