



NYISO Operating Study Winter 2014-15

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Executive Summary

This study is conducted as a seasonal review of the projected thermal transfer capability for the winter 2014-15 operating period. This study is performed to fulfill the NERC requirements R2 of FAC-013 and R11 of TOP-002-2a. The study evaluates the projected internal and external thermal transfer capabilities for the peak load and dispatch conditions studied.

The evaluated limits are shown in Tables 1 through 4. Differences in the evaluated internal interface limits from winter 2013-2014 to winter 2014-2015 are shown on page 7. Internal interface limits are essentially unchanged from the winter 2013-2014, with the exception of Moses South which is limited to 1500 MW. Modeling the Moses to Massena (MMS2) 230 kV line out-of-service has altered both base and transfer patterns on the Moses South interface. Differences in the evaluated external interface limits from winter 2013-2014 to winter 2014-2015 are shown on page 10. External interface limits are essentially unchanged from the winter of 2013-2014, with the exception of NYISO-PJM which is limited to 1300 MW. Coal unit retirements in western New York and western PJM have altered both base and transfer patterns on the western NY system. In 2014, the real time limitations under NYISO-PJM transfers resulted in a new operating protocol associated with specific system transfer conditions. Adjustments have been made to the modeling assumption for the NYISO-PJM transfers in this analysis to more closely align with the observed real time system behavior.

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1. INTRODUCTION

The following report, prepared by the Operating Studies Task Force (OSTF) at the direction and guidance of the System Operations Advisory Subcommittee (SOAS), highlights the thermal analysis evaluation for the winter 2014-15 capability period. This analysis indicates that, for the winter 2014-15 capability period, the New York interconnected bulk power system can be operated reliably in accordance with the "NYSRC Reliability Rules for Planning and Operating the New York State Power System" and the NYISO System Operating Procedures.

Transfer limits cited in this report are based on the forecast peak load and dispatch assumptions and are intended as a guide to system operation. Changes in generation dispatch or load patterns that significantly change pre-contingency line loadings may change limiting contingencies or limiting facilities, resulting in higher or lower interface transfer capabilities.

System Operators should monitor the critical facilities noted in the included tables along with other limiting conditions while maintaining bulk power system transfers within secure operating limits.

2. PURPOSE

The purpose of the study is to determine:

- The total transfer capabilities (TTC) between NYISO and adjacent areas including IESO, PJM and ISO-NE for normal conditions in the summer/winter periods. The TTC is calculated based on NERC TPL-002-0b Category B contingencies and a set of selected NERC TPL-003-0a Category C contingencies.
- The TTC between NYISO and adjacent areas including IESO, PJM and ISO-NE for emergency conditions in the summer/winter periods. The TTC is calculated based on NERC TPL-002-0b Category B contingencies.

This study is being performed to fulfill NERC requirements, which include Requirement R2 of FAC-013 and Requirement R11 of TOP-002-2a as quoted below.

"FAC-013-1—Establish and Communicate Transfer Capabilities Requirement R2:

The Reliability Coordinator and Planning Authority shall each provide its inter-regional and intra-regional Transfer Capabilities to those entities that have a reliability-related need for such Transfer Capabilities and make a written request that includes a schedule for delivery of such Transfer Capabilities as follows:

R2.1. The Reliability Coordinator shall provide its Transfer Capabilities to its associated Regional Reliability Organization(s), to its adjacent Reliability Coordinators, and to the Transmission Operators, Transmission Service Providers and Planning Authorities that work in its Reliability Coordinator Area.

R2.2. The Planning Authority shall provide its Transfer Capabilities to its associated Reliability Coordinator(s) and Regional Reliability Organization(s), and to the Transmission Planners and Transmission Service Provider(s) that work in its Planning Authority Area."

"TOP-002-2a—Normal Operations Planning Requirement R11:

The Transmission Operator shall perform seasonal, next-day, and current-day Bulk Electric System studies to determine System Operating Limits (SOLs). Neighboring Transmission Operators shall utilize identical SOLs for common facilities. The Transmission Operator shall update these Bulk Electric System studies as necessary to reflect current system conditions; and shall make the results of Bulk Electric System studies available to the Transmission Operators, Balancing Authorities (subject to confidentiality requirements), and to its Reliability Coordinator."

3. STUDY PARTICIPANTS

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4. SYSTEM REPRESENTATION AND BASE STUDY ASSUMPTIONS

4.1 System Representation

The representation was developed from the NYISO Data Bank and assumes the forecast winter coincident peak load of 24,737 MW. The other NPCC Balancing Areas and adjacent Regional representations were obtained from the RFC-NPCC winter 2014-15 Reliability Assessment power flow base case and has been updated to reflect the winter 2014-15 operating period.

A. Generation Resource Changes

The generator output levels for major units are summarized in Appendix B, and are consistent with typical operation for the period. The inter-Area schedules represented in the study base case are summarized in Appendix A. The following table shows generation retirements and additions since the winter 2013-14 capability period:

Retirements

Ravenswood 07 (Mothballed)	-15 MW
Station 9	-18 MW
Ravenswood GT 3-3 (Mothballed)	-38 MW
Total Retirements	-71 MW

Additions

Niagara Bio-Gen	37 MW
Ravenswood GT 3-4	42 MW
Binghamton Cogen	49 MW
Danskammer	499 MW
Total Additions	627 MW

B. Transmission Facilities Changes

Significant facility changes since the winter 2013-14 capability period include:

- Moses to Massena (MMS2) 230 kV line out-of-service

Moses to Massena (MMS2) 230 kV line will be out-of-service for the winter 2014-15 operating period.

4.2 Base Study Assumptions

The Siemens PTI PSSTMMUST and PSSTME software packages were used to calculate the thermal limits based on Normal and Emergency Transfer Criteria defined in the "NYSRC Reliability Rules for Planning and Operating the New York State Power System". The thermal transfer limits presented have been determined for all transmission facilities scheduled in service during the winter 2014-15 period.

The schedules used in the base case power flow for this analysis assumed a net flow of 1,000 MW from Public Service Electric & Gas (PSE&G) to Consolidated Edison via the PAR transformers controlling the Hudson – Farragut and Linden – Goethals interconnections, and 1,000 MW on the South Mahwah – Waldwick circuits from Consolidated Edison to PSE&G, controlled by the PARs at Waldwick. The Hopatcong – Ramapo 500 kV (5018) circuit is scheduled in accordance with the "Market-to-Market Coordination Process", August 14, 2013. For the winter 2014-15 base case, the schedule for the tie is 188 MW from PJM to New York. The four Ontario – Michigan PARs are modeled in-service and scheduled to a 0 MW transfer. These schedules are consistent with the scenarios developed in the RFC-NPCC Inter-Regional Reliability Assessment for winter 2014-15, and the MMWG winter 2014-15 power flow base cases. The series reactors on the Dunwoodie – Mott Haven (71 and 72) and the Sprain Brook – W. 49th St. 345 kV cables (M51 and M52) are out of service in the base case. The series reactors on the Sprain Brook – East Garden City 345 kV (Y49), E. 179th St. – Hell Gate (15055) 138 kV feeder and Gowanus to Farragut (41 and 42) cables are in-service.

5. DISCUSSION

5.1 Resource Assessment

A. Load and Capacity Assessment

The forecast peak demand for the winter 2014-15 capability period is 24,737 MW. This forecast is approximately 28 MW (0.11%) higher than the forecast of 24,709 MW for the winter 2013-14 capability period, and 1,001 MW (3.89%) lower than the all-time New York Control Area (NYCA) seasonal peak of 25,738 MW, which occurred on January 7, 2014.

The Installed Capacity (ICAP) requirement for the winter period is 28,942 MW based on the NYSRC 17.0% Installed Reserve Margin (IRM) requirement for the 2014-2015 Capability Year. NYCA generation capacity for winter 2014-15 is 40,963 MW, and net external capacity purchases of 1,078 MW have been secured for the winter period. The combined capacity resources represent a 70.0% margin above the forecast peak demand of 24,737 MW. These values were taken from the 2014 Load & Capacity Data report produced by the NYISO, located at:

http://www.nyiso.com/public/webdocs/markets_operations/services/planning/Documents_and_Resources/Planning_Data_and_Reference_Docs/Data_and_Reference_Docs/2014_GoldBook_Final.pdf

The equivalent forced outage rate is 5.05%, and includes forced outages and de-ratings based on historical performance of all generation in the NYCA. For winter 2013-14, the equivalent forced outage rate assumed was 5.0%.

5.2 Cross-State Interfaces

A. Transfer Limit Analysis

This report summarizes the results of thermal transfer limit analyses performed on power system representation modeling the forecast peak load conditions for winter 2014-15. Normal and emergency thermal limits were calculated according to Normal and Emergency Transfer Criteria definitions in the "NYSRC Reliability Rules for Planning and Operating the New York State Power System". Facility ratings applied in the analysis were from the online

MW ratings in the EMS, and are detailed in Appendix D. Generation shifts assumed for the thermal analysis are detailed in Appendix I.

Figure 1 presents a comparison of the winter 2014-15 thermal transfer limits to winter 2013-14 transfer limits. Changes in these limits from the previous years are due to changes in the base case load flow generation and load patterns that result in different pre-contingency line loadings, changes in limiting contingencies, or changes in circuit ratings, or line status. Appendix H presents a summary comparison of Cross-State thermal transfer limits between winter 2014-15 and 2013-14, with limiting element/contingency descriptions. Significant differences in these thermal transfer limits are discussed below.

Winter 2014-15/Winter 2013-14

- (1) Dysinger East
- (2) West Central
- (3) Total East
- (4) Central East
- (5) UPNY - ConEd
- (6) Spm / Dun - South
- (7) ConEd - LIPA
- (8) Moses South

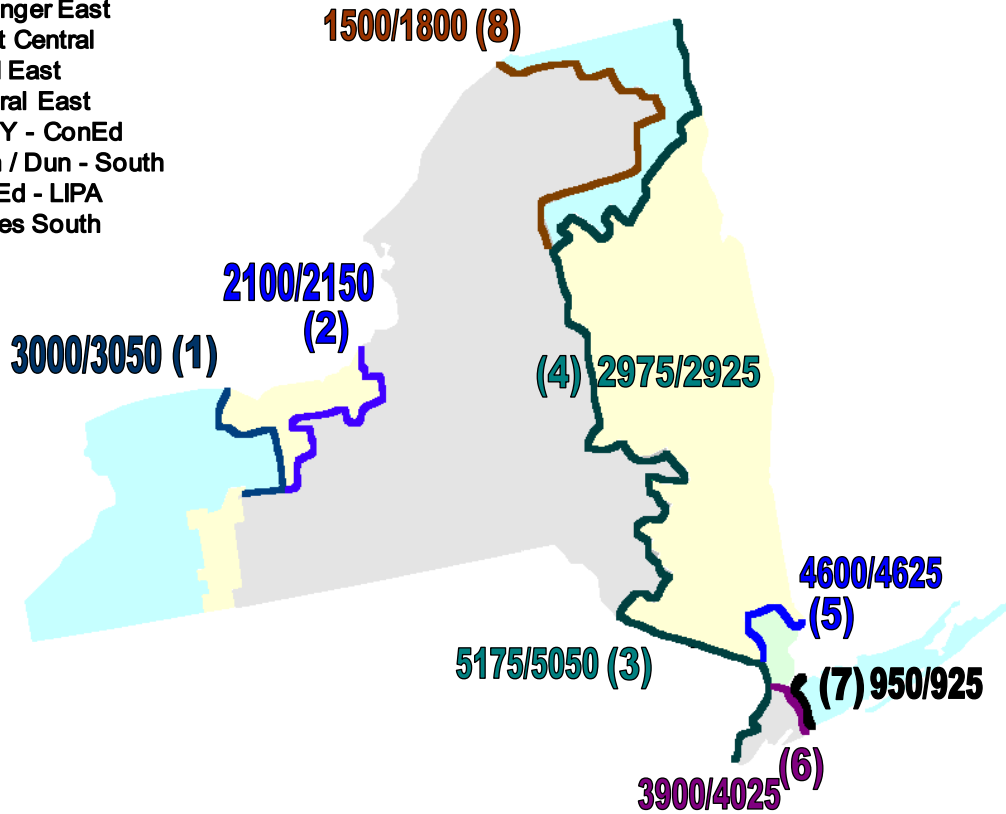


Figure 1 – Cross-State Thermal Transfer Limits

Dysinger East and West Central interface thermal transfer limits decreased 50 MW. This peak load limitation is due to higher 230 kV transmission power flows between Niagara and the Dunkirk stations, for the conditions studied. These limits are sensitive to load in Zone A and flow toward PJM on the Dunkirk-Erie 230 kV tie. Generation dispatch also affects the system constraints as it affects the flows on the 230 kV system. The limits would be further decreased by higher load levels and/or higher flows into PJM, and/or generation outages. The primary driver for the limits reduction is the increased flow toward PJM on the Dunkirk-Erie 230 kV tie.

Total East and Central East interface thermal transfer limits increased 125 and 50 MW, respectively. This is mainly due to setting the PV-20 PAR to 100 MW into ISO-NE.

Sprain Brook/Dunwoodie South interface thermal transfer limit decreased 125 MW. This is due to the redistribution of New York City generation.

Moses South interface thermal transfer limit decreased 300 MW. This is due to the Moses to Massena (MMS2) 230 kV line being modeled out-of-service.

B. Athens SPS

In 2008 a Special Protection System (SPS) went in-service, impacting the thermal constraint on the Leeds to Pleasant Valley 345 kV transmission corridor. The SPS is designed to reject generation at the Athens combined-cycle plant if either the Leeds to Pleasant Valley 345 kV (92) circuit or the Athens to Pleasant Valley 345 kV (91) circuit are out-of-service and the flow on the remaining circuit is above the LTE rating. Generation at Athens will be tripped until the flow is below the LTE rating, the out-of-service circuit recloses, or the remaining circuit trips. This SPS is expected to be active when there is generation on-line at the Athens station, and will allow the NYCA transmission system to be secured to the STE rating of the 91 line for the loss of the 92 line, and vice-versa, for normal operating conditions. The SPS increases the normal thermal limit to match the emergency thermal limit across the UPNY-ConEd operating interface when the 91 or 92 is the limiting circuit. The Table 1 “Emergency” limit for the UPNY-ConEd interface can be interpreted as the “Normal” limit, when the Athens SPS is active.

C. Sensitivity Testing

The thermal limits presented in Section 6 were determined using the base conditions and schedules. The effects of various intra- and inter-Area transfers or generation patterns in the system are presented in Appendix G. Certain graphs indicate that there may not be a measurable sensitivity to the specific variable condition (winter peak load), or the sensitivity may occur at transfer levels above other transfer constraints (e.g., voltage or transient stability limitations). This analysis demonstrates how the particular constraint (thermal transfer limits) may respond to different conditions.

Phase angle regulator schedules may vary from day-to-day. A sensitivity analysis for selected interfaces has been included for the Ramapo and St. Lawrence interconnections. Graphs showing the sensitivity of the interface limit to the PAR schedule are included in Appendix G.

D. West Woodbourne Transformer

The Total-East interface may be limited at significantly lower transfer levels for certain contingencies that result in overloading of the West Woodbourne 115/69 kV transformer. Should the West Woodbourne tie be the limiting facility, it may be removed from service to allow higher Total-East transfers. An over-current relay is installed at West Woodbourne to protect for contingency overloads.

E. ConEd – LIPA Transfer Analysis

Normal transfer capabilities were determined using the base case generation dispatch and PAR settings as described in Appendix B. Emergency limits are dispatch dependant, and can vary based on generation and load patterns in the LIPA system.

For emergency transfer capability analysis, the PARs controlling the LIPA import were adjusted to allow for maximum transfer capability into LIPA:

<u>ConEd – LIPA PAR Settings</u>		
	Normal	Emergency
Jamaica – Lake Success 138 kV	-210 MW	105 MW
Jamaica – Valley Stream 138 kV	-108 MW	70 MW
Sprain Brook – E. Garden City 345 kV	635 MW	635 MW
<u>ISO-NE – LIPA PAR Settings</u>		
Norwalk Harbor – Northport 138 kV	100 MW	286 MW

The PAR schedules referenced above and the ConEd - LIPA transfer assessment assume the following loss factors and oil circulation modes in determination of the facility ratings for the 345 kV cables:

- Y49 has a 70% loss factor in slow oil circulation mode.
- Y50 has a 70% loss factor in rapid circulation mode.

Emergency Transfer via the 138 kV PAR-controlled Jamaica ties between ConEdison and LIPA

Con Edison and LIPA have determined possible emergency transfer levels via the Jamaica - Valley Stream (901) 138 kV and Jamaica - Lake Success (903) 138 kV PAR-controlled ties that could be used to transfer emergency power between the two entities during peak conditions. The emergency transfer levels were calculated in both directions, for system peak load conditions with all transmission lines in service and all generation available for full capacity.

ConEd to LIPA emergency assistance

Based on analysis of historical conditions performed by LIPA and Con Edison, Con Edison anticipates being able to supply approximately 175 MW of emergency transfer from Con Edison to Long Island, if requested, via the ties.

LIPA to ConEd emergency assistance

LIPA anticipates being able to supply approximately 459 MW of emergency transfer from Long Island to Con Edison, if requested, via the ties.

F. Transfer Limits for Outage Conditions

Transfer limits for scheduled outage conditions are determined by the NYISO Scheduling and Market Operations groups. The NYISO Real-Time Dispatch system monitors the EHV transmission continuously to maintain the secure operation of the interconnected system.

G. Transient Stability and Voltage transfer Limits

The interface transfer limits shown in Section 6 are the results of a thermal transfer limit analysis only. Transient stability and voltage interface transfer limits for all lines in-service and line outage conditions are summarized and available through the NYISO website located at:

http://www.nyiso.com/public/markets_operations/market_data/reports_info/index.jsp

5.3 Thermal Transfer Capabilities with Adjacent Balancing Areas

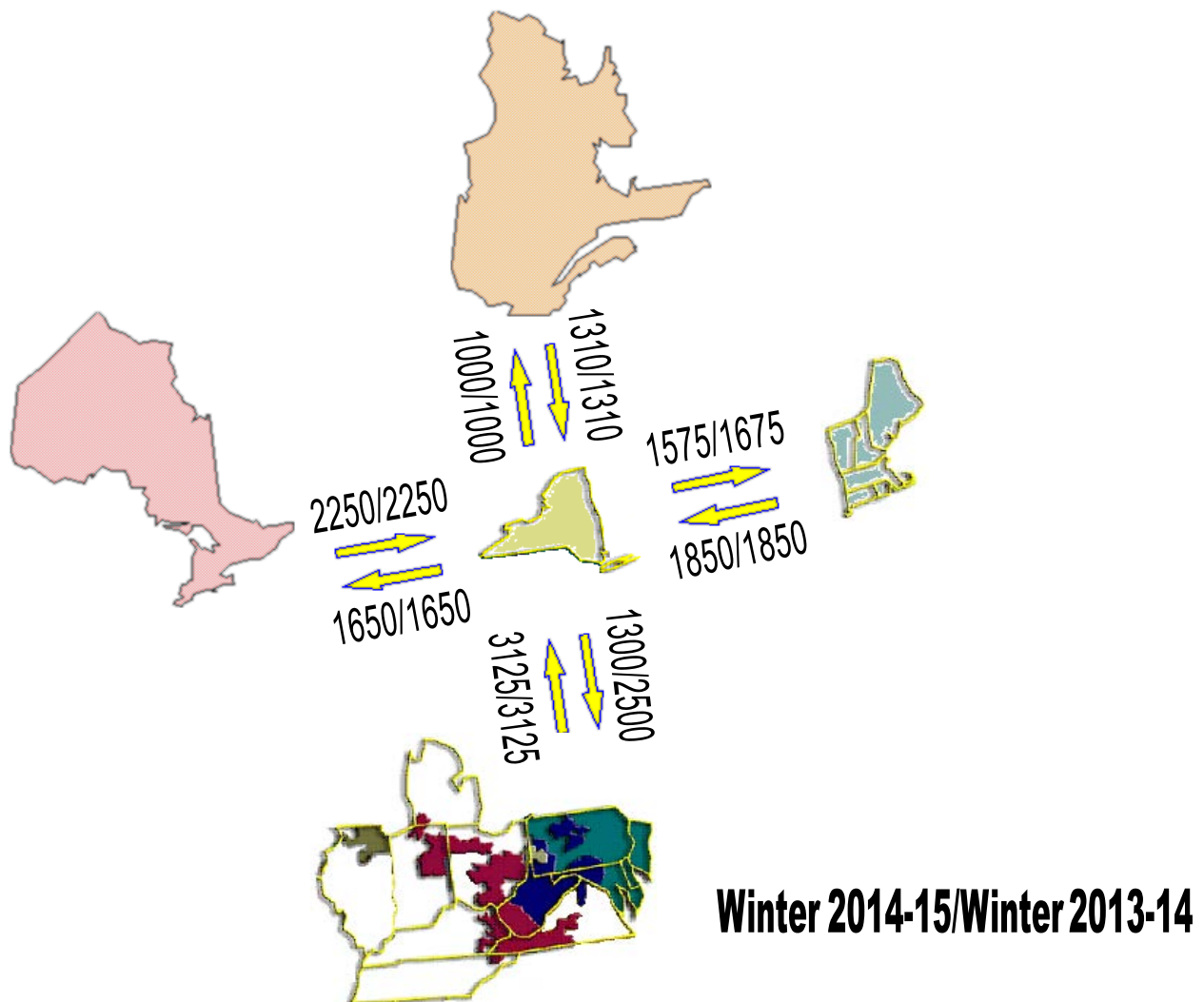


Figure 2 – Inter-Area Thermal Transfer Capabilities (1)

Thermal transfer limits between New York and adjacent Balancing Areas are also determined in this analysis. These transfer limits supplement, but do not change, existing internal operating limits. There may be facilities internal to each system that may reduce the transfer limits between Balancing Areas. Reductions due to these situations are considered to be the responsibility of the respective reliability authority. Some of these potential limitations are indicated in the summary tables by “[Reliability Coordinating] Facility” limits, which supplement the “Direct Tie” limits between the Balancing Areas. Transfer conditions within and between neighboring Balancing Areas can have a significant effect on inter- and intra-Area transfer limits. Coordination between Balancing Areas is necessary to provide optimal transfer while maintaining the reliability and security of the interconnected systems.

New York – PJM interface thermal transfer limit decreased 1200 MW. This is mainly due to generation redistribution in the western New York and PJM areas, which has modified traditional flow patterns. Also a new NYISO – PJM operating protocol has been implemented to secure the 115 kV western New York system for specific NYISO – PJM system conditions. The modeling assumptions were updated to reflect the field observation of the 115 kV limitation in transfer capability.

(1) TE-NY transfer capabilities shown in Figure 2 are not thermal transfer limits; for more information see Section 5.3.D.

New York – ISO-NE interface thermal transfer limit decreased 100 MW. This is due to the increase in the amount of generation being imported into the Connecticut region.

A. New York – New England Analysis

a. New England Transmission/Capacity Additions

Transmission

The construction efforts continue on new 345 kV lines between eastern Connecticut, Rhode Island and Massachusetts as part of the Interstate Reliability Project (IRP). A new 345 kV line between Card and Lake Road is expected to be in-service in May 2015.

Concurrently, northern New England transmission system is in the midst of major transmission upgrades. A new substation, Coopers Mills, in Maine is expected to go in-service partially this winter. Only the 115 kV side of the Coopers Mills substation is going to be energized this winter and the 345 kV side will be energized in the spring.

A second 230 kV transformer at the Littleton substation in northern New Hampshire is expected to go in-service this winter.

A new 115 kV cable (Glenbrook-South End 1151 line) is scheduled to be in service in southwest Connecticut as part of the Stamford Reliability Project.

In western Massachusetts, the new Ludlow-West Hampden 1205 line and West Hampden-Scitico 1976 line were placed in-service in October 2014.

Capacity

In the New England Control Area, from October 2014 through March 2015, a total of 133 MW of new generation is expected. Upgrades of the existing combined cycle units make up 100 MW and wind units make up 33 MW. The only retirement of the winter period is Vermont Yankee nuclear generation (640 MW). It has a scheduled retirement date of December 2014.

b. Thermal Transfer Limit Analysis

The transfer limits between the NYISO and ISO New England for normal and emergency transfer criteria are summarized in Section 6, Table 2.

c. Cross-Sound Cable

The Cross-Sound Cable is an HVdc merchant transmission facility connecting the New Haven Harbor 345 kV (United Illuminating, ISO-NE) station and Shoreham 138 kV (LIPA, NYISO) station. It has a design capacity of 330 MW. This facility is not metered as part of NY-NE interface, and HVdc transfers are independent of transfers between the NYISO and ISO-NE.

d. Smithfield – Salisbury 69 kV

CHG&E and Northeast Utilities will operate the Smithfield - Salisbury 69 kV (690) line normally closed. The maximum allowable flow in NY to NE direction is 31 MVA based on limitations in the Northeast Utilities 69 kV system. The 690 line has directional over-current protection that will trip the 690 line at Salisbury in the event of an overload when the flow is into Northeast Utilities, no protection exists that will trip the 690 line in the event of an overload when the flow is into NYISO. When the ISO-NE to NYISO transfer is greater than approximately 400 MW, however, the line might be manually opened, due to post contingency limits within the Northeast Utilities system.

e. Northport – Norwalk Harbor Cable Flow

The Northport – Norwalk Harbor cable (1385 NNC 601, 602, and 603) are all in-service and the TTC (Total Transfer Capability) is unchanged from previously accepted values. This facility is not metered as part of NY-NE interface.

f. Whitehall – Blissville 115 kV

The phase angle regulator on this circuit will control pre-contingency flow between the respective stations. VELCO, National Grid, ISO-NE and NYISO developed a joint operating procedure. For the winter 2014-15 analyses, the pre-contingency schedule is 0 MW from Blissville (ISO-NE) to Whitehall (NYISO). The scheduled flow on the PAR may be adjusted to protect internal Vermont and New York 115 kV transmission for certain 345 kV contingency events in southern Vermont.

g. Plattsburgh – Sand Bar 115 kV (i.e. PV20)

The phase shifting transformer (PST) on this circuit will control pre-contingency flow between the respective stations. VELCO, NYPA, ISO-NE and NYISO developed a joint operating procedure. For the winter 2014-15 analyses, the pre-contingency schedule is 100 MW from Plattsburgh (NYISO) to Sandbar (ISO-NE). The scheduled flow on the PST may be adjusted to protect internal Vermont and New York 115 kV transmission for certain transmission contingency events in northern New York, Vermont and New England.

h. Transient Stability Limitations

For certain system configurations, stability performance determines the transfer capability between the Areas. For those instances, the limits have been obtained from the report "1992-1996 NYPP-NEPOOL TRANSFER LIMIT STUDY - OCTOBER 1992." A new study of NYISO-ISO-NE transfer capability through 2009, including transient stability assessment, has been completed since the spring of 2007. The stability limits are expressed in terms of the transfer on the "Northern Ties", i.e., excluding flow on the Norwalk Harbor – Northport circuit. Stability limits for transfers from New England to New York are a function of the New England MW load level, and include the effect of Northfield and Bear Swamp in the generating and pumping mode.

B. New York - PJM Analysis

a. Thermal Transfer Limit Analysis

The transfer limits for the New York - PJM interface are summarized in Section 6, Table 3. The phase angle regulating transformers controlling the Branchburg – Ramapo 500 kV circuit are used to maintain flow at the normal rating of the Ramapo 500/345 kV transformer.

b. Opening of PJM - New York 115 kV Ties as Required

The normal criteria thermal transfer limits presented in Section 6 were determined for an all lines in-service condition. The 115 kV interconnections between First Energy East and New York (Warren - Falconer, North Waverly - East Sayre, and Laurel Lake - Westover) may be opened in accordance with NYISO and PJM Operating Procedures provided that this action does not cause unacceptable impact on local reliability in either system. Over-current protection is installed on the Warren - Falconer and the North Waverly - East Sayre 115 kV circuits; either of these circuits would trip by relay action for an actual overload condition. There is no overload protection on the Laurel Lake - Westover circuit, but it may be opened by operator action if there is an actual or post-contingency overload condition. However, opening the Laurel Lake – Westover tie could potentially cause local thermal and pre- and post-contingency voltage violations for the

34.5 kV distribution system within New York. Sensitivity analysis performed indicated that the thermal and voltage conditions were exacerbated for conditions that modeled high simultaneous interface flows from NY to PJM and NY to Ontario.

c. DC Ties

Neptune DC tie is expected to be available at full capability, 660 MW, for winter 2014-15. Neptune DC tie is a transmission facility connecting Raritan River 230 kV (First Energy East, PJM) to Duffy Avenue 345 kV (LIPA, NYISO). Back to Back AC-DC-AC Hudson Transmission Project (HTP) tie is expected to be available at full capability, 660 MW, for winter 2014-15. HTP is a transmission tie connecting Bergen 230 kV (PSEG, PJM) to the West 49th street station at (ConEd, NYISO). Transfer across HTP might be limited, based on the real-time system conditions, down to the Firm Transmission Withdrawal Rights of 320 MW, as specified in the Interconnection Service Agreement O66. Both DC links have only withdrawal rights from PJM region.

d. Variable Frequency Transformer (VFT) Tie

The Linden VFT tie is a transmission facility connecting the Linden 230 kV (PSEG, PJM) to Linden 345 kV (ConEd, NYISO). For the winter 2014-15 analysis, the pre-contingency schedule is 300 MW from PSEG to ConEd. Linden VFT has a bi-directional transfer capability / right of 330 MW.

e. New Coordinated Transaction Scheduling system (CTS)

On November 4th 2014 PJM Interconnection and the New York Independent System Operator launched a coordinated transaction scheduling system to streamline the flow of electricity across the two systems, cutting energy production costs.

The system incorporates projected price differences between the two markets into interregional scheduling decisions and is expected to reduce LMP price differential between two markets.

f. Major Transmission Upgrades

Portions of the Susquehanna – Roseland project (Susquehanna – Lackawanna 500 kV and Branchburg-Hopatcong-Roseland 500 kV, as well as two 500/230 kV transformers at Roseland) have been completed in spring of 2014. The final 500 kV portion of the project (Lackawanna – Hopatcong) is scheduled to be complete by 2015 summer. The Branchburg – Roseland 500 kV path provides additional support to northern NJ.

g. Opening of western PJM - New York 230/115 kV Ties as Required

In recognition of recent field experience that simultaneous high transfers in western New York with high transfers to PJM can result in potential cascade contingencies on NYISO 115 kV circuits a NYISO/PJM operating protocol was introduced in the summer of 2014. The Warren – Falconer 115 KV and the Erie – South Ripley 230 kV interconnections, between First Energy East and New York may be opened in accordance with NYISO and PJM operating protocol provided that this action does not cause unacceptable impact on local reliability in either system.

C. Ontario – New York Analysis

a. Thermal Transfer Limit Analysis

The thermal transfer limits between the NYISO and Ontario's Independent Electricity System Operator (IESO) Balancing Areas for normal and emergency transfer criteria are presented in Section VI, Table 4. The thermal transfer limits between NY and Ontario were determined for two scheduled transfers in either direction on the phase angle

regulating transformers controlling the L33P and L34P interconnections at St. Lawrence: One transfer at 0 MW and one at 300 MW.

The 300 MW transfer on L33P and L34P is the interconnection flow limit across these ties, as presented in table 4.3 "Interconnection Total Transfer Capability (TTC) Limits" from the document "Ontario Transmission System" available at:

http://www.ieso.ca/Documents/marketReports/OntTxSystem_2014jun.pdf

b. Transient Stability Limitations

Transient stability limits for the NYISO - IESO interconnection are reported in "NYPP-OH TRANSIENT STABILITY TESTING REPORT on DIRECT TIE TRANSFER CAPABILITY - OCTOBER 1993" available at:

http://www.nyiso.com/public/webdocs/market_data/reports_info/operating_studies/NOH-1/NYPP-OH_1993.PDF

c. Ontario – Michigan PARs

All four of the PARs on the four major transmission lines interconnecting Ontario and Michigan are in service, compared to the last winter study where B3N was out of service. For this study, the PARs were scheduled to regulate at 0 MW.

d. Impact of the Queenston Flow West (QFW) Interface on the New York to Ontario Transfer Limit

The QFW interface is defined as the sum of the power flows into Ontario on the 230 kV circuits out of Beck. The QFW is primarily equal to the algebraic sum of the following:

- Total generation in the Niagara zone of Ontario including the units at the Beck #1, #2 & Pump Generating Stations, Thorold and Decew Falls GS
- The total load in the zone
- The import from New York

For a given limit for QFW, the import capability from New York will depend on the generation dispatch and the load in the Niagara zone. The import capability from New York can be increased by decreasing the generation in the Niagara zone. An increase in the load in this zone would also increase the import capability.

D. TransÉnergie–New York Interface

Thermal transfer limits between TransÉnergie (Hydro-Quebec) and New York are not analyzed as part of this study. Respecting the NYSRC and NYISO operating reserve requirements, the maximum allowable delivery into the NYCA from TransÉnergie on the Chateaugay – Massena (MSC-7040) 765 kV tie is limited to 1310 MW. However in real-time the total flow is limited to 1800 MW; the additional flow is a "wheel-through" transaction to another Balancing Authority Area. Maximum delivery from NYCA to Quebec on the 7040 line is 1000 MW.

The Dennison Scheduled Line represents a 115 kV dual-circuit transmission line that interconnects the New York Control Area to the Hydro-Quebec Control Area at the Dennison Substation, near Massena, NY. The Line has a nominal north to south capacity of 199 MW in winter, into New York, and a nominal south to north capacity of 100 MW into Quebec.

6. SUMMARY OF RESULTS – THERMAL TRANSFER LIMIT ANALYSIS

Table 1 – NYISO CROSS STATE INTERFACE THERMAL LIMITS

- Table 1.a
 - Dysinger East
 - West Central
 - UPNY – ConEd
 - Sprain Brook – Dunwoodie So.
 - ConEd – LIPA Transfer Capability
- Table 1.b – MSC-7040 Flow Sensitivity
 - Central East
 - Total East
 - Moses South

Table 2.a – NYISO to ISO-NE INTERFACE THERMAL TRANSFER LIMITS

- Northport-Norwalk Flow Sensitivity

Table 2.b – ISO-NE to NYISO INTERFACE THERMAL TRANSFER LIMITS

- Northport-Norwalk Flow Sensitivity

Table 3.a – NYISO to PJM INTERFACE THERMAL TRANSFER LIMITS

- 3-115 kV Ties I/S and O/S

Table 3.b – PJM to NYISO INTERFACE THERMAL TRANSFER LIMITS

- 3-115 kV Ties I/S and O/S

Table 4 – NYISO - IESO INTERFACE THERMAL TRANSFER LIMITS

- L33/34P Flow Sensitivity

TABLE 1.a

NYISO CROSS-STATE INTERFACE THERMAL TRANSFER LIMITS - WINTER 2014-15
ALL LINES I/S

	Dysinger East	West Central	UPNY - ConEd ₁	Sprain Brook Dunwoodie - So.	ConEd – LIPA Transfer Capability
NORMAL	3000 ⁽¹⁾	2100 ⁽¹⁾	4600 ⁽³⁾	3900 ⁽⁵⁾	950 ⁽⁷⁾
EMERGENCY	3325 ⁽²⁾	2450 ⁽²⁾	5050 ⁽⁴⁾	4000 ⁽⁶⁾	1550 ⁽⁸⁾

	LIMITING ELEMENT	RATING	LIMITING CONTINGENCY
(1)	Huntley – Sawyer (80) 230 kV	@LTE	760 MW L/O Huntley – Sawyer (79) 230 kV
(2)	Packard – Sawyer (77) 230 kV	@STE	795 MW L/O Packard – Sawyer (78) 230 kV
(3)	Leeds – Pleasant Valley (92) 345 kV	@LTE	1783 MW L/O Athens – Pleasant Valley (91) 345 kV
(4)	Leeds – Pleasant Valley (92) 345 kV	@STE	1912 MW L/O Athens – Pleasant Valley (91) 345 kV
(5)	Dunwoodie – Mott Haven (71) 345 kV	@SCUC ₂	1084 MW L/O Dunwoodie – Mott Haven (72) 345 kV
(6)	Dunwoodie – Mott Haven (71) 345 kV	@NORM	741 MW Pre-Contingency Loading
(7)	Dunwoodie – Shore Rd. (Y50) 345 kV	@LTE	977 MW ₃ L/O (SB RNS2 @ Sprain Brook 345 kV) Sprain Brook – East Garden City (Y49) 345 kV Sprain Brook – Academy (M29) 345 kV
(8)	Dunwoodie – Shore Rd. (Y50) 345 kV	@NORM	741 MW ₃ Pre-Contingency Loading

1: See Section 5.2.B for discussion on Athens SPS

2: The rating used for cable circuits during SCUC reliability analysis is the average of the LTE and STE rating (SCUC Rating).

3: LIPA rating for Y50 circuit is based on 70 % loss factor and rapid oil circulation.

TABLE 1.b

NYISO CROSS-STATE INTERFACE THERMAL TRANSFER LIMITS - WINTER 2014-15
ALL LINES I/S

	MSC-7040 FLOW HQ->NY 600 MW	MSC-7040 FLOW 0 MW	MSC-7040 FLOW NY->HQ 600 MW
CENTRAL EAST			
NORMAL	3025 ⁽¹⁾	2975 ⁽¹⁾	2950 ⁽¹⁾
EMERGENCY	3400 ⁽²⁾	3350 ⁽²⁾	3325 ⁽²⁾
TOTAL EAST			
NORMAL	5175 ⁽³⁾	5175 ⁽³⁾	5175 ⁽³⁾
EMERGENCY	6100 ⁽⁴⁾	6100 ⁽⁴⁾	6100 ⁽⁴⁾
MOSES SOUTH			
NORMAL	2150 ⁽⁵⁾	1500 ⁽⁵⁾	750 ⁽⁷⁾
EMERGENCY	2325 ⁽⁶⁾	1600 ⁽⁶⁾	850 ⁽⁶⁾

	LIMITING ELEMENT	RATING	LIMITING CONTINGENCY
(1)	New Scotland – Leeds (93-LN) 345 kV	@LTE 1692 MW	L/O New Scotland – Leeds (94-LN) 345 kV
(2)	New Scotland – Leeds (93-LN) 345 kV	@STE 1912 MW	L/O New Scotland – Leeds (94-LN) 345 kV
(3)	Rock Tavern – Ramapo (77) 345 kV	@LTE 2010 MW	L/O Roseton – East Fishkill (305) 345 kV East Fishkill 345/115 kV Transformer
(4)	Rock Tavern – Ramapo (77) 345 kV	@STE 2271 MW	L/O Roseton – East Fishkill (305) 345 kV
(5)	Massena – Moses East (MMS1) 230 kV	@LTE 1254 MW	L/O Moses – Adirondack (MA1) 230 kV Moses – Adirondack (MA2) 230 kV Adirondack – Porter (12-AP) 230 kV
(6)	Massena – Moses East (MMS1) 230 kV	@NORM 1076 MW	Pre-Contingency Loading
(7)	Massena – Moses East (MMS1) 230 kV	@LTE 1254 MW	L/O Volney – Marcy (19) 345 kV Marcy – Edic (UE1-7) 345 kV

TABLE 2.a

NYISO to ISO-NE INTERFACE THERMAL TRANSFER LIMITS - WINTER 2014-15
ALL LINES I/S

New York to New England	DIRECT TIE	NYISO FACILITY	ISO-NE FACILITY
Northport –Norwalk 100 MW			
NORMAL	1625 ⁽¹⁾	3600 ⁽³⁾	2225 ⁽⁵⁾
EMERGENCY	1925 ⁽²⁾	4200 ⁽⁴⁾	2225 ⁽⁵⁾
Northport –Norwalk 0 MW			
NORMAL	1575 ⁽¹⁾	3625 ⁽³⁾	2200 ⁽⁵⁾
EMERGENCY	1875 ⁽²⁾	4250 ⁽⁴⁾	2200 ⁽⁵⁾

	LIMITING ELEMENT	RATING	LIMITING CONTINGENCY
(1)	Pleasant Valley – Long Mountain (398) 345 kV	@LTE 1476 MW L/O	SB:MILLST 3:14T Beseck – Millstone (348) 345 kV Millstone G3 24 kV
(2)	Pleasant Valley – Long Mountain (398) 345 kV	@STE 1590 MW L/O	Millstone G3 24.0 kV
(3)	New Scotland – Alps (2-AN) 345 kV	@LTE 1410 MW L/O	Pleasant Valley – Long Mountain (398) 345 kV
(4)	Reynolds Rd – Greenbush (9-RG) 115 kV	@STE 398 MW L/O	New Scotland – Alps (2-AN) 345 kV
(5)	Blandford – Granville Junction (1512) 115 kV	@STE 201 MW L/O	Northfield – Ludlow (354) 345 kV

NOTE: The Northport – Norwalk Harbor (NNC) flow is positive in the direction of transfer
The Northport – Norwalk Harbor (NNC) line is no longer part of the New York – New England Interface Definition

TABLE 2.b

ISO-NE to NYISO INTERFACE THERMAL LIMITS - WINTER 2014-15
ALL LINES I/S

New England to New York	DIRECT TIE	NYISO FACILITY	ISO-NE FACILITY
Norwalk –Northport @ 0 MW			
NORMAL	1850 ⁽¹⁾		1475 ⁽⁶⁾
EMERGENCY	2075 ⁽²⁾		1475 ⁽⁶⁾
Norwalk –Northport @ 100 MW			
NORMAL	1875 ⁽¹⁾		1525 ⁽⁶⁾
EMERGENCY	2100 ⁽³⁾		1525 ⁽⁶⁾
Norwalk–Northport @ 200 MW			
NORMAL	1525 ⁽⁴⁾		1600 ⁽⁶⁾
EMERGENCY	1750 ⁽⁵⁾		1600 ⁽⁶⁾

LIMITING ELEMENT	RATING	LIMITING CONTINGENCY
(1) Pleasant Valley – Long Mountain (398) 345 kV	@LTE 1476 MW L/O	Berkshire – Northfield Mountain (312) 345 kV Berkshire 345/115 kV Transformer
(2) Pleasant Valley – Long Mountain (398) 345 kV	@NORM 1283 MW	Pre-Contingency Loading
(3) Pleasant Valley – Long Mountain (398) 345 kV	@STE 1590 MW L/O	Alps – Berkshire (393) 345 kV
(4) Northport – Norwalk Harbor (NNC) 138 kV	@LTE 597 MW L/O	Pleasant Valley – Long Mountain (398) 345 kV Pleasant Valley – East Fishkill (F37) 345 kV
(5) Northport – Norwalk Harbor (NNC) 138 kV	@STE 641 MW L/O	Pleasant Valley – Long Mountain (398) 345 kV
(6) Norwalk Junction – Archers Lane (3403D) 345 kV	@LTE 922 MW L/O	Long Mountain – Frost Bridge (352) 345 kV

NOTE: The Northport – Norwalk Harbor (NNC) flow is positive in the direction of transfer
The Northport – Norwalk Harbor (NNC) line is no longer part of the New England – New York Interface Definition

TABLE 3.a

NYISO to PJM INTERFACE THERMAL TRANSFER LIMITS - WINTER 2014-15
ALL LINES I/S

NYISO to PJM	DIRECT TIE	NYISO FACILITY	PJM FACILITY
NORMAL	1150 ⁽¹⁾	1200 ⁽³⁾	1375 ⁽⁶⁾
3-115-O/S	1325 ⁽²⁾	1300 ⁽⁴⁾	1750 ⁽⁷⁾
EMERGENCY	1150 ⁽⁸⁾	1725 ⁽⁵⁾	1375 ⁽⁶⁾
3-115-O/S	1375 ⁽⁹⁾	1375 ⁽⁵⁾	1750 ⁽⁷⁾

LIMITING ELEMENT		RATING			LIMITING CONTINGENCY
(1)	North Waverly – East Sayre (956) 115 kV	@LTE	139 MW	L/O	Hillside – East Towanda (70) 230 kV
(2)	Hillside – East Towanda (70) 230 kV	@LTE	564 MW	L/O	Susquehanna G1
(3)	Gardenville – Cloverbank (141) 115 kV	@LTE	117 MW	L/O	Gardenville – Dunkirk (73) 230 kV Gardenville – Dunkirk (74) 230 kV
(4)	South Perry – Meyer (934) 115 kV	@LTE	116 MW	L/O	Stolle Rd. – High Sheldon (67) 230 kV Stolle Rd. – Homer City (37) 345 kV
(5)	Border City – Guardian (969) 115 kV	@STE	179 MW	L/O	Lafayette – Clarks Corners (4-46) 345 kV
(6)	Towanda – East Sayre 115 kV	@EMER	131 MW	L/O	Hillside – East Towanda (70) 230 kV
(7)	Towanda – North Meshoppen 115 kV	@EMER	191 MW	L/O	East Towanda – Canyon 230 kV
(8)	North Waverly – East Sayre (956) 115 kV	@STE	139 MW	L/O	Hillside – East Towanda (70) 230 kV
(9)	Hillside – East Towanda (70) 230 kV	@NORM	512 MW		Pre-Contingency Loading

NOTE: Emergency Transfer Capability Limits may have required line outages as described in Section 5.3.B. PAR schedules have been adjusted in the direction of transfer.

TABLE 3.b

PJM to NYISO INTERFACE THERMAL TRANSFER LIMITS - WINTER 2014-15
ALL LINES I/S

PJM to NYISO	DIRECT TIE	NYISO FACILITY	PJM FACILITY
NORMAL	1775 ⁽¹⁾	2475 ⁽⁶⁾	2600 ⁽³⁾
3-115-O/S	3125 ⁽²⁾	3200 ⁽⁷⁾	3200 ⁽¹¹⁾
EMERGENCY	1850 ⁽⁴⁾	3725 ⁽⁹⁾	2650 ⁽⁸⁾
3-115-O/S	3200 ⁽⁵⁾	3325 ⁽¹⁰⁾	3200 ⁽¹¹⁾

LIMITING ELEMENT		RATING			LIMITING CONTINGENCY
(1)	Falconer – Warren (171) 115 kV	@LTE	116 MW	L/O	South Ripley – Dunkirk (68) 230 kV Gardenville – Dunkirk (73) 230 kV Gardenville – Dunkirk (74) 230 kV Dunkirk 230/115 kV Transformer Bank 31 Dunkirk 230/115 kV Transformer Bank 41
(2)	Hillside – East Towanda (70) 230 kV	@LTE	564 MW	L/O	Watercure – Homer City (30) 345 kV
(3)	Towanda – East Sayre 115 kV	@EMER	131 MW	L/O	(Stuck Breaker Hillside 230 kV) Hillside – Watercure (69) 230 kV Hillside – East Towanda (70) 230 kV Hillside 230/34.5 kV Transformer Hillside 115/34.5 kV Transformer
(4)	Falconer – Warren (171) 115 kV	@STE	119 MW	L/O	Glade – Forest 230 kV
(5)	Watercure – Homer City (30) 345 kV	@STE	927 MW	L/O	Nine Mile – Scriba (9-NS) 345 kV
(6)	North Waverly – Lounsberry 115 kV	@LTE	157 MW	L/O	Watercure – Oakdale (31) 345 kV Oakdale – Clarks Corners (36) 345 kV
(7)	South Ripley – Dunkirk (68) 230 kV	@LTE	564 MW	L/O	Stolle Rd. – Homer City (37) 345 kV
(8)	Towanda – East Sayre 115 kV	@EMER	131 MW	L/O	Hillside – East Towanda (70) 230 kV
(9)	North Waverly – Lounsberry 115 kV	@NORM	143 MW		Pre-Contingency Loading
(10)	South Ripley – Dunkirk (68) 230 kV	@STE	607 MW	L/O	Stolle Rd. – Homer City (37) 345 kV
(11)	Erie East – Four Mile 115 kV	@EMER	257 MW	L/O	Erie East – Four Mile 230 kV

NOTE: Emergency Transfer Capability Limits may have required line outages as described in Section 5.3.B. PAR schedules have been adjusted in the direction of transfer.

TABLE 4

NYISO - IESO INTERFACE THERMAL TRANSFER LIMITS - WINTER 2014-15
ALL LINES I/S

	DIRECT TIE	NYISO FACILITY	IESO FACILITY	DIRECT TIE	NYISO FACILITY	IESO FACILITY
Ontario to New York		L33/34P 0 MW			L33/34P 300 MW	
NORMAL	2250 ⁽¹⁾	1700 ⁽³⁾	2450 ⁽⁵⁾	2550 ⁽¹⁾	2000 ⁽³⁾	2750 ⁽⁵⁾
EMERGENCY	2800 ⁽²⁾	2075 ⁽⁴⁾	3100 ⁽⁶⁾	3100 ⁽²⁾	2375 ⁽⁴⁾	3375 ⁽⁶⁾
New York to Ontario		L33/34P 0 MW			L33/34P 300 MW	
NORMAL	1650 ⁽⁷⁾		950 ^(5,9)	1950 ⁽⁷⁾		1275 ^(5,9)
EMERGENCY	2075 ⁽⁸⁾		1350 ^(6,9)	2400 ⁽⁸⁾		1675 ^(6,9)

	LIMITING ELEMENT	RATING	LIMITING CONTINGENCY		
(1)	Beck – Niagara (PA27) 230 kV	@LTE 540 MW	L/O	Beck – Niagara (PA 301) 345 kV	
(2)	Beck – Niagara (PA27) 230 kV	@STE 685 MW	L/O	Beck – Niagara (PA 301) 345 kV	
(3)	Packard – Sawyer (77) 230 kV	@LTE 747 MW	L/O	Niagara – Packard (61) 230 kV Packard – Sawyer (78) 230 kV Sawyer – Huntley (78) 230 kV Packard 230/115 kV Transformer	
(4)	Packard – Sawyer (77) 230 kV	@STE 795 MW	L/O	Packard – Sawyer (78) 230 kV	
(5)	Q30M 220 kV	@LTE 450 MW	L/O	Q24HM + Q29HM 220 kV	
(6)	Q30M 220 kV	@NORM 427 MW		Pre-Contingency Loading	
(7)	Beck – Niagara (PA27) 230 kV	@LTE 460 MW	L/O	Beck – Niagara (PA 302) 345 kV Q22P 220 kV Beck #2 unit 15	
(8)	Beck – Niagara (PA27) 230 kV	@NORM 480 MW		Pre-Contingency Loading	
(9)	This limit can be increased by reducing generation in the Niagara zone of Ontario. See Section 5.3.C.d. for discussion.				