

## **Draft Meeting Minutes**

### **New York State Reliability Council, L.L.C. (NYSRC) Reliability Compliance Monitoring Subcommittee (RCMS) Meeting No. 134 – March 3, 2011 New York State Energy Research Development Agency**

#### **RCMS/RRS Members and Alternates:**

Roger Clayton, Electric Power Resources (Chairman)  
Dan Head, Con Edison (RCMS Secretary)  
Larry Hochberg, NYPA (RRS Secretary)  
Brian Gordon, NYSE&G  
Roy Pfliederer, National Grid  
Dean Ellis, Dynegy  
Jeff May, Central Hudson  
Pat Hession, LIPA (Phone)  
Henry Wysocki, Con Ed (Phone)

#### **Non-Voting Participants:**

Alan Adamson, NYSRC Consultant  
Paul Kiernan, NYISO  
James Grant, NYISO  
John Adams, NYISO (Phone)

#### **Guests:**

Zach Smith, NYISO

### **1. Introduction & Request for Additional Agenda Items**

Because of the departure of former Chairman Steve Fanning, this meeting was conducted in conjunction with the Reliability Rules Subcommittee (RRS) according to the current RRS schedule. RRS Chairman Roger Clayton is currently chairing both committees.

There were no additional agenda items.

Al Adamson reviewed the RCMS's Work Scope for the benefit of RRS members in attendance not familiar with RCMS's tasks or methodology. As an Action Item, Mr. Clayton asked Mr. Adamson to review the Work Scope and recommend any changes or updates to the combined committees at the next meeting (Action Item 134-1).

### **2. Approval of Minutes for Meeting / Action Items**

#### **2.1 Approval of RCMS Meeting Minutes #133**

The minutes of RCMS Meeting #133, held on February 10, 2011, were approved with minor changes. The approved minutes will be distributed to RCMS members and sent to Carol Lynch for posting on the NYSRC website, with a copy to P. Don Raymond.

## 2.2 RCMS Action Items List

- Action Item 103-3. Remains ongoing
- Action Item 123-1. Completed.
- Action Item 130-1. Completed.
- Action Item 133-1. Completed.

## **3. NYSRC 2011 Reliability Compliance Monitoring Program**

### 3.1. 2011 Compliance Monitoring Program Summary

Mr. Adamson reviewed the Compliance Monitoring Program, noting that there are several criteria for selecting which measurements are included in each year's Program. These criteria are stated in the recent RCMS report to the EC on the 2010 Compliance Program.

Mr. Adamson further noted that most NYISO compliance documentation consists of self-certifications of NYISO compliance and certifications of market participation compliance. Other types of NYISO compliance documentation include data, actions, presentations, and reports. Determination of NYISO full or non-compliance is based on a consensus of RCMS members present.

At the beginning of the year, RCMS meets with members of the NYISO staff to agree on the review schedule and compliance documentation requirements. Documentation for each measurement being reviewed is then generally due to the RCMS no later than seven days prior to the RCMS meeting at which compliance is reviewed.

With RCMS now meeting on the RRS schedule, Mr. Adamson then asked if the NYISO will be able to comply with the adjusted schedule. James Grant replied that the NYISO can meet the new schedule for some requirements but that changes to other requirements would be difficult to move because the NYISO either needs the time originally built into the schedule to review data—as was originally planned—or because certain sets of data are simply not available early. A discussion followed with Mr. Adamson tasked to recommend changes to the RCMS Scorecard's due dates for Mr. Grant's review (Action Item 134-2).

### 3.2. NYISO Operations Report for February 2011

The NYISO Operations Report for February was not ready in time for this meeting. Mr. Grant committed to emailing it to the group and answering questions as necessary (Action Item 134-3).

### 3.3. Establishing NYCA IRM Requirements (A-M1)

A-M1 is an Installed Capacity Subcommittee (ICS) requirement. ICS is required to report on its compliance to A-M1 every three years; for this year's report, the committee submitted a certification showing that it is in full compliance, and indeed, the IRM report is complete and has already been posted publicly. Based on its review, *RCMS found the Installed Capacity Subcommittee in full compliance with Measurement A-M1*

### 3.4. Procedures for Maintenance of Load Flow, Short Circuit, and Stability Data (C-M9)

RCMS reviewed requirement C-M9, the procedures for maintenance of load flow, short circuit, and stability data. The NYISO's Zach Smith led the review. Mr. Smith noted that the NYISO already reviews all NYISO-developed load flow cases, but that NYISO is currently formalizing its data review procedures, and he therefore canvases the committees for recommendations regarding the current procedures. The group then made a variety of recommendations, including the introduction of HVDC checks, enhanced transformer data checks, and checks on allowed solution parameters.

At the conclusion of the discussion, Mr. Clayton asked when these procedures were going out for public review. Mr. Smith responded that the procedures will be included in the next revision to the System Analysis Data Manual, which NYISO will review publicly using its stakeholder process, and that the NYISO hopes to have this ready for a voting review in time for the August meeting.

### 3.5. Reliability Rules Exception Review (E-M9)

E-M9 is not due for certification until September, however, as of now, no market participants have requested reliability rules exceptions.

### 3.6. NYCA 2010 Transmission Review (K-M2a)

Mr. Smith gave a PowerPoint presentation on the NYISO's 2010 Transmission Review. The 2010 review is a comprehensive review, due on March 17 and Mr. Smith stated that he hoped to have a draft report on the review due later in the current day (i.e. March 3; Action Item 134-4).

### 3.7. Compliance Reviews Scheduled for Next Meeting

Requirements A-M2 and K-M2a are due for review at the next meeting.

## **4. Policy 4 Revision Update**

Mr. Adamson reviewed RCMS Policy 4 for the benefit of RRS members not familiar with it, noting that RCMS's Policy 4 serves a similar role to RRS's Policy 1. Mr. Adamson then handed out a sheet of his thoughts on the current revision process and asking new members especially for their thoughts. He then noted that the Executive Committee (EC) knows that the Policy 4 revision is in progress and that input on the revision is therefore due back to him by March 10 (Action Item 134-5).

## **5. NYISO / NPCC / NERC Activities**

### 5.1. NYISO 2011 NERC / NPCC Compliance Program Status

Mr. Grant briefly discussed a likely NPCC spot-audit of the NYISO. No date for this audit has as yet been given.

### 5.2. NPCC Standards / Criteria Development Update

No report.

### 5.3. NERC Standards Development Update

Mr. Grant noted that NERC has a frequency response standard under development. He then noted that FERC recently issued a report (based on a study performed by Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory) on frequency response which seemed to indicate the Eastern Interconnection did not perform as well as the other interconnects in frequency response. Finally, Mr. Grant noted that for its study, FERC used an old NYISO Wind Study, and that NYISO might provide the most recent wind study with its comments to the report.

### 5.4. NPCC Compliance Committee Report

Mr. Grant handed out the NYISO's tracking sheet for all NERC and NPCC requirements. Mr. Clayton then asked if this was a monthly occurrence, and upon learning that it was, requested that it be included ahead of time with the meeting materials going forward. Mr. Grant agreed to check which parts could be made public prior to the document's being posted with future meeting materials (Action Item 134-6).

### 5.5. Other NYISO, NPCC, and NERC Activities

No report.

## **6. Reports**

### 6.1. NYSRC EC Meeting Report

This was covered as part of the RRS meeting.

### 6.2. NYSRC ICS Report

This was covered as part of the RRS meeting.

## **7. Additional Agenda Items**

### 7.1. RCMS Scope Review

Paul Kiernan asked if there was a timeline for the RCMS Scope Review. Mr. Adamson replied that there is no set timeline, that the review is an ongoing process.

### 7.2. Non-Agenda Items

Mr. Clayton asked the group for suggestions on ways to make the combined meetings run more efficiently. No suggestions were made.

The meeting closed at 2:04 pm.

**8. Next Meeting: Thursday, March 31, 2011, 9:30 am @ NYSERDA, 17 Columbia Circle, Albany, NY**