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Item 1 – Chair’s Remarks

Mr. Don Gates welcomed the committee and reviewed the day’s agenda.

Item 2 – East Shore 345 kV Equipment Asset Conditions Assessment

Mr. Chris Malone (UI) provided an overview of the East Shore 345 kV Equipment Asset Conditions Assessment Project.

Q – What is a dead tank breaker?

A – It is a ground level breaker versus an overhead, live tank breaker.

Q – The two autotransformer, are those a similar age?

A – Yes, they are the original transformer around 43 years old. However, they are in good shape and we believe they do not need replacement at this time.

Q – How long will the associated outage on Line 387 be with this work?

A – Detailed engineering has not been performed yet so I can’t say for sure how long any outages would be at this time. Best guess would be roughly a week.

Item 3 – EIPC Update

Mr. Stan Doe (ISO) provided an EIPC Update.

Q – Slide 11 states contingencies on the 115 kV facilities but previous slides states the N-1 contingencies were limited to 230 kV and above. Why the discrepancy?

A – We are monitoring down to 100 kV.

Q – Are the NYSO contingencies are just show for example purposes? I’m sure there are several others on the NPCC contingency report.

A - That is true.

Item 4 – Update to the Transmission Planning Technical Guide – PV and Other Minor Updates

Mr. Brent Oberlin (ISO) provided an Update to the Transmission Planning Technical Guide – PV and Other Minor Updates.

Q – Regarding modeling behind the meter PV, is it geographically specific or is it spread out?

A – It is spread out zonally until we get more specific area information.

Other clarifying questions were asked and responded to by Mr. Oberlin.

Item 5 – New Generation Interconnection – Clustering Approaches

Mr. Bruce Kay (ISO) provided an overview of the New Generation Interconnection – Clustering Approaches.

Q - For SPP, how many IRs would it take to require a 4 year study window?

A – It varies depending on the amount of IRs and the location. I don't have a specific number of IRs that would correlate to a study window timeframe.

Q – Regarding the cost allocation to rate payers, if one or more of the study customers withdraw from the cluster study project, do they still need to cover their share of transmission line upgrades or construction?

A – Yes, once each customer signs the contract, their deposits would cover their share of the transmission line costs.

Q – Is the cost of the transmission line paid up by each of the project sponsors front as a one-time cost or is it paid over time?

A – I don't know that answer for sure but each of the project sponsors would have needed to put up financial assurance enough to cover their share of the project.

Comment – I believe the “one-off” approach similar to what CAISO used, would be the best approach to use in ISO-NE if we continue with a “clustering” methodology.

Comment – I believe there are other areas within the region other than the current backlog of queue projects in Maine that could benefit from something other than the “one-off or one-time” approach.

Comment – The queue MWs could lead to underbuilding the transmission as it doesn't look toward future generation projects wishing to interconnect on the transmission built for the clustering study.

Item 6 – Transmission Planning Process Guide – Public Policy

Mr. Peter Bernard (ISO) provided an overview of the Transmission Planning Process Guide – Public Policy.

Q – Regarding the use of the words “they may be a PAC meeting” to discuss proposals. Can you expand on that?

A – It allows ISO some flexibility as some projects may be minor and we can inform the committee of the project/proposal via e-mail correspondence.

Q - Is NESCOE in a gatekeeper roll for Public Policies.

A – They are.

Q - Is there a process if the PPTU will be completed or not? What goes into that?

A – The tariff is silent on this aspect. ISO would bring a rough draft of the public policy project along with a cost estimate. A decision will then be made if the project is worthy of continuing. For example, if a project cost is estimated to be \$5 billion, there could be a decision not to pursue it if the benefits do not outweigh the cost.

Q – If there are multiple proposals to resolve a single RFP, would each proposal require a \$100,000 study deposit?

A – Each proposal would require the \$100K deposit because each proposal would require an individual study.

Q – On slide 22, would this include market efficiency as well as reliability?

A – The language regarding the reliability statement is taken directly from the tariff. We will discuss if an amendment to the tariff is needed to make reference to market efficiency.

Q – How much of the monthly updates from the project sponsor on the Public Policy project will be made available to the stakeholders?

A – It depends on the nature of the updates and if they fall under the ISO information policy and potential CEII implications. We will explore this issue further as we refine our process.

Planning Advisory Committee meeting adjourned at 1:45 PM

Respectively submitted

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