Final Minutes
New York State Reliability Council
Reliability Compliance Monitoring Subcommittee (RCMS)

Meeting #4- March 15, 2000
NYISO

Members and Alternates:

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Mike DeLaura New York Power Authority
John Muir Consolidated Edison Company of New York
Curt Dahl Keyspan Energy
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* did not attend

Guests

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Agenda Items- (Item # from Meeting Agenda)

1.0 Introduction

John Muir was introduced as a replacement for Soheir Mikhail, both from Con Edison.

2.0 Approval of Agenda

The agenda was reviewed and approved with several adjustments.

3.0 Approve RCMS Minutes of Meeting #3 on February 17, 2000

The minutes from the February 17, 2000 meeting were approved with changes. The changes will be made and the final minutes will be distributed to RCMS and to Joe Fleury for posting on the NYSRC web site.

4.0 Review of NYSRC/ISO March 8, 2000 Meeting

Mr. Adamson reported on both the February 24 meeting of NYSRC with NPCC and the March 8 meeting with NYISO. A major topic was getting ISO reports on criteria.
violations that go to NPCC. Transmission Operation rule 2.1 requires reports on such violations within 72 hrs. Mr. Campoli agreed that the ISO will copy NYSRC on such reports at the time they are filed with NPCC. It was decided that CMAS would be asked to use two contact people for NYS, one for RCMS as well as one for ISO. Greg Campoli will be the contact person for RCMS.

5.0 CMAS Activities

Mr. DeLaura reported on NPCC CMAS activities. NPCC legal is drafting language to set up an enforceable compliance program (ECP). There is some sense at CMAS that monetary sanctions are not effective and may skew reliability. Other forms of sanctions such as letters to regulators may prove more effective. It was reported that CMAS would receive RCMS compliance documents and report out on these at NPCC for information but that there would be no oversight role for NPCC over RCMS.

6.0 Approval of Compliance Review Process

Mr. Adamson reported on changes to the compliance process diagrams that the group agreed to at the last meeting. The new diagrams with changes were approved.

7.0 Compliance Templates

RCMS members were assigned to fill out templates as follows:

**Action Item #4-1- due April 11 (distributed to RCMS members)**

3.1.2 AA (R.A.R1.M1)
3.1.3.1 GC (R.A.R3.MI AND R.A.R.3.M2)
3.1.4 GC
4.1.6 GC (R.R1.M1 AND R.R1.M2)
4.1.5 JM, CD (LRR.R1.M1 THRU LRR.R5.M1)
4.1.8 GC (Template for operating data from ISO to RCMS)

8.0 Approval of RCMS 2000 Compliance Program

Mr. Adamson presented a preliminary reliability compliance program which was reviewed by RCMS. Some changes were suggested by the group and Mr. Adamson agreed to make the changes and email to RCMS by 3/17. It was noted that these are preliminary plans and are expected to evolve as the plan proceeds.

**Action Item #4-2: Mr. Adamson agreed to make the changes to the 2000 compliance program and distribute to the RCMS- due 3/17.**

9.0 RCMS Assessments

9.1 Locational capacity requirements- CD and JM were assigned to assess compliance with 3.1.2 and will draft a template assessing compliance. Mr. Adams reported on an ISO locational ICAP study and distributed a draft copy.
The preliminary conclusions were that NYS can meet the 0.1 days per year criteria this summer (Indian Pt 2 was assumed in service). Hudson-Farragut PAR is out of service and will reduce transfer capability from 1000 MW to 550 MW for the summer period (it was unclear if operating constraints inside the Public Service system limited transfers on this tie to about 600 MW and so the PAR causes a minor reduction of 50 MW). The equipment that failed was at the Public Service end and a back-up transformer failed testing. In addition, Mr. Adams reported that load diversity was being reduced across the state. The stage 1 filing at FERC would implement the new rules and an 18% LSE ICAP requirement. Mr. Adams agreed to forward the ISO ICAP report so that it could be distributed to RCMS.

9.2 Capacity study procurement scope- The study assessing the reliability of a six month procurement period kicks off on 3/17. The Brattle Group was selected to perform the study.

9.3 ISO Operating data requirements- Mr. Campoli presented several ISO monthly operating reports for information. It was acknowledged that this action item (AI #2-3) was continuing and should be reported on at the April RCMS meeting.

9.4 ISO T&I queue update- Mr. DeLaura handed out an updated project list that includes 51 proposals and reported on issues discussed at TPAS. Mr. Delaura agreed to draft a letter to TPAS indicating that RCMS is concerned that reliability be stressed in studies made of these proposed projects.

9.5 Status of NY comprehensive transmission review- Mr. DeLaura reported that the ISO made a report to TPAS on the comprehensive review. The bottom line is that the transmission system is in full compliance. No major problems were found based on the analysis done. TPAS will comment on the study by 4/4 and a draft will be forwarded to the Operating Committee and to NPCC’s TFSS by 5/10. RCMS asked the ISO to make a presentation to RCMS at its April meeting.

9.6 Upcoming assessments- Mr. Adamson discussed these under previous items.

Action Item #4.3- CD and JM agreed to assess compliance with 3.1.2 and draft a template for assessing compliance- due by the May RCMS meeting.

Action Item #4.4- MD agreed to draft a letter to TPAS indicating RCMS is concerned that reliability be stressed in studies done for proposed new transmission and generation- due by April 11.

10.0 TPAS Reactive Study

Mr. Delaura indicated that no progress has been made on the ISO reactive study. RCMS expressed its concern that no progress is being made and that this could have implications on the reliability of the power system.

11.0 ISO Technical Information Exchange Meeting
Mr. Campoli reported that NPCC has been asked to make a presentation on its compliance efforts and requirements. In addition the TIE meeting will be used to report on the rollout of the NYISO compliance program. RCMS will also report on its roll in reliability compliance. A meeting was tentatively set for RCMS, and the ISO to discuss the reliability compliance program for 2000. NPCC would also be invited. April 5 or 6 would be the date.

12.0 NYSRC manpower requirements

Mr. Cassaza reported that the letter to the EC from RCMS alerting it to the manpower requirements for RCMS to conduct it compliance program was sent.

13.0 Action Item Review

The action items developed during the meeting were reviewed. It was agreed that completed action items would be reviewed and crossed off the list at the next meeting.

14.0 AOB

Mr. Adamson asked if there were any comments on the draft letter from Mr. Bolbrock to Mr. Museler conveying the NYSRC compliance program for 2000. RCMS reviewed the letter and approved it. Mr. Adamson also handed out the compliance program check list and a draft presentation on the compliance program for the EC meeting on 3/24.

Action Item #4-5- RCMS members should review the compliance checklist- due by next meeting.