## **Short Term Improvements to Planning Processes**

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## **CSPP Improvements**

 The NYISO's review seeks to improve the efficiency of the Comprehensive System Planning Process through OATT Attachment Y revisions that realign and/or streamline the various processes

#### Approach:

- Short term process improvement: Section 205 tariff filing to address immediate process improvements
- Long term process improvement: Address process improvements in LTPP, RPP, CARIS and PPTPP. Presentation of design concept to stakeholders by the end of 2018.



## **Objectives for Today: Short Term Process Improvement**

- Review the proposed tariff amendments to improve the transmission planning processes in a Federal Power Act Section 205 filing
  - Focus mostly on Public Policy Transmission Planning Process
  - Seek October BIC, OC and MC recommendation for Board approval
  - Seek November Board approval
- Tariff Sections for BIC approval:
  - Section 31.1: NYISO Implementation and Administration
  - Section 31.4: Public Policy Transmission Planning Process
  - Section 31.11: Operating Agreement
  - Section 31.12: Study Agreement for Evaluation of Public Policy Transmission Projects



# Issues Addressed in 2018 Tariff Amendments



### **Public Policy Transmission Project Information**

#### Proposal

- Prior to issuing the formal solicitation, the NYISO will hold a technical conference with Developers and interested parties to obtain their input on the ISO's application of the selection metrics to the Public Policy Transmission Need.
- Clarify in the tariff that the project description in the Transmission Interconnection
  Application or Interconnection Request, if applicable, must be the same as the
  project description in the Public Policy Transmission Project proposal.
- If project descriptions are not the same, the NYISO will reject the project proposal.



### **Public Policy Transmission Project Information**

- Within 60 days after the NYISO issues the formal solicitation, interested Developers will:
  - Submit the <u>complete</u> project proposal to satisfy the PPTN, both redacted and unreacted versions
  - Submit the <u>identical</u> project proposals in the Interconnection Process
  - Provide \$10K non-refundable and \$100K study deposit for each project
- Within 5 business days after the solicitation window closes, the NYISO will post a brief description of the project proposals.



## **Public Policy Transmission Project Information**

- NYISO will file the final Viability & Sufficiency report at the NYPSC.
   Within 15 days of the PSC filing, each Developer of a Viable and Sufficient project will:
  - Confirm with the NYISO that it intends to proceed in evaluation and selection
  - Demonstrate that it has an executed study agreement for a System Impact Study



### **Public Policy Transmission Project Information**

#### Confidentiality of Proposed Public Policy Transmission Projects

- Developers of a proposed Public Policy Transmission Project will submit two versions: (i) unredacted, and (ii) "Confidential Information" redacted. The definition of "Confidential Information" is clarified in Section 31.4.15. CEII must be requested and provided in accordance with NYISO procedures.
- At least 30 calendar days prior to the ISO's presentation of its Viability and Sufficiency Assessment, the ISO shall make available upon request the redacted version of Developer's initial submission of project information for its proposed Public Policy Transmission Project.
- Within thirty (30) days of the ISO's receipt of any additional project information submitted by the Developer for its proposed Public Policy Transmission Project, the ISO shall make available to any requestor that requested the initial submission of project information or upon request from any other requestor the redacted version of the additional project information.



## **Additional Summary of Revisions:**

## **Public Policy Transmission Planning Process**

#### **Project Information Requirements**

Clarification and/or relocation of language for project information requirement

#### Study charge

Section 31.4.4.4 and Section 31.12: Clarify that the scope of work for which developers pay
the NYISO to evaluate transmission projects is the work specified in Sections 31.4.7 through
31.4.11, and any supplemental evaluation or re-evaluation of the proposed projects.

#### **Information and sources**

 Section 31.4.6.6 and Section 31.4.11: Clarify that the NYISO will identify the information and sources relied upon in the Viability & Sufficiency assessment and Public Policy Transmission Planning Report.



## **Short Term Process Improvement: Eliminate the Pause Point**

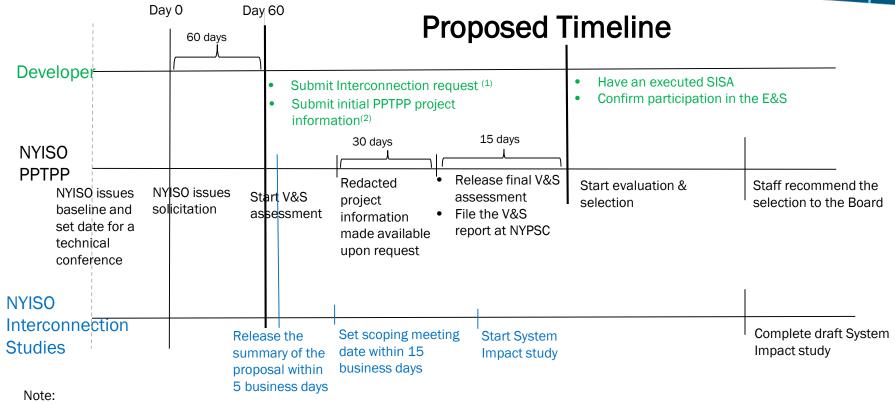
#### Proposal for Public Policy Transmission Planning Process

- Eliminate the requirement for a PSC order for the NYISO to proceed with its evaluation of transmission solutions following the viability and sufficiency assessment.
- In the Western NY PPTN, the pause was approximately five months before the NYISO could proceed with evaluation and selection.
- The NYISO would begin the evaluation and selection of the more efficient or cost-effective transmission solution following the completion of the viability and sufficiency assessment and developers' satisfaction of the determination to proceed requirements
- PSC would retain the ability to cancel or modify the identified Public Policy Transmission Need prior to the NYISO Board of Director's selection of the more efficient or cost-effective solution, which would halt the NYISO's evaluation or result in an out-of-cycle process to address the modified need.

#### Tariff revision

Section 31.4.6.7





- 1. TIP project descriptions needs to be identical to PPTPP submission
- 2. Execute the study agreement, provide all required project information, both redacted and un-redacted versions, and the \$10K non-refundable + \$100K study deposit

## **Short Term Process Improvement: Interest on Study Deposits**

#### Proposal for both Reliability Planning and Public Policy Transmission Planning Processes

- For purpose of the NYISO study deposit requirement, the NYISO will refund the deposit and the actual amount of interest accrued on the deposits held to the extent those exceed amounts owed to the NYISO. The interest rate will be the actual interest earned by the NYISO rather than interest accrued at the FERC rate.
- This will apply to the interest owed to the NYISO or the Developer as applicable.

#### Tariff revision:

- Section 31.2: update re: the proposed solutions for Reliability Needs
- Section 31.4: update re: the proposed solutions for Public Policy Transmission Needs



## **Short Term Process Improvement: Operating Agreement**

### Proposal

As indicated to FERC in the NYISO's filing of the TransCo
 Operating Agreement, the NYISO is revising the pro
 forma Operating Agreement in the tariff to conform with
 TransCo's Operating Agreement approved by FERC

#### Tariff revision:

 Section 31.11 Appendix H – Form of Operating Agreement



## **Next Steps**

- Seek October OC and MC recommendation for BOD approval
- Seek BOD approval in November
- File to FERC in November/December



## Questions?

We are here to help. Let us know if we can add anything.



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