# Joint Meeting of the New York State Reliability Council, L.L.C. (NYSRC) Reliability Rules Subcommittee (RRS)/ Reliability Compliance Monitoring Subcommittee (RCMS) NYSERDA, 17 Columbia Circle, Albany, NY Thursday, March 6, 2014

# Minutes of RCMS Meeting No. 170

#### **RCMS Members and Alternates:**

Roger Clayton, Electric Power Resources (Chairman)
Zoraini Rodriguez, LIPA (phone)
Doug Voos, LIPA (phone)
Brian Shanahan, National Grid (phone)
Dan Head, CONED (Vice Chairman)
Wayne Sipperly, NYPA (Secretary)
Larry Hochberg, NYPA
Brian Gordon, NYSEG (phone)

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

Al Adamson, NYSRC Consultant Jim Grant, NYISO

### 1. Introduction

### 1.1. Executive Session

None requested.

### 1.2. Requests for Additional Agenda Items

Mr. Grant requested an additional agenda item for preliminary discussion with regards to the pending 2013 certification for Reporting of ICCP Data Communications Disruptions (J-M3). Item 6.1 was added to the agenda accordingly.

# 2. Approval of Minutes / Action Items

### 2.1 Approval of RCMS Minutes #168

The meeting minutes were approved after the formatting modifications provided by Mr. Adamson.

### 2.2 RCMS Action Items List

<u>Action Item 160-1</u>: No new updates provided. <u>Action Item 160-2</u>: No new updates provided.

# 3. NYSRC 2014 Reliability Compliance Monitoring Program

### 3.1 2014 Scorecard

Mr. Adamson noted that the 2014 Scorecard was approved by the EC at the February meeting.

### 3.2 January & February 2014 Operating Reports (K-M2d)

Mr. Grant provided the January 2014 and February 2014 Operations Reports to RCMS. It was noted that the NYCA all time high winter peak load of 25,738 MW occurred in January 2014 as a result of extreme winter cold weather. The previous record of 25,541 MW occurred in December 2004. RCMS had no questions or comments and the reports were accepted by RCMS.

### 3.3 Establishing the NYCA IRM Requirement (A-M1)

Mr. Clayton noted that the Installed Capacity Committee (ICS) of the NYSRC is responsible for conducting the annual resource adequacy study and reporting the results for the self-certification of this measure. The NYSRC ICS certifies that they are in full compliance. Mr. Head made a motion that RCMS finds the NYSRC in full compliance with A-M1 for 2013 and it was seconded by Mr. Hochberg. No further discussion and none opposed or abstained.

### 3.4 Procedures for Resource Verification Capacity Testing (C-M1)

Mr. Grant noted that this is a measure that the NYISO would like to have the RRS consider dividing into two separate Requirements in PRR REP-03 as discussed earlier at the RRS #175 meeting. The NYISO provided the applicable sections of the Installed Capacity Manual, Ancillary Services Manual, and Technical Bulletin #126 that detail real and reactive testing requirements for market participants as evidence that the NYISO is in full compliance with C-M1. Mr. Adamson stated that he reviewed the evidence and that it supported compliance with C-M1. Mr. Adamson also noted that the self-certification format submitted by the NYISO for C-M1 certification needs to be updated to be consistent with other certifications. Mr. Grant agreed to review and update the certification format going forward. Mr. Head made a motion that RCMS finds the NYISO in full compliance with C-M1 for 2013 and it was seconded by Mr. Hochberg. No further discussion and none opposed or abstained.

# 3.5 Compliance Assessments for Next Meeting – 2013 Transmission Review (B-M1 to B-M3, I-M4, K-M2a, K-M3)

Mr. Adamson stated that the 2013 NYCA Annual Transmission Review (ATR) is scheduled to be reviewed as part of K-M2a certification at the next RCMS meeting. Review of the last NYCA ATR identified a number of potential areas of concern which RCMS will focus on as part of the 2013 ATR certification review. Mr. Grant confirmed that the NYISO will be prepared to discuss

any areas of concern and that Mr. Zack Smith will be available to field questions regarding the 2013 NYCA ATR.

### 4. NYISO/NPCC/NERC Activities

### 4.1 NYISO 2014 NERC/NPCC Compliance Program Status

Mr. Grant stated that the NYISO successfully completed a 693 NPCC audit of its Transmission Operator (TOP), Reliability Coordinator (RC), and Balancing Authority (BA) functional registrations. An audit of these function registrations is completed once every 3 years. Mr. Adamson stated that RCMS should review the public version of the audit report when it becomes available. Mr. Grant indicated that he will notify RCMS when the public version of the audit report is posted.

Mr. Grant provided the NYISO 2014 NERC/NPCC/NYSRC Program Schedule and Compliance Status document for RCMS review. Mr. Adamson identified that the document header needs to be updated for the current year as well as dates identified in the "Date Submitted" field need to be validated. Mr. Grant agreed to review the document internally with NYISO stakeholders and update as needed to address the concerns raised. Mr. Adamson also questioned the NYISO's compliance regarding NPCC Directory #1 as there are many areas covered by this directory but only one entry in the document for NPCC Directory #1 compliance. Mr. Grant stated that the NYISO demonstrates compliance for all the various sections associated with NPCC Directory #1 and roles that into one entry for this document.

### 4.2 NPCC Standards/Criteria Development Update

This was reported in the RRS meeting.

### 4.3 NERC Standards Development Update

This was reported in the RRS meeting.

### 4.4 NPCC Compliance Committee Report

Nothing new to report.

### 4.5 Other NYISO, NPCC, and NERC Activities

None

# 5. Reports

### 5.1 NYSRC EC Meeting Report

This was reported in the RRS meeting.

### 5.2 NYSRC ICS Report

This was reported in the RRS meeting.

### 6. Additional Agenda Items.

### 6.1 J-M3: Report of ICCP Data Communications Disruptions

Mr. Grant reported that on February 23, 2014 the NYISO experienced a communications failure that resulted in disruption of the SCADA system which required the NYISO to move operations to the alternate Control Center and continue operations using metering data. The event lasted approximately 42 minutes before communications were restored and the SCADA system resumed normal operation. Investigation of the incident has determined that the loss of SCADA was the result of a backup server that did not operate upon a failure of the primary server. Mr. Grant stated that the official event report is currently being reviewed/finalized by NYISO staff and will be provided to the RCMS when complete. Mr. Clayton reminded Mr. Grant that the NYISO is required to provide the written report to RCMS within one month of the event.

# **7. Next Meeting #171:**

The next RCMS meeting #171 is scheduled on Thursday, April 3, 2014; 9:30 am @ NYSERDA, 17 Columbia Circle, Albany, NY.

The meeting was closed at 11:56 am