# THE NEW YORK INDEPENDENT SYSTEM OPERATOR, INC. FINAL MINUTES OF BOARD OF DIRECTOR'S MEETING REGULAR SESSION – APRIL 18, 2023

The Board of Directors of the New York Independent System Operator (NYISO) met at Hunton Andrews Kurth offices in NYC on April 18, 2023. Chairman Dan Hill chaired the meeting, and all Board members were present. Ms. Egan, Ms. Hussey, and Messrs. Fernandez, Gonzales, Jones, Lanahan, and Mukerji were also present. Ms. Sally Talberg participated as an observer. Mr. Adam Evans from the Public Service Commission also participated, via teleconference.

## I. Approval of Board Meeting Minutes

Upon motion duly made and seconded, the Board approved the February 14, 2023 Board meeting minutes, and deferred approval of the March 21, 2023 Board meeting minutes until the next meeting.

## II. Consent Agenda

There were no items on the Consent Agenda this month.

# III. Report of the Board Chair

Chairman Dan Hill provided his report in Executive Session.

## IV. Committee Reports

## A. Audit & Compliance

Mr. David Hill reported that the Audit & Compliance (A&C) Committee met jointly with the Commerce & Compensation (C&C) Committee on April 17, 2023 and discussed and accepted the following:

1. 2022 Financial Statement Presentation – Ms. Marie Zimmerman and Ms. Allie Steckel of KPMG reported that KPMG audited the financial statements of the NYISO as of December 31, 2022 and 2021 and for each of the years then ended, and issued an unmodified opinion, dated March 15, 2023.

Mr. David Hill reported that the A&C and C&C Committees accepted KPMG's audit of the 2022 NYISO Financial Statement, and made a motion for Board acceptance and release of KPMG's audit report and unmodified opinion letter. The Board approved the motion.

2. Mr. David Hill reported that the A&C & C&C Committees met in Executive Session with KPMG.

Mr. David Hill reported that the A&C Committee met on April 17, 2023 and discussed/approved the following:

- 1. Minutes from 3/20/23 A&C Committee meeting.
- 2. Internal Audit Q1 2023 Report Ms. Juliann Madara provided a summary of the Internal Audit Q1 2023 Report.
- 3. Cyber & Physical Security Update Mr. Chapman provided a thorough Cyber & Physical Security Program Update, including the following:
  - Briefing on the introduction and rapid rise in popularity of generative technology
    platforms such as ChatGPT in the past several months which has created both cyber
    risks and opportunities for organizations around the world. ChatGPT has tremendous
    promise as a business tool, however, it will also be used nefariously by threat actors,
    although controls and protections intended to prevent misuse do exist in the ChatGPT
    platform.
  - Briefing on several important strategic security initiatives that are underway at the NYISO with early accomplishments in 2023, including Quantum Computing and Access Management. The NYISO began assessing options in 2020 and determined that the best approach would be to perform a complete inventory of encryption in use and then begin to deploy a transition plan once a Quantum-safe standard is published by NIST, which is expected in 2024.
  - Briefing on recent developments involving Access Management where several tracks of work planned for 2023 have begun.

## B. Commerce & Compensation

Mr. Gizman Abbas reported that the Commerce & Compensation Committee (C&C) met on April 17, 2023 and discussed and approved the following:

1. Disposition of Funds remaining from the 2022 Budget Cycle – Mr. Abbas made a motion for Board approval of NYISO management's recommendation to retain the remaining \$8.0M to pay down principal on outstanding debt. The Board approved the motion.

#### C. Governance

Mr. Bemis reported that the Governance Committee met in Executive Session on April 17, 2023 and discussed/approved the following:

1. Committee Charters – Mr. Bemis made a motion for Board approval of the Board Committee Charters, effective April 18, 2023. The Board approved the motion

- 2. Board Governance Principles & Guidelines Mr. Bemis made a motion for Board approval of the NYISO Board Governance Principles & Guidelines. The Board approved the motion.
- 3. Proposed 2024 Board Meeting Dates The Governance Committee reviewed and approved the proposed 2024 Board Meeting Dates, as presented. The Board approved a motion from Mr. Bemis at the Annual Board meeting.

## D. Reliability & Markets

Mr. Oates reported that the Reliability & Markets Committee met on April 17, 2023 and discussed the following:

- 1. Summer 2023 Capacity Assessment
- 2. Five Year Capacity Market Update
- 3. Draft 2023 Power Trends Outline & Key Messages Mr. Oates reported that a Draft 2023 Power Trends will be provided to the Board for review and comment on May 8, 2023, with the final draft on May 22, 2023. The anticipated date for publication of the 2023 Power Trends is June 1, 2023.
- 4. The Reliability & Markets Committee then received presentations from the Long Island PPTN Developers, followed by a debriefing with the Board and NYISO management.

## V. Report of the President & CEO

Mr. Dewey reported on the following:

1. The NYISO issued a press release on April 14, 2023 regarding its quarterly assessment of the bulk electric system that examines changes during the grid in transition. The Short-Term Assessment of Reliability (STAR) Report studied the period of January 15, 2023 through January 15, 2028 and found that reliability margins in New York City could become deficient in 2025 due to a number of factors.

## VI. COO Report

Mr. Gonzales briefed the Board on the following items outlined in the COO Report included in the Board package:

- 1. Public Policy Transmission, NYPA Smart Path and Local Transmissions Update NYISO Grid Operations staff continues to work with the NY Transmission Owners and LS Power to coordinate and schedule a number of major transmission outages in support of the AC Public Policy Transmission Project, NYPA Smart Path construction and the Transmission Owner LTP upgrades.
- 2. Spring System Operator Training Update The System Operator Training (SOT) group is conducting an in-person Spring System Operator Training Seminar (SOTS) that started on

March 14<sup>th</sup> and will run for six weeks. The course is being conducted at NYISO headquarters in East Greenbush and includes the annual system restoration training utilizing the Operator Training Simulator. The course also includes an update on the NYISO's Distributed Energy Resource program and a demonstration of the Grid Operations Coordination Portal application that will be utilized to help manage Distributed Energy Resources. There are approximately 240 NYISO and Transmission Owner System Operators registered for the SOTS course that will receive 19.5 hours of NERC Continuing Education after completing the course.

# VII. Other Business

There were no other items for discussion.

## VIII. Next Meeting

The next meeting of the Board is being held on June 13, 2023, at the Sagamore Resort in Bolton Landing, NY.

Respectfully submitted,

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Corp. Secretary & Secretary to the Board