

Operating Committee  
February 15, 2024

**WebEx**  
10:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

**1. Administrative Matters**

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

Motion #1:

The Operating Committee (OC) hereby approves the meeting minutes from December 2023 and January 2024.

***The motion passed unanimously by show of hands.***

**2. Operations Report – January 2024**

Mr. Aaron Markham (NYISO) reviewed the Operations report included with the meeting material.

**3. New York State Reliability Council Update**

Mr. Chris Wentlent (MEUA) reported that the NYSRC approved the Proposed Reliability Rule 151 at its February meeting. In addition, NERC provided a presentation on its 10 year assessment and encouraged stakeholders to review it because it assesses the Northeast in particular. Finally, the NYSRC reviewed the activities of the Reliability Rules Subcommittee.

**4. Chateaugay-Massena Interconnection Operation above 1,500 MW**

Mr. Kyle Ardolino (NYISO) reviewed the presentation included with the meeting material.

In response to a question, Mr. Ardolino said the NYISO operators have all of the information in front of them and these conditions would be reviewed before making the decision to operate and move the transfers up. In response to a question, Mr. Ardolino said the Segment A and B system improvements should facilitate more transfers West-East and North-South. However, the NYISO has yet to experience the conditions to increase the imports and is still gaining experience on how system conditions exist on a day-to-day basis with the new configuration.

In response to a question, Mr. Ardolino said when we say that the AVRs are in normal operation, it assumes that the plant is online. It is possible for a plant to be online and have the AVR out of normal, which could be a malfunction or if there is a request to have certain VAR output from the plant. In either case, it would be considered out of normal, not automatically regulating voltage, and therefore, it would not be counted in that total.

In response to a question, Mr. Ardolino said the NYISO would want the AVR to be automatically regulating because that is faster than any operator request can be achieved.

## 5. Capability Year 2024/2025: Peak Load Window

Ms. Christina Duong (NYISO) reviewed the presentation included with the meeting material.

In response to a question, Ms. Duong said the Capacity Accreditation Factor methodology does not directly rely on the peak load windows. The NYISO takes what the effective peak load window is to calculate the UCAP value for specific resources, but that does not dictate or have an impact on the proxy of a Capacity Accreditation Resource Class (CARC) for calculating CAFs.

## 6. Expedited Deliverability Study 2023-01 Report

Ms. Wenjin Yan (NYISO) reviewed the presentation included with the meeting material.

In response to a question, Ms. Yan said a project that did not pass the EDS-01 tests could enter the next available EDS study or wait until the transitional cluster study under the new interconnection process.

### Motion #2:

The Operating Committee (OC) hereby approves the Expedited Deliverability Study 2023-01 report as presented and discussed at the February 15, 2024 OC meeting. ***The motion passed unanimously by show of hands.***

## 7. Interconnection Study Reports

### Q#1213 St. Lawrence Data and Agricultural Center

The developer provided a brief description of its project. Mr. Prasad Shinde (NYISO) reviewed the study reports included with the meeting material.

### Motion #3a:

The Operating Committee (OC) hereby approves the Q#1213 St. Lawrence Data and Agricultural Center Interconnection System Impact Study report as presented and discussed at the February 15, 2024 OC meeting.

***The motion passed unanimously by show of hands.***

### Q#1243 Whale Square Energy Storage 2

The developer provided a brief description of its project. Mr. Shinde reviewed the study reports included with the meeting material.

In response to a question, the developer said it already had site control as it owned the property.

### Motion #3b:

The Operating Committee (OC) hereby approves the Q1243 Whale Square Energy Storage 2 Interconnection System Reliability Impact Study report as presented and discussed at the February 15, 2024 OC meeting.

***The motion passed unanimously by show of hands.***

Q#1244 Whale Square Energy Storage 3

The developer provided a brief description of its project. Mr. Shinde reviewed the study reports included with the meeting material.

In response to a question, the developer said the \$12 million cost estimate was incremental to the \$12 million cost estimate for Q#1243 Whale Square Energy Storage 2.

Motion #3c:

The Operating Committee (OC) hereby the Q#1244 Whale Square Energy Storage 3 System Reliability Impact Study report as presented and discussed at the February 15, 2024 OC meeting.

***The motion passed unanimously by show of hands.***

Q#1308 Richmond Spoke

The developer provided a brief description of its project. Mr. Shinde reviewed the study reports included with the meeting material.

Motion #3d:

The Operating Committee (OC) hereby approves the Q#1308 Richmond Spoke Interconnection System Impact Study report as presented and discussed at the February 15, 2024 OC meeting.

***The motion passed unanimously by show of hands.***

Q#1354 Diamond Solar Project

The developer provided a brief description of its project. Mr. Shinde reviewed the study reports included with the meeting material.

Motion #3e:

The Operating Committee (OC) hereby approves the Q#1354 Diamond Solar Interconnection System Reliability Impact Study report as presented and discussed at the February 15, 2024 OC meeting.

***The motion passed unanimously by show of hands.***

**8. NYC PPTN Update**

Ms. Supriya Tawde (NYISO) reviewed the presentation included with the meeting material.

In response to a question, Ms. Tawde said the updates to the Public Policy manual attachments would become effective prior to the solicitation and those updates impact the format of project data submission from developers.

In response to a question, Ms. Tawde said the NYISO would post a letter it received from the NY Department of Public Service on its website yesterday (Docket 22-E-0633) and would include it in its for February 22, 2024 ESPWG/TPAS meeting presentation (data catalogue). In response to a question, Ms. Tawde said if there are any developments on New York awards, the NYISO will go through its procedures and make a determination if any changes need to be made to the

baseline cases.

In response to a question, Ms. Tawde said the NYISO anticipates updating its technical guidance document early next week and an updated FAQ will be posted either tomorrow or early next week.

In response to a question, Ms. Tawde said it's likely it's overall schedule will shift to the latter part of the quarters due to the solicitation occurring in April 2024.

#### **9. Subcommittee and Working Group Updates**

- **CDAS** – Mr. Greg Sacco (NYPA) reported that CDAS met early this month. There were no items on their agenda that advanced to the OC.
- **ESPWG** – Ms. Corinne Didomenico (NextEra) reported that ESPWG met two times since the last OC meeting. The NYISO is in preparations to issue the NYC PPTN solicitation. This includes updating the baseline and sufficiency assessment. The NYISO is also in the midst of preparing the Q1 2024 STAR assessment and presented updates on key study assumptions. NYISO also gave an update on the 2023 System and Resource Outlook Report, including the scope and schedule review. Con Edison gave an update on their LTP for the Idlewild project, declaring the Eastern Queens 138 kV substation as firm.
- **IITF** – Ms. Didomenico reported that IITF met on February 6 where the NYISO reviewed the FER Corder 2023 compliance proposal. The next meeting is scheduled for tomorrow, February 16.
- **SOAS** – Mr. Kirk Dixon (NYISO) reported that SOAS met early this month, topics reviewed included the December grid operations report, the training report and the Chateauguay-Massena presentation.
- **TPAS** – None

#### **10. New Business**

None

The meeting adjourned at 11:30 a.m.

The next meeting is on Friday, March 15, 2024.