

MEETING OF RELIABILITY COMPLIANCE MONITORING SUBCOMMITTEE

Minutes – RCMS Meeting #307 – 10:00 am, Thursday, September 3, 2026

RCMS Members and Alternates:

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1.1 Executive Session

The Chair called the meeting to order and inquired whether there were any items to report from the executive session.

- No items were raised.

1.2 Requests for Additional Agenda Items

The Chair invited requests for additional agenda items. .No additional agenda items were requested

2. Approval of Minutes / Action Items

2.1 RCMS Draft Minutes #306 (July 9, 2026)

- The Chair reviewed the minutes from the July 9 meeting and opened the floor for comments, and two minor changes related to the names in attendance and spelling were brought up by NYISO and will be corrected in the final minutes corrected.
- The Chair reviewed the minutes and opened the floor for comments, and none were raised
- Damien made the motion to approve the meeting minutes and was seconded by Robert Houston. The motion carried without objection.

2.2 RCMS #306 Status Report to Executive Committee

The Chair provided an update on the July 17 EC meeting, during which the EC was briefed on the compliance items submitted by NISO. The compliance presentation reflected the standard full compliance review, and no questions were raised by the EC. Also, no new compliance items were identified or added.

No questions were raised regarding the report.

2.3 RCMS Action Items List

- No action items were reported.

3. NYSRC 2024-2026 Reliability Compliance Monitoring Program

3.1 2026 Reliability Compliance Scorecard/Tracker

The compliance scorecard attached to the meeting materials was reviewed, and the Chair asked for any comments. The tracker, which includes activities completed year-to-date, was also reviewed. No questions, edits, or comments were raised, and the tracker was considered to be in good shape.

3.2. Black Start Provider requirements [F.1: R3]

- Chair introduced the Blackstart Provider Requirements (F.1, R.3) and requested that Raj Dontireddy-Manager Operations Engineering provide a high-level overview of the ISO readiness report.
- Raj provided an update on Blackstart facilities and Blackstart testing.
- ISO has identified Blackstart generators for the NYISO restoration plan, including generators located at NYISO plants and Blackstart providers outside NYISO facilities.
- NYISO coordinates with NYPA for the required quarterly/annual testing and receives documentation confirming that the required tests were successfully completed. Similar testing is performed for the Con Edison system
- Testing includes verification of key facility components and backup batteries, including the ability of the Blackstart generator to perform its intended function without external support during the test.
- NYISO receives separate certifications/notices from the applicable generators and Con Edison confirming successful completion of the required testing.
- The Chair noted that the NYISO restoration plan includes three Blackstart generators and is structured around establishing three islands and subsequently synchronizing the islands. Backup restoration arrangements are also available.
- Con Edison has multiple Blackstart resources and alternative restoration plans that may use different generators depending on the circumstances. The Con Edison restoration arrangements may also rely on the NYISO backup restoration plan.
- NYISO certified that the required Blackstart capabilities identified in the applicable NYSRC requirements were reviewed and maintained.
- The Blackstart Providers maintain a list of critical components and supporting documentation. Blackstart Providers have developed the required test procedures and specifications. Blackstart Providers have met the applicable NYISO training requirements.
- Raj certified that the information presented was true and accurate.
- Members were invited to raise questions regarding the ISO readiness report and Blackstart requirements. No questions were raised.

3.3 Operations Monthly Report (July 2026) [C.8: R1]

- Greg Campoli from NYISO presented the July operations report
- July peak load was approximately 31,097 MW, recorded on July 2.
- The previous peak was approximately 33,956 MW. Occurred on 07/19/26
- No major emergencies were reported during the month.
- The report included 7 alert states, including four ACE-related events.

- Reserve activations, simultaneous reserve activations, control errors, emergency actions, and special-case resource activations were reviewed.
- The report also identified 8 reserve activations and zero instances of TLR 3 declarations
- Three NERC/NPCC reportable DCS events
 - July 1: SAR and RPU were initiated for the loss of Bowline 1
 - July 2: SAR and RPU were initiated for the loss of Oswego 6
 - July 4: SAR and RPU were initiated for the loss of CHPE
- Members were invited to provide questions or comments regarding the July report.
- No questions were raised.

August Operations Report

- August peak load was approximately 28,284 MW, recorded on August 6.
- No major emergencies were reported during the month.
- The report included two alert states, including one ACE-related event.
- The report included approximately 8 thunderstorm alert events.
- Five reserve activations were reported, including four simultaneous reserve activations involving New England, Ontario, and New York.
- Special-case resource EBRP activations were also reviewed.
- One NERC/NPCC reportable DCS events occurred on August 19, involving activation of shared reserves and reserve pickup associated with the loss of CHPE load.
- Members were invited to provide questions or comments regarding the August report.
- No questions were raised.

4. NYISO/NERC/NPCC Compliance Program and Activity Status

4.1 NPCC Compliance Committee Report

- NYISO mentioned nothing major to report. An update was provided regarding the upcoming face-to-face meeting in September in Quebec City. The meeting will include focused discussions on various reliability-related topics, similar to the focused discussions conducted by NERC committees. The September discussion will focus on facility ratings, including experience with FAC-001, FAC-008, the facility ratings development process, and the ratings communication process.
- It was noted that the topic has relatively limited impact on NYISO but provides an opportunity for facility owners and other participants to discuss the ratings development and communication processes.

4.2 Other NYISO, NPCC, and NERC Activities

No further updates were provided at this time. The Chair acknowledged ongoing coordination activities and noted that no additional items required RCMS action or discussion.

5. Reports

None

6. Next RCMS Meeting #305: Thursday, October 1, 2026 (Webex)

- The next RCMS meeting (Meeting #308) is scheduled for Thursday, October1, 2026, via WebEx.
- There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned. Dan Head moved the motion to adjourn, and Robert Houston seconded it