

2013 IRM STUDY PROCESS MILESTONES

ICS/EC Meeting Date*/Month	2013 IRM Study Process**
February 1	-Prepare initial 2013 IRM Study Assumptions & Modeling Enhancements Matrix (ICS/NYISO). -Identify potential non-standard modeling enhancements, e.g., APA/EFORd model (ICS/NYISO).
February	-Continue to prepare base case assumptions and development of potential non-standard modeling enhancements (NYISO). -NYISO & TPAS begin preparation of transmission topology.
March 1	-Update 2013 IRM Study Assumptions & Modeling Enhancements Matrix (ICS/NYISO).
March	-NYISO staff & TPAS continue preparation of transmission topology. -Continue to prepare base case assumptions and development of non-standard modeling enhancements (NYISO). -Begin preparation of white papers on potential non-standard modeling enhancements (NYISO/ICS).
April 1	-Continue to update 2013 IRM Study Assumptions & Modeling Enhancement Matrix (ICS/NYISO).
April	-NYISO staff & TPAS continue preparation of transmission topology. -NYISO staff reviews GADS data. -NYISO staff updates new MARS software as necessary. -Continue to prepare base case assumptions and modeling enhancements (NYISO). -NYISO begins base case build-up. -Complete development of non-standard model(s) (NYISO). -Complete non-standard model white paper(s) (NYISO).
May 1	-Continue to update 2013 IRM Study Assumptions & Modeling Enhancement Matrix (ICS/NYISO). -Review and approve non-standard model white paper(s) (ICS). -If applicable, ICS approves use of new MARS version.
May	-NYISO staff & TPAS complete preparation of transmission topology. -Continue to prepare base case assumptions and modeling enhancements (NYISO).
June 1	-Based on non-standard model white paper(s), identify those non-standard modeling enhancements which have been developed sufficiently for potential 2013 Study use, and those that need an additional year before being fully implemented (ICS). -Continue to update 2013 IRM Study Assumptions & Modeling Enhancement Matrix (ICS/NYISO). -NYISO delivers transmission topology to ICS.
June	-Calculate IRM impacts of potential non-standard modeling enhancements using 2012 base case assumptions and IRM sensitivity test methodology (NYISO). Results to be included in Assumptions Matrix. -MARS benchmarking as necessary (NYISO). -Continue to prepare base case assumptions (NYISO). -ICS reviews transmission topology and modifies as required. -NYISO begins master input file preparation. -NYISO & GE conduct preliminary data quality assurance reviews.
July 1	-Final 2012 IRM Study Assumptions & Modeling Enhancement Matrix, including new non-standard models , approved by ICS and EC.
July	-NYISO completes initial master input file preparation. -NYISO performs parametric studies. -NYISO & GE conduct data quality assurance reviews. -Masked/encrypted input data provided to TOs for data quality assurance review (NYISO).
August 1	
August	-NYISO, GE and TOs conduct data quality assurance reviews. -NYISO conducts preliminary base case study. -Tan 45 analysis calculates preliminary base case IRM (ICS/NYISO). -ICS prepares list of proposed sensitivity cases. -Final master file completed (NYISO). -NYISO begins to share MARS output files with ICS members for review.

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September 1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -ICS approves preliminary base case IRM. -EC reviews preliminary base case IRM. -EC approves list of sensitivity cases.
September	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -NYISO, GE and TOs complete data quality assurance reviews. -NYISO begins sensitivity testing based on preliminary base case. -NYISO staff/LFWG prepares Fall load forecast.
October 1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Fall load forecast delivered to ICS (NYISO). -ICS reviews and approves preliminary sensitivity results. -EC reviews preliminary sensitivity results.
October	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Complete sensitivity testing and prepare Table 2 (ICS/NYISO). -ICS conducts base case study. -Tan 45 analysis calculates final base case IRM (ICS/NYISO). -ICS prepares preliminary draft IRM report. -Table 1 prepared (adjust preliminary base case results as necessary) (ICS). -NYISO shares output MARS files with ICS members for their review.
November 1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -ICS approves Table 1 (parametric 2012 vs. 2013 IRM impact comparison) and Table 2 (sensitivity cases), and provides to the EC for review. -ICS agrees preliminary draft IRM report can go the EC for review. -ICS approves final base case IRM. -EC approves final base case IRM and sensitivity case results. -EC reviews preliminary draft IRM report.
November	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -NYISO completes any remaining uncompleted studies. -ICS reviews all study results. -Additional NYISO, GE and TO data quality assurance reviews as needed. -ICS prepares final draft IRM report.
December 1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -ICS agrees final draft IRM report can go to the EC for approval. -EC approves IRM report, Final IRM and IRM resolution.
December	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Issue 2013 IRM letter to NYISO CEO (EC). -Issue press release (EC). -IRM Filing to FERC if required (EC).

* Approximate or nominal date of ICS and EC meetings.

** Proposed 2013 IRM Study process milestone changes from 2012 IRM Study are highlighted in red.