

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

Meeting #11- November 1, 2000
@ NMPC REGIONAL CONTROL CENTER

Members and Alternates:

George Loehr	Unaffiliated
Ron Halsey	Niagara Mohawk Power Corporation
Alan M. Adamson	Consultant
Gregory A. Campoli	New York Independent System Operator
John Muir	Consolidated Edison Company of New York
Yuri Fishman	Keyspan Energy
Keith O'Neal	New York Public Service Commission
Ralph Rufrano	New York Power Authority
* did not attend	

Guests

None

Agenda Items- (Item # from Meeting Agenda)

1.0 Introduction

It was noted that all members of the subcommittee were present.

2.0 Approval of Agenda

The agenda was reviewed and approved.

3.0 Approve RCMS Minutes of Meeting #10 on September 28, 2000

The minutes from the July 28, 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 Action Items

Previous action items were reviewed and the list was updated to reflect completed actions.

5.0 New Executive Committee Open Session Policy

Mr. Loehr updated RCMS on the actions of the EC at its latest meeting. This included an update of the new policy on open meetings in which outside parties with an interest will be able to attend EC meetings. The policy will be extended to the subcommittees as well. It will begin January 2001. Mr. Campoli suggested that those who wish to attend provide at least a seven day notice so that room logistics can be arranged.

6.0 Compliance Review Results/Summary Form: For Approval

Mr. Campoli distributed a summary compliance form intended to document progress in the compliance progress being made. There were a few suggestions for the form and the group decided that it should be updated to reflect the compliance reviews completed by RCMS to date.

AI#11-1, Mr. Campoli will make the noted changes to the summary form and distribute to the RCMS by Nov 6. It then will be forwarded to Joe Fleury in time to be considered by the EC at its November 13 meeting.

7.0 Compliance Templates: for Approval

The updated templates were handed out and discussed. Mr. Halsey suggested that the templates should be put through the open review process in the way new rules are. RCMS agreed and will present the templates to the EC at its Nov 13 meeting for approval and request that it go through the open review process.

AI #11-2, RCMS should review the templates and make any comment by Nov 3 so that Mr. Adamson can incorporate them and pass them along to the EC on Nov 6.

8.0 NYSRC Compliance Monitoring Procedure: for Approval

The group reviewed the procedure. The procedure was approved.

AI #11-3, RCMS will present the NYSRC Monitoring Procedure to the EC at its Nov 13 meeting for approval.

9.0 RCMS Compliance Reviews

9.1 Local rules #1-5: Oversight Review of ISO Assessments

Mr. Campoli handed out templates for the local reliability rules and RCMS reviewed and discussed them. Mr. Adamson noted that the NYISO has some responsibility for local reliability rules in terms of implementation and, therefore, it is appropriate that measurements exist for this responsibility.

AI #11-4, RCMS will review the ISO assessment of compliance for Local Reliability Rules 1-5 (excluding rule 2). Due by next meeting.

9.2 NYISO DMNC Testing: Oversight Review of ISO Assessment

AI #11-5, Mr. Campoli will email the compliance report for R3M2 to RCMS before the next meeting for its review.

9.3 August and September Operating Reports

Mr. Campoli handed out the operating reports for the month of August and September for RCMS discussion. RCMS requested a report on the failed reserve pickup for the loss of a major unit that occurred in September.

9.4 LSE Capacity Responsibility: Status (due 12/12)

Mr. Campoli reported that a compliance report on RAR2M1 will be available at the next meeting.

AI #11-6, Mr. Campoli will make available a compliance report on RAR2M1 at the next RCMS meeting on 12/12.

10.0 CMAS Activities

Mr. Halsey provided an update on CMAS activities. CMAS has completed the 2000 compliance program. Of 37 planning measurements assessed, 95% were found compliant. Of 20 operating measurements assessed, 98% were found compliant. Phase III planning standards which will be assessed next year are out for comment. Document A8 describes the enforceable compliance program and includes a sanction matrix.

11.0 NPCC Pilot Review of NYISO Compliance with Select Criteria

Mr. Halsey reported that each area will be reviewed once every three years. By chance the NYISO was selected to be subject to a pilot review on operating reserve and facility connection criteria. Such reviews are scheduled in advance but the criteria to be reviewed are not disclosed until three weeks prior to the review. Mr. Halsey also noted that the RCMS request to be present as observers during the NYISO pilot review was denied in order that the review be as objective as possible. Mr. Halsey cited a letter he wrote to RCMS as chairman of CMAS dated October 27, indicating the denial. Mr. Loehr provided a draft letter in response expressing dismay at the denial. Mr. Loehr took comments on the draft letter and indicated he would pass it on to CMAS.

12.0 2001 NYRCP Assessments

Mr. Adamson reported on the need for a compliance plan for next year. Discussion centered on developing a plan in view of NERC phase III which is scheduled for next year, and concentrating on New York specific reliability rules. The plan would be to review compliance with all rules every three years.

AI #11-7, Mr. Adamson agreed to develop a specific list of rules to be reviewed as part of the 2001 NYRCP. Due by next meeting.

13.0 NYSERDA Reliability Study

Mr. Loehr provided an update on the NYSERDA Transmission study. There was a meeting of the advisory committee on October 13. The plan is that the state energy planning board is writing the report that will go to the Governor and will be the official product of the legislative mandate. The GE study will be a public document but will not be included in the report. The final draft is due December 1.

14.0 Outlook for 2001 Summer NYCA G&T Adequacy

This issue was assigned to RRS at the last EC meeting.

15.0 TPAS/ISO Studies

The NYISO will undertake a long range transmission study and provide updates of the status of the study on its web site. Mr. Adamson agreed to distribute the scope of the study to RCMS. Con Edison has completed a short circuit duty study and developed a plan to alleviate the short circuit duty problem in the city. The resolution will cost about \$42 million. The allocation of the costs will be debated at the NYISO. There is currently about 5300 MW of proposed new generation in-city. This new generation would reduce NYC import levels by 1000 MW.

16.0 Ensuring Reliability Without the Paperwork

This was put over to the next meeting.

17.0 Other Business

Mr. O'Neal brought up the issue of "latent" operating reserves. He reported that the NYISO could not, at times, meet the NPCC requirement that ten minute operating reserve be replenished in 30 minutes following a contingency. He cited the NYISO's failure to comply with this requirement on May 8. The NYISO has studied the issue and believes that there regularly exists generation capability that has no day ahead contract or in-day obligation but is nevertheless available and can provide operating reserve if called on. The NYISO calls this capability "latent" reserves and monitors this capability including what can be available in ten and thirty minutes. Since this "latent" reserve is present on a regular basis there is no need to commit additional units day ahead to meet the NPCC 30 minute replenishment rule. Mr. O'Neal called into question the veracity of

“counting” such capability for operating reserve. While this is a compliance issue Mr. O’Neal agreed to raise the issue with RRS to determine if there is any rule making implications.

18.0 Action Item List

The group decided to review the action items after the minutes were compiled and circulated.

19.0 Next Meetings

Next meetings are: December 12 at NMPC regional control ctr near NYISO and January 12 at NYISO.