

*Joint Meeting of the  
New York State Reliability Council, L.L.C. (NYSRC)  
Reliability Rules Subcommittee (RRS)/  
Reliability Compliance Monitoring Subcommittee (RCMS)*

*RRS Meeting  
Thursday, March 6, 2014*

*Final Minutes of RRS Meeting #175*

**In Attendance:**

**RRS Members and Alternates:**

Roger Clayton, Electric Power Resources (Chairman)  
Wayne Sipperly, NYPA  
Larry Hochberg, NYPA (Vice Chairman)  
Dan Head, Con Ed  
Roy Pfleiderer, Nat Grid (Secretary)

Brian Shanahan, Nat Grid (phone)  
Doug Voos, LIPA (phone)  
Zoraini Rodriguez, LIPA (phone)  
Henry Wysocki, Con Ed (phone)  
Brian Gordon, NYSEG ( phone)  
Abhilash Gari, NYPA (phone)

**Non-Voting Participants:**

Al Adamson, NYSRC Consultant  
Jim Grant, NYISO  
Edward C. Schrom Jr., NYS DPS (phone)

## **Agenda Items**

### **1.0 Introduction**

RRS Meeting #175 was called to order by Mr. Clayton at 9:30 AM. Participants and guests introduced themselves.

#### **1.1. Executive Session**

Mr. Clayton asked for any executive session requests; none were requested.

#### **1.2. Requests for Additional Agenda Items**

Mr. Clayton asked for requests for additional agenda items.

Mr. Hochberg requested time to discuss the five tower rule exception found in the NYSRC's Design Criteria Contingencies Table A Contingency b.

## **2. Approval of Minutes/Action Items**

### **2.1 Approval of Minutes #174**

Mr. Pfleiderer will issue the final minutes of RRS #174 based upon minor revisions discussed by RRS.

### **2.2 RRS Action Item List**

AI 83-8 – No update

AI 87-5 –No update

AI 139-1 – No update

AI 141-1 – No update

AI 174 -1 – Completed

AI 174 -2 – Completed

AI 174 -3 – Completed

AI 174 -4 – Completed

AI 174 -5 – Mr. Clayton to request that the NYISO report on January cold wave and gas unit curtailments.- Ongoing

### **3. NYSRC Reliability Rules Development**

#### **3.1 List of Potential Reliability Rules Changes**

Mr. Clayton opened the discussion acknowledging there are three open PRRs : PRR 116, 117 & 118.

##### **3.1.1: PRR 116: SRP clarifications and Con Edison's Blackstart program**

No new action required by RRS. Mr. Clayton did report that the E.C. will discuss this PRR in Executive Session at their next meeting.

##### **3.1.2: PRR 117 BPS Facilities List – R. Clayton**

Mr. Clayton reported that the E.C. approved this PRR for posting. Comments due on or before April 3, 2014.

##### **3.1.3: PRR 118 Retirement of Protection Rules H-R1 & H-R2**

Mr. Clayton indicated that PRR 118 has been already approved for posting and comments are due by March 18, 2014.

### **4. Rules Enhancement Plan (REP)**

#### **4.1 List of REP PRRs**

RRS reviewed the present REP list. It was noted that REP-03 through REP-08 were posted for comments. Mr. Clayton reported that no comments were received for REP-04 through REP-07. Comments on REP-08 are due April 3, 2014. Comments were only received on REP-03 from the NYISO. Mr. Clayton will distribute the NYISO suggested re-write of this REP for RRS review prior to the next RRS meeting. (AI- 175-1)

The RRS reviewed the following REP PRRs :

**4.1.1 REP-09: F-R1 Mitigation of Major Emergencies ;** RRS recommended this PRR be sent to the E.C. for review and approval to post.

**4.1.2 REP-10: F-R2 Load Shedding;** RRS agreed to change the title of this PRR to *Under Frequency Load Shedding* and recommended this PRR be sent to the E.C. for review and approval to post.

**4.1.3 REP-11: J-R1 Control Center Communications;** RRS recommended this PRR be sent to the E.C. for review and approval to post.

#### **4.1.4 Review of REP Rule Section B: Transmission Planning**

The RRS reviewed a draft of the Transmission Planning section (Section B) of the Enhanced Rules dated 2/23/14 that was provided by Mr. Adamson. The RRS discussed this new format noting a new Table A will list only those NYSRC Performance Requirements that are more stringent or specific than NPCC Directory One Requirements. RRS members were asked to review this document for the next meeting. (AI 175-2)

#### **5. NPCC Directories**

Nothing new to report.

#### **6.0 NERC SARS/Organization Standards**

Nothing new to report.

#### **7.0 Additional Agenda Items**

##### **7.1 Requested discussion and review of the Five Tower Exception rule.**

Mr. Hochberg indicated that NYPA presently includes in their studies the double circuit loss of the 230 kV #61 and #64 circuits in the Niagara area. These circuits presently share eight common structures when exiting the Niagara 230 kV station.

He reported that NYPA is considering physically separating a portion of these double circuits such that this double circuit contingency need not be considered in their studies. He reported NYPA is considering physically separating the circuits on three of the eight structures such that these circuits share no more than five common tower structures when exiting Niagara.

He further indicated that NYPA believes that reducing to five structures meets the exception rule as portrayed in the Reliability Rules. He therefore requested that RRS consider this and provide their concurrence with this approach.

Mr. Gordon indicated that NYSEG used a similar approach for the #32 and #36 circuits in the Oakdale area. They reduced the number of common structures to avoid the double circuits contingency for the #32 and #36 circuits in the Oakdale area.

RRS concurred that reducing the common towers to five structures meets the NYSRC rules.

## **8. Reports**

### **8.1 NYSRC EC Meeting Report – R. Clayton**

Nothing new to report.

### **8.2 NYSRC ICS Meeting Report – A. Adamson**

Nothing new to report.

## **6. Next Meeting #176:**

The next RRS/RCMS joint meeting is scheduled for **Thursday**, April 3, **2014** at 9:30 AM in the NYSERDA offices located at 17 Columbia Circle, Albany, NY.

RRS meeting #175 was adjourned at 11:28 A.M.