

Operating Committee
December 14, 2023
NYISO
10:00 a.m. – 1:55 p.m.

1. Administrative Matters

Mr. Greg Yozzo (Central Hudson) called the meeting to order. Meeting participants announced themselves and there was a quorum.

2. Operations Report – November 2023

Mr. Aaron Markham (NYISO) reviewed the Operations report included with the meeting material. There were no questions.

3. Central East Limits for Loss of ISO New England Source

Mr. Raj Dontireddy (NYISO) reviewed the presentation included with the meeting material.

Motion #1:

The Operating Committee (OC) hereby approves the Loss of ISO-New England Source Impact on Central East draft report as presented and discussed at the December 14, 2023 OC meeting.

The motion passed unanimously by show of hands.

4. Study Reports

Q#790 Atlantic Shores Offshore Wind 9

The developer provided a brief description of the project. Ms. Diana Hernandez (NYISO) reviewed the study report included with the meeting material.

Motion #2a:

The Operating Committee (OC) hereby approves the Q#790 Atlantic Shores Offshore Wind 9 Interconnection System Reliability Impact Study report as presented and discussed at the December 14, 2023 OC meeting. ***The motion passed unanimously by show of hands.***

Q#1081 KCE NY 28

The developer provided a brief description of the project. Ms. Diana Hernandez (NYISO) reviewed the study report included with the meeting material.

Motion #2b:

The Operating Committee (OC) hereby approves the Q#1081 KCE NY 28 Interconnection System Reliability Impact Study report as presented and discussed at the December 14, 2023 OC meeting.

The motion passed unanimously by show of hands.

5. Study Scopes

Q#1292 Hemlock Hollow Wind

The developer provided a brief description of the project. Ms. Diana Hernandez (NYISO) reviewed the study report included with the meeting material.

Motion #3a:

The Operating Committee (OC) hereby approves the Q#1292 Hemlock Hollow Wind System Reliability Impact Study scope as presented and discussed at the December 14, 2023 OC meeting.

The motion passed unanimously by show of hands.

Q#1536 White Pine Phase 1

The developer provided a brief description of the project. Ms. Diana Hernandez (NYISO) reviewed the study report included with the meeting material.

Motion #3b:

The Operating Committee (OC) hereby approves the Q#1536 White Pine Phase 1 Interconnection System Reliability Impact Study scope as presented and discussed at the December 14, 2023 OC meeting.

The motion passed unanimously by show of hands.

6. Comprehensive Order No. 2023 Compliance Proposal

Mr. Thinh Nguyen (NYISO) reviewed the presentation included with the meeting material.

In response to a question, Ms. Sara Keegan (NYISO) said the transmission process time in the NYISO's presentations thus far to stakeholders have always been tentative. The pre-application process would be effective based on when the NYISO submits its filing to FERC and what effective date the NYISO requests. In response to a question, Ms. Keegan said the NYISO has not determined whether the effective date would be the next day after it files. Ms. Doreen Saia (Shell) said if the effective date would not be the next day after the NYISO files, then developers would have a very tight window for the pre-application process, and if the NYISO requested a 60-day effective date after April 3, then there is almost no time for developers to utilize the pre-application process. Ms. Keegan said it was not accurate to characterize the timeline as a limited window for the pre-application process. It would be the window of submitting pre-application requests and developers would need to have it ready during that window. The pre-application process and evaluations are performed beyond that window. Also, if developers are seeking information regarding the feasibility of a project, developers can submit a new interconnection request in the NYISO's existing interconnection process and request a limited feasibility study, which provides more information than the pre-application process. Ms. Saia asked that the NYISO clarify its slide to that "Pre-Application Pause" be revised to "Pre-Application Request Pause." Ms. Keegan noted that the other slides in the presentation were clear about the pause phase but noted that the OC minutes could reflect the clarification.

Mr. Tony Abate (NYPA) said the TOs, as part of the Pre-Application Process, would provide a heat map as required by FERC. Developers could choose two potential POIs to help them understand that they have the best information so that developers can make a selection for their project, but it is important to note, that like today's interconnection process, no POI is guaranteed under the new process. The TOs want to make sure that a project passes the infeasibility screen before a project enters the first phase of the cluster study.

In response to a question, Mr. Nguyen said based on its current timeline, the first heat map would be available in May 2026.

In response to a question, Mr. Nguyen said the NYISO would publish knowledge articles for developers and is considering hosting a series of workshops in Q2 2024 for developers to help educate them about the new process.

Ms. Saia requested the NYISO to highlight the project modification aspect of its compliance plan in its filing letter because it is a significant change from the current process.

7. Subcommittee and Working Group Updates

- **CDAS** – Mr. Kirk Dixon (NYISO) reported that CDAS met early this month. There were no items on their agenda that advanced to the OC. Mr. Dixon noted that Ryan Coalla (Central Hudson) is stepping down as CDAS Chair and Greg Sacco from New York Power Authority is starting in 2024. The next CDAS meeting is January 11.
- **ESPWG** – Mr. Tim Lundin (LS Power) reported that ESPWG has met once since the November 15th OC. Mr. Lundin noted nine transmission owners provided update to their LTPs, there was a NYCPPTN update, and NY Offshore Wind Alliance gave a presentation on PPTN Risk Factors, we discussed the Coordinated Grid Planning process and how NYISO is planning to support the project, we reviewed the reference case updates for the 2023-2042 System & Resource Outlook Update and DNV presented modeling results for land-based wind and solar profiles. The next ESPWG is scheduled for December 19.
- **IITF** – Mr. Kirk Dixon (NYISO) reported that IITF met once since the last OC meeting, and they discussed the FERC Order 2023 presentation.
- **SOAS** – Mr. Kirk Dixon (NYISO) reported that SOAS met early this month, topics reviewed included the grid operations and training reports for the month of November and reviewed the loss of ISO New England source impact on Central East study. Mr. Dixon noted that John Hart (Central Hudson) is stepping down as SOAS Chair and Ken Buske from National Grid is starting in 2024. The next SOAS meeting is January 11.
- **TPAS** – Mr. Scott Leuthauser, (HQ US) reported that the group met on December 1. ESPWG. Topics discussed included two studies study scopes and two study reports, both approved at today's OC. In addition, a status update was provided on the class year and the expedited deliverability studies. The next TPAS meeting is January 8.

8. New York State Reliability Council Update

Mr. Aaron Markham (NYISO) stated the New York State Reliability Council met last Friday. The council approved an Installed Reserve Margin (IRM) of twenty-two percent for next year; and a draft PRR on inverter-based resources has been posted and comments are due December 26. In addition, Mr. Markham noted that based on the feedback that folks provided on this topic at the previous OC, the comment period was extended to the full forty-five days.

9. New Business

The meeting adjourned at 1:55 p.m.

The next meeting is on Thursday, January 18, 2024.