On October 6, 2021, NERC submitted a [Standard Authorization Request (SAR) to address Extreme Cold Weather Grid Operations, Preparedness, and Coordination](#). The NYISO would like to share an important update regarding Critical Electric System Infrastructure Load.

"Critical Electric System Infrastructure Load" is Load that is necessary to maintain the delivery of natural gas, fuel oil, and other fuels used by Generators (including Local Generators) to generate electricity and Load otherwise likely to impact Generator operation and/or the supply of natural gas, fuel oil, and other fuel to Generators located in the New York Control Area. Critical Electric System Infrastructure Load does not include Load that is consumed for other purposes such as heating and cooling unless those purposes are necessary to maintain delivery of natural gas, fuel oil, and other fuels used by Generators (including Local Generators) or Load that is likely to impact Generator operation and/or the supply of natural gas, fuel oil, and other fuels to Generators located in the New York Control Area.

The NYISO is developing market rules to address Critical Electric System Infrastructure Load participation in the demand response programs (SCR program, DSASP, DADRP and EDRP). The purpose of this notification is to advise stakeholders that the NYISO plans to discuss proposed market rules for Demand Side Resources regarding Critical Electric System Infrastructure Load in response to this SAR. Please see the following presentation for more information on the NYISO's proposal:

<Link to Mid-May MIWG Presentation>

The NYISO's next presentation will be at the May 24, 2022, MIWG. The NYISO intends to make the tariff modifications effective for the beginning of the Winter 2022-2023 Capability Period (*i.e.*, November 1, 2022).

The NYISO encourages Market Participants to participate in the upcoming stakeholder meetings to keep abreast of these developing rules as the implementation of the rules may impact the participation of certain Demand Side Resources.