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NYISO Reports on Bulk Power System Conditions Following Sandy

RENSSELAER, N.Y.—November 2, 2012—The NYISO continues to monitor system conditions following the storm and continues to work with New York's electric utilities, power producers, government agencies and its neighboring regions as they focus on recovering from the devastating effects of Hurricane Sandy.

The Cross Sound Cable has been restored to service and is now carrying load. Other ties to ISO-New England also have been restored. Approximately 46 transmission circuits remain out of service, including five ties to PJM. The utilities continue to give priority to repairing and restoring transmission circuits.

An additional 1,365 megawatts (MW) of generation capacity have been restored over the past 24 hours. Approximately 3,257 MW remain out of service as the result of Hurricane Sandy.

The forecasted peak load for today is 18,100 MW, which is still slightly below the average peak load of 19,000 MW - 20,000 MW experienced on a normal business day at this time of year. A megawatt serves the electricity needs of approximately 800 to 1,000 homes.

While New York state's bulk electric system continues to meet all criteria for transmission and operating reserves, significant challenges remain for the utilities and generation owners as they work to repair the unprecedented damage and restore power.

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