

**Planning Advisory Committee  
Teleconference  
March 31, 2016**

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**Item 1 – Chair’s Remarks**

Mr. Don Gates welcomed the committee and reviewed the day’s agenda. Mr. Gates reminded the committee that today’s meeting is a continuation of discussion on the Transmission Planning Process Guide – Solution Development held at the March 22, 2016 PAC meeting.

**Item 2 – Transmission Planning Process Guide - Solution Development**

Mr. Brent Oberlin (ISO) provided an overview of the Transmission Planning Process Guide - Solution Development.

*Q – On slide 23, the Phase I proposal must address all the needs. Was that your intent?*

*A – Yes, when the RFP is issued we expect that everything within the RFP will be addressed.*

*Q – Will the backstop solution provider be required to submit a \$100K deposit?*

*A – Yes. All parties will be treated alike.*

*Q – Will the backstop solution provided need to be QTPS qualified?*

*A – Yes they will.*

*Q – Can one proposal address a number of RFP's?*

*A – I'm not sure how that would work as we will process each RFP, one at a time. We will address that on a case by case basis.*

*Q - Can more than one backstop solution be presented?*

*A – No. There will only be one backstop solution per project.*

There were several questions and responses regarding examples of what would constitute a rejected proposal and what is a deficient proposal. A rejected proposal does not meet the needs as stated in the RFP. A deficient proposal is ISO asking for clarification on certain aspect of the proposal. If the clarification is not satisfactorily answered or addressed by the QTPS submitter, the proposal could be rejected.

*Q – How long do you anticipate the Phase II part of the project to last?*

*A – It is dependent on the size and nature of the project. Resolving a line overload should go quick. Resolving Greater Boston issues is expected to take much longer.*

*Q – The cost recovery in Phase II, will that include the costs incurred on Phase I?*

*A – Costs incurred in Phase I will be non-recoverable.*

*Q – When does the I.3.9 process for PPAs begin?*

*A – This is not explicitly addressed in Order 1000 but the project sponsor will need to come before the RC with their PPA applications sometime after the RFP winner or backstop is selected.*

Comments on the document redline should be submitted to [PACMatters@iso-ne.com](mailto:PACMatters@iso-ne.com) and are due to ISO-NE by April 15, 2016.

Planning Advisory Committee meeting adjourned at 2:15 PM

Respectively submitted

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