

### Draft 2017-2018 IRM STUDY SCHEDULE AND PROCESS MILESTONES

Month	ICS Meeting	EC Meeting	2017-2018 IRM Study Milestones
	Assignments for month		
January	1/7/16	1/8/16	-Identify issues needing to be addressed going forward (issues, lessons learned, and potential white papers) -ICS determines if white papers are needed.
February	2/3/16	2/11/16	-Review initial 2017-2018 IRM Study Assumptions Matrix.
	ICS/NYISO		-Prepare draft scope of white papers. -NYISO begins preparation of transmission topology.
March	3/2/16	3/11/16	-Updated 2017 IRM Study Assumptions Matrix. -Review and accept white paper scopes.
	ICS/NYISO		-Begin preparation of white papers.
April	3/29/16	4/8/16	-Updated 2017 IRM Study Assumptions Matrix.
	ICS/NYISO		-NYISO reviews GADS data. -NYISO updates new MARS software and benchmarks as necessary. -NYISO begins base case build-up used for parametric analysis.
May	5/4/16	5/13/16	-Updated 2017 IRM Study Assumptions Matrix. -Based on presentation of completed white papers, determine whether proposed modeling enhancements have been developed sufficiently for use in the 2017 Study. -If applicable, ICS approves use of new MARS version.
	ICS/NYISO		-NYISO completes preparation of transmission topology and brings to TPAS for review.
June	6/1/16	6/10/16	-NYISO submits transmission topology to ICS. -Based on presentation of completed white papers, determine whether proposed modeling enhancements have been developed sufficiently for use in the 2017 Study. -Updated 2017 IRM Study Assumptions Matrix. -ICS accepts transmission topology
July	7/8/16	6/29/16	-Preliminary 2017 IRM Study Assumptions Matrix approved by ICS and EC. -Based on presentation of completed white papers, determine whether proposed modeling enhancements have been developed sufficiently for use in the 2017 Study.
	ICS/NYISO		-NYISO completes initial master input file preparation – send to GE by 7/31 -NYISO performs parametric study to be used as the basis for Table 6-1 of IRM Study report. -ICS prepares list of proposed sensitivity cases. -Initial masked/encrypted input data provided to TOs for data quality assurance review (NYISO).
August	8/3/16	8/12/16	-ICS reviews and approves sensitivity test methodology -ICS and EC approves list of sensitivity cases.
	8/15/16	----	-ICS reviews and approves parametric study results including tan 45 analysis.
	ICS/NYISO		

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September	8/30/16	9/9/16	-ICS approves preliminary base case IRM. -EC reviews preliminary base case IRM.
	ICS/NYISO		-NYISO, GE and TOs complete preliminary base case data quality assurance reviews. -NYISO begins sensitivity testing based on preliminary base case. -NYISO staff/LFWG prepares Fall load forecast.
October	10/5/16	10/14/16	-Fall load forecast delivered to ICS (NYISO). -NYISO reports any preliminary quality assurance review findings. -ICS reviews and approves preliminary sensitivity results. -EC reviews preliminary sensitivity results. -ICS and EC approve Final 2017 IRM Base Case Assumptions.
	ICS/NYISO		-Complete sensitivity testing. -ICS conducts base case study and determines final base case including tan 45 analysis and IRM. -ICS prepares initial draft IRM report including tables 6-1 and 7-1.
November	11/2/16	11/10/16	-ICS approves Tables 6-1 and 7-1, and submits to the EC for review. -ICS and EC reviews and provides comments on initial draft IRM report. -ICS approves final base case IRM. -EC approves final base case IRM and sensitivity case results. -The need for a Special Sensitivity Case is identified.
	ICS/NYISO		-ICS reviews all study results. -If needed, prepare Special Sensitivity Case that reflects any base case assumption revisions following EC approval of Final Base Case Assumptions (this task could run through November 15). -Complete final base case quality assurance reviews by November 15. -ICS prepares final draft IRM report. -By November 15, ICS meets to determine if IRM-LCR curves are needed for Special Sensitivity Study. -As needed, a Special Sensitivity Case study is conducted including a Tan 45 analysis (NYISO).
December	11/28/16	12/2/16	-ICS approves, as needed, a Special Sensitivity Case to be included in Table 7-1. -ICS agrees final draft 2017 IRM report can go to the EC for approval. -EC approves 2017 IRM report, Final 2017 IRM, and IRM resolution.
	12/15/16	12/16/16	-If directed by EC, ICS will deliver a revised IRM report incorporating special sensitivity results.
	ICS/NYISO		-Issue 2017 IRM letter to NYISO CEO (EC). -Issue press release on 2017 IRM (EC). -IRM Filing to FERC if required (EC). -Prepare LCR realignment study if Final 2017 IRM is less than base case IRM (NYISO). -Special meeting to approve LCR realignment study if needed (ICS).