

Operating Committee
March 15, 2024

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10:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

1. Administrative Matters

Mr. James Kane (New York Power Authority, OC Vice Chair) 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 February 2024.

The motion passed unanimously by show of hands.

2. Operations Report – February 2024

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

Mr. Markham also provided an update on the NYISO's preparations for the upcoming solar eclipse on April 8, 2024.

3. NYSRC Update

Mr. Roger Clayton (NYSRC) provided a verbal update. The NYSRC has posted two reliability rules for review and comment on the NYSRC website. Both proposed rules are based on the extreme contingency rules that presently exist, and the proposed rules introduce new design contingencies based on those existing rules. The first rule relates to an extreme contingency that looks at generating unit fuel shortages (PRR 153a) and the other rule looks at peak load conditions resulting from extreme weather (PRR 154a). Both rules are related to potential gas shortages in the future and maintaining system reliability by ensuring fuel back-ups are part of the design contingency. Comments are due by April 24, 2024.

In response to a question, Mr. Clayton said the proposed rules would be prospective in terms of what the NYISO has to study as part of its interconnection process. In addition, it would be incorporated in the Q3 2024 STAR, 2024 RNA, and the CRP.

4. NYISO Cold Weather Operations

Mr. Markham reviewed the presentation included with the meeting material.

In response to a question, Mr. Markham said the NYISO assumes the scheduled imports will materialize as scheduled when it makes the decision to SRE resources. The NYISO reviews the imports for those that fail day ahead checkout and also coordinates with neighboring control areas to determine their capacity situation and whether neighboring systems have concerns with delivering those scheduled imports. Mr. Mark Younger (Hudson Energy Economics) asked if the NYISO inquires as to whether any external ICAP providers are online in the external regions or could be brought on line. Mr. Markham said those conversations would get triggered if the NYISO saw the need for external ICAP in accordance with the NYISO Emergency Operations Manual. Mr. Younger opined that the NYISO should be having that discussion earlier because external ICAP providers have obligations to the NYCA.

Otherwise, the NYISO should reconsider external suppliers as capacity providers.

In response to a question, Mr. Timothy Duffy (NYISO) said the NYISO would be having discussions with stakeholders in the future regarding forecasting winter peak loads using its weather normalization process.

5. Interconnection Study Scope

Q#1340 Atlantic Shores Offshore Wind Bight 4 SRIS Scope Amendment

Ms. Diana Hernandez (NYISO) reviewed the study scope document included with the meeting material.

Motion #2:

The Operating Committee (OC) hereby approves the Q#1340 Atlantic Shores Offshore Wind Bight 4 SRIS Scope Amendment as presented and discussed at the March 15, 2024 OC meeting.

The motion passed unanimously by show of hands.

6. Interconnection Study Reports

Q#1138 Wintergreen Solar SRIS Report

Ms. Hernandez reviewed the study report's finding included with the meeting material.

Motion #3a:

The Operating Committee (OC) hereby approves the Q#1138 Wintergreen Solar Interconnection System Reliability Impact Study report as presented and discussed at the March 15, 2024 OC meeting.

The motion passed unanimously by show of hands.

Q#1301 Pine Barrens Storage SRIS Report

Ms. Hernandez reviewed the study report's findings included with the meeting material.

Motion #3b:

The Operating Committee (OC) hereby approves the Q#1301 Pine Barrens Storage Interconnection System Reliability Impact Study report as presented and discussed at the March 15, 2024 OC meeting.

The motion passed unanimously by show of hands.

7. Subcommittee and Working Group Updates

- **CDAS** – Mr. Kirk Dixon (NYISO) reported that CDAS met last week. There were no items on the agenda that advanced to the OC.
- **ESPWG** – Ms. Corinne Didomenico (NextEra) reported that ESPWG met two times since the last OC meeting. The NYISO presented clarifications and updates to the NYC PPTN solicitation, which is set to open on April 4. The NYISO also gave an update on the 2023 System and Resource Outlook Report. The next meeting is scheduled on March 21.
- **IITF** – Ms. Didomenico reported that IITF met two times since the last OC. The NYISO reviewed its FERC Order No. 2023 compliance proposal.

The next meeting is scheduled after the OC today.

- **SOAS** – Mr. Kirk Dixon (NYISO) reported that SOAS met early this month and reviewed the operations report. No items on the agenda advanced to the OC.
- **TPAS** – Mr. Scott Leuthauser (HQ US) reported the TPAS reviewed the study scope and study reports that the OC approved. In addition, the NYISO provided a status update on its Class Year 2023 Study and the Expedited Deliverability Study.

8. New Business

None

The meeting adjourned at 11:30 a.m.

The next meeting is on Thursday, April 11, 2024.

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