

**Planning Advisory Committee  
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### **Item 1 – Chair’s Remarks**

Mr. Don Gates welcomed the committee and reviewed the day’s agenda. Mr. Gates advised the committee that the suggested stakeholder edits for the ISO-NE QTPS Process document has been include as part of today’s meeting materials and is available for review. Comments or questions regarding the document may be sent to Bruce Kay at ISO.

### **Item 2 – RSP 15 Comments and Page Turn Review**

Mr. Mike Henderson (ISO-NE) reviewed the stakeholder submitted comments to the RSP 15.

*Comment – ISO owns the interconnection process and the Queue is in need of extensive revisions and the inclusions of ETUs will make it worse. Please make efforts to address this problem going forward. Perhaps we could improve the process by performing some group studies versus several individual studies.*

*A – We have made extensive progress in clearing the ETU study process reducing the backlog from 22+ ETUs down to 8 remaining. We will continue to work to improve our processes.*

*Q – In regards to comment #6, the response in the table is fine. However, I believe price volatility is a good thing that sends price signals to the market.*

*A – We are not taking a position on price volatility. It’s not good or bad, but just a characteristic of the region as it is today.*

*Comment – I believe that there should be a higher emphasis placed in RSP 15 regarding energy imports as they are significant resources for the region.*

*Comment – I believe the RSP is becoming too long and this level of detail is unnecessary as the information is available elsewhere.*

*Comment – I believe the data being used in the ISO forecasting process that address the benefits of DG and EE is not being accurately being reflected resulting in an incorrect forecast model.*

*Comment – I believe the implementation of Order 1000 will create significant challenges to the planning study and project implementation process and that should be emphasized within the RSP.*

*Comment – in comment #19, Please clarify the use of the term “net load forecast”.*

*Comment – I would like to see additional language included regarding the need for additional Operating Reserves other than saying the reason is due to the increase of Variable Resources.*

A – We acknowledge that there are other reasons for the increase in the Operating Reserves but we believe the primary driver is the significant addition of Variable Resources in the region. However, we will take another look at the language.

Comment – I believe there are possibilities for other resources to provide Operating Reserves other than traditional resources such as Combined Cycles, Pump Storage units, etc...

Comment - #162, the table has some issues. I believe investments header should be revised to revenue requirements and the footnotes are incorrect.

A – We will work with the TO's to discuss this issue as they are the ones who provided the table to ISO.

Comment - #165, please clarify the term “positive congestion costs”.

Other minor clarifying questions were asked and responded to by Mr. Henderson, Mr. Steve Rourke (ISO), and Mr. Theodore Paradise (ISO).

Planning Advisory Committee meeting adjourned at 12:25 PM

Respectively submitted

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